

COLUMBIA YACHT CLUB  
AND  
WEST MARINE  
PRESENT THE

**Columbia/West Marine Regatta  
2004 ONE DESIGN OPENER**

**June 5-6, 2004**

**NOTICE OF RACE**

1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY, DATE AND TIME

Columbia Yacht Club and West Marine are the organizing authorities. Columbia will be the host club and will provide race management. The first warning signals shall be at 11:00 AM on Saturday, June 5<sup>th</sup> and at 10:00 AM on Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup>.

2. RULES

2.1 The regatta will be governed by the "rules" as defined in the Racing Rules of Racing (RRS), the Prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association (USSA), the rules and regulations of the Farr 40, J-105, Sydney 38, Great Lakes 70, Beneteau 40.7 and Beneteau 36.7 classes, the rules and regulations of all other one design classes from which three or more boats submit entry forms, the ORC Special Regulations for Category 4, this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.

3. ADVERTISING

The regatta is classified as a Category A event in accordance with RRS Appendix 1.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 This regatta is open to the Farr 40, J-105, Sydney 38, Great Lakes 70, Beneteau 40.7 and Beneteau 36.7 classes as well as all other one design classes from which three or more boats submit entry forms.

4.2 Eligible yachts may be entered by submitting a complete entry package which consists of:

1. A completed and signed entry form (included with this Notice of Race)
2. The \$125.00 entry fee payable to Columbia Yacht Club (\$130 if not a USSA member)
3. Evidence that the yacht carries \$300,000 of liability insurance

4.3 The entry form with appropriate fee shall be submitted no later than May 31, 2004 to:

Columbia/West Marine Regatta Chairman  
c/o Columbia Yacht Club  
111 N. Lake Shore Drive  
Chicago, IL 60601

## 5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

5.1 Sign-in: Friday, June 4, 2004 from 5:30 to 7:30 PM at Columbia

5.2 Skippers Meeting: Friday, June 4th, 2004 at 7:30 PM at Columbia

5.3 Races: The first warning signal on Saturday, June 5th will be at 11:00 AM; the first warning signal on Sunday, June 6th will be at 10:00 AM.

5.4 Six races are scheduled – in any configuration. One completed race will constitute a series.

## 6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available at sign-in.

## 7. REGATTA SITE and RACING AREA

7.1 The regatta site will be the Columbia Yacht Club, Chicago, IL.

7.2 The racing area will be offshore in the vicinity of Monroe Street Harbor. The exact location will be in the Sailing Instructions.

## 8. SCORING

8.1 The Low Point Scoring System in RRS Appendix A will be used except that no scores will be excluded. This modifies RRS A2. NO THROUGH OUTS. This changes A2 and 88.3.

## 9. PENALTIES

A 360 degree turns penalty will apply to boats that may have broken a rule of Part 2 while racing except that, if either boat was within the Two-Length Zone when the incident occurred, a 720 degree turns penalty will apply. This modifies RRS 44.2 and may modify some one design class rules.

## 10. PRIZES

Prizes will be presented by West Marine and Columbia to One Design yachts and their crews depending upon the number of boats entered in the class (3-4 boats, one prize; 5-6 boats, two prizes; 7-14 boats, three prizes; 15-19 boats, four prizes; 20 or more boats, five prizes) on Sunday, June 8th at Columbia Yacht Club at approximately 5:00 PM.

## 11. Entertainment

Columbia will host a party on Friday night. West Marine and Columbia will provide refreshments after the races on Saturday and Sunday.

For additional information contact Charley Riggs at West Marine (312-654-1818) or John Thomas at Columbia (312-938-3625).

# ENTRY FORM

## Columbia/ West Marine Regatta

2004 ONE DESIGN OPENER - JUNE 5-6, 2004

Yacht name: \_\_\_\_\_ Sail #: \_\_\_\_\_

Yacht Class: \_\_\_\_\_ US Sailing Assn. #: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner: \_\_\_\_\_ Yacht Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Business phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax number: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of crew: \_\_\_\_\_

### Release of Liability:

In consideration of the acceptance of my entry form and participation in this regatta, I hereby waive, release and discharge any and all claims for damages or death, personal injury or property damage which I may have or which may subsequently accrue to me as a result of my participation in this regatta. This release is intended to discharge the organizing authorities, sponsors, promoting clubs, officials, officers, employees, volunteers and other entities and the UNITED STATES SAILING ASSOCIATION ( USSA) from and against any and all liability arising out of or connected in any way with my participation in this regatta even though that liability may arise out of negligence or carelessness on the part of the persons or entities mentioned above.

I further understand that serious accidents occasionally occur during yacht racing and that participants in yacht racing occasionally sustain mortal or serious personal injuries and/or property damage as a consequence. I knowingly assume the risks of yacht racing and release all the persons or entities mentioned above who might otherwise be liable to me or my heirs or assigns for damages.

I agree to abide by the rules of the regatta and USSA. I further agree that I am responsible for the conduct and safety of my crew and that it is my responsibility to decide whether to start a race or to continue to race.

I agree to abide by the rules of this regatta and further agree to the terms of the release.

Owner/Skipper: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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