

# 2014 RS Aero Long Distance Race & Dynamic Dollies Speed Challenge

August 12, 2016
Cascade Locks, Oregon
Organizing Authority: Columbia Gorge Racing Association (CGRA)

# **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. The US Sailing prescriptions to rules 60, 63.2 and 63.4 are deleted.
- 1.3. Racing Rule 40 is changed as follows: Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices (code flag Y need not be displayed).
- 1.4. There will be a single start for the 5, 7 and 9 RS Aero rigs.
- 1.5. In all rules governing this regatta;
  - 1.5.1. [DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the Jury; and
  - 1.5.2. [NP] denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

#### 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the notice board located on the south side of the CGRA Race Office.

#### 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

## 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flagpole on the point behind the CGRA Race Office.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.

# 5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Friday, August 12 10:00 am 10:30 am Noon		Check-in at CGRA Race Office Competitors Meeting Long Distance Race (warning signal)
	3:30 pm	<b>Dynamic Dollies Speed Challenge</b> (from the beach)
	4:30 pm 5:30 pm	Drinks & chips BBQ provided

#### 6. RACING AREA

6.1. The racing area will be the Columbia River northeast of the Cascade Locks Marine Park beach.

#### 7. COURSES

7.1. The diagrams in Attachment A show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

#### 8. MARKS

- 8.1. All turning marks will be yellow inflatable marks.
- 8.2. The starting marks will be the signal boat at the starboard end and an orange inflatable cylinder at the port end.
- 8.3. The finishing marks will be a race committee boat at the port end and an orange inflatable cylinder at the starboard end.

#### 9. THE START

- 9.1. The starting line for the Long Distance Race will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port end starting mark.
- 9.2. The Speed Challenge will start from the beach and competitors will race individually against the clock for 10 minutes.

#### 10. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

10.1. To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.

#### 11. THE FINISH

11.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat at the port end and the course side of the starboard end finishing mark.

#### **12. PENALTY SYSTEM**

12.1. Appendix P will apply, except that rule P2.2 and P2.3 will not apply and rule P2.1 is changed so that the word "first" is deleted.

#### 13. TIME LIMITS & TARGET TIMES

13.1. Target time for the long distance race will be 2 hours. Failure to meet the target time will not constitute grounds for redress.

## 14. PROTESTS & REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1. Protest forms are available at the CGRA Race Office. Protests and requests for redress must be filed at the Race Office within 1 hour after the last boat finishes the last race of the day. Docking time will be posted on the notice board.
- 14.2. The time and place of protest hearings will be posted on the notice board within 30 minutes of the protest filing deadline. This posting constitutes the notification required in rules 61.1(b) and 63.2. It is the responsibility of each participant to check the posted list of protest hearings.

## 15. SCORING

- 15.1. The long distance race will use the Portsmouth Yardstick to handicap results. The yardstick numbers used are the most current for the RS Aero from the UK RYA.
  - 15.1.1. RS Aero 9 1030
  - 15.1.2. RS Aero 7 1065
  - 15.1.3. RS Aero 5 1105

# 16. SAFETY REGULATIONS [DP][NP]

- 16.1. Boats shall not impede the passage of commercial vessels and shall comply with the <u>U.S. Inland Navigation Rules Act of 1980</u>. Boats that fail to comply promptly with signals from a committee boat to alter course, or that receive a 5-blast warning (5 short sounds) from a commercial vessel, will be subject to protest and possible disqualification.
- 16.2. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

#### 17. EQUIPMENT & MEASUREMENT CHECKS

17.1. Boats or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee official to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

#### 18. SUPPORT BOATS [DP][NP]

- 18.1. Support and coach boats must register at the Race Office during the check-in period.
- 18.2. During racing, support boats shall monitor the race committee VHF channel and remain more than 50 yards from the course area, except when asked to assist by the race committee.
- 18.3. Support and coach boats shall berth at the public dock in the Cascade Locks Marine Park Marina.

#### 19. TRASH DISPOSAL

19.1. As sailors, we seek to protect and restore our oceans and inland waters. See rule 55. Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.

# 20. RADIO COMMUNICATION [DP][NP]

20.1. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

#### 21. PRIZES

- 21.1. Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third in the Long Distance race.
- 21.2. Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third in the Speed Challenge.

# 22. RISK, DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY, & PERSONAL CONDUCT

- 22.1. Competitors participate in the regatta at their own risk. See Rule 4 (Decision to Race). The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.
- 22.2. Competitors will accept full responsibility for all their actions during any activity related to this event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the regatta.
- 22.3. Competitors are expected to abide by the Marine Park Rules as stated in NOR, Attachment C.

# **ATTACHMENT A: COURSE DIAGRAMS**

# Long Distance Course to sail:

Mark	Direction	Description
Start	Upwind	Mid-river near Stevenson
Windward Mark	Leave to Port	Off Cascade Locks Marine Park
Wing Mark #1	Leave to Port	Near Cascade Locks on Oregon side of the river
Wing Mark #2	Leave to Starboard	Near Stevenson on Washington side of the river
Wing Mark #3	Leave to Port	On Oregon side of the river east of the starting line
Wing Mark #4	Leave to Starboard	On Washington side 2/3rds of the way to Home Valley
Finish	Downwind	Off Home Valley on Washington side of the river

