



Gorge Sailing Center Presents:

Thursday Night Dinghy Racing July 2-August 27, 2026

NOTICE OF RACE

GENERAL INFORMATION

Format: Windward/Leeward Fleet Racing

Time: 4-7pm

Organizing Authority (OA): Gorge Sailing Center

Principal Race Officer (PRO): Jed Reitman director@gorgesailingcenter.org 626.755.4603

DATES:

July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

August 6, 13, 20, 27

REGISTRATION

Registrations must be made online at: www.scoreyc.com

Registration fee is \$20

Practice and coaching 4-5pm

Break: 5:00-5:30

Racing 5:30-7:00

DIVISIONS

Races will be scored with Portsmouth Yardstick handicaps. All dinghies are welcome, please see registration for handicap information.

ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- All sailors of capable ability are eligible to enter.
- Eligible sailors shall enter online at: www.scoreyc.com
- Depending on the amount of entrants, Gorge Sailing Center (GSC) might have C420s or FJs available for visiting sailors. Please contact the organizing authority (OA) if you need to borrow a boat. info@gorgesailingcenter.org, or Director, Jed Reitman 626.755.4603

RACING AREA & COURSES

- Races will be conducted on the Columbia River either inside the marina, or just outside the marina, east of the sand bar, between the Hood River outlet and the Bingen Marina.
- Courses will be windward/leeward, and to be specified in the Sailing Instructions.

SCORING

- RRS A5.3 will apply.
- Nightly results will be provided.
- If a boat is not registered online at www.scoreyc.com, it will not be scored.



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RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone." By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury.

Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

- By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.
- Additionally, competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority and race officials the right to use their personal contact information, including but not limited to a current email address and cell phone number, for the purpose of race administration and race communications.

SAFETY

A safety boat will be on the water in the case of an emergency. Emergency access points are designated as 1. Best Western Hotel Dock. 2. Boat Ramp or 3. South Basin Dock. Emergencies shall be reported immediately by dialing 911.

COMMUNICATION

Coaching and PRO communication will take place on VHF Channel 72. Sailors are encouraged to bring their own VHF radio.

RULES

The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). Any exceptions to these rules will be noted in this document or in the Sailing Instructions.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI) will be explained on the dock prior to racing each night.

STARTING RACES

The starting line is between a mark and the committee boat.

To signal a start sequence is about to begin, the committee boat will signal with 5 short sounds.

Rule 26 and RF3 are changed to:

Races shall be started by using the following signals. Times shall be taken from the visual signals; the absence of a sound signal shall be disregarded.



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Minutes Before Starting Signal	Visual Signal	Sound Signal	Means
3	Red Flag Up	3 long sounds	Warning Signal
2	Yellow Flag Up	2 long sounds	Preparatory Signal
1	Yellow Flag Down	1 long sound	One Minute
30 sec		3 short sounds	
20 sec		2 short sounds	
10 sec		1 short sound	
5, 4, 3, 2, 1 sec		1 short sound each	
0	Red Flag Down	1 long sound	Starting Signal

A boat that starts after two (2) minutes of her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS). This changes RRS A 5.1 and A5.2.