



**PRESENTS**

**THE SHULTZ / EASTER CATALINA**  
**Cruiser Navigation Contest**



**Friday - April 8, 2022**

The following is a reprint of an article written by S/C Tom Collins in 2002 about the history of the "Shultz / Easter Catalina" Contest:

## HISTORY OF THE SHULTZ / EASTER CATALINA RACE

The Shultz / Easter Catalina Race is actually a combination of two races so I will address them individually. The Shultz Trophy Race was named for Doctor Elwood Shultz of Hollywood Yacht Club and originally ran from the Los Angeles Harbor area to the Isthmus at Catalina on a Saturday morning in July. As boating became more popular, it was becoming more difficult to get moorings in the middle of a Saturday on a summer weekend. The Hollywood members needed to solve this dilemma, but didn't want to run the race on Friday, so they decided to make it the Shultz Night Race. The plan was to arrive at first light on Saturday morning when there were still moorings available. Over the next decade or so the contest was run with common finish times that varied from 2400 Friday night to 0600 Saturday morning. The later finish, which was tried first, wasn't very popular. People ended up staying up all night and the slept all the following day. Often they missed the Awards, which were usually presented after scoring, at a brunch held at Doug's Harbor Reef Inn. The finish was moved earlier to midnight, but that also had its drawbacks. Often, if the afternoon winds had been up, the seas still were quite lumpy and picking up a mooring in pitch black also left some secured to the mooring in ways they hadn't planned. Generally, in spite of the way some Hollywood Yacht Club old-timers may nostalgically recall, there was a lot of dissatisfaction with the night part of the race and eventually, the race was scheduled to run on Friday.

The Easter Catalina Race was hosted by the Huntington Harbor Yacht Club and ran, as it does now, from Long Beach to Avalon. In those days, there wasn't any problem with securing moorings in Avalon on a Saturday. The Harrison Palmer Trophy was deeded for the contest. Although typically a number of HHYC boats participated, they never brought their wives and it was a sort of stag cruise for them. About fifteen or twenty years ago HHYC Log Racing participation had dwindled and they decided to abandon their sponsorship of the race. The Trophy with its imbedded history in names of previous winners hasn't been seen since, although we are pleased that HHYC is back participating.

Logic then prevailed and the Shultz race was moved to fill the place and date of the Easter Catalina. After a while, the name Shultz / Easter Catalina prevailed and the contest continued to be run on a Saturday in April. More recently the race has flipped between Friday and Saturday because it has become very difficult to get moorings at Avalon on a Saturday.

Who knows? Maybe it will once again become a night race and we will start the cycle all over again.

# The Shultz / Easter Catalina Cruiser Navigation Contest

Friday; April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Sponsored by:-----Hollywood Yacht Club

Sanctioned by: -----Southern California Cruiser Association  
North American Cruiser Association

Points for:-----Brugman, Top-Ten, Bathke, Thol Simonson Trophy, NACA, Lurie 1<sup>st</sup> Year,  
Spring Series, and Peggy Bent Catalina Trophy.

Trophies overall: -----Shultz Perpetual Trophy, keeper trophies for first three places, and keeper  
trophy for First Place-1<sup>st</sup> Year Contestant.

Race committee:-----Chairman – John Walker @ Cell / Home: 909-792-2654.

Scorer:-----Tom Collins.

Skippers' meeting:-----None

Predicted Log: -----Sealed in an envelope prior to the start of the rally and kept by observer.

Observers: -----To be provided by the skipper in accordance with SCCA rules. Family  
members permitted to be used in overnight rallies.

Actual Logs:-----To be submitted along with the sealed Predicted Log and contestant's official  
timepiece to the Scorer by 1400.

Rules: -----SCCA Cruiser Navigation Contest Rules updated though April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

Awards: -----Awards dinner at M Restaurant, April 8<sup>th</sup>: Cocktails 1800; dinner 1900;  
awards 2000.

Committee boat:-----PRIME TIME; John Walker – monitor VHF 16 and VHF 71 for  
communications.

Charts:-----18746 – 40<sup>th</sup> Ed.; corrected through 01/29/2022  
18774 – 12<sup>th</sup> Ed.; corrected through 01/29/2022

Reservations:-----Moorings will be assigned by Harbor Patrol based on a list we will submit.  
Submit reservation with your boat name, length, and CF# or Doc. # to John  
Walker @ [jwredllands@me.com](mailto:jwredllands@me.com) by April 5. Upon arrival at Avalon contact  
red patrol boat at entrance and advise Harbor Patrol you are with the HYC  
Nav Rally contest.

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**Course Instructions**

**Start:-----LONG BEACH LT Fl R 2.5s 41ft 5M "2" -----Port 100 yards**

**CP-1:-----Platform Edith ----- Port 150 yards**

**CP-2:-----Platform Eureka ----- Port 150 yards**

**CP-3: -----Lat 33° 32.400' N / Long 118° 13.500' W**

**CP-4:-----Lat 33° 28.600' N / Long 118° 13.500' W**

**CP-5: -----Lat 33° 26.800' N / Long 118° 13.500' W**

**CP-6:-----Lat 33° 25.300' N / Long 118° 15.000' W**

**CP-7:-----Lat 33° 22.500' N / Long 118° 16.000' W**

**Finish: -----Lat 33° 21.200' N / Long 118° 18.500' W**

**(Official distance is approximately 28.6 nautical miles)**

**SPECIAL CONTEST RULES**

**Note 1: All equipment aboard the vessel may be used except that which is prohibited. Use of clock time or elapsed time in any form (ETA, ETE, TTG, etc.) is prohibited.**

**Note 2: There will be no start time penalty but you must start your race Friday morning and turn your logs in by 1400.**

**Note 3: Monitor channel 16 for safety and 71 for rally communications.**

**Note 4. This is an Open Log rally and the Skipper may view the Actual Log during the rally.**

**Remember when converging, the overtaking vessel must give way to the slower boat and when navigating a turn, the inside boat has the right of way over the outside boat. Communicate using Channel 71 if there is any question of safe passage.**

**This will NOT be a handicapped contest.**

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