



NOTICE OF RACE

The Halfway Race

Saturday, October 3, 2020

**Organizing Authority: Channel Islands Yacht Club (CIYC)
4100 Harbor Blvd, Oxnard, CA**

This race replaces the Channel Islands to Marina del Rey (CI2MdR) Race, which was resurrected for racers and cruising sailors to enjoy the 46nm sail from the Channel Islands area to Marina del Rey as well as the hospitality of the co-sponsoring yacht clubs before and after the race. In light of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, closure of yacht clubs to reciprocal visits, and decreasing daylight hours at this time of year, CIYC has decided to shorten the course distance and call this the "Halfway Race." The planned course distance will be approximately 23nm, half the distance of prior CI2MdR races. In the event of light air, shorter course options will be provided.

- RULES:** The race will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing*. Area A Random Leg Course (RLC) ratings will be used. Compliance with Safety Equipment Requirements (SERs) for Nearshore Races (<https://www.ussailing.org/competition/offshore/safety-information/ser-world-sailing-special-regulations/>) is highly recommended.

All participants are strongly encouraged to comply with state and local COVID-19 guidelines for social distancing in effect at the time of the race (eg, 6ft between non-household members or mask, buff, or bandana over the nose and mouth when closer than 6ft, handwashing, gloves).

- RACE CLASSES:** PHRF Spinnaker and Nonspinnaker, Cruiser, and ORCA classes are open to any seaworthy vessel approx 20ft or greater length overall. The Race Committee (RC) may assign a temporary rating for boats without a rating as well as various rating offsets for the Cruiser class.
- RACE ENTRY & FEES:** Race entry and payment of entry fees (\$30) are available online only, CIYC and/or USSA members' entry fees will be discounted by \$5.

Regatta Network event site: <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/21390>

4 SCHEDULE - Saturday, September 26, 2020

0830 Virtual Skippers Meeting - A representative from each boat is required to attend a ZOOM Meeting at <https://zoom.us.com>, Meeting ID# 399 613 4278, Password 9Lfakk, or at this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3996134278?pwd=YlVJeENmNDc4S1hYOVFVWm11MkZKOT09>

1100 Planned first start (Mandalay race buoy)

1700 (approx) Post-race awards presentation

- SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:** The race will begin at the Mandalay Race Buoy and finish at Channel Islands Harbor. Course distance options will be approx 23nm or less if light winds are forecasted. The Sailing Instructions (SIs) and Course Chart will be posted online (<https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/21390>).
- PRIZES & HOSPITALITY:** Individual prizes will be awarded after racing. CIYC plans to hold an outdoor post-race awards presentation at CIYC with appropriate precautions against COVID-19. Details will be reviewed during the Virtual Skippers Meeting.
- INSURANCE & DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:** Each participating boat shall have valid third-party liability insurance. Competitors will acknowledge that they participate entirely at their own risk (see Rule 4, Decision to Race). The organizing authority does not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury, illness, or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, or after the race.
- ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Contact Jane Thomas, CIYC Fleet Captain (415.518.4046 or Sunglade@prodigy.net).