

# CATALINA ISLAND YACHT CLUB

presents the

## 2023 CHARLES R. RAMSEY

Cruiser Navigation Rally

Saturday, September 16, 2023



## **HISTORY OF THE CIYC RAMSEY CONTEST**

When I first became active in predicted log racing in the early seventies, the Catalina Island Yacht Club's Ramsey predicted log rally was run on the second weekend in September and circled Catalina Island, starting and finishing at Avalon. It still runs in September and it still circles the Island. The Trophy is a very beautiful and traditional looking trophy that dates to the nineteen-twenties and is named for the Club's second commodore in 1925, Charles R. Ramsey. The Ramsey rally date is probably the most stable 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 removes the dinghy dock for the season.

Over at least the past fifty years the Ramsey has been one of the most popular rallies 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 rally 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 rally.

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

Another turning point was in 1984 when the Hollywood Yacht Club's Shultz Night Rally was changed from its traditional mid-July stand-alone night rally to a day rally 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 rallies in a single weekend. I should note that in keeping with the SCCA policy of allowing only one rally's score 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 rally 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 club hosting the Friday rally to the Isthmus, the popular combination of a Friday rally to the Isthmus coupled with the CIYC Ramsey lives on. (Later HYC's Shultz moved to Avalon in April and regained its Brugman status.)

The Ramsey continues to this date as the one rally not to be missed in the SCCA season schedule. The warm hospitality of the Club is certainly a favorite among the SCCA skippers.

Tom Collins, August 2007, rev. 2021

# THE CHARLES R. RAMSEY NAVIGATION RALLY

## Catalina Island

Saturday; September 16, 2023

- 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
- 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: 818-383-6292, mooring #161
- 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 - 2023 RAMSEY

## “Eight Rocks and a Pebble”

START:	Bird Rock	200 yards port
CP 1:	Ship Rock	200 yards stbd
CP 2:	Indian Rock	20 fms
WP 1:	Continue 350 yards past west end	
CP 3:	Eagle Rock	20 fms
CP 4:	Ribbon Rock	20 fms
CP 5:	Whale Rock	500 yards port
CP 6:	Church Rock	500 yards port
CP 7:	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 0830. 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. Official distance 29.3 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.

# 2023 CIYC Ramsey Cruiser Navigation Rally

## DINNER AND TROPHY PRESENTATION

Saturday; September 16th, 2023

No-Host Cocktail Party at 1800

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

E-mail, or this form to arrive before Sept. 11, 2023

*(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:

Tom Collins: e-mail: [twc741@gmail.com](mailto:twc741@gmail.com)

# SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CRUISER ASSOCIATION

Official Cruiser Nav Rally Entry Form

Vessel: \_\_\_\_\_ Rally: \_\_\_\_\_

SCCA Number: \_\_\_\_\_ NACA Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Rally Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## PREDICTED LOG

Checkpoints (no waypoints or blindpoints)	Predicted Clock Time		
	Hrs.	Mins.	Secs.
Start			
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			
7			
8			

I am entering this rally at my own risk and will save, hold harmless and indemnify the SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CRUISER ASSOCIATION, and such other Club and/or Association that may be sponsoring, hosting, or sanctioning this rally, together with their officers, directors, committees and members, from any and all liability or responsibility of any nature whatsoever for accidents, damage or injury to myself, my crew, my guests and my boat, and for any damage I or my boat might cause to any other boat, person or property, and I waive and relinquish any claim I might have for injury or damage to myself or my boat and against any such association and/or club and/or their officers, directors, committees, or members.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Skipper (print)** \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Yacht Club \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Observer Name (Furnished) \_\_\_\_\_ (Assigned) \_\_\_\_\_

**First Year Duffendants Only:**

I certify that it has been less than 12 months since I participated in my first SCCA cruiser nav rally.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

(SCCA Log Form revised 04/08/2021)

# SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CRUISER ASSOCIATION

Official Observer Actual Log Form

Vessel: \_\_\_\_\_ Rally: \_\_\_\_\_

**(Observer to fill in gray areas)**

Actual Vessel Number Displayed: \_\_\_\_\_

## ACTUAL LOG

Checkpoints (to be entered by Skipper)	Port or Stbd.	Yards Off	Predicted Start Time		
			Adjusted Start Time		
			Hrs.	Mins.	Secs.
Start					
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					
8					

Optional for Skipper:

I have calculated my error to be: \_\_\_\_\_

Blind Point Predictions				
From C.P.#	To B.P.#	Elapsed Time		
		Hrs.	Mins.	Secs.

Committee Use Only		
Watch Error (Seconds)	_____	Fast
		Slow
	_____	% Error

Equipment checklist to be completed by Observer (Y or N)					
SCCA Burgee	_____	YC Burgee	_____	All clocks covered ?	_____
Depth Sounder	_____	VHF Radio	_____	Chartplotter used?	_____
GPS Used ?	_____	If GPS used, are all the prohibited items on the GPS taped over?		_____	_____

*Observer is to record all unusual occurrences, rule violations, etc., on reverse side.*

I have read the current SCCA rules and certify that I have abided by them.

Observer \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

I have participated in this rally in the true spirit of yachmanship and have abided by all rules of the SCCA.

Skipper \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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