



# Del Rey Yacht Club

## 2025 Berger Series & Stein Series

Jan. 4, Feb. 8, Mar. 1, Apr. 12, May 10, Jun. 7 & 8

# NOTICE of RACE

Change 1 – December 26, 2024

Del Rey Yacht Club invites racers to participate in the 2025 William **Berger Series** for Performance type boats or the William **Stein Series** for Cruiser boats. Races 1, 3, 4 and 7 of both series are part of ASMBYC's High Point Series.

## 1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and PHRF of Southern California (PHRF SoCal). Class Rules available at [phrfsocal.org](http://phrfsocal.org)
- 1.2 RRS 90.3(e) will apply.
- 1.3 The races of both series will be random leg races consisting in approximate distances between 12-36 miles with options for shortened courses. (See NOR 7)
- 1.4 ~~Marina del Rey (MDR) Course Chart 17 applies and is available at [asmbye.org/events](http://asmbye.org/events)~~[DP] While racing, each boat shall display the number flag assigned to her class on her back stay, stern pulpit, or the end of her boom.
- 1.5 The commercial mooring field located near the El Segundo offshore marine terminal described in federal regulations 162.195 is an obstruction and shall not be entered. (Refer to NOAA Nautical Chart 18748OG).
- 1.6 Rule 51 is modified to allow the positioning of movable ballast on boats as designed and rated by PHRF SoCal. All movable ballast systems shall be capable of manual operation if powered systems are inoperable.
- 1.7 Rule 52 is modified to allow the use of winches operated using stored power as rated by PHRF SoCal.

## 2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions (SIs) for each race will be posted on the official online notice board by approximately 1800 Monday before each race.

## 3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The official notice board is located online at [DRYC.org/racing](http://DRYC.org/racing). Notices may also be posted on the bulletin board in the DRYC Clubhouse hallway and the bulletin board at DRYC's Cat Harbor Facility.
- 3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on domestic channels.
- 3.3 [DP] All boats shall carry a smart phone with email and texting capabilities.

## 4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to boats possessing a PHRF SoCal certificate. A 2024 certificate may be used for Race 1 only, provided the boat's Area B RLC rating will not be changing in 2025. Beginning with Race 2, the PHRF certificate must be current. The same rating will be used for all 7 races to be eligible for the perpetual trophies.
- 4.2 Boats competing for either the overall places in the Berger or Stein series must compete in that division for the duration of either series.
- 4.3 Eligible boats shall enter each race by filling out the Regatta Network (RN) online entry form

available at DRYC.org/racing. Entries must be received no later than 2000 on the Thursday before each race. Late entries will be accepted only if approved by RC, and the entry fee will be increased by 25%.

- 4.4 If five or more boats want to race as a class (i.e. multihull or double-handed) independent of the Berger or Stein series, the class authority may contact the RC to request a separate class or a subclass within an existing class.

## 5 FEES

- 5.1 The entry fee is a function of boat length and is payable at the time of entry.
- 5.2 Only one entry is required for Races 6 and 7, and registration fees include hospitality at DRYC's Catalina (Cat) Harbor facility after race 6 (See [Information for Competitors following NOR 12.](#)). The entry fee does not include fees charged by the Catalina Island Company for moorings at Cat Harbor.

Boat Length	Races 1-3,5 for each race	Race 4	Races 6 & 7 both races
< 30 ft	\$35.00	\$10.00	\$75.00
30 to 40 ft	\$45.00	\$10.00	\$95.00
40.1 to 50 ft	\$55.00	\$10.00	\$115.00
>50 ft	\$65.00	\$10.00	\$135.00

## 6 DIVISIONS & CLASSES

- 6.1 There will be three divisions: two divisions for Berger/ Performance and one division for Stein/Cruiser. The Berger Series will be split into two divisions based on PHRF ratings so that faster rated boats will sail longer courses than slower rated boats. Both divisions in the Berger Series will be eligible for overall trophies in the series and engravings on the Berger Perpetual Trophy.
- 6.2 Classes within each division will be based on ratings and the number of entries. The classes established by the RC for Race 1 will be maintained throughout the series.
- 6.3 Classes and flags will be specified in NOR Addendum A, and will be posted no later than [1800 Thursday 1700 Friday](#) before Race 1.
- 6.4 The RC reserves the right to reassign a boat from one class or division to another.

## 7 SCHEDULE

### BERGER & STEIN SERIES RACES

Distances shown below are approximate.

Scoring distances will be specified in the SI's.

Depending on wind conditions, the RC may signal an alternate course(s)

Race	Date	Long Course Distance nm	Short Course Distance nm	Scheduled First Warning	EVENT
1	Jan. 4	22	13	1155	Malibu/Topanga & Return Race
2	Feb. 8	16	TBA	1155	Pier Pressure Race
3	Mar. 1	24	TBA	1155	South Bay Tour Race
4	Apr. 12	21	n/a	1225	KHYC's Trans Harbor Race
5	May 10	32	22	1155	Point Dume/Malibu & Return Race
6	June 7	36	30	1055	Cat Harbor Layover Race
7	June 8	30	30	1155	Eagle Rock to MDR Race

## 8 VENUES

- 8.1 Races 1-5 will be sailed on Santa Monica Bay.
- 8.2 Race 4 will start and finish at King Harbor and be scored from King Harbor YC's Spinnaker Series. Rules described in the NOR and SI's for KHYC's Spinnaker Series will apply to this race only. To be scored in the Berger or Stein Series for this race, boats must enter both clubs' series via [KHYC.org](http://KHYC.org) and [DRYC.org/racing](http://DRYC.org/racing). Finish times for Race 4 will be applied to boats also entered in DRYC's Berger or Stein series.
- 8.3 Races 6 and 7 begin/end on Santa Monica Bay and cross the San Pedro Channel between Point Vicente and Catalina Island. Race 7 will also be scored as KHYC's Spinnaker Series for boats that register for that race as well as the Berger or Stein series race.

## 9 SCORING

- 9.1 For each race, all boats will be scored using their 2025 PHRF Area B Random Leg Course (RLC) Ratings. To be eligible to win either series, the same rating for each boat will be used for all of the races in the series. If any boats whose ratings on their entry forms do not match PHRF SoCal's records, the RC may, without notice, change the rating to match PHRF SoCal's records (also see NOR 4.1).
- 9.2 Performance Division boats' ratings shall not include any of the Configuration Adjustments in Appendix F of the PHRF SoCal Class Rules.
- 9.3 Boats registered in the Berger Series may not use a Non-Spinnaker Offset. Only qualifying boats registered in the Stein Series may use a Non-Spinnaker Offset (PHRF SoCal Appendix C5.0) and must sail in all races of the Stein Series with the same rating.
- 9.4 Five races are required to constitute a series. Series scoring will be done for each class.
- 9.5 RRS A5.3 shall apply
- 9.6 For the overall Berger Series, all Performance classes will be combined and scored as a single class in either of the two divisions. Only boats that competed in five, or more, races will be included in the overall Berger Series Scoring.
- 9.7 Scoring calculations for the overall Stein Series are the same as the overall Berger Series.
- 9.8 ~~A boat's series score will be her best scores from five completed races. Pursuant to RRS A2.1, no more than two race scores will be excluded from a boat's score provided she sailed all seven races in the series.~~
- 9.9 Berger and Stein Races 1, 2, 4 and 7 are part of ASMBYC's High Point Series. More information is available at [ASMBYC.org/high-point-series](http://ASMBYC.org/high-point-series).

## 10 INSURANCE

[DP] Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

## 11 RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to 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 PRIZES

- 12.1** Class trophies will be awarded for each of the individual races. The number of trophies will depend on the number of starters (5 or fewer starters: 1 trophy; 6-9 starters: 2 trophies; 10+ starters: 3 trophies).
- 12.2** At the end of both series, trophies will be awarded for each Division and Class for each race.
- 12.3** The names of the overall winning boats and skippers in both Performance Divisions will be inscribed on the William Berger Series Perpetual Trophy. The names of the overall winning boat and skipper in the Cruiser Division will be inscribed on the William Stein Series Perpetual Trophy.
- 12.4** All trophies will be presented at an Awards Ceremony at DRYC at a later date.

## 13 CONTACT INFORMATION

Event Chair: Brendan Huffman, racers@dryc.org  
Del Rey YC: (310) 823-4664

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# INFORMATION FOR COMPETITORS (NOT PART OF THE NOTICE OF RACE)

## HOSPITALITY

After races 1, 2, 3 and 5, competitors and their crews are invited to enjoy refreshments and libations at DRYC.

After Race 6, competitors are invited for complimentary libations at DRYC's Cat Harbor facility. BBQ grills, heads, and showers will be available for competitors' use. Before Race 7, complimentary continental breakfast ashore will be available for racers.

## BERTHING & MOORING

Limited docking will be available at DRYC on a first come first serve basis via this form: <https://fs12.formsite.com/drycmembership/0u0ezl6zdb/index>

In order to request slip accommodations, boats must first be registered in the next race. DRYC will try its best to accommodate all boats based on the time skippers submit slip requests. DRYC will email slip assignments the Friday before the race. Other options in Marina del Rey might include local yacht clubs and public docks at Burton Chace Park. For more information, visit <https://beaches.lacounty.gov/marina-del-rey-guest-docks/>.

For the Cat Harbor Layover (Race 6), moorings in Catalina Harbor will be available from the Catalina Island Company with reservations made through DRYC as part of the Race 6 registration process.