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Dick Rose Outlines Rules Changes

December 2, 2012 3:45 am



Dick Rose and the racing Bible: the Racing Rules of Sailing.
Photos: Mike Ferring

In 2013, there are lots of changes to the rules we race by, says Dick Rose, but few that really change the game. The biggest change is to Rule 18, taking us back to the way we played the game a few years ago. By the new rule book, the inside overlapped boat will be able to sail to a mark and then make a "seaman-like" rounding.

Dick detailed the changes coming with the new rule book, the RRS 2013-2016, before three dozen AYC racers on Friday night (11÷30). Many of the changes attempt to clear up wording or adapt the game to faster sailboats.

Dick Rose is the U.S. representative to the international rule-making body, the ISAF, so he's one of the key people who writes the rules. He's also the Chairman of the Racing Rules Working Party, the committee of ISAF that recommends rules changes. He described how difficult it is to shepherd new rules into being when you have to convince representatives from all over the world, each with a single vote.

Here is a file he left with us that details the changes in the rules and explains why changes were made. Hang on, it's quite intricate.



So two boats approach a mark and one says to the other....



The Big Christmas Party

November 29, 2012 2:54 am



December's membership meeting brings the annual AYC gift exchange, a gift exchange with a twist. You might say *twisted*, even. The meeting is at 7 pm, Tuesday, December 11, at the Caddy Shack @ Rolling Hills, 1415 North Mill Avenue, Tempe.

Here's how the gift exchange works:

- You bring a wrapped gift valued at less than \$20.
- You pick a number from a hat to determine the order we select gifts.
- We'll have two people called to the front of the room at the same time.
- Each person can choose to pick a wrapped gift from the pile or play pirate and take the gift from someone who's already opened one.
- Gifts can be "pirated" only twice before they're safe from further theft.



Consider giving AYC goodies as Christmas gifts. The Ship's Store will be open at the meeting. Other gift suggestions: Liquor always seems to bring applause!

Here's what happened last year.



Gorgeous Conditions for Governor's Cup

November 28, 2012 1:27 am



Emory Heisler aboard Chris Smith's J/80 as the sun begins to set on Lake Pleasant. Photo: Chris Smith.

Temperatures in the mid-80s, wind mostly in the comfy 8-10. Pretty much perfect—and the sailors who spent the Governor's Cup Saturday (11+24) sailing to and fro on Lake Pleasant were pretty much all smiles.

How do you sail 26.2 miles on Lake Pleasant? According to the diabolical plan of organizer Mike Parker, you do it by sailing north, south, east, and west in intersecting lines around obscure buoys, a floating porta-potty, and a couple islands. Surprisingly, the wind was willing to play along. William Fairchild brought his runner's GPS along for the ride on Peter Hartleb's J/80 and found that they logged just over 28 miles for the race, finding they didn't need to do much upwind tacking that could have lengthened the race.



That pirate planner, Mike Parker. Photo: Fatima Chaoui.

In fact, the first finishers were back home before dark and didn't need the nearly-full moon for navigation. Who won that gigantic Governor's Cup Trophy? We're waiting for word from the official scorekeeper and maybe some more conversation about which of those obscure buoys were intended to be rounding marks. All to be sorted out shortly, we hope.



From left: Keith Kintigh, new members Austin and Kirsten Clary, and Brenda Shears tense up for one of the mark roundings during the all-day Governor's Cup Regatta. Photo: Fatima Chaoui.



Gathering for the morning start to the 26-mile race. Photo: Fatima Chaoui.



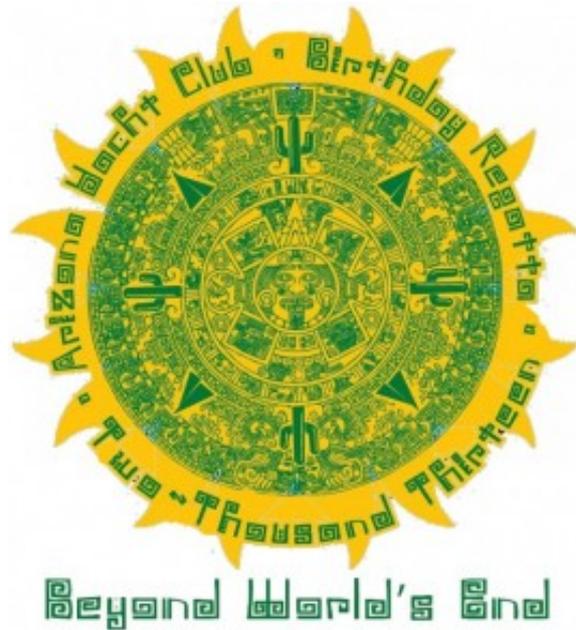
Gorgeous conditions during the 2012 Governor's Cup, with good breeze and warm temperatures. Photo: Fatima Chaoui.

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Registration Open for Birthday Regatta & Leukemia Cup

November 27, 2012 5:47 pm

By Emory Heisler



The 53rd Arizona Yacht Club Birthday Regatta and our 14th Annual Leukemia Cup Regatta is less than 60 days away! January 18–19–20, 2013! Help fight blood cancers! Race 1, 2 or 3 days. Cruise! Party!

[Click here to register.](#)

We have some great improvements in store for you and your "shore party."

- 1) **Lower Costs:** Two-day race registration last year was \$80. It's **reduced** to \$50 this year!
- 2) **Moving indoors:** The dusty tent is gone and the Saturday night event will move indoors to the Lake Pleasant Waterfront Grille. Enjoy inside and outside waterfront seating for cocktails, dinner, and dancing with music from our talented AYC musicians.
- 3) **Shuttles** will be running from the Spinnaker Point RV/Camping and boat prep areas to the Waterfront Grille throughout the day and evening.
- 4) **Marina Slip Rentals** are available for \$28/night. Stay the night next to the Waterfront Bar & Grille. Plus all registrations made before December first will be entered into a lottery for one of **five free slip rentals**.
- 5) **RV/Camping sites** have been reserved to make sure you have a spot for your tent or camper. Make a reservation before January first to claim one of the reserved spots.

REGISTER FOR RACING, meals, T-shirts [HERE](#)
Questions? Contact Event Organizer Emory Heisler
602.679.0462

REGISTER FOR LEUKEMIA CUP FUND RAISING [HERE](#)
Questions? Contact Liz Kaplan at Leukemia Lymphoma Society (LLS) 602.567.7605

Do it now! Help us in the fight to cure blood cancers and join us for another great Martin Luther King Jr. weekend of desert winter sailing!

Event Schedule:

Friday Jan. 18, 2013

0800-1000 REGISTRATION - *Pleasant Harbor RV Office*
(see map)

1000-1030 Friday Skippers Meeting - *Spinnaker Point*

1200-1600 RACING DAY 1 - Lake Pleasant

1500-1700 REGISTRATION - *Pleasant Harbor RV Office*
(see map)

1700-2300 FISH & CHIPS DINNER - *Lake Pleasant Waterfront Grille* (see map) pay at restaurant

Saturday (DAY) Jan. 19, 2013

0800-1000 REGISTRATION - ***Pleasant Harbor RV Office***
(see map)

0800-0930 BREAKFAST (\$6) - - ***Lookout Point - AYC Hospitality Ramada***

0900-0930 Saturday SKIPPER'S MEETING - - ***Lookout Point - AYC Hospitality Ramada***

1130-1600 RACING DAY 2 - Lake Pleasant

Saturday (EVENING) Jan. 19, 2013

***NOTE* All Saturday Evening Activities will be held at the Lake Pleasant Waterfront Grille (see map)**

1700-1830 COCKTAILS - SILENT AUCTION - RAFFLE- *Lake Pleasant Waterfront Grille* (see map)

1830-1930 DINNER (\$12) - Mexican Fiesta- *Lake Pleasant Waterfront Grille- purchase with registration*

1900-2030 LEUKEMIA CUP REGATTA & CRUISING FLEET AWARDS

2030-2300 ARIZONA YACHT CLUB BIRTHDAY PARTY - Music, Dancing, Cake!

Sunday Jan. 20, 2013

0700-0800 BREAKFAST - *Spinnaker Point*

0930-1330 RACING DAY 3 - Lake Pleasant

1200-1530 HOT DOGS AND BRAT'S LUNCH - ***Lookout Point - AYC Hospitality Ramada***

1500-1530 AYC BIRTHDAY REGATTA AWARDS - ***Lookout Point - AYC Hospitality Ramada***

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US Sailing Level 1 Instructor Course Here in January

November 25, 2012 6:01 pm



Registration is now open for the US Sailing Level 1 Instructor course, to be taught here on two intensive weekends in January—the weekends of January 5&6 and 12&13.

US Sailing requires a minimum of 8 students in the course, a number we've failed to meet the last two times this course has been offered in Phoenix. So we really need your support this time.

Here's the sales pitch: Not only does the course prepare you to teach sailing, but it also makes you a better sailor. Course instructor Ray Deppa has taught all of the US Sailing Instructor courses in Phoenix, and he's a real pro, someone who will leave you knowing more about this game we play. But teaching sailing is actually the best part. Introducing new people to the sport is a lot of fun—seeing them begin to understand how a boat moves through the water by wind alone and seeing the joy they get from figuring it out.

Sign up four weeks or more before the class and it's \$325; after that it's \$345. If you pass the course and teach for the Arizona Sailing Foundation, ASF will reimburse half your tuition. (If you're a high school or college student, check with George Tingom for possible higher reimbursement rate.)

I just paged through some of the US Sailing material on the course. You'll find some information here. And the registration begins here. There's quite a bit of paperwork involved and you'll need to be a member of US Sailing (a good thing anyway) and you'll need to pass a first aid and CPR course (definitely a good thing anyway). The prerequisites are extensive. My advice: don't let any of that discourage you. The other students and Instructor Ray Deppa will help you through it. If you want to pass, you'll pass.

For questions on the course, check with George Tingom, who's organizing the course and has been involved in every one we've held since 2003 (when I took it).

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AYC Powerboat Drivers Must Be Certified

November 24, 2012 11:02 pm

The AYC Board of Directors has taken a step that the club has been contemplating for years: Requiring that any driver of an AYC or ASF powerboat have a nationally-recognized certification for safe powerboat operation. The requirement kicks in January 1, but we'll try to follow it immediately.

Fleet Captain Greg Woodcock will come up with a list of certifications which will qualify and we'll let you know what they are.

This step would not be possible without the enormous contribution of Rob Gibbs, who has conducted two courses for US Sailing powerboat certification, most recently just last month, when 10 people received certification. The people who took the course heaped huge compliments on Rob for his effort and for the quality of the teaching. Our continuing thanks, Rob, for all that you do for the club. And we thank the board of the Arizona Sailing Foundation and its president John Mayall for underwriting the cost of the materials for the powerboat course.

Rob will lead another class on December 14, 15, and 16 and there are still openings for that class (as of 12/1).

The AYC board recognizes that the new requirement won't prevent accidents or mistreatment of equipment, but clearly it should help. It's been a constant problem maintaining ASF and AYC boats in prime condition. Most important, we believe this step will reduce the chance of a powerboat injury, which no one wants to see.

Sincerely,
Mike Ferring
Commodore

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John Bagwell Elected New LPSC Commodore

November 23, 2012 8:46 pm

By Rhonda Brewer, LPSC

Season's Greetings from the LPSC! It's difficult to believe that another year has passed, and yet none of the AYC or LPSC club members look a day older! It must be the fresh air and exercise we all get while sailing on our beautiful Lake Pleasant.

LPSC Board elections took place in November and a new board, led by Commodore John Bagwell, is already planning fun and educational water-based and land-based activities for next year. Of course, AYC members are invited to join almost all LPSC events.

LPSC members will be celebrating this festive season with a Christmas Party at the Caddy Shack @ Rolling Hills Golf Course on December 8. Besides sharing great food, beverages, and conversation, members will be shuttled to the Tempe

Fantasy of Lights Boat Parade. Rumor has it that at least one LPSC member will be participating in the parade.

LPSC members Steve and Helen Eshleman are organizing members to cook and serve breakfast on Saturday, January 19 for Leukemia Cup participants. LPSC members look forward to supporting the AYC at this yearly event.

We wish all AYC members a safe and happy 2013!

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Want Ads

November 6, 2012 4:11 am

To place an ad, contact Webmaster

FOR SALE: 1985 Catalina sailboat with trailer, outboard, extra sails and many accessories. All are in excellent condition. \$5,000. Most of its life has been in covered dry storage, primarily in a barn. Currently stored in Camp Verde. Email Jack Duffy at jacknann1963@swiftaz.net for a complete listing of sails, equipment and accessories. (Post to 2÷28÷13)

LASER PARTS:

2 Centerboards

1 rudder with head

1 rudder without head

1 Storm top cover (brand new in plastic)

1 Storm bottom cover (brand new in plastic)

1 Radial Mast Partner

1 Radial Sail

2 tiller extensions (different lengths)

1 Mast (Top Section) brand new in plastic

Contact Rob Gibbs - RobDaSailor@gmail.com - 602-757-2012
(Post to 1÷1÷2013)



Tony Chapman tries to overtake Steve Brown after rounding the east mark. Photo: Mike Ferring

ARRR! FOR SALE: Buccaneer 18s - get in touch with your "Inner Pirate"! Buy one of these Buccs now and join the fleet for the Birthday Regatta and AYC Spring Series. All of these boats are "Race Ready" to sail today and in the AZ Birthday Regatta

Jan. 18-20, 2013. Get one now and start practicing, or if you're outside AZ you can show up for the Birthday Regatta and take one home!.

1) 1974 Buccaneer 18 - \$3000, #1324 (built by Chrysler Boatworks)

- Contact Steve Brown swb00@cox.net, 602÷989-2485
- spinnaker rigged with bow retrieval, upgraded inboard jib tracks, roller furling wire jib, Harken magic box, Upgraded fast acting bailers
- Top hung centerboard, Upgraded cleats, blocks,
- Benson main and jib, older spinnaker
- Dry hull, Trailer renovated, good condition
- Boat top cover

2) 1995 Buccaneer 18 - \$3500, #5100 (built by Cardinal Boatworks)

- Contact Dennis Martinelli houdisdad@yahoo.com , 510÷828-5848
- Buccaneer 18 #5100 was the boat manufacturer's PERSONAL boat, won the Buccaneer 18 National Championships in the late 1990s, and won San Diego NOOD Regatta in 2011 and took 2nd in 2012. The current owner is looking to get a newer boat and is willing to let this boat go for a STEAL - \$3500 obo. The boat is complete, including trailer, main, jib, spinnaker and many extra miscellaneous parts.
- roller furling jib and symmetrical spinnaker (i.e. with pole)

3) 2006 Buccaneer 18 - \$7500, #5234 (built by Nickels Boatworks)

- Contact Rob Gibbs (robdasailor@gmail.com, 602÷757-2012)
- This boat is FAST, winner of San Diego NOOD 200, AYC Birthday Regatta 2008 & 2009
- Virtually new, Fully Equipped and Ready to Race
- New Main & Jib 2007. New Spinnaker 2008. Boat Top Cover too!
- Stackable Nickels Trailer with wheel jack, spare and lights.
- Scarlett is screaming red, ready to launch, race & win! (post to 2÷28÷2013)

1979 Santana 20 #505 "Duck Slooup" with Schock keel-guide trailer and Johnson LS 4 h.p. motor



- Total re-rig 2003 and raced only 3 series since re-rig
- Original mast & boom, 1 1/2" spin pole with Proctor ends
- Dry stored mast down and covered - very good condition
- 95% Harken, including genoa, traveler, spin pole tracks (2003)
- All running rigging new in 2003 and stored inside boat - like new
- 12:1 purchase back stay led forward
- Signet digital knot meter
- Saturn compass
- Original W.D. Schock trailer with keel guide and 3rd rotating wheel - good condition
- 1988 4 H.P. long shaft Johnson motor with integral fuel tank
- Lifting eye and rigging (never used)
- 2003 Ullman genoa and main - raced 3 series, good condition but not perfect
- 2005 Ullman spinnaker - all white - flown maybe 3 or 4 times - mint condition - crinkles loudly
- 3 older genoas, 2 older mains - good for cruising
- Very old 120 "lapper" jib
- 2 spare spinnakers (1 okay for racing/cruising, 1 old and thin - "light weight")
- Many extras incl. stanchions & lifelines, stern rails, heavy rubber wheel chocks and extension rope for ramp launching, V-berth insert and all cushions, fire extinguisher, life vests, floatation devices, spare parts, telescoping aft mast support, etc.
- Original sales brochure and owner's manual
- Located Phoenix
- \$4,250 obo Contact Darrell Diehl @ ducksloop@yahoo.com (post until 4/12)

Merit 25 - Runaway - Asking \$5000 obo.

For more info contact Steve Kusic, stevekusic@cox.net.
Runaway is currently at lake Pleasant. (post until 4/12)

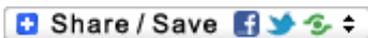


Runaway at the finish. Photo by Mike Ferring



Thistle - "Banshee" Asking \$2500 obo. Equipped with a 2nd new jib. Stored in garage. Tuned for speed. Years ago, national thistle champion, Chuck Steigerwald, sailed Banshee to win the mid winters west. Banshee is located at Sun City, Arizona which is northwest of Phoenix. Call 623 876 8155 or cell 623 696 6646.

ASF Boats for Sail. Check for boats donated to ASF. Contact George Tingom, John Mayall for more information.



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