## **Hood River Yacht Club Double Damned 2017**

## **Sailing Instructions**

Saturday, Aug 5th, 2017

- 1. Rules: The race will be governed by the current rules of sailing as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, 2017-2020 except as modified by the Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions, or class rules. The "Y" flag may be flown requiring PFDs.
- 2. Scoring: Time On Distance scoring will be used for PHRF results. Prizes will be awarded for PHRF fleet and may be awarded for One Design classes. The "first to finish" boat will be recognized on the Double Damned Perpetual Trophy Cup.
- 3. Special Rules for this event:
  - 1. Downwind Start: Boats may not have a spinnaker, gennaker, blooper, or any other flying sail hoisted prior to the starting signal.
  - 2. Safety: Interfering with commercial traffic by any boat may be a basis for disqualification. All boats must carry running lights which must be used after dark. All boats shall carry a working VHF and monitor channel 72 during the race. Any vessel providing assistance to another competitor or other mariner in distress during the course of the race shall receive redress for the time spent rendering such assistance.
  - 3. No boat shall pass beneath the Hood River Bridge span at the same time as commercial traffic. Doing so shall be grounds for disqualification.
  - 4. An operable outboard must be carried. Outboards stowed below must be able to be deployed in an emergency. Boats unable to comply with this provision may submit a request for a variance to the race committee not less than one week prior to the event.
- 4. Notices to Competitors: Changes to the sailing instructions may be made verbally at the competitor's meeting.
- 5. Check in: Check in shall be completed on the day of race at or prior to the competitor's meeting.
- 6. Starting line: The starting line shall be defined at the competitor's meeting.
- 7. Recalls: Individual and general recalls shall be hailed as defined by RRS 29, and additionally may be hailed by sail # on VHF 72. An individual boat that is over early and does not return to make a proper start or hoists early shall have 15 minutes added to their elapsed time on the course.
- 8. Course: By any course from the starting line to the finishing line excepting that the Hood River "Event Site" buoy, red nun # 36 must be left to starboard and boats may only pass thru the Hood River bridge lift span.
- 9. Finish line: Approx 1/4 mile BEFORE The Dalles Marina, between the large yellow hoist on a pier on the Oregon shore and a landmark of the Race Committee's selection on the Washington shore. The line shall be approximately perpendicular to the pier. The Race Committee shall be stationed on the pier. Racers are advised to finish in close visual proximity to the pier to ensure their finish is recorded by the Race Committee.
- 10. Time limit: No finishers will be scored after 2000.
- 11. Retirement: Any competitor retiring from the race <u>shall</u> notify the Race Committee via VHF or cell phone as promptly as possible.
- 12. Course Changes: Altered courses may be adopted at or before the competitor's meeting.
- 13. Racers are responsible for recording their midpoint GPS time when passing beneath the Hood River Bridge lift span. Midpoint times may be used to determine scoring as needed, however full course times shall be scored before midpoint times in the event that not all boats complete the full course.

RC Cell Phone contact: Jim Nichols - 541 490-7473 - You must call if you retire from the race!