



Santa Barbara Yacht Club presents:
Biltmore Cup Paddle and Row
Sunday, August 27, 2023

EVENT INSTRUCTIONS

The Organizing Authority for the 2023 Biltmore Cup will be:
The Santa Barbara Yacht Club (SBYC), 130 Harbor Way, Santa Barbara, CA 93109

1. ENTRY AND ELIGIBILITY

- 1.1 This event is open to members of the Coral Casino Beach & Cabana Club, members of the Santa Barbara Yacht Club, and guests of members of those two clubs.
- 1.2 All human-powered watercraft are invited (i.e. prone paddleboards, standup paddleboards, kayaks, outrigger canoe, surfski, etc.).
- 1.3 Online entry is available at <https://sbyc.org/biltmore-cup> or <https://forms.gle/2SLg9xT7U9V1QQxR7>. Every individual taking part must independently sign up and sign an online waiver. Guests shall indicate their host member.
- 1.4 Participants shall comply with all federal, state and local laws and regulations.

2. FEES & DEADLINES

- 2.1 There is no entry fee.
- 2.2 The entry deadline is Sunday, August 27 at 9:00am.

3. PARKING

Complimentary parking will be available to Coral Casino members at SBYC from 8:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. for unloading and loading of equipment.

4. SCHEDULE

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<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
9:00-9:45 am	Check-in & Jersey Assignment	SBYC Lower Deck
9:50 am	Safety Briefing	Beach adjacent to SBYC Parking Lot
10:15 am	Start for Race Division	On the water start as shown in Attachment A
10:15 am	Start for Rally Division	On the water start as shown in Attachment A
	<i>*Start times may be postponed and time limit may be extended at the discretion of the Organizing Authority</i>	
	Finish	On the water due south of SBYC as shown in Attachment A
12:15 pm	Participants not finished by this time will not be scored	

Awards will be available for pickup at the SBYC front desk following completion of the event. SBYC facilities will be available to all participants for post-race celebration on a no-host basis.

5. DIVISIONS

- 5.1 *Race Division:* The participant with the fastest elapsed time wins.
- 5.2 *Rally Division:* Predict your estimated elapsed time (amount of time from start to finish) when submitting your entry form. Participants with the least difference between actual finish time and predicted finish time wins.

6. COURSE

The Start:

All divisions will start on the water between marks 'G' and 'F' as shown on 'Attachment A – Course Chart' and on the current SBYC Course Chart (<https://www.sbyc.org/files/SBYCCourseChart.pdf>). Marks 'G' and 'F' are white cylinders with yellow bands and the corresponding letter displayed.

Any racer that is on the course side of the line at the start horn will be recalled by their jersey number via a hail from the race committee and [displaying code flag 'X'](#) and must start correctly by returning their entire vessel and themselves to the non-course side of the start line before restarting.

Marks to be rounded:

Race Division participants shall pass 'A' Mark on their right (to starboard). SBYC marks are shown on the current SBYC Course Chart (<https://www.sbyc.org/files/SBYCCourseChart.pdf>) and in 'Attachment A – Course Chart'. Rounding marks are white cylinders with a yellow band around it and the corresponding letter displayed.

Rally Division participants shall pass SBYC 'D' Mark on their right (to starboard). SBYC marks are shown on the current SBYC Course Chart (<https://www.sbyc.org/files/SBYCCourseChart.pdf>) and in 'Attachment A – Course Chart'. Rounding marks are white cylinders with a yellow band around it and the corresponding letter displayed.

The Finish:

The finish for all divisions will be an on-the-water finishing line stationed due south of the Santa Barbara Yacht Club as shown in Attachment A – Course Chart. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a Race Committee Boat at one end and the course side of 'G' Mark as shown in 'Attachment A – Course Chart'.

Distance:

- Race Division distance is 3.28 nautical miles.
- Rally Division distance is 2.32 nautical miles.

7. TIME LIMIT

Participants finishing after 12:15 pm will not be scored.

8. IDENTIFICATION

Participants shall wear a supplied jersey or arm band that will be given at check-in. Jerseys shall be returned at the finishing line. Any jersey not returned will result in a \$40 charge to the club account that the participant is associated with.

9. SAFETY

- 9.1 All participants must check-in at the registration desk at SBYC prior to the start.
- 9.2 Paddle board leashes are strongly recommended.
- 9.3 Wearing US Coast Guard approved personal flotation devices (PFD) is strongly recommended.
- 9.4 Escort vessels will be following along during the race. If a competitor needs assistance, he/she should wave arm over his/her head or wave a paddle(s) in the air in large sweeping motions. Whistles are also encouraged.
- 9.5 Participants that withdraw from the race prior to finishing shall call the SBYC front desk at (805) 965-8112 or the SBYC Race Director's Cell Phone at (310) 850-5213 to inform the organizers that they have chosen not to finish the race.

10. SCORING

- 10.1 **Race Divisions** – Competitor entered in the race division will be scored in order of finish overall and by the following divisions:
 - Stand Up Paddleboard (SUP)
 - Prone Paddleboard
 - Kayak (single person)
 - Kayak (double person)
 - Surfski
 - Outrigger Canoe (single person)
 - Outrigger Canoe (two person)
 - Hobie Peddle Kayak
 - Other divisions
- 10.2 **Rally Division** – Competitors entered in the rally division will have their predicted finish time subtracted from their actual finish time. The least difference between predicted and actual finish times will win.
- 10.3 Additional awards may be awarded for categories such as those listed in instruction 11.

11. AWARDS

- 11.1 Awards will be presented to overall winners in each division, and may be presented to winners by age group, gender, type of craft, etc. depending on the number of participants.
- 11.2 The [Biltmore Cup perpetual trophy](#) will be awarded to the club member of either the SBYC or Coral Casino, who is the winner of the Race Division for display at his/her club until the following year's event.
- 11.3 The [SUP Fin perpetual trophy](#) will be awarded to the club member of either the SBYC or Coral Casino, who is the first SUP to finish in the Race Division for display at his/her club until the following year's event.
- 11.4 Results will be posted at <https://sbyc.org/biltmore-cup>.
- 11.5 Awards will be available for pickup at the SBYC front desk.

12. SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

SBYC restroom, shower, bar, and dining facilities will be available to participants. Food and beverage service will be on a no-host basis and is subject to availability. Prior reservations for dining are encouraged. Non-SBYC member beverage and dining privileges apply from 11:30-1:30 only on the day of the event.

13. RENTALS

There are several rental companies in town and individual competitors should reach out on their own to rent equipment.

- Santa Barbara Paddle Sports - <https://www.paddlesportsca.com/>
- Santa Barbara Sailing Center - <https://sbsail.com/>

14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY & RISK STATEMENT

Participants in this event compete entirely at their own risk. The responsibility for a competitor's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is theirs alone. The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event. By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that watersports are a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, vessel handling errors, poor seamanship by other vessels, loss of balance on an unstable platform, and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the watersports is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

Questions may be directed to:

Race Chair: Andra Escola – andraescola@gmail.com

Race Director: Brad Schaupeter – racing@sbyc.org / (310) 850-5213

Attachment A – Course Chart

