



LATHAM BELL DINGHY CHALLENGE

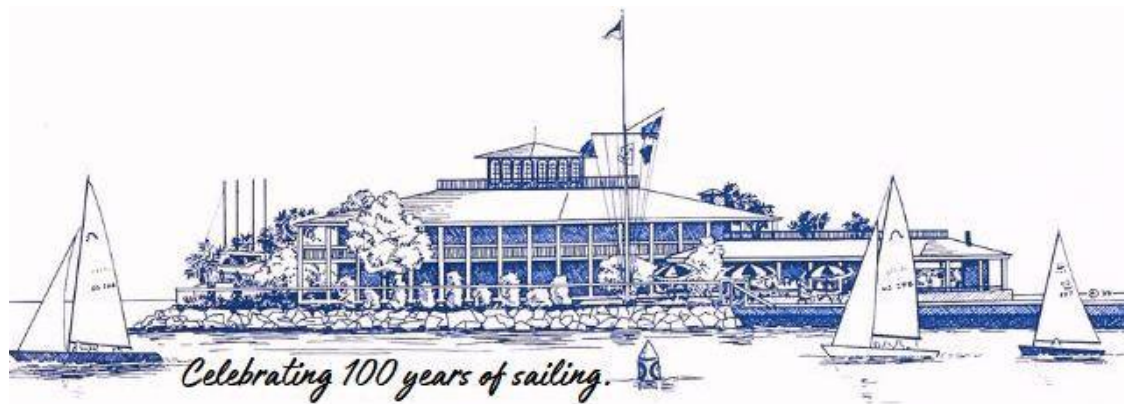
SUNDAY 2ND AUGUST, 2026

NOTICE OF RACE

Amendment 1 – 31 July

The Organizing Authority is

Alamitos Bay Yacht Club (ABYC)



The Latham Bell Dinghy Challenge is a “pursuit” or reverse handicap start. One race, the slowest boat starts first, and the fastest boat starts last. First boat to sail the course wins.

1. SCHEDULE

Sunday, 26 July 2026	1800	Early Entry Deadline
Saturday, 1 August 2026		Earliest Arrival Date
	1800	Entry Deadline
Sunday, 2 August 2026	0900 - 1000	Regatta Office open
	1030 1100	Competitors' Meeting
	1200	1 st Warning Signal for the first and only race
	After Racing	Awards Presentation in ABYC Clubhouse
Monday, 3 August 2026		Latest Departure Date

2. RULES

- 2.1. This event is governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

3. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1. The sailing instructions will be available on the official notice board.

4. COMMUNICATION

- 4.1. The official notice board is located at <https://abyc.org/regatta/92qSa7jCcf/#notice-board>.

5. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 5.1. The event is open to boats with a Portsmouth DPN handicap of 83.0 or greater and an OAL of 21 ft. or less, as well as Tempests and Solings.
- 5.2. Spinnakers will not be allowed.
- 5.3. Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form at <https://abyc.org/regatta/92qSa7jCcf/> and submitting it, together with the required fee by **1800 on 1 August 2025**.
- 5.4. A boat shall be entered by a member in good standing of a club affiliated to US Sailing or other World Sailing member national authority, or a member of a World Sailing member national authority. (see RRS 75)
- a) [ABYC members are eligible for a discounted US Sailing membership through the ABYC/US Sailing Member Partner Program.](#)
- 5.5. The skipper (Person in Charge see RRS 46) of a boat, or the Parent/Legal Guardian of the skipper who is a minor, shall accept and agree to the terms and conditions of the Regatta Waiver and Release of Liability as part of online registration. When all competitors in a boat are minors (participants under 18), each competitor's Parent/Legal Guardian shall accept and agree to the terms and conditions of the Regatta Waiver and Release of Liability as part of online registration.
- 5.6. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

6. FEES

- 6.1. Entry fees are as follows:

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	<i>Before 1800 26th July</i>	<i>Before 1800 1st August</i>
Entry Fee	\$30	\$40

- 6.2. Boats or trailers not paying yard storage fees that wish to arrive before the earliest arrival date or depart after the latest departure date must complete an application for ABYC temporary yard storage. Applications can be completed at <https://abyc.org/register/regatta/Gnq94CMgIX/class>. The application must be approved, the fee paid, and the waiver completed before arrival.
- 6.3. Any boat or trailer found on ABYC property without prior written authorization from ABYC is subject to impound and associated fees.
- 6.4. If an entry is cancelled by emailing regattas@abyc.org or calling +1 (562) 434-9955 by 1000 on the first day of the event, the entry fee will be refunded less credit card and other processing fees.

7. VENUE

- 7.1. The event venue will be Alamos Bay Yacht Club.

- 7.2. The racing area will be Alamitos Bay.

8. COURSE

- 8.1. Courses will use the fixed marks in Alamitos Bay

9. SCORING

- 9.1. One race constitutes a series.

10. HAUL OUT AND LAUNCHING RESTRICTIONS

- 10.1. [DP] Two hoists (maximum capacity 5,000 lbs.) and a dinghy ramp are available. Every boat using a hoist must have its own INTERNAL sling.

11. PARKING AND STORAGE

- 11.1. [DP] Due to space limitations, vehicle parking on ABYC grounds is restricted. Off-street parking is available across the street in municipal lots.

12. RISK STATEMENT

- 12.1. RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or continue racing is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**
- 12.2. The organizing authority including the sponsors, the race committee, the officers, directors, employees and members of the Alamitos Bay Yacht Club and all those involved in these organizations will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event.

13. DEPICTION RELEASE

- 13.1. Competitors, by competing in this event, grant to Alamitos Bay Yacht Club, perpetually and irrevocably, the unconditional and exclusive right, title and interest throughout the world to use, simulate and portray Participant's name, likeness, voice, personality, personal identification and personal experiences, incidents, situations and events, whether visual and/or audio, including without limitation photographs, videotape, film and other recordings, electronic or optical-based media, or any other form or medium whatsoever, whether now or hereafter existing, and of every kind and character (collectively "The Images"), which may be taken or taken of Participant while participating in any aspect of the event.

14. PRIZES

- 14.1. Prizes will be awarded based on the number of entries.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 15.1. For further information please contact Alamitos Bay Yacht Club. regattas@abyc.org or +1 (562) 434-9955.