



Channel Islands Yacht Club
&
Southern California Yachting Association
Present the
96th Annual
SCYA Midwinter Regatta
FEBRUARY 21 & 22, 2026
4100 Harbor Blvd, Oxnard, CA 93035

NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY AND RACE MANAGEMENT

The Organizing Authority (OA) for this regatta is the Southern California Yachting Association (SCYA). The Channel Island Yacht Club (ChIYC) Race Committee (RC) will manage this regatta and shall appoint a Protest Committee (PC).

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*, except that US Prescriptions to Rule 63.2 will not apply.
- 1.2 Any changes to the *rules* allowed under *Rule 86* will be stated in the Sailing Instructions (SIs) with the *Rule* number and specific change

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND COURSES

Two sets of Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be posted online at
<https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/30832>

- Random Leg SIs with course options between 4nm and 20nm
- Windward-Leeward SIs with course options between 1.5nm and 5.0nm

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at:
- 3.2 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio channel 68.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Racing is open to monohull and multihull boats in either the Random Leg fleet or the Windward-Leeward fleet
- 4.3 Registration is available online at <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/30832>
- 4.4 Each boat skipper shall complete all online registration documents and pay the race entry fees

5 ENTRY FEES

5.1 <i>Boat LOA:</i>	<i>20-30ft</i>	<i>Over 30ft</i>
Regular Entry Fee	\$45.00	\$55.00
USSA Member Entry Fee	\$43.00	\$53.00
5.2 A portion of the entry fees is used to help offset the costs of individual awards and services that SCYA provides to the yachting community.		

- 5.3 In the event of unforeseen circumstances that may cause a regatta cancellation or rescheduling, any refund of the entry fee will solely be determined by the SCYA Midwinter Regatta Co-Chairs.**
- 5.4 No refunds, other than as stated in 5.3, will be made upon withdrawal of an entry within 10 days of the scheduled regatta beginning date.**
- 5.5 Any refund made will be the Entry Fee less 7%.**

6 CLASSES AND CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1 The following classes will be offered within the Windward-Leeward and Random Leg fleets: PHRF Spinnaker, PHRF Nonspinnaker, ORCA, J/24, and SCRHS (beach cats)
- 6.2 One-design or numeral pennants will be used as Class Flags. The classes, order of starts, and pennants will be determined at the Skippers Meeting based on race entries.
- 6.3 The Race Committee retains final authority for a boat's class placement

7 SCHEDULE

- 7.1 Racing dates are Saturday and Sunday, **February 21 & 22, 2026**
- 7.2 Skippers are requested to enter the event before **1700, Friday, February 20, 2026**.
- 7.3 An online **Skippers Meeting** is scheduled for **1800, Friday, February 20**. A representative from each boat is requested to join the Zoom video conference:

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/81750814860?pwd=E4QwG9soeRTxykhxpg4fbgdTCUA4Lr.1>
Meeting ID 817 5081 4860, Passcode h8z0jE

- 7.4 The scheduled race start each day is **1100** for the **Random Leg fleet** and **1130** for the **Windward-Leeward fleet**. No races will be started after **1500** either day.
- 7.5 Boats that have not finished by **1600** will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes *Rule 35*.
- 7.6 Results will be available at approximately **1700** Saturday and Sunday.

8 VENUE

- 8.1 The racing area will be the coastal waters of Ventura County
- 8.2 All races will start and finish near the Mandalay Race Buoy, between Ventura and Channel Islands Harbors

9 SCORING

- 9.1 Up to 4 Windward-Leeward races and 2 Random Leg races are planned for the 2-day regatta
- 9.2 At least 1 Windward-Leeward race or 1 Random Leg race is required to constitute a regatta for each respective fleet
- 9.3 No throw-out races will be allowed
- 9.4 Boats will be scored using Time-on-Distance (PHRF), Time-on-Time (ORCA, SCRHS), and finish order (J/24 or other one design class)

10 HOSPITALITY AND AWARDS CELEBRATION

- 10.1 After racing each day, all racers are invited to ChiIYC at **1600** for hot food, no-host bar, and race results
- 10.2 The Awards Celebration will be held at approximately **1700** Sunday
- 10.3 Regatta prizes will be awarded by an SCYA representative based on the number of entries in each class

11 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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 (ChIYC & SCYA, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or another 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 ChIYC or SCYA 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.

12 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

13 FURTHER INFORMATION

Questions may be addressed to the Race Chair, Bill Brayton saildad10@gmail.com, (805-822-7544)