



2023 SWYC Charity Bay Race
Benefiting ElderHelp of San Diego
Southwestern Yacht Club, San Diego, California
Friday and Sunday, October 13 & 15, 2023

Join us in supporting *ElderHelp* of San Diego by getting your boat off the dock!

Buy Up/Buy Down Party! Friday, October 13th 1830-2100

Buy Up Your Rating or Buy Down Your Competitor's Rating

\$20 can increase or decrease competitor's chances of winning! For each \$20 donation, your rating can be increased, or you can choose to decrease your competitor's rating by 3 second/mile (Charity Bay Race). No Limit.

If you want to participate in the Buy Up and Buy Down, you can do so online when you register for the event or join us at the Buy Up and Buy Down Party at SWYC, Friday, October 13 from 1830 to 2100. All friends and crew are encouraged to attend.

Take advantage of this opportunity to help two great causes, *ElderHelp* and your finishing place.

Oh yeah, did we mention there will be snacks and bottomless champagne?

Auction of sailing expertise for the race! Friday, October 13th

During the Buy Up/Buy Down party, we will be offering, for auction to the highest bidders, excellent sailing advice and assistance for your boat before or during the Charity Bay Race. Skippers with loads of experience will share their local knowledge, trimming tips and tactical advice – either meeting with you and your crew before the race, during a practice race, or joining your team onboard during the race.

Classic Charity Bay Race, Sunday October 15th

- Our classic pursuit start handicap race. PHRF certificate not required.

- For details see the **Official Notice of Race** (page 3).

Enter at: <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/27115>

Have Questions? Contact SWYC Assistant Fleet Captain Jerry M. Lewis at (530) 305-0533.



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OFFICIAL NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1. The race will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, except US Sailing Prescription to Rule 63.2 will not apply.
- 1.2. The race will use a “reverse handicap” start, each boat receiving a start time based on their RLC rating.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. The sailing instructions will be available by 1800 on Saturday, October 14, at the [event site](#) or through the [SWYC Race Calendar](#) website.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The official notice board is at the [event site](#).
- 3.2. Notices to competitors will be posted no later than 0900 on the day of the event.
- 3.3. On the water, the race committee will use VHF channel 68 for courtesy broadcasts to competitors.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The regatta is open to all sailboats.
- 4.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form at [the event site](#) by Friday, October 13 at 1630.
- 4.3. Online and on-time entry is required. Late entries cannot be accommodated in reverse handicap starting times and so will not be accepted.
- 4.4. For official entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.5. Boats without a PHRF Certificate will be issued a handicap at the discretion of SWYC Sail Fleet.
- 4.6. [DP] All boats shall have clearly visible sail numbers. Missing, improper, inconsistent, unclear, illegible, or numbers other than those used for check-in may result in being scored DNF. RRS 60.2, 63.1, and A5 are modified to add that the RC may disqualify a boat infringing this instruction without a hearing.

5. FEES

- 5.1. The entry fee will be \$50.00 donation per boat which will include 2 post-race BBQ tickets.
- 5.2. Friday, October 13 from 1830 to 2100 competitors may buy up their rating or buy down the rating of other competitors for \$20 for 3 seconds/mile. All proceeds go to *ElderHelp*.

6. CLASSES AND CLASS PENNANTS

- 6.1. Class pennants shall be displayed from the yacht’s backstay. Yachts without backstays shall display their pennants in a prominent manner near the stern. Yachts to provide their own “pennant.”

6.1.1. Open Fleet A

Blue Pennant

6.1.2. Open Fleet B

Yellow Pennant

6.1.3. SWRF Fleet

Green Pennant

6.1.4. Dinghy (under 20’, short course)

Purple Pennant

6.1.5. Novice* (short course)

White Pennant

**first time racers*

7. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 7.1. Friday, October 13 Buy Up/Buy Down Party from 1830 to 2100
- 7.2. Saturday, October 14 Sailing Instructions, final ratings and class breaks available online by 1800
- 7.3. Sunday, October 15
 - 7.3.1. One race scheduled with the first warning signal at 1155.
 - 7.3.2. Awards ceremony and BBQ on the SWYC lawn at approximately 1630

8. VENUE AND COURSE

- 8.1. The venue is San Diego Bay. The starting area will be in the vicinity of the east end of Harbor Island.
- 8.2. The race will be a Random Leg course between 9 and 18 nautical miles.

9. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1. RRS Appendix V: *Alternative Penalties* will apply.

10. SCORING

- 10.1. One race is required to be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 10.2. PHRF "RLC" ratings will be used as the default for scoring all races in all classes.
- 10.3. Boats will be scored in the order of finish using Time-on-Distance scoring.

11. RISK STATEMENT

- 11.1. RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

12. INSURANCE

- 12.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with adequate, valid third-party liability insurance.

13. PRIZES

- 13.1. Race results will be published on the [event website](#).
- 13.2. Prizes will be awarded on Sunday, October 15 at approximately 1630 on the SWYC lawn.

14. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 14.1. Regatta questions can be addressed to Assistant Sail Fleet Captain Jerry M. Lewis at (530) 305-0533.