

VENTURA YACHT CLUB

NOTICE OF RACE - 2026 BLUE WATER SERIES #1

1. Race Description

- 1.1. The resurrected Blue Water Series is the oldest yacht racing event in Ventura. It will consist of 3 races returning home from planned cruises to Santa Cruz Island. There will be only one class sailing together, with or without spinnakers.
- 1.2. Blue Water #1 – Monday, May 25, 2024. Starting in the vicinity of Little Scorpion Anchorage, Santa Cruz Island.
- 1.3. Blue Water #2 – Sunday, July 5 2025. Starting in the vicinity of Pelican Bay, Santa Cruz Island.
- 1.4. Blue Water #3 – Monday, September 7, 2026. Starting in the vicinity of San Pedro Point, Santa Cruz Island.
- 1.5. All boats start using a rabbit boat start will be chosen (time to be determined) – more info in the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.6. Sunset Rule does apply.

2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1. This race is open to current members of recognized yacht and sailing clubs or a member of US Sailing.
- 2.2. Entry online is preferable. Go to <https://venturayachtclub.org/racing/> or <https://theclubspot.com/regatta/YaHGLddRUm>
- 2.3. Entry Fee is \$25.00 per race and you may pay online at Clubspot:
<https://theclubspot.com/register/regatta/YaHGLddRUm/class> or at the club office.

3. Schedule

- 3.1. Skippers meeting to be held by PRO at the island the evening before the race. The warning signal TBD at the Skippers meeting.
- 3.2. This event will be cancelled if 3 boats are not signed up by 17:00 on the Wednesday before the race date.

4. Racing Area

- 4.1. Starting Area, Marks and Course Chart information will be in the Sailing Instructions.

5. Classes and Scoring

- 5.1. There will be only one class - all boats will start and sail together – scoring will be based on PHRF ratings with our VYC-RAW 2025 (Rating Adjustments Worksheet). Included in the Sailing Instructions and on the Clubspot notice board:
<https://theclubspot.com/regatta/YaHGLddRUm/#notice-board>. This must be filled out the Wednesday before the race.
- 5.2. The Low Point Scoring System (Appendix A of the RRS) will apply.

6. Rules

- 6.1. All boats must conform with current United States Coast Guard Regulations and US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (USSER) for a US Sailing Nearshore Race, USSERs are available at <https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/Monohull-SER-2023.0-Nearshore.pdf>.
- 6.2. The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone. RRS 3.
- 6.3. Each boat shall have valid, third-party liability insurance that provides a minimum coverage of \$300,000/incident.

7. Questions & Information:

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Event page: <https://theclubspot.com/regatta/YaHGLddRUm>

Google Drive: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1MNSpRJePVPFjYKuzjMtkgr6y8gF93iJM?usp=share_link

VYC's Facebook Racing Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1015985196505205>

VYC's racing Instagram page: https://www.instagram.com/ventura_yacht_club_racing/

VYC's Racing Webpage: <https://venturayachtclub.org/5619-2/>