



The Santa Barbara Yacht Club presents:

Goblin Optimist Regatta

SCYYRA Carrie Series #1

October 10-11, 2026

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority for the 2026 Goblin Optimist Regatta will be:
The Santa Barbara Yacht Club (SBYC), 130 Harbor Way, Santa Barbara, CA



1. RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in *the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2 The notation [DP] in a *rule* means that the penalty for a breach of a *rule* may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.
- 1.3 The notation [NP] in a *rule* means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that *rule*. This changes RRS 60.1.
- 1.4 The notation [SP] in a *rule* means that a penalty may be applied by the Race Committee (RC) without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1, A4, and A5.
- 1.5 US Sailing prescriptions to rules 63.2 will not apply.
- 1.6 Rule 60.4(a)(2) is changed as follows: '(2) if it alleges a breach of a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 and is from a boat that was not involved in, and did not see, the incident, or'.
- 1.7 Appendix P – Special Procedures for Rule 42 will apply for the Championship Fleet with the following changes:
 - a) Delete the word "first" in the title and body of P2.1.
 - b) Delete P2.2, P2.3, and P2.4.
 - c) P3 is changed to read: "If a boat has been penalized under Rule P1.2 and the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment, the penalty is cancelled."

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The Goblin Optimist Regatta is open to competitors of the Optimist Championship Fleet (Red, Blue, White) and Optimist Green Fleet.
- 2.2 Competitors may enter the regatta by completing the online entry form and paying applicable fees. A link to the online entry form may be found at: <https://sbyc.org/goblin-optimist-regatta> or at <https://theclubspot.com/register/regatta/eHR0i9jbGa/class>.
- 2.3 Registration for the Goblin Optimist Regatta closes at 11:59pm on Thursday, October 8, 2026.
- 2.4 The Green Fleet will be capped at 72 boats and the OA reserves the right to sail the green fleet in flights should Green Fleet entries exceed 47 boats.
- 2.4 [NP] [DP] **SCYYRA Carrie Series Entry:** The Goblin Optimist Regatta is part of the Southern California Youth Yacht Racing Association (SCYYRA) 2026/2027 Carrie Series. All Championship Fleet Sailors must be a member of SCYYRA (lifetime membership is free and can be completed at <https://www.scyyra.org/>). Championship Fleet sailors must register for the SCYYRA 2026/2027 Carrie Series. Carrie Series entry is online at <https://theclubspot.com/register/regatta/7QqwuV7x2b/class>. Carries Series info is available at: <https://www.scyyra.org/uploads/documents/2026/Carrie-Series-NOS-2026-2027.pdf>.

3. FEES

- 3.1 There will be a \$70 per boat entry fee.
- 3.2 Championship Fleet entries will be charged an additional \$10 SCYYRA sanctioning fee for the SCYYRA Carries Series for a total \$80 entry fee. This fee applies regardless of whether a competitor is entered in the Carries Series. To be entered and scored in the SCYYRA Carries

Series, Championship Fleet sailors must by [SCYYRA](https://theclubspot.com/register/regatta/7QqwuV7x2b/class) members and enter the series at:
<https://theclubspot.com/register/regatta/7QqwuV7x2b/class>.

- 3.2 The Goblin Optimist Regatta entry fee will include lunch snack-pack each day, Saturday post-racing dinner at SBYC, Sunday post-race snack, and a regatta shirt.
- 3.2 There will be a \$35 late fee for entries received after October 3, 2026.

4. SCHEDULE

4.1 *Friday, October 9, 2026*

1100 Competitor briefing will be sent out via pre-recorded video. Questions about the briefing or related to the regatta may be submitted via email to racing@sbyc.org. Answers to questions may be shared with all registrants via email as appropriate.

Saturday, October 10, 2026

0915 Check-in opens at the launch ramp

1015 Check-in closes

1030 Competitor briefing on the beach next to launch area for all competitors where general announcements and championship fleet specific information will be shared followed by a second competitor briefing specifically for Green Fleet Competitors. The Green Fleet first warning signal will be announced at their competitor briefing.

[SP] *Immediately following the competitor briefing, there will be a mandatory meeting for coaches. Coaches that do not attend shall have a 2-point penalty applied to all Championship Fleet competitors from the organization the coach represents - this scoring penalty only applies to coaches of Championship Fleet competitors.

1230 Warning signal for first Championship Fleet race.

1730 BBQ Beach Party at SBYC. Hosted dinner for competitors / dinner tickets available for purchase for additional guests.

Sunday, October 11, 2026

1030 Report Time & Costume Contest Judging

1230 Warning signal for first Championship Fleet race

1545 No warning signal after this time

Post Racing Snacks at launch ramp & Awards presentation at the Launch Ramp

- 4.2 For the Championship Fleet, seven (7) races total are scheduled with no more than four (4) races to be sailed on any one day.

- 4.3 For the Green Fleet, as many races as possible will be sailed at the race committee's discretion.

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available on the event website approximately a week prior to the event: (<https://theclubspot.com/regatta/eHR0i9jbGa>). Copies will also be available at registration.

6. VENUE

- 6.1 The onshore staging area will be near the launch ramp at the eastern end of Santa Barbara Harbor as shown in 'Attachment A – On Shore Staging'.

- 6.2 There will be two sailing areas: Green fleet will sail in or near the Santa Barbara Harbor. The Championship Fleet will sail on an ocean course. Both racing area locations are shown in 'Attachment B – Racing Area'. The race committee may choose to run races in different locations than shown in Attachment B should weather or conditions mandate they do so.

7. SCORING

- 7.1 The low-point scoring system of Appendix A will apply, except that a boat's series score shall be the total of all her race scores when fewer than six races have been sailed.
- 7.2 Two (2) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

8. COACHES / SUPPORT VESSELS

- 8.1 [DP] Coaches/support persons providing on the water support shall register via clubspot by the entry deadline (see RRS definition of support persons). There is no entry fee for support persons.
- 8.2 [DP][SP] Coach and support vessels may be stored on trailers overnight in the Santa Barbara public harbor lot (parking fees will apply). There will be limited overnight water dockage at the SBYC End Tie D in Marina 1 (as shown in Attachment H – Harbor Map) available on a first come-first serve basis. Support boats may also make other arrangements for berthing may be made with the Harbor Department. Coach boats shall not tie up to private docks without permission. Any coach/support vessel that ties up to a private dock without permission of the tenant of the dock or from the Santa Barbara Harbor Department shall have a 10-point penalty per incident applied to all competitors from the organization the coach/support person represents. [SP]
- 8.3 [DP] The OA requires that each competitor have a support (coach or spectator) vessel on the racecourse throughout the event. Any competitor that is determined to not have a support vessel may be sent ashore.
- 8.4 The OA recommends there be at least one support vessel for every 10 sailors.
- 8.5 [DP] All support vessels shall have a working VHF radio monitoring the designated race committee channel, an anchor suitable for anchoring, and a basic first aid kit.

9. BERTHING - BOAT STORAGE AND DOLLIES

- 9.1 Boats - Competitor boats must be stored in the launch ramp parking lot in designated areas as shown in 'Attachment A – On Shore Staging' from Friday, October 9 at 12:00pm through October 11 at 8:00pm, except for those with express written permission to do otherwise. If the designated space is filled, parking attendants may require participants to use other available lots or spaces in the area. No boats, trailers, or cars should impede traffic in the launch ramp area. Boats should not be left at the launch ramp dock, except when actively launching or retrieving for the day. Failure to comply with these policies may result in citations for vehicles.
- 9.2 Dollies - Each sailor must provide their own boat dolly or alternate means of boat storage. Dollies for visiting boats may be stored in the areas indicated in 'Attachment A – On Shore Staging'.
- 9.3 Boat trailers – Trailers may be stored in any of the yellow stalls in the harbor launch ramp area.

10. ADULT RESPONSIBILITY

- 10.1 All coaches, parents, guardians and 'designated adults' are support persons (See RRS definition Support Person).
- 10.2 In addition to the requirements of RRS 3 Decision to Race, a Support Person is responsible for the safety of their competitor. It is the responsibility of this adult to decide if their competitor 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.
- 10.3 Parents or guardians not personally attending any part of the event shall ensure that another Support Person is authorized and designated to make these decisions for their competitor.
- 10.4 Each competitor shall designate, in writing at check-in, the Support Person that will be responsible for the competitor throughout the event.
- 10.5 The designated Support Person shall accept full responsibility for all actions of the competitor during any activity related to the event. This includes onshore activities before, during, and after the event.

11. PARKING

Parents and participants must comply with all parking regulations and will be responsible for any parking fees.

12. PRIZES

Trophies will be awarded to the top finishers in each class at the end of the regatta and to the top female sailor in the Championship fleet. All Green Fleet competitors will receive a participation trophy.

13. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor and competitor's legal guardian 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.**

14. SOCIAL, FOOD, & HOSPITALITY

14.1 LUNCH SNACK BAG - A lunch snack bag (no sandwich) will be provided to all registered competitors. Sailors with big appetites should bring additional food to eat on the water.

14.2 SATURDAY DINNER – A hosted dinner for competitors (chicken tenders, burgers, fries, salad, corn on the cob, fruit, potato salad, and cookie) will be held at the Santa Barbara Yacht Club on Saturday starting at approximately 5:30pm. In addition to a buffet style dinner for competitors, additional adult dinner tickets are available for purchase in advance during online registration for \$22. Adult dinners include (choice of salmon, burger, or grilled chicken breast) with salad, fruit, corn on the cob, potato salad, and cookies. Tickets purchased in advance will also include a drink ticket good for one beer, glass of wine, green goblin margarita, or soda. Additional dinner tickets purchased on the day of the event will not include the drink ticket.

14.3 COSTUME CONTEST - On Sunday before racing, all competitors will be invited to compete in a boat costume contest. This will require a costume for you and hopefully your boat too, so be creative! Prizes will be awarded to the top costumes.

14.4 SUNDAY SNACKS - Post-race day snacks will be provided on Sunday following racing.

14.5 DINING at SBYC - SBYC invites competitors and families to dine at the club during or after racing. Please check in at the front desk. Credit cards are the only form of accepted payment for guests. Please call the front desk of SBYC at (805) 965-8112 to make a reservation.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact SBYC at (805) 965-8112 / racing@sbyc.org or regatta chair, Sarah Schaupter – sarah.louise.ryan@gmail.com.