Baltic Offshore Week

and

Classic Yachts Regatta

29.7 - 1.8.2015

Airisto Segelsällskap i Åbo r.f.
In conjunction with NPS, TPS, GK, TTPS, KSSS and SCYT Åbo/Turku, Finland

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 No national prescriptions will apply, except Finnish Championships rules apply for 6mR and 8mR classes.
- **1.3** The following rules will apply:
 - a) IMS Rule (ORCi only)
 - b) ORC Rating Systems Rule (ORCi only)
 - c) ISAF Offshore Special Regulations, category 4 with following exceptions: Between 22:00 and 05:00 the RRS Part 2 shall in applicable parts be replaced by the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS) and all boats shall show the required navigational lights.
 - d) ORCi to the extent of the relevant parts of the Finnish ORC Championship Rules.
 - e) FinLYS Rule (BCM only).
- 1.4 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence. If there is a conflict between the NOR and the SI, the SI will prevail.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the web site of the Baltic Offshore Week www.balticoffshoreweek.org/nor/ and from 27.7.2015 on the official notice board located at the Regatta Office at Forum Marinum.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- **4.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed at flag pole near berth B/C.
- When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP.
- **4.3** When flag Y is displayed ashore, rule 40 applies at all times while afloat. This changes the Part 4 preamble.
- **4.4** When signals ashore are intended for a particular class the following flags are shown together with the class flagg:

Class	Flag
ORCi	0
Int5m, 6mR, 8mR	R
Baltic Classic Masters	M

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

Sheduled time for the warning signal for the first race each day and number of races each day:

5.1/A ORCi

Wednesday 29.07.15 09:00-21:00 Registration and measurement

Thursday 30.07.15 10:00 Long costal race

Friday 31.07.15 11.00 1-4 races ww/lw

Saturday 01.08.15 10.00 1-4 races ww/lw, 1 coastal race

5.1/B int5m, 6mR, 8mR

Wednesday 29.07.15 09:00-21:00 Registration and measurement

Thursday 30.07.15 11:00 1-3 races

Friday 31.07.15 11.00 1-3 races

Saturday 01.08.15 11.00 1-3 races

5.1/C Baltic Classic Masters

Wednesday 29.07.2015 09:00-21:00 Registration and measurement

Thursday 30.07.2015 11:00 1 race

Friday 31.07.2015 11.00 1 race

Saturday 01.08.2015 11.00 1 race

5.2 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 15:00.

6 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags (warning signal) will be:

ORCi		int5m,	6mR, 8mR	Baltic Classic Masters
Class	Flag	Class	Flag	Class Flag
ORCi 1	D	8mR	D	D
ORCi 2	E	6mR	E	Alternative starting procedure
ORCi 3	F	int5m	F	is used, SI 11.3

7 RACING AREAS

Attachment A shows the location of racing areas.

8 THE COURSES

8.1/A ORCi

Thursday 30.07.15 10:00 Long coastal race, The long coastal course is shown in Appendix B including description of the marks. Three courses of different distance assigned 1, 2 and 3. Course to be sailed is signalled by a number pennant before the warning signal.

Friday 31.07.15 11.00 1-4 races ww/lw, as shown in Appendix B

Saturday 01.08.15 10.00 1-4 races ww/lw, 1 coastal race, as shown in Appendix B

8.1/B int5m, 6mR, 8mR

Thursday 30.07.2015 11:00 1-3 ww/lw races

Friday 31.07.2015 11.00 1-3 ww/lw races

Saturday 01.08.2015 11.00 1-3 ww/lw races

The course is ww/lw as described in Appendix C.

8.1/C Baltic Classic Masters

Thursday 30.07.2015 11:00 1 race. The courses for the BCM is described in Appendix D. Course to be sailed is signalled by a number pennant before the warning signal.

Friday 31.07.2015 11.00 1 race

Saturday 01.08.2015 11.00 1 race

9 MARKS, MARKS of START and FINISH

9.1/A ORCi

The ww/lw course marks are: 1 and 3 orange bouy, 2 red flag bouy. The marks of the coastal courses and finishing line are described in Appendix B.

The starting line will be between a staff displaying a yellow flag on the starting mark at the starboard end and a red flag bouy at the port end of the starting line.

The line defined above also forms the finish line of the ww/lw courses.

9.1/B int5m, 6mR, 8mR

The course is ww/lw as described in Appendix B. Marks are: 1 and 3 yellow bouy, 2 a smaller orange bouy.

The starting line will be between a staff displaying a red flag on the starting mark at the starboard end and a red flag bouy at the port end of the starting line. The line defined above also forms the finish line.

9.1/C Baltic Classic Masters

The course and its marks is described in Appendix D

The starting marks will be a buoy with red flag at starboard end, and a red buoy near the shore of Viittakari at the port end. The finishing marks will be a red buoy near the shore of Viittakari at the starboard end, and a buoy with red flag at the port end.

10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

The following areas are designated as obstructions: 50 meters around a white pole in the course area of the Int5m, 6mR and 8mR classes.

11 THE START

11.1 ORCi

Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal. Classes will start with 5 min interval.

11.2 Int5m, 6mR and 8mR

Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal. Classes will start with 5 min interval.

11.3 Baltic Classic Masters

The starting area is for the historical reason on the east side of Viittakari (Appendix D), which is the little island where ASS was decided to establish 150 years ago. There is no room for the long starting line, and that's why races starts as to partial chasing. The handicap point is about 10 NM from the start. The starting list in the Appendix E.

First boat(s) will be started as to rule 26, and for the other boats the green flag goes up 5 seconds before the starting time and goes down at the starting signal.

The starting line will be between the starting marks (9.1/C).

- Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. For the BCM yachts there is a recommended waiting area (Appendix D)
- A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.
- 11.6 If any part of a boat's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line during the two minutes before her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to broadcast her sail number on VHF channel

ORCi: . VHF 6
Int5m, 6mR, 8mR VHF 8
BCM VHF 72

Failure to make a broadcast or to time it accurately will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position which is signalled only by showing signal flag C with repeating sound. This changes rule 33.

13 THE FINISH ORCi

The finishing line of the coastal races will be at the east side of the Viittakari island and is formed by two red flag boys (Appendix B).

Baltic Classic Masters

The finishing line is between the bouys at the western shore of Viittakari.

13.2 If the race committee is absent when a boat finishes, she should report her finishing time, and her position in relation to nearby boats, to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 In the races of the Int5m, 6mR and 8mR classes and the ww/lw races of the ORCi class, rule rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

The Scoring Penalty, rule 44.3, will apply for the coastal races of the ORCi class and for the BCM classes. The penalty will be 2 places.

15 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

15.1 Time limits and target times are as follows:

Class Time limit Mark 1 Target time limit time

ORCi			10-12 hrs for slowest boat in long race
ORCi			2-3 hrs for slowest boat in short race
ORCi			90 min for ww/lw race
6mR	3hrs	60 min	
8mR		60 min	75 min
BCM			5-6 hrs for the slowest boat

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

Boats failing to finish within 20 min after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This applies only for races on the ww/lw courses. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- Protest forms are available at the race office, located at the Race Office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit
- For each class, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at the regatta office, beginning at the time posted.
- Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- Breaches of instructions 18, 21, 23, 24, 25, 26 and 27 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.
- On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered
 - (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes rule 66.

On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

17 SCORING

ORCi

Windward/leeward race results will be determined by corrected times calculated by Constructed Course scoring method.

Offshore race results will be determined by corrected times calculated by Constructed Course scoring method.

The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A. Points will be multiplied by the appropriate scoring coefficient.

Eight races are scheduled including offshore race, coastal race and six inshore races. Inshore races will be windward/leeward races. The championship is valid if at least 2 inshore races and offshore race are offshore race and coastal race may not be discarded.

Baltic Classic Masters

The handicap procedure is Fin LYS Time on time:

Corrected time = Sailed time * FinLYS-numerical value.

Three races are scheduled and they are all included in the final score. One completed race constitutes a series.

Int 5m, 6mR and 8mR

Low point scoring system (RRS App. A) is used as follows:

6mR: 6 races are scheduled. 4 completed races constitute a series. When 5 or more races are completed the worst score is omitted.

8mR: 9 races are scheduled. With 5 completed races the worst score is omitted.

With all 9 completed 2 worst scores are omitted. 3 races constitute a series.

Int5m: 9 races are scheduled. With 5 completed races the worst score is omitted.

With all 9 completed 2 worst scores are omitted. 3 races constitute a series.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

18.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- **19.1** Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the protest committee.
- 19.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

21 EVENT ADVERTISING

Boats shall display event advertising if supplied by the organizing authority.

22 OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be marked as follows: To be decided.

23 SUPPORT BOATS

Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

24 TRASH DISPOSAL

Trash may not be thrown in the water but may be placed aboard support or official boats.

25 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Keelboats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

26 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

27 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

28 PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows:

Championship medals issued by the Finnish Sailing Federation will be distributed to the first three boats in classes ORC 1, ORC 2 and ORC 3. The number of medals awarded to each boat equals the number of persons sailing on that boat at the same time

Other prizes and trophies will be awarded at the discretion of the organizers. All medals and prizes will be awarded at the Prize Giving Ceremony and all participants are expected to participate in that ceremony

29 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

All those taking part in the regatta do so at their own risk and responsibility. The Organizing Authority, ORC and any other party involved in the organization of the ASS Anniversary regatta 2015 disclaim any and all responsibility whatsoever for loss, damage injury or inconvenience that might occur to persons and materials, both ashore and at sea as a consequence of participation in the event. Each boat owner or his representative accepts these terms by signing entry form. The attention of competitors is drawn to ISAF Part 1 Fundamental Rule 4: A boat is solely responsible for deciding whether or not to start or to continue racing.

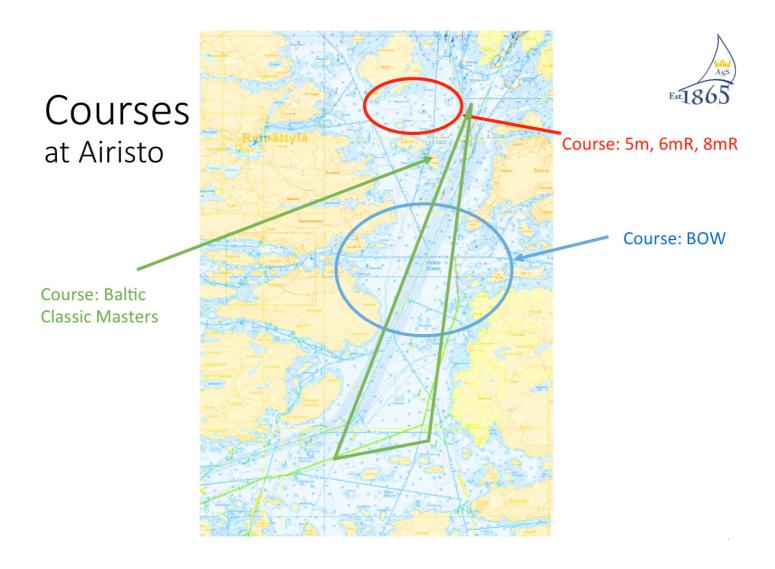
30 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 500.000€ per event or the equivalent.

APPENDIX A –D

А	The race areas	

- B The courses for the ORCi classes
- C The course for the int 5m, 6mR and 8mR classes (on the last page in section B)
- D The courses for the Baltic Classic Masters yachts



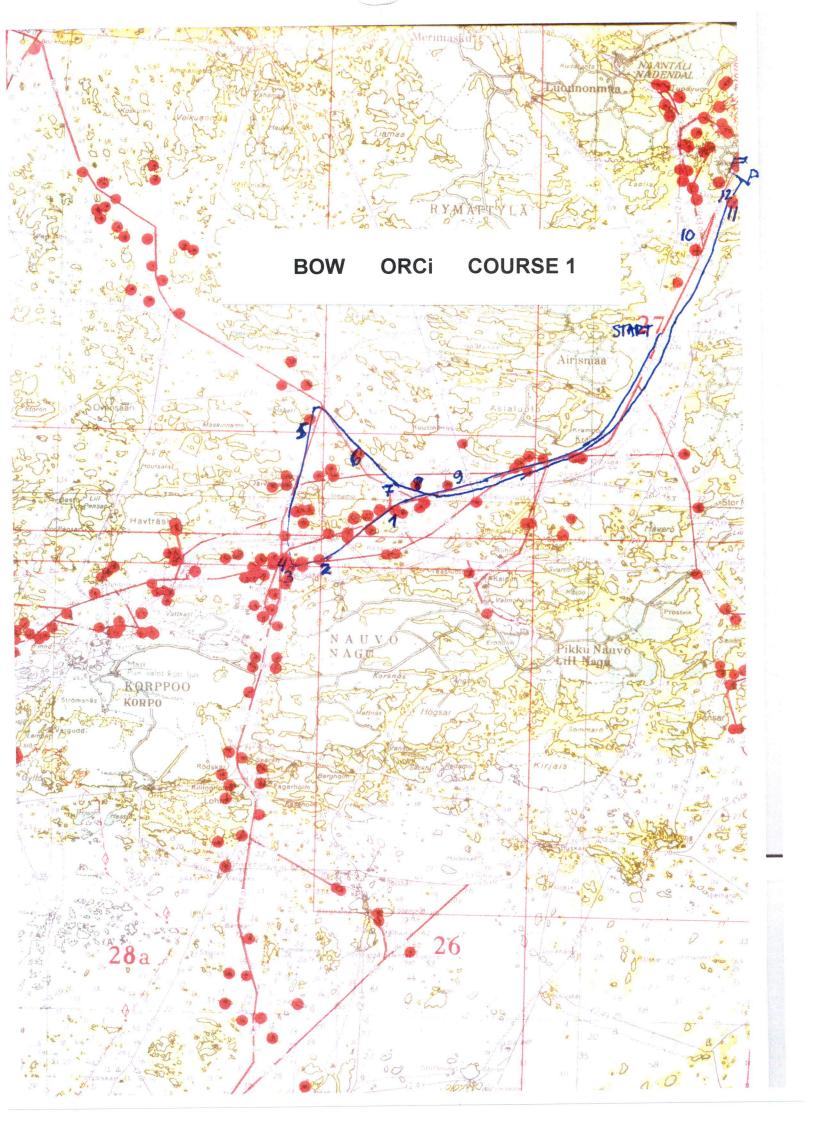
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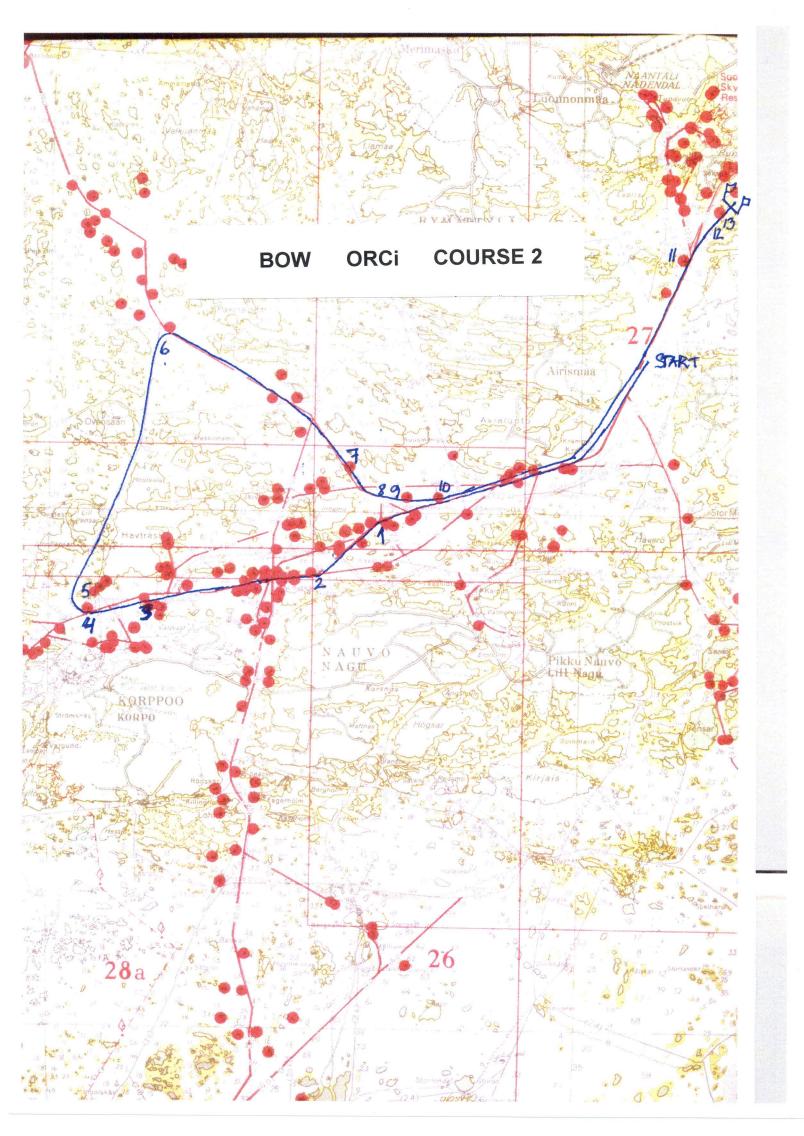
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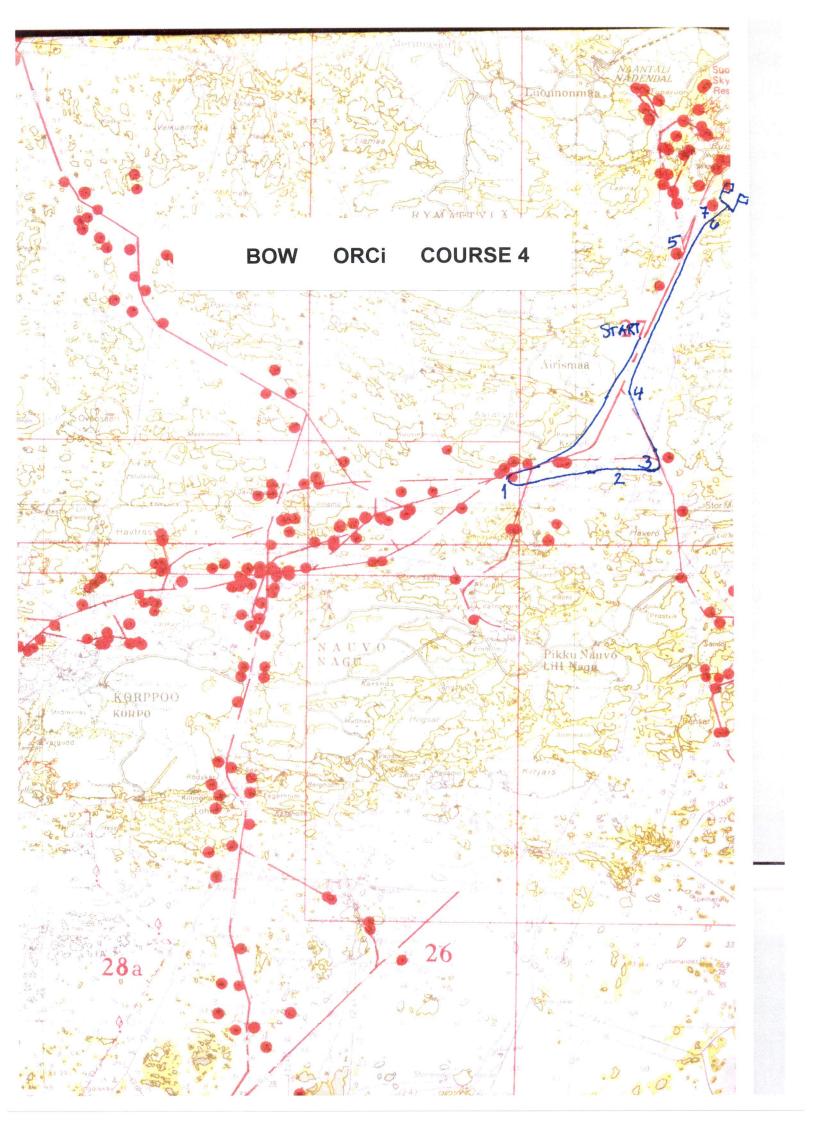
If necessary this may require an extra upwind mark (orange bouy). After rounding this mark the boats may proceed to mark 1 of the proper course.

Coastal courses on 30.7.2015

	COURSE 1	~34,5 NM			COURSE 3	~56,8 NM	
Start	Starting procedure	•		Start	Starting procedure	•	
Mark	Description			Mark	Description		
1	Kaskisgrundet	Green buoy	BB	1	Kaskisgrundet	Green buoy	BB
2	1st mark before Lövskär	Port lateral mark	SB	2	1st mark before Lövskär	Port lateral mark	SB
3	SW of Grangrundet	Red bouy	SB	3	SW from Grangrundet	Green bouy	BB
4	W of Grangrundet	W bouy	SB	4	Hållers	Edge mark	BB
5	Kaltsaari Itäniemi	E bouy	SB	5	Västra Gunnkobbarna	shallow waters!	BB
6	Rönngrund		BB	6	Hästharubådan	S bouy	BB
7	W from Stora Äggskär	W bouy	BB	7	Långharun		BB
8	SW from Stora Äggskär	S bouy	BB	8	Byskär		SB
9	Lilla Äggskär		BB	9	Köpmanskär		BB
10	Rajakari		BB	10	Klobbskärsfjärden	S bouy	BB
11	North from Järvistensaari	W bouy	SB	11	Klobbskärsfjärden	E bouy	BB
12	Kauppakari		BB	12	Hallonholm		SB
13	E from Viittakari	Finish line		13	Utterholm		SB
				14	NE from Askgrund	N bouy	BB
				15	Stora Bässholm	W bouy	SB
	COURSE 2	~49,4 NM		16	W from Grangrunden	W bouy	SB
Start	Starting procedure			17	Rajakari		BB
Mark	Description			18	North from Järvistensaari	W bouy	SB
1	Kaskisgrundet	Green buoy	BB	19	Kauppakari		BB
2	1st mark before Lövskär	Port lateral mark	SB	20	E from Viittakari	Finish line	
3	NW from Stora Björnholm		BB				
4	S from Kokombrink	Red bouy	SB	Short	costal course on 1.8.2015		
5	W from Hästskär	W bouy	SB		COURSE 4	~18,3 NM	
6	E from Hevonkack	2 W bouys	SB	Start	Starting procedure		
7	W from Rönngrund	W bouy	BB	Mark	Description		
8	W from Stora Äggskär	W bouy	BB	1	W from Orhisaari	2nd green bouy	BB
9	SW from Stora Äggskär	S bouy	BB	2	N from Lilla Majholmen	N bouy	SB
10	Lilla Äggskär		BB	3	NW from Mellersta Linsor	E bouy	BB
11	Rajakari		BB	4	W from Grangrunden	W bouy	SB
12	North from Järvistensaari	W bouy	SB	5	Rajakari		BB
13	Kauppakari		BB	6	North from Järvistensaari	W bouy	SB
14	E from Viittakari	Finish line		7	Kauppakari		BB
				8	E from Viittakari	Finish line	

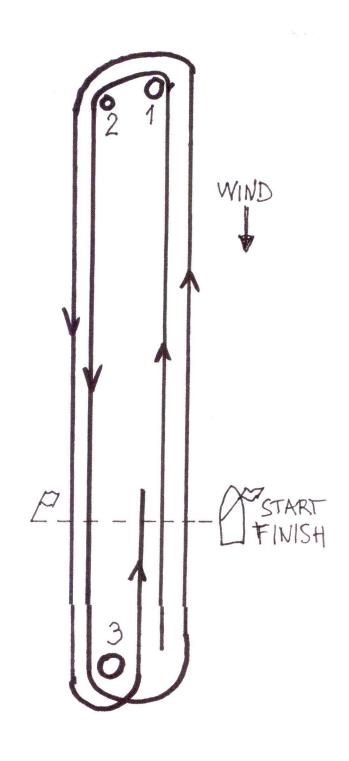




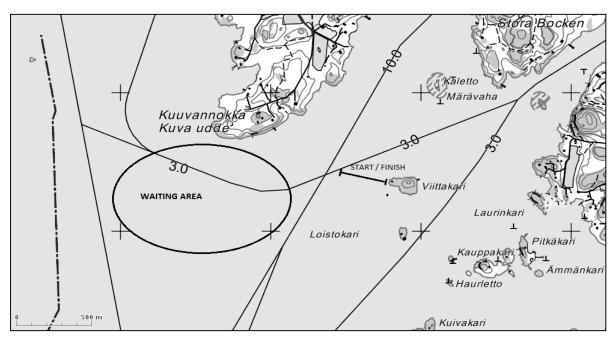


Course for the ww/lw races of the ORCi classes

Course for the classes Int 5m, 6mR and 8mR



BCM courses and marks (Starting and finishing line on Viittakari)



Course 1 23 NM

mark 1	green buoy 0,3 NM to SE from Purha (= 2. green buoy to W after Orhisaari), leave left side
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mark 2 Majholmen, leave left side

mark 3 Östra Linsor/Linsörarna, leave left side

mark 4 E buoy 0,3 NM to E from Kirveskari /Yxhop, leave left side

mark 5 W buoy 0,4 NM to W from Grangrunden/Lattarna, leave right side

mark 6 Rajakari, leave left side

Course 2 21 NM

mark 1	green	buoy 0,3 NM to SE f	rom Purha (= 2. green k	buoy to W afte	er Orhisaari), le	eave left side
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mark 2 Orhisaari/Orisgrunden, leave left side

mark 4 E buoy 0,3 NM to E from Kirveskari /Yxhop, leave left side

mark 5 W buoy 0,4 NM to W from Grangrunden/Lattarna, leave right side

mark 6 Rajakari, leave left side

Course 3 18,5 NM

mark 1	green buoy 0,1 NM to N from Orhisaari /Orisgrunden, leave left side
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mark 2 E buoy 0,3 NM to E from Kirveskari /Yxhop, leave left side

mark 3 W buoy 0,4 NM to W from Grangrunden/Lattarna, leave right side

mark 4 Rajakari, leave left side

Course 4 14 NM

mark 1	W buoy 0,4 NM to \	N from Grangrunden,	/Lattarna, leave left side
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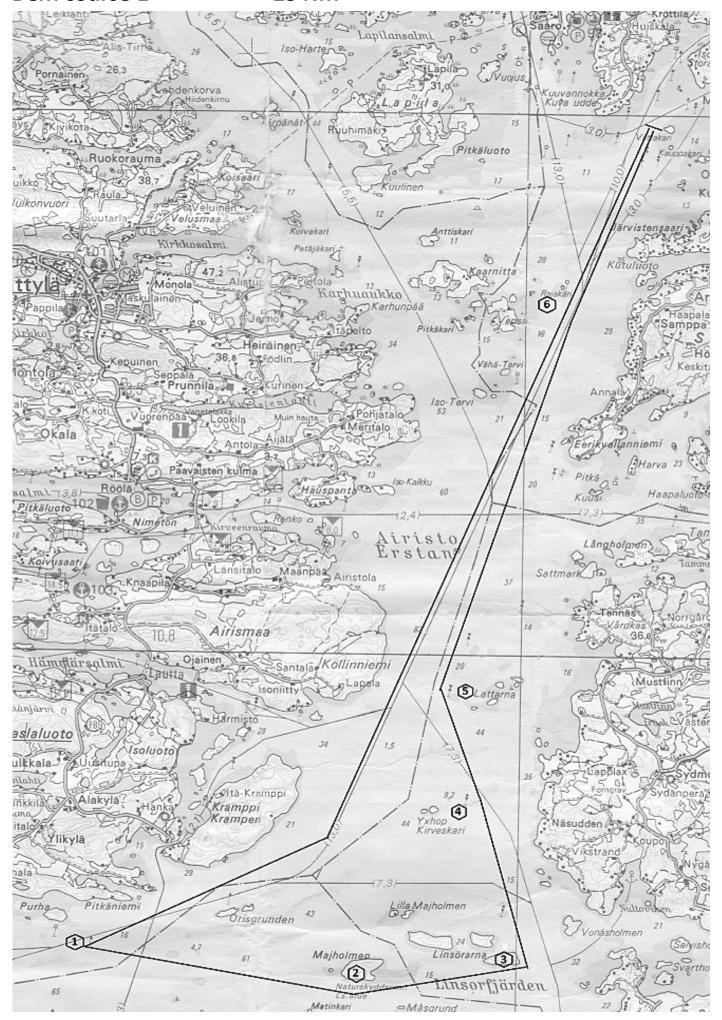
mark 2 E buoy 0,3 NM to E from Kirveskari /Yxhop, leave left side

mark 3 W buoy 0,4 NM to W from Grangrunden/Lattarna, leave right side

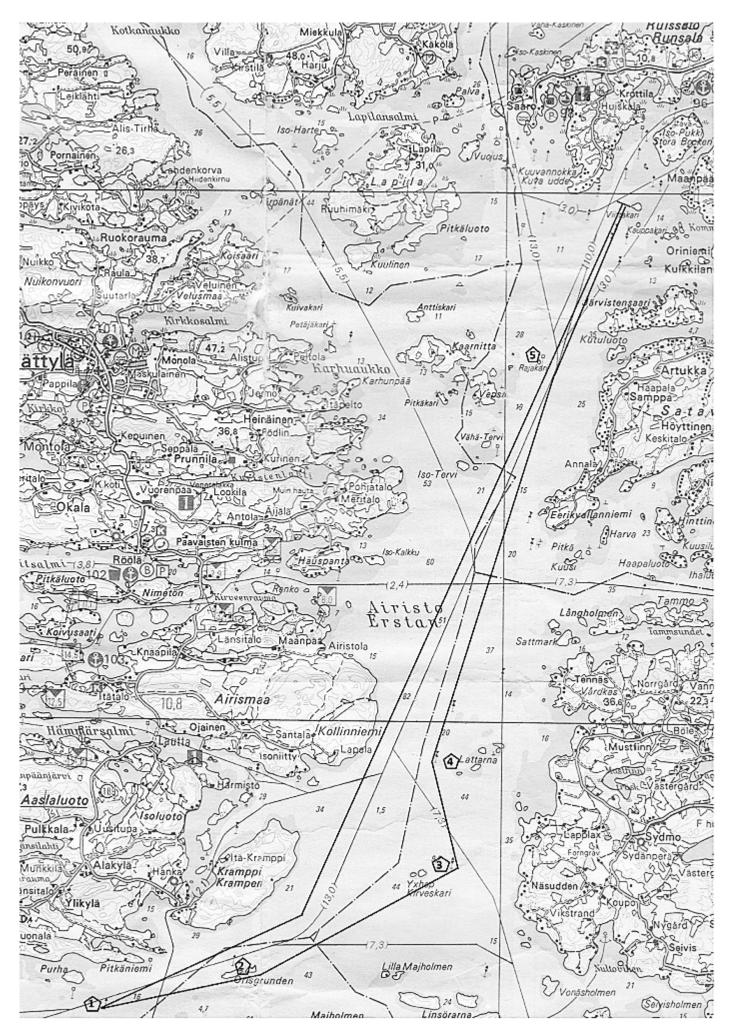
mark 4 Rajakari, leave left side

BCM course 1

23 NM

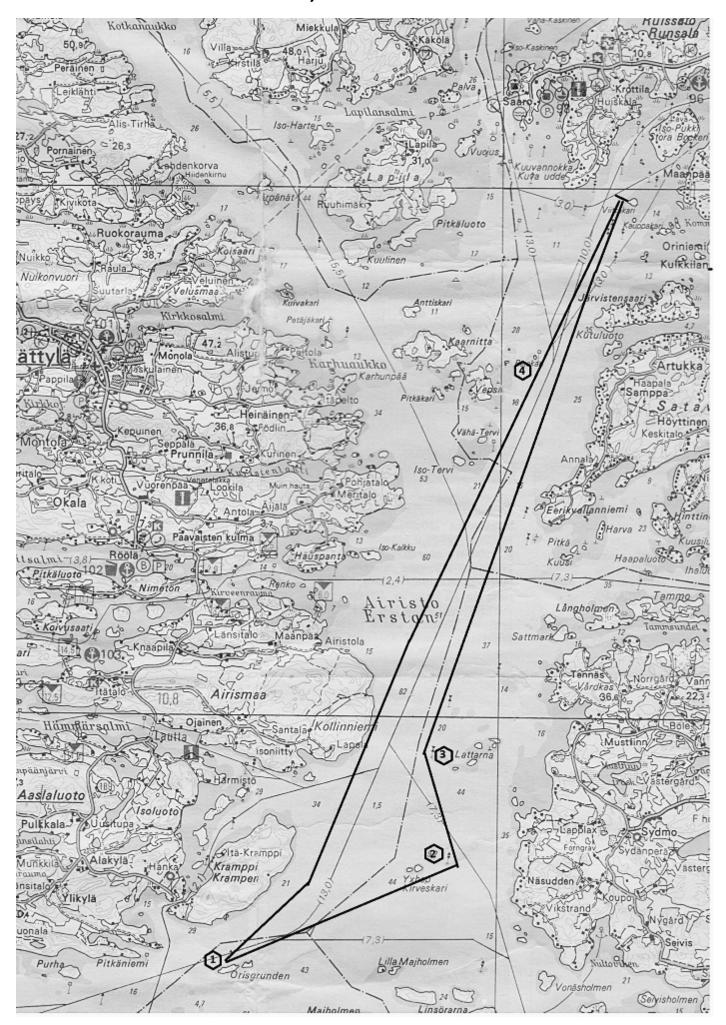


21 NM



BCM course 3

18,5 NM



BCM course 4

14 NM

