

# CATALINA ISLAND YACHT CLUB

presents the

## 2017 CHARLES R. RAMSEY

Cruiser Navigation Rally

Saturday, September 16, 2017



## HISTORY OF THE CIYC RAMSEY CONTEST

When I first became active in predicted logging in the early seventies, the Catalina Island Yacht Club's Ramsey predicted log contest was run on the second weekend in September and circled Catalina Island, starting and finishing at Avalon. It still runs in September (a week later because of a conflict with SCYA scheduling) and it still mostly circles the Island. The Charles R. Ramsey Trophy is a very beautiful and traditional looking trophy that dates back to the nineteen-twenties. The Ramsey contest is probably the most stable contest on the Southern California Cruiser Association schedule. This is because it must be run after Labor Day; after the CIYC activities have died down, but before the Club closes for the season and removes their dinghy dock.

For the past twenty-five years, the Ramsey has been one of the most popular contests on the SCCA schedule. However, interestingly, in 1976 when I assumed the overall SCCA scoring responsibility, there were only three participants. I wasn't on that contest and when I asked for the logs for scoring, they indicated that they had forgotten and left them on the bar at the Club where they had discussed the outcome of the Contest!

The next year was different. Andy Dahl of CIYC was responsible for the contest and there were twelve boats; nine of them were CIYC members! Andy worked diligently on the contest and wrote some very interesting twists to the contest. After all, how many ways are there to circumnavigate Catalina Island? Andy served as the Contest Chairman until the mid-nineties. More recently Steve Askew then Bill Findley have chaired the contest.

Another turning point was in 1984 when the Hollywood Yacht Club's Shultz Night Race was changed from its traditional mid-July stand-alone night race to a day race run from Los Angeles Harbor to Isthmus on the Friday before the Ramsey. This had the advantage of shortening the Ramsey, which could then start from the Isthmus, as well as providing an added draw because SCCA season points could be earned for two contests in a single weekend. I should note that in keeping with the SCCA policy of allowing only one contest's scores to count toward the prestigious Brugman season trophy on a given weekend, the Shultz lost its Brugman designation in favor of the Ramsey (which did not please HYC). Sixteen boats turned out for that contest in 1984 from many of the SCCA clubs. LBYC's Thol Simonson was the winner that year with a 1.102% error. Although there have been many changes over the years in the clubs hosting the Friday rally to the Isthmus, the popular combination of a Friday rally to the Isthmus coupled with the CIYC Ramsey lives on.

The Ramsey continues to this date as the one contest not to be missed in the SCCA season schedule. In addition to providing Avalon moorings for all contestants, CIYC members pull together to provide setups and great side dishes for the traditional "Cook your own" barbecue. The warm hospitality of the Club is certainly a favorite among the SCCA skippers.

Tom Collins, August 2007

# THE CHARLES R. RAMSEY NAVIGATION RALLY

## Catalina Island

Saturday; September 16, 2017

- SPONSORED BY: Catalina Island Yacht Club
- SANCTIONED BY: Southern California Cruiser Association  
North American Cruiser Association
- CONTEST RULES Latest SCCA Rules, download at:  
[http://predictedlog.org/SCCA/scca\\_downloads\\_page.htm](http://predictedlog.org/SCCA/scca_downloads_page.htm)
- TROPHIES: Ramsey Perpetual Trophy, Keeper trophies per SCCA rules, Points count toward: C. King Brugman, Bathke, Bobrick, Top Ten, Fall Series, Mel Lurie 1<sup>st</sup>-Year, Peggy Bent Catalina Trophy and the Thol Simonson Team Trophy.
- ENTRY REQUIREMENTS: Open to all members in good standing of SCCA Yacht Clubs.
- RALLY COMMITTEE: Tom Collins, Committee Boat: Misty Sea  
Res: (714) 845-9514  
Cell: (818) 383-6292  
FAX: (714) 316-0207
- SKIPPER'S MEETING: No skipper's meeting, Predicted log to be sealed in an envelope and given to Observer prior to start.
- OBSERVERS: Skippers to furnish.
- LOG FORMS: [http://predictedlog.org/SCCA/scca\\_downloads\\_page.htm](http://predictedlog.org/SCCA/scca_downloads_page.htm)
- OFFICIAL SCORER: Tom Collins on Misty Sea: Cell: 818-383-6292
- ACTUAL LOG SUBMITTAL: Upon mooring, call scorer on VHF-71 with mooring number for pick-up along with predicted log and timepiece check.
- MOORING NOTE: At the end of the rally, proceed to the red harbor patrol boat for mooring assignment. State boat name and that you have participated in the SCCA cruiser rally sponsored by Catalina Island Yacht Club; *side ties may be necessary*.
- RESERVATIONS: It is imperative that your reservation form is received *before* September 11th, in order to reserve moorings in Avalon for Saturday night.
- YACHT CLUB COURTESY: Contestant's may use the Club's dinghy dock and the bar and facilities on Saturday only. Identify yourself as a participant in the CIYC Ramsey Rally.
- SHORE BOATS: Call on VHF 9 for transport to Club dock or the pier.

# COURSE - 2017 RAMSEY

## “Eight Rocks and a Pebble”

START:	Bird Rock	200 yards port
WP 1:	Ship Rock	200 yards stbd
CP 1:	Indian Rock	250 yards port
CP 2:	Eagle Rock	400 yards port
CP 3:	Ribbon Rock	150 yards port
CP 4:	Sentinel Rock	400 yards ahead
CP 5:	Church Rock	500 yards port
CP 6:	Seal Rocks	250 yards port
FINISH:	Pebbly Beach (TANK N of TWO)	400 yards port

### NOTES & SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

- Note 1: Compute start time to be 0800. Boats will start 2 min. apart: fastest boats first. Start times will be provided Friday night at the Scott awards dinner at the Isthmus or by cell phone 818-383-6292 (voice or text) after 1730.
- Note 2: This is an open log contest. No scoring handicap will be applied.
- Note 3: Any and all equipment aboard the vessel may be used except that which is prohibited. Use of GPS including speed data is permitted in this contest.
- Note 4: Use of the following data from any source is prohibited:  
a. Clock time or elapsed time.  
b. Any display of time based information, such as ETA, ETE, etc.
- Note 5: Specified mark passage distances may be exceeded in the interest of safety. Document such on the reverse of the Actual Log.
- Note 6: Rally communications: VHF 71.
- Note 7: Logs must be turned in to scorer upon mooring, but not later than 1400.
- Note 8: Chart: - 18757; 11th edition. Distance 29.9 nautical miles.
- Note 9: Waypoints are not checkpoints, but are a required course of travel.
- Note 10: Course must be plotted and run so that the charted depth is never less than 20 fathoms.

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## DINNER AND TROPHY PRESENTATION

Saturday; September 16th, 2017

No-Host Cocktail Party at 1800

Steak filet dinner will be served by the Club

*Pay at the door – price to be determined (cash or check)*

Results and trophy awards following dinner

*INFORMAL - ISLAND CASUAL DRESS !!!*

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## RESERVATION

Mail, copy to an e-mail, or FAX this form to arrive before Sept. 11, 2017

*(CIYC submits their mooring requests to Avalon Harbor Dept. on Monday!)*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Boat Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Predicted Boat Speed: \_\_\_\_\_ knots

Mooring is desired? \_\_\_\_\_, If yes:

Boat length: \_\_\_\_\_

Documentation or CF number: \_\_\_\_\_ (mandatory for mooring)

Number dinners? \_\_\_\_\_ - Pay at door, cash or check

Send this form to:

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3551 Running Tide Circle  
Huntington Beach, CA 92649

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FAX: (714) 316-0207