



**August 25, 2012** 

Welcome to an exciting, fun and challenging race. Coaches – please ensure your paddlers are ready for this race. Conditions in the channel can be rough. **Spray skirts & tow ropes may be required & automatic bailers are recommended**. The race will cross the shipping lanes and steersmen **MUST** proceed to the rear of any cargo ships.

Be ready for a great day on the water! Then enjoy delicious food during the awards ceremony and raffle.

### **Race Procedure**

The race will start promptly at 8:30 a.m. Crews will consist of 6 men and 6 women. The men will start the race. Change periods will be announced over the radio on the working channel. It will be the responsibility of each team to adhere to the timed changes or penalties may be assessed.

### **Escort Boats**

Teams are responsible for obtaining their own escort boats. Without making any guarantee, Oxnard Canoe and Kayak will try to assist teams with an escort. If you need assistance, please notify **Stephanie Huhn by August 17th. • E-mail**: <a href="mailto:stephatsea@hotmail.com">stephatsea@hotmail.com</a> Escort boat fees will be \$300.00 payable to Oxnard Canoe and Kayak. Check in at the escort boat assignment table by 7:00 am on Saturday.

### **Escort Boat – Guest Docks** (see attached info)

Guest Docks are available through the Harbormaster's Office. Skippers must bring their boat (either on a trailer or on the water) to the Harbor Patrol Office for a check. Daily rate is \$1.15 per foot. You will be given a key card for the dock. The fee includes trailer parking. For questions, contact Ventura County Harbor Patrol at (805) 382-3007

### **Escort Boat Launching**

- Channel Islands Harbor Launch Ramp (turn right off Victoria Ave. just past Channel Islands Blvd.)
- The east finger of the launch ramp will be for launching and returning canoes. The other fingers are available for escort boat launching. (see map).

# **Directions to Channel Islands Harbor, Oxnard**

From the North or South: 101 Freeway to Oxnard/Ventura. Exit Victoria Avenue and go south (toward the ocean). Drive about 6 miles, crossing over Channel Islands Blvd.

**Trailers & Motor homes** – turn right into the Launch Ramp parking lot.

**Paddlers** – continue south ¼ mile and park in the long dirt lot on the left. Paddler parking is free.

**Trailer and Motor Home Parking** in the launch ramp parking lot – use the first section on the right when entering the lot. Use the parking vault and envelopes. Fees: Vehicles/Trailers: \$5.00/day or \$10.00/overnight

Motor Homes: \$25.00 overnight/occupied

Release of Liability Forms - It is imperative that all paddlers including each member from SCORA and each member of a visiting crew, all coaches, all escort skippers, any person on any escort boat for any reason, and any person who accompanies that crew in any capacity sign a 2012 SCORA Release of Liability form. Go to <a href="http://www.socaloutrigger.org/">http://www.socaloutrigger.org/</a>, click on ON-LINE RACE REGISTRATION, then click on Paddler Registration. Complete the registration, print out and sign a copy. If you have questions, please contact Denise Shandroff, SCORA Insurance Officer at <a href="mailto:mdshandroff@hotmail.com">mdshandroff@hotmail.com</a>

All responsibilities pertaining to Officiating, Registration, Race Day Decisions and Safety will be managed by SCORA

# All Race Activities will be in the canoe trailer parking lot.



**Breakfast** - Bagels, pastry, fruit and coffee for sale in the morning.

T-Shirt Sales - Race shirts will be for sale - T-shirts and lady's strappy T's.

<u>Lunch</u> - *Cerrato's Seafood* will be catering lunch – delicious combo plates with fish or chicken tacos, shrimp skewers or fish or chicken burritos. Drinks and sodas will be available for \$1.00.

### Race Divisions – 1<sup>st</sup> thru 3<sup>rd</sup> awarded

- Unlimited
- Open Spec
- Open Bradley
- Master
- Senior Master

### Where to Stay

- \$ McGrath State Beach Camping (800) 444-7275 4.7 mi
- \$ La Quinta (805) 658-6200 5.7 mi
  - o <a href="http://www.lq.com/lq/properties/propertyProfile.do?ident=LQ655&propId=655">http://www.lq.com/lq/properties/propertyProfile.do?ident=LQ655&propId=655</a>
- \$\$ Hampton Inn (805) 985-1100 1.1 mi
  - o http://hamptoninn.hilton.com/en/hp/hotels/index.jhtml?ctyhocn=OXRCIHX
- \$\$ Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites (805) 856-9533 7.8 mi www.holidayinnexpress.com
- \$\$\$ Casa Via Mar Inn & Tennis Club (805) 984-6222 1.3 mi
  - o <a href="http://www.casaviamar.com/">http://www.casaviamar.com/</a>
- \$\$\$ Embassy Suites (805) 984-2500 1.1 mi
  - o <a href="http://www.embassymandalay.com">http://www.embassymandalay.com</a>

NO ALCOHOL NO DOGS NO STYROFOAM

Please respect the rules and policies of the Channel Islands Harbor so we are welcome to continue this event in the future.

Please use the recycle containers for your used water bottles.

# Schedule of Events – Please share with your Escort Skipper

### Friday, August 24th

EVENING Tr

Trailer parking and rigging in Channel Islands Launch Ramp parking lot (see map)
Oxnard Canoe and Kayak will have people available to help unload canoes. Bring cradles.

# Saturday, August 25, 2012

6:00 AM Rig and launch escort boats - ESCORT BOAT CHECK-IN

Meet up with your escort boat skipper

**6:30 AM** Registration opens

7:30 AM Load paddlers and escort boat – the east finger of the launch ramp is to be used for canoes. Please

load and paddle away quickly to allow other canoes to launch. Escort boats may use the other fingers to launch but please be respectful of other boaters using these facilities. Once launched, escort boats may

tie up (side to side OK) at the courtesy dock just west of the launch ramp.

8:00 AM ALL CANOES ON THE WATER AND PROCEEDING TO START LINE

(SOUTH OF THE HARBOR MOUTH)

**8:20 AM** Time synchronization on VHF on Channel 68.

Emergency Channel – 16 Working Channel – 68

# Escort Skippers must stay clear of the harbor entrance - stage outside and behind the breakwater to the north of the line-up

**8:30 AM**RACE START – NO DELAY! Escort boats will follow slowly behind and north of the canoes. No escort boat may enter the pack until the official signal is received.

\* IF FOG DICTATES, escort boats will proceed SLOWLY to assigned canoe and keep it in sight

Once the OFFICIAL ESCORT BOAT SIGNAL has been sounded (approx. 10 minutes after the race start), escorts may proceed <u>carefully</u> onto the course from the back or either side of the pack in such a manner so as not to upset any canoes with their wake as they approach their team. Throughout the race, escort boat wakes may not hinder an opposing team, nor assist their own.

We will be crossing the shipping lanes out of Port Hueneme. No ship will change its course for our race. Please proceed with caution and aim for the rear of any large vessel crossing the course.

**1 – 2:30 PM** Approximate finish time in the harbor

2 - 4:00 PM Lunch & Award Ceremony, Raffle, T-shirt sales

# SAFETY INFO FOR COACHES AND SKIPPERS

It is each coach's responsibility to ensure his/her paddlers and escort skippers are informed of this safety information.

# **Prior to Friday Night**

- Make sure engine components are running and have been well maintained.
- Properly stow away all sharp objects and check for other possible unsafe conditions on your vessel.
- Insure you have fuel Fuel Dock (next to Harbor Patrol) is open from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. You may also get fuel at the Mobil or AM/PM Stations at the corner of Victoria Ave. and Fifth Street (between the 101 freeway and the Harbor)

<u>Early Start</u> – it's important we start the race on time - conditions will get more challenging in the afternoon. Make an extra effort to get organized and have your crews at the start line on time. The start will NOT be delayed waiting.

<u>Harbor Boating Rules</u> - Canoes and Boats shall <u>proceed as far to the right side of the channel</u> as safe and practicable while entering and navigating within the Harbor.

# \*\* Boats must <u>not exceed 5 nautical miles per hour</u> nor generate \*\* significant wake in the Harbor.

### **Race Procedure**

- All escort vessels must check in with the designated official boat on Channel 68.
- Synchronize your time with the race officials at 8:20 a.m.
- Inform all participants on your vessel of your safety precautions.
- Stay off of the race course (either behind or alongside) until the go-ahead signal is received.
  - \* IF FOG DICTATES, escort boats will proceed SLOWLY to assigned canoe and keep it in sight
- Once the OFFICIAL ESCORT BOAT SIGNAL has been sounded (approx. 10 minutes after the race start), escorts may proceed <u>carefully</u> onto the course from the back or either side of the pack in such a manner so as not to upset any canoes with their wake as they approach their team.
- Do not charge through the pack or create a wake that affects the canoes. Penalties will be assessed.
- Paddler changes will take place every 30 minutes, 5 minutes before the half hour and the hour, with a 5-minute window. Change periods will be announced over the radio on the working channel.
- Last change must be before the last buoy, just before the breakwater.
- At the finish into the harbor, <u>escort boats must stop just inside the breakwater and check in with the</u> official boat you may NOT follow your canoe to the finish.

- Skipper (or spotter) should maintain contact with persons in and on the water at all times. Have paddlers jump into the water and board your vessel on the side on which steering station is located.
- Shut down engines when paddlers are in the water and are within 10 yards of your vessel and give them the "OK" to board your vessel.
- DO NOT, under any circumstances, back down to pick up or drop-off paddlers. In most cases, the paddlers will swim to you.
- Assist paddlers into the vessel with consideration to paddler's ability to get onto the ladder, swim step, or other loading device.
- Have a line (with a floating device attached) available for assistance in case it's needed.

### GENERAL INFORMATION FOR SKIPPERS

### **Radio Communication**

Working channel will be **CHANNEL 68**. It is not a conversation channel but will be used to announce change periods and to get assistance. If assistance is needed, call the vessel in question and proceed with transmission. The SCORA OFFICIAL BOAT will provide general race information.

If assistance is needed for escort vessels, call **SCORA I**. The Coast Guard and the Channel Islands Harbor Patrol have been informed of the race. **Urgent medical emergencies should be handled on channel 16** and directed to the agency that can assist in the timeliest manner.

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### **Required Equipment**

Escort boats participating in the Anacapa Classic **MUST** be properly equipped. **All required equipment by law must be aboard each vessel.** 

Below is a minimal list of required and recommended equipment to aid each escort boat and the paddlers in the race.

### **Equipment Required by Law**

- Flame arresters for gasoline engines
- Fire extinguishers of proper size and number
- Personal floatation devices of proper size for each person aboard (including relief paddlers)
- Visual distress signals
- Sound signaling devices
- · Ventilation for vessels with gasoline aboard
- Marine sanitation devices
- First Aid Kit

# Required Race Equipment

- Operating marine radio
- Ladder or device to board vessel from ocean
- Anchor and anchor line
- 40 foot towline (anchor line may substitute if proper size)
- Adequate fuel with proper storage
- Compass
- Chart of race course and navigation
- Adequate drinking water
- 5 gallon bucket

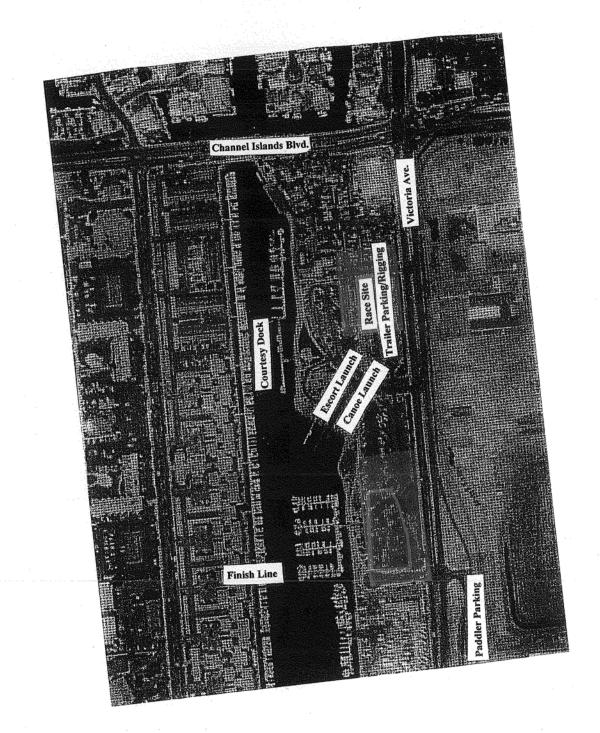
### **Recommended Equipment**

Extra line
Mooring fenders (for safe side tying)
Jackets for cool weather
Hats and sunscreen

Please use discretion and carry aboard other safety equipment you deem necessary for personal and passenger safety. Please make sure all radios, equipment, engines are well maintained and in proper working condition with adequate back-up. Tie down unnecessary equipment and/or store out of the way. Prepare to have an enjoyable and safe time.

Thank you for your assistance and participation!

NO ALCOHOL MAY BE CONSUMED DURING THE RACE





# VENTURA COUNTY GUEST DOCK INFORMATION VENTURA COUNTY HARBOR PATROL

Ph: (805) 382-3007

# Daily Rates

Daily rate: \$ 1.15 cents per foot

Greater than 10 days rate: \$1.35 per foot (Harbormaster's approval with insurance)

No Refunds

### **Key Card Deposits Requirements**

A keycard will be issued to all guest dock occupants. A \$20.00 refundable deposit is required. Guests returning the undamaged keycard within 15 days will be refunded the \$20.00 deposit. Damaged or broken keycard replacement cost \$20.00.

## Rules and Regulations

No reservations are taken for dock space.

All fees are due in advance. Check out time is 12:00 p.m. Unauthorized or overdue vessels are subject to impound.

Operator must provide valid / current certificate of vessel numbers.

Maximum stay is 10 days. Additional days may be authorized by the Harbormaster. Requirements are: 1) a letter addressed to the Harbormaster requesting an additional stay and 2) insurance naming the County of Ventura "as additionally insured" & minimum liability coverage in the amount of \$100,000.

Slip assignments will only be issued to those vessels that appear at the Harbormaster Dock or on trailer and are in seaworthy condition.

Fenders must be used at all times.

All pets must be leashed at all times.

Keep your vessels dock area free of all debris and obstructions.

Shore power cords: Minimum 12 gauge wire.

Parking when not in guest slip:

Day Use \$5.00

Overnight

\$10.00

Overnight Occupied

\$25.00

Ventura County Harbor Patrol Is On Duty 24 Hours Daily Monitoring VHF Channels 16 and 12 Emergency Number (805) 382-3000