



**2023 Commodore's Challenge**  
*In honor of Staff Commodore James Lonergan*  
San Diego, California  
Saturday – July 29, 2023

## NOTICE OF RACE

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### 1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. Each entry shall be helmed by the current Commodore of the Club for which the yacht is competing, or a member of the bridge if the Commodore is unavailable, from the warning signal through the finish of each race, except for one five-minute break, if necessary.
- 1.3. Crew shall consist of sailors who are members of the Commodore's yacht club, with the exception of one boat representative if the yacht entered is not owned by a member of the club.
- 1.4. Each entry may not have more than one WORLD SAILING Group 3 sailor. See: [www.sailing.org/classification/index.php](http://www.sailing.org/classification/index.php).

### 2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. Each Yacht Club may enter one qualifying yacht.
- 2.2. To be eligible, yachts must have a keel, motor, lifelines, and LOA  $\geq 24'$  as well as a PHRF San Diego or PHRF Southern California rating between +80 and +135.
- 2.3. Yachts with both PHRF Southern California and PHRF San Diego ratings shall be scored with their PHRF San Diego rating.
- 2.4. Entries shall be submitted on-line via the SWYC website (<http://www.southwesternyc.org>) no later than 1700 hours Thursday, July 27, 2023.
- 2.5. There is no fee for entering this regatta.

### 3. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 3.1. A skippers meeting and social hour will be held Friday, July 28, 2023, at Southwestern Yacht Club beginning at 1800 hours.
- 3.2. The first warning signal will be Saturday, July 29, 2023 at 1155 hours. Subsequent races will follow. The start will be in South Bay in the vicinity of buoys SD28 & SD30.

### 4. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1. Sailing Instructions will be available via the SWYC website no later than the skippers meeting Friday, July 28, 2023 at 1800 hours.
- 4.2. Notices to competitors will be posted on the RC bulletin board adjacent to the SWYC office no later than 0900 hours on the day of the event and on the regatta website.

### 5. THE COURSES

- 5.1. Races #1 and #2 will be Windward/Leeward in South Bay.
- 5.2. Race #3 will start in the South Bay and finish in the Shelter Island Basin in front of Southwestern Yacht Club.

## 6. SCORING

- 6.1. All entries will be scored together.
- 6.2. Competitors shall be handicapped according to their "Buoy" ratings for Windward/Leeward races in Races 1 and 2, and their "RLC" rating for the race to Southwestern Yacht Club.
- 6.3. The regatta will be scored with the Low-point Scoring System as provided in Appendix A. There will be no throw outs. This modifies RRS Appendix A2.1.
- 6.4. One race shall constitute a series.

## 7. AWARDS

- 7.1. The Staff Commodore James Lonergan Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the first place Club at Southwestern Yacht Club at the post-race award ceremony following the day's regatta.
- 7.2. All competitors are invited to enjoy the hospitality of Southwestern Yacht Club at the end of the day's racing.
- 7.3. Additional take home trophies will be awarded at the post race social.

## 8. DOCKAGE

- 8.1. Dock space is available for visiting yachts prior to and following the regatta. Please contact Carolyn Sherman, [cmaidn@yahoo.com](mailto:cmaidn@yahoo.com), 619-980-7245 for details.
- 8.2. All entrants are encouraged to dock at the Southwestern Yacht Club guest dock Saturday, July 29, 2023, after the races.
- 8.3. Guest dock space will be available by reservation through Southwestern Yacht Club front desk (619-222-0438) or by contact with Carolyn Sherman, [cmaidn@yahoo.com](mailto:cmaidn@yahoo.com).

## 9. FURTHER INFORMATION

### 9.1 Regatta Chairs

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