

WCSC
The Good Dam Distance Race
4 April 2015 (Easter Saturday)



Notice of Race

1. Rules

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2013-2016.

1.2 The race will commence by means of a pursuit start. Racing rule 26 will be changed as follows: Competitors will start as directed by a table of delay times that is based on each boat's PHRF rating. A thorough explanation of this type of start (pursuit start) will be made and each boat's delay time will be given at the skipper's meeting.

1.3 It is **strongly** advised that each boat have some sort of time piece that can serve as a stopwatch. Most cell phones have this feature, yacht race timers will work, and even a 'kitchen timer' will serve the purpose.

1.4 Since this is a pursuit-start race, there will be many actual starts. Individual recalls will be signaled by VHF radio (ch 71). No recall flags will be used. This changes Rule 29.1. It is **strongly** advised that each boat have a VHF radio.

2. Eligibility and Entry

2.1 The regatta is open to all WCSC member sailboats that have functional (will start and run long enough to get the boat back to WCSC) motors. As we have very limited safety-management assets, dingys are not eligible to race. Each boat's WCSC base PHRF rating will be used. There will be no allowance for headsail size, spinnaker use, or boats being wet or dry sailed. (If there is no WCSC base PHRF available, "average" ratings from US Sailing HIGH/Low/Average PHRF will be used.)

2.2 Eligible boats may register on line for this event by following the links on the Club website or by E-mailing Rick at cowardlylion@charter.net no later than 1 April, 2015. **We need this advance notice in order to research your boat's rating, generate your delay times, print the Delay Time Table, and purchase the appropriate amount of food for the post-race party.** If a boat shows up to race without having registered, she will be allowed to race. However, she will be assigned the rating of the next fastest boat that is listed on the Delay Time Table.

3. Fees

3.1 This race has no entry fee.

4 Schedule

09:00 Coffee/Danish/collect race documents

09:30 Skippers' meeting on the WCSC clubhouse front deck

10:30 Target time for the start of the delay time clock

17:30 Race committee will attempt to set the length of the course and manage the race

such that all boats will be able to complete the race and return to the Club by 17:30. Immediately following will be cocktails (bring your own) and a grilled chicken dinner (provided, Ronnie Ashmore-Grill Master).

5. Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions, Course and Buoy List, Lake Map, and the Beginner's Guide will be available:

On the WCSC web site, via a link on the home page

By Email request to cowardlylion@charter.net

At the skipper's meeting

(The Delay Time Table will not be available until the Skippers' meeting.)

6. The Course

The course raced will be decided on the morning of the race, and will depend on the wind. The course will be selected from the courses listed on the Course and Buoy List.

7. Scoring

If the selected course is sailed to its completion, the boats will be scored in order of their finish. If the race is shortened, RC will employ a scoring program that generates corrected times by taking into account each boats starting delay time for the original (not shortened) course, the time spent sailing the shortened course, and the length of the shortened course. The boats will be ranked from shortest to longest corrected time.

8. Radio Communications

Race Committee will communicate with the fleet on VHF channel 71.

9. Prizes

After racing, there will be a picnic-style grilled chicken dinner on the clubhouse front deck. BYOB. In addition, not-so-valuable prizes will be awarded to the top three finish places.

10. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk. See [The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2103-2016](#), 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.