



## CORTEZ RACING ASSOCIATION

A CALIFORNIA NONPROFIT CORPORATION  
San Diego, CA



# NOTICE OF RACE

## COMMODORE'S CUP REGATTA

### Honoring Cmdre. Chuck Bowers

With a special  
appearance by the  
*"Dickie Walker"*

**Presented by**  
*Koehler Kraft*  
Boat Building and Service Since 1938  
*"We Fix Boats"*

Race from San Diego Bay to Mission Bay – Saturday, July 12, 2025

Race from Mission Bay to San Diego Bay – Sunday, July 13, 2025

**Saturday Afternoon – Raft Up in Mariners' Cove**

***Dinner served from the "Dickie Walker"***

**Hosted by CRA**

**Saturday Night – Overnight Party on Boats**

**Sunday – After Race Party and Awards at SWYC**

## 1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in the [Racing Rules of Sailing \(RRS\)](#).
- 1.2 The US Prescription to RRS 63.1 is deleted. The US Sailing Prescriptions are available [here](#).
- 1.3 [DP] [US Sailing Nearshore Safety Equipment](#) is required for this regatta in addition to all required USCG boating requirements.
  - 1.3.1 Add to the US Sailing Nearshore SERs:  
Items 2.4.1 – 2.4.8 from the [US Sailing Coastal SERs](#) are included and apply to all boats whose factory configurations include lifelines, stanchions, pulpits, or toe rails with the following modification:  
SER 2.4.4 – Lifelines may have factory installed coating.
- 1.4 Rule 60.4(a)(2) is changed as follows:  
(2) if it alleges a breach of a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 and is from a boat that was not involved in, and did not see, the incident, or

## 2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND COURSES

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available by **5:00 PM** on Friday, July 11, 2025, on the [online official notice board](#).
- 2.2 Courses will be described in full in the SIs. In general, boats will sail from SD Bay to Mission Bay Mariners Basin on Saturday, July 12. The course will require leaving Navy mooring buoy TG-1 and SD Bay approach channel buoy SD (aka SD1) to starboard. Classes of slower boats will sail directly to Mission Bay after leaving SD1 to starboard.

## 3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located [here](#), or through the [CRA](#) website.
- 3.2 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board no later than 9:00 am on the day of the event.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio channel 68.
- 3.4 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

## 4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The regatta is open to all members of organizations affiliated with US Sailing.
- 4.2 [DP] The regatta is open to all boats of the following classes, as defined below.

ORR Big Boats	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Boats shall have a 2025 <a href="#">ORR</a> certificate</li></ul>	In general, the ORR class is for boats with a negative PHRF rating and LOA > 40'.
ORC Spin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Boats shall have a 2025 <a href="#">ORC</a> certificate.</li></ul>	Spinnaker classes.
ORC Sport Boats	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Boats shall have a 2025 <a href="#">ORC</a> certificate.</li></ul>	In general, sport boats will be ≤ 40' and displace < 5000 pounds, with high aspect ratio jibs.
PHRF Non-Spin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Boats shall have a 2025 valid PHRF certificate issued by either <a href="#">PHRF San Diego</a> or <a href="#">PHRF SoCal</a>.</li></ul>	Boats are encouraged to take advantage of any "Cruising Adjustments" offered through PHRF.
J/24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Boats shall be members of the <a href="#">J/24</a> Class Association.</li></ul>	A minimum of five boats per class are needed to be scored as a One Design Class.

Other classes may be considered at the discretion of the RC Chair. The Fleet Captain should contact Colleen Cooke, CRA RC Chair.

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- 4.3 Classes will be based on entries and will be assigned by the Organizing Authority. The OA retains final authority for a boat's class placement.
- 4.4 Official Class assignments for the regatta will be established and posted as an amendment to the NoR on the online regatta event site no later than noon on Friday, July 11, 2025. Provisional assignments may be posted earlier.
- 4.5 [DP] The class numeral pennant must be flown from the backstay of all yachts, *except J-24s*, or in a prominent manner on the stern, when checking in, while racing, and when finishing. Competitors shall supply their own numeral pennant.
- 4.6 [DP] All boats shall have clearly visible sail numbers of a contrasting color to the body of the sail. Missing, improper, inconsistent, unclear, illegible, or numbers other than those used for check-in, are not permitted.
- 4.7 All eligible boats must enter on-line at [the event site](#), no later than **6:00pm on Thursday, July 10, 2025**.
- 4.8 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.9 Late entries will only be accepted from CRA members. Late entrants may not check in by radio, but must provide to the R/C, in writing, the owner's name, DOB and zip code, email address, phone number, boat name and type, sail number, class and applicable ratings, to complete their entry. Submission of this information to the RC represents the boat's acceptance of the liability waiver in the registration form and that they agree to be bound by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and by all other rules that govern this event.

## 5 FEES

- 5.1 \$40 Registration fee for non-CRA members. No charge for CRA members.  
***How about donating \$40 to CRA? We're a 501(c)(3) corporation. [Use this link!](#)***
- 5.2 CRA burgees are also available for purchase during registration for \$35.

## 6 SCHEDULE

- 6.1 Two races are scheduled.
- 6.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for Race 1 on Sat, July 12 is **11:55AM**.

- 6.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for Race 2 on Sun, July 13 is **10:55AM**.  
There is a time limit of **4:00 pm** for all racing on Sunday, July 13. This changes RRS 35.

## **7 VENUE**

- 7.1 The racing area will extend from San Diego Bay to Mission Bay and will include rounding TG-1 (Navy Mooring Buoy) for all but the smallest spinnaker class boats and non-spin boats. For navigation, refer to NOAA Chart #18765, "Approaches to San Diego Bay; Mission Bay".
- 7.2 The starting area for Race 1 is in the vicinity of buoy SD9.  
The starting area for Race 2 will be near the Mission Bay North Jetty.

## **8 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 8.1 RRS Appendix V: *Alternative Penalties* will apply.
- 8.2 RRS Appendix T: *Arbitration* will apply.

## **9 SCORING**

- 9.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 9.2 Each boat's score shall be the total of her race scores. No score will be excluded.
- 9.3 All boats will be scored using the Time-on-Time method.
- 9.4 The [ORR](#) class will be scored using the *Ratings by Wind Speed*. Enter the TCF (Time Correction Factor) values based on the three wind strengths (Light, Medium, Heavy) for a Closed Course.
- 9.5 The [ORC](#) classes will be scored using the *5-Band AP (All Purpose) TOT* scoring option. Enter the TCF values for AP Low, Med/Low, Medium, Med/High and High.
- 9.6 PHRF non-spinnaker offsets (NSO) will be used for scoring the non-spinnaker class only.
- 9.7 The PRO's decision regarding the rating assigned will not be grounds for redress. This modifies RRS 61.4(b)(1).
- 9.8 Notwithstanding the provisions of rules 90.3(a), (b), (c), and (d), there shall be no changes to a race's scores resulting from action, including the correction of errors, initiated more than 48 hours after
- (1) the protest time limit for that race,
  - (2) being informed of a protest committee decision after that race; or
  - (3) the results are published.
- However, in exception, changes to scores shall be made resulting from a decision under rules 6, 69, or 70.

## **10 RISK STATEMENT**

- 10.1 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.

## **11 PRIZES**

- 11.1 Race results will be announced at the after-race party at Southwestern Yacht Club and published on the [CRA website](#).
- 11.2 *After-race food will be available for purchase.*
- 11.3 Prizes will be awarded using the listed procedure: one prize in each class of 2 - 4 boats, two for 5 - 7 boats, three for 8 or more, based on the number of starters in the class.

## **12 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 12.1 Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 3, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. The race organizers (CRA, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. As a condition of their participation in this regatta, competitors release all claims they may have against CRA and its officers, directors, members, committees, and employees for damage to property, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta. Competitors shall be responsible for damage or injury caused by their breach of *The Racing Rules of Sailing* or applicable governmental rules for the avoidance of collision.

### **13 INSURANCE**

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

### **14 POST RACE ACTIVITIES**

*Saturday Afternoon* – Raft Up to the *Dickie Walker* in Mariner’s Basin, Mission Bay.

*Saturday Night Dinner* - Dinner served from the *Dickie Walker*. Hosted by CRA!

*Saturday Night* – Overnight Party in Mariners’ Cove at your boat! ☺

*Sunday* - After race awards party at Southwestern Yacht Club.

**See the Special Notice for CRA Commodore’s Cup 2025 posted on the event site.**

### **15 FURTHER INFORMATION**

Questions may be addressed to the R/C Chair, Colleen Cooke, at [sailorcookie@cox.net](mailto:sailorcookie@cox.net) or (619)852-5010.