

2025 KEN HOOVER MEMORIAL

April 26,27

Hosted by King Harbor Yacht Club



NOTICE OF RACE

The regatta will be organized by the King Harbor Youth Foundation and King Harbor Yacht Club (considered the “Organizing Authority”).

1 Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current US Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028 except as modified by this Notice of Race and/or the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 On the water protests shall be indicated to the Race Committee after finishing. It is the competitor’s responsibility to get a verbal verification from the committee boat that they are filing a protest.
- 1.3 No national prescriptions will apply.

2 Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1 International Optimist Dinghies may enter by completing registration, paying all entry fees, and completing all measurement requirements.
- 2.2 The Championship fleet will be broken into Red, Blue, and White Fleet assignments - based on the competitor’s age on the first day of the regatta.

3 Classification

The “class rules” for the purposes of the definition of “rules” are the International Optimist Association Class Rules.

4 Registration and Entry Fees

- 4.1 The entry fee will be \$75 (which includes the SCYYRA Carrie Series fee). A late entry fee of \$100.- will be charged for entries after April 21 . Registration is up on Club Spot. <https://theclubspot.com/regatta/AQxAVIvm4t>
- 4.2 The Ken Hoover Regatta will be a green regatta – sailors are requested to bring their own or use the regatta refillable water stations.

5 Format of the Regatta

- 5.1 There will be a Championship fleet and a Green fleet.
- 5.2 The race committee will run as many races as possible. No race will start after 3 pm on Sunday.

6 Measurement

- 6.1 All boats and equipment will conform to the standards of the International Optimist Association Class Rules.

7 Schedule

The following schedule is tentative and subject to change at the discretion of the race committee and KHYC.

Saturday

- 0800-0945 Check-in
- 1000 All Fleet Skippers Meeting

1030 Green Fleet Meeting
1130 First Warning Championship Fleet

Sunday

1100 First Warning Championship Fleet
1500 No Races will be started after this time
Racing Awards ceremony ASAP after racing (Green Fleet will be held just prior to RWB fleets)

8 Sailing Instructions

Preliminary sailing Instructions may be available online at, and final official sailing instructions will be available online. Course charts and waiver forms may be available online.

9 Venue

The racing area will be approximately 0.5 miles south of the King Harbor Marina. The racing area will be in Santa Monica Bay, approximately 1 miles Northwest of the King Harbor entrance. In the event of inclement sea conditions or weather, the racing area for any fleet could be changed and announced at the morning skipper's meetings.

10 Courses

10.1 Course charts will be available online. A copy will be posted on the Notice Board.

11 Penalty System

11.1 Decisions of the protest committee will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

12 Scoring

12.1 Scoring details will be provided in the Sailing Instructions
12.2 If 6 or more races are completed, a sailor's worst score will be dropped.

13 Support Boats

13.1 Coach and support boats that do not follow the directions of the race committee or KHYC staff may be excluded from the venue, which can include the racing area, patio area, clubhouse and/or club grounds.
13.2 Coach boats may be excluded from the race course by the RC for violation of the sailing instructions or behavior determined by the Race Committee to be inappropriate. Excluded boats that do not leave the race area may result in individual racers or the club teams being disqualified. All boats except authorized chase/rescue and mark set boats will remain clear of the race course .
13.3 For the purposes of these rules flying "drones" are considered the same as support boats.

14 Radio / Video Communication

14.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice, data, or video transmissions and shall not receive voice, video, or data communications that are not available to all boats.

15 Prizes

15.1 Trophies will be awarded after racing on Sunday at KHYC (see schedule)

16 Safety and Adult Responsibility

16.1 All sailors and support boats shall wear a US Coast Guard certified PFD at all times while on the water.

16.2 An adult (Parent, guardian or designated adult) is responsible for the safety of each sailor. It is the responsibility solely of this adult to decide if the sailor should sail in the weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event. The adults supervising the competitors are ultimately responsible for the risks.

16.3 Parents not personally attending any part of the event shall ensure that another adult is authorized and designated to make these decisions for their sailor, and each competitor shall indicate in writing the parent or adult representative that will be responsible for the competitor throughout the event.

16.4 The designated adult shall accept full responsibility for all actions of the competitor during any activity related to the event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the regatta.

16.5 KHYC yard rules do not allow dogs, other than service dogs, onto the property or boat yard.

16.6 Waiver forms must be submitted online prior to check-in.

16.7 All competitors will check in with KHYF officials before leaving the docks and upon their return. The competitor is responsible for making sure that their departure and return is properly noted by the KHYF officials. It is anticipated that these officials will be stationed near the top of the gang plank.

16.8 Harbor Patrol instructions will supersede Race Committee instructions if applicable.

17 Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, 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. All competitors and their parent/guardian shall sign a waiver.

18 Parking and Storage

Visiting competing boats may be stored on KHYC property starting the day prior to the event through until Sunday evening. KHYC may move trailers as appropriate to provide space for boats, or due to weather conditions.

19 Hospitality

KHYC Galley may be open for breakfast and lunch, Saturday and Sunday.

20 Further Information

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