



**Notice of Race**  
**BIG ROCK Regatta**  
**#5 of the SCYYRA Carrie Series**  
**Saturday & Sunday March 16th - 17th 2024**  
Hosted by the  
**MORRO BAY YACHT CLUB**

**1. RULES**

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the "rules" as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS); and as modified by: the International Optimist Class (IODA) Rules, the sailing instructions and this Notice of Race.
- 1.2 RRS 40 (Life jackets) is changed to apply at all times while on the water regardless of whether or not code flag "Y" is flown.
- 1.3 Competitors must have a whistle attached to their USCG approved life vest.
- 1.4 RRS 61.1(a,2) will be changed to require a boat to display a red flag if intends to protest concerning an incident in the racing area.
- 1.5 RRS 61.1(a) will be changed to inform a race committee boat immediately after finishing of its intention to protest another boat and provide the sail number of the protested boat.
- 1.6 RRS 63.7 will be replaced with: If there is any conflict with the sailing instructions and the notice of race, the sailing instructions shall apply.

**2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 2.1 This regatta is open to International Optimist Dinghy class boats.
- 2.2 Each entries must completed on  
[https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/27625#\\_registration](https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/27625#_registration)  
prior to 1000 hours on Saturday, March 16th. .

2.3 Fleet assignments (other than green fleet) will be based on the competitor's age on the first day of the regatta according to USODA rules.

**3. FEES:**

The cost to enter the regatta is \$ 75.00. Late entry fee after March 2nd. will be \$85.00. The fee includes, racing, a regatta T- shirt and dinner Saturday evening. Lunches will **not** be available at the event. The view of the Rock is free.

Corned beef and cabbage with Irish cream cheesecake dessert will be available for non-entrants Saturday evening for \$20.

We encourage early on-line registration at: [https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/27625#\\_registration](https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/27625#_registration)

**4. SCHEDULE**

**SATURDAY March 16**

0800-1000 hrs. Registration and Check-In  
1000 hrs. Entry Deadline / Competitors' Meeting  
1015 hrs. Coaches' / Support Boat Registration and Briefing  
1155 hrs. Warning Signal for First Race  
(Subsequent races to start ASAP)  
1730 hrs. Taco dinner and dessert

**SUNDAY March 17**

1125 hrs. Warning Signal for First Race  
( Subsequent races to start ASAP).

Ten (10) races are scheduled: The race committee will try to get as many races on Saturday as is practical. The remaining races of the scheduled ten will be run on Sunday. Note; the Race Committee may run fewer races than the scheduled ten at its discretion.

There will be an on-the-water lunch break between races both days.

**5. AFTER RACING**

Refreshments and Awards Presentation

**6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The Sailing Instructions will be available at [www.regattanetwork.com](http://www.regattanetwork.com) and at check in beginning Friday evening March 15th.

## 7. VENUE

Race Committee intends for Green Fleet and Championship fleets to race in separate starts TBD. An alternate course for Green fleet may be used between the mooring fields in the southern part of the navigable channel.

## 8. COURSES

Courses will be primarily windward, leeward with some possible reaching legs.

## 9. SCORING

The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply. Two (2) races must be completed to constitute a regatta. Appendix A2 is modified as follows: If five or more races are completed the boats score will be the total of her scores excluding her worst score.

## 10. SUPPORT BOATS/ COMPETITORS BOATS

10.1 Coaches who wish to keep support boats at MBYC must make arrangements with the regatta chairmen for use of the hoist, trailer storage and in-the- water berthing.

10.2 Only boats that have registered with the Race Committee (RC) will be allowed in the racing area. All individuals on such registered boats are required to wear PFDs and have a functioning VHF radio on board.

10.3 During races, coach/ support boats shall not make unnecessary boat wakes near competitors and **stay outside the course and finish area until all racers are finished.**

10.4 Competitors may store and launch their boats at the MBYC

## 11. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded after racing on Sunday to the first through third place boat in each fleet and participation awards for green fleet and first through third in overall standings. The name of the first place overall winner in Championship fleet will be added to the BIG Rock Regatta perpetual trophy.

## **12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers (organizing authority, host yacht club, race committee, protest committee, sponsors, and any others acting in an official capacity for this event) from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

## **13. FURTHER INFORMATION**

- 13.1 Tows. Courtesy tows to the racing area will be available in the vicinity of the launch area; however, it is the responsibility of each competitor to be at the start on time.
- 13.2 Hospitality. Competitors and their guests are invited to use club facilities on race days. Refreshments will be available following racing on Saturday and Sunday.
- 13.3 Information. For further information, please contact Regatta Chair Dana McClish at [mcclishmb@gmail.com](mailto:mcclishmb@gmail.com) for information about MBYC and this regatta is available at [www.regattanetwork.com](http://www.regattanetwork.com)
- 13.4 **Any parent not attending any portion of this event shall designate in writing, a specific adult to be responsible for all decisions on behalf of their child. It is the responsibility of this person to decide if the sailor should, or should not sail in weather and sea conditions that may arise during this event. This designated adult shall accept full responsibility for all actions of the competitor, during this event. This includes before, during and after this regatta, both on and off shore.**