

Catalina Channel Crossing Outrigger Canoe Race

U.S. Championships

September 7-8, 2019

60th Anniversary

www.catalinacrossing.org

All responsibilities pertaining to Officiating, Safety, Insurance, Logistics, Awards and Registration are managed by SCORA.

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COURSE	WAHINE/OPEN COED/19 COED	Start at Bell Buoy outside the Newport Harbor entrance End at Casino Point, Avalon (approx. 26-28 miles)
	KANE/MST COED/SM COED	Start at Lover's Cover, Avalon End at Newport Dunes, Newport Beach (approx. 31 miles)
START TIMES:	WAHINE	8:00am Saturday, September 7
	OPEN COED/COED UL/19 COED	8:20am Saturday, September 7
	MASTERS COED/SM COED	9:00am Sunday, September 8
	KANE	10:00am Sunday, September 8

RACE FEES **\$550** per crew. Late entry fee is \$600 if no intent to race or final registration is not received by **August 31st**. Fees include canoe storage on the island and Sunday afternoon awards dinner (both men and women) for 9 paddlers only

DIVISIONS	WAHINE Unlimited Spec Masters 40+ Masters UL 40+ Sr Masters 50+ Sr Masters UL 50+ Golden Masters 55+ Golden Masters UL 55+ 19/U Women (10 Man)	KANE Unlimited Spec Masters 40+ Masters UL 40+ Sr Masters 50+ Sr Masters UL 50+ Golden Masters 60+ Golden Masters UL 60+ 19/U Men (10 Man)	COED Coed Open (Heavy) Coed Unlimited Coed Juniors 19/U (10 Man) Masters Coed 40+ (Heavy) Masters Coed Unlimited 40+ Sr Masters Coed 50+ (Heavy) Sr Masters Coed Unlimited 50+
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AWARDS 1st - 3rd in all divisions (4th place awarded accordingly) Presentation for Wahine/Coed on Saturday at Wrigley Stage in Avalon. Approx. 1 hour after the last canoe finishes.
Kane/Masters Coed on Sunday at Newport Dunes at 4:30pm

Registration

Registration is at www.scoraregistration.com

Race Fees can be paid In Person on Friday, September 6th, between 4 - 7pm, by mail at the address below. Pam Tsujioka – SCORA Treasurer – 16458 Bolsa Chica St, #246, Huntington Beach, CA 92649. Checks must be made out to SCORA and in USD or online at www.scorastore.com

Liability waivers are now online at:

1. Go to: www.smartwaiver.com/v/2019scorawaiver 2. Select who is participating Adult Minor = 18 & Under 3. Fill out information accordingly Enter “visitor” in the SCORA ID box Choose “Visiting Club” under Club Affiliation and then enter your club name in “Visiting Club Affiliation” 4. Once finished, make sure you follow the prompts and check your email for a verification email. 5. You **MUST** verify your email and you will get a PDF copy of your waiver to keep on file

Canoes Requests & Intent to Race

Must be sent online at www.catalinacrossing.org/event-info

Chase boat requests are for **non SCORA/Visiting** clubs only

Insurance

It is imperative that all paddlers including each member from SCORA and each member of a visiting crew, all coaches, all escort skippers, any person on any escort boat for any reason, and any person who accompanies that crew in any capacity sign a 2019 SCORA Release of Liability form. Please be aware that this is not an exhaustive list.

Non-SCORA crews: You must provide a Certificate of Insurance naming SCORA and its Member Clubs as additionally insured which needs to be sent to the SCORA VP of Insurance, Malia Hohl by **August 31st** at insurance@scora.org.

If you have questions, please contact Malia. These forms are considered part of a completed registration package to be submitted by said date or fees will increase.

Escort Boats

All teams are responsible for obtaining their own escort boats. *We advise SCORA teams who are racing more than 3 crews to acquire a backup in the event that there is equipment failure.* Without making any guarantees, SCORA will assist visiting teams from outside of SCORA to locate an escort boat.

NEW – All safety/escort boats must provide SCORA with proof of:

- 1) **Hull & Machinery (aka Comprehensive/Collision or Property) insurance; and**
- 2) **Protection & Indemnity (aka Liability) insurance with limits not less than \$300,000**

All Skipper, boat hands and helpers must also complete a SCORA Liability Form. They can be also be found at <http://www.catalinacrossing.org/skippers/>

Once you have secured your escort, **SKIPPERS MUST COMPLETE THE SKIPPER REGISTRATION FORM AND UPLOAD DOCUMENTS AT <http://www.catalinacrossing.org/skippers>** no later than **August 31st**. For questions please email Malia Hohl at insurance@scora.org

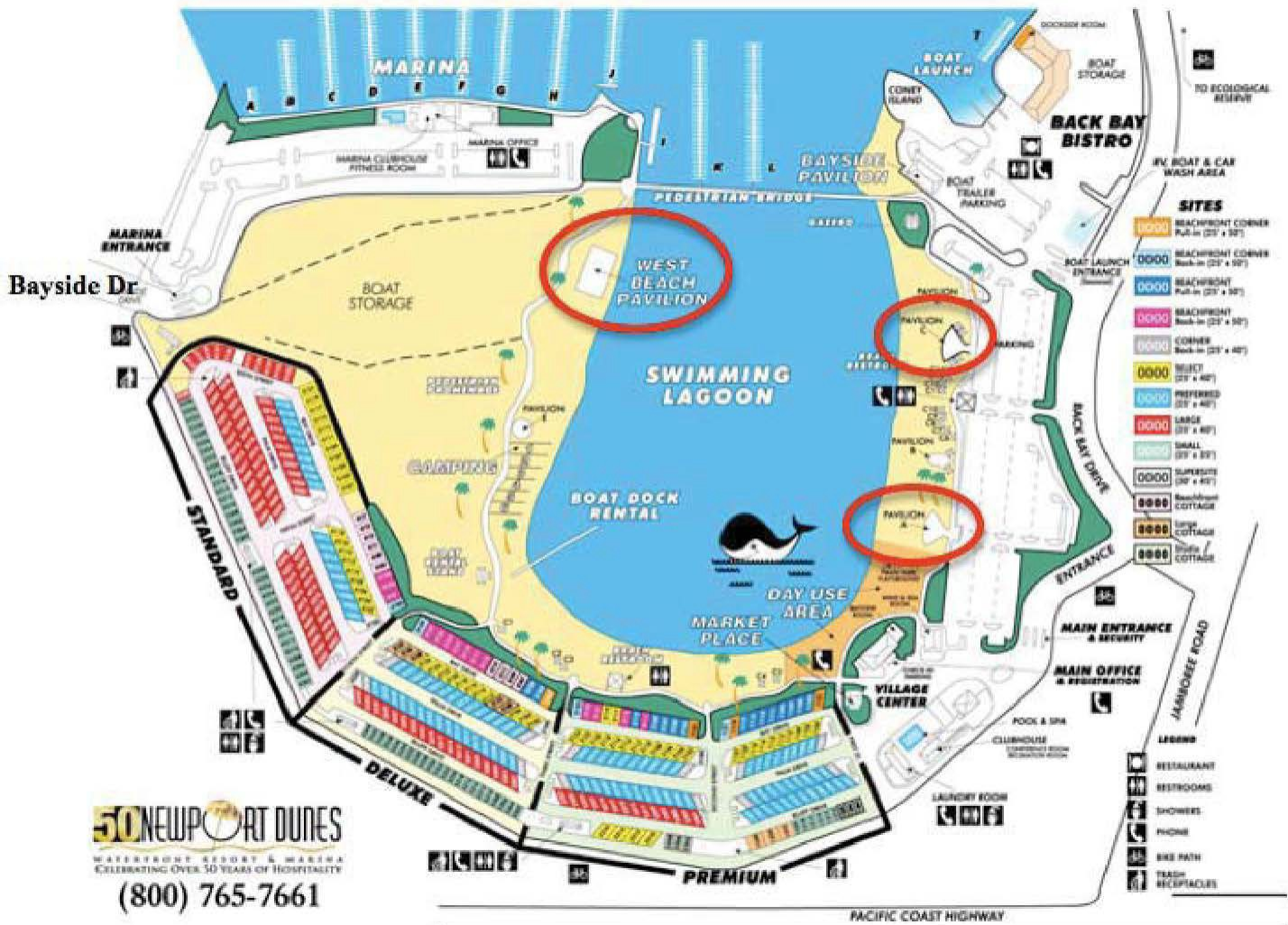
Escort Boat Moorings - Newport

For moorings & slips in Newport call the Orange County Harbor Department at (949) 723-1002 or the Dunes Marina at (949) 729-1100.

Escort Boat Launching in Newport

- Enter through Newport Dunes (1131 Back Bay Drive).
- Launch fees are \$20.00.
- There are separate areas for launching canoes and launching escort boats (see map).
- There is absolutely no canoe launching allowed at the Orange County Harbor Department.
- Remember that it takes at least 30 minutes to get from the launch ramp to the starting line; plan accordingly.

Map of Newport Dunes



Directions to Newport Dunes (1131 Back Bay Dr. Newport Beach, CA 92660)

Friday night (Pavilion A) / Sunday (Pavilion C)

From South: Take the 405 N and take exit 7 for Jamboree Rd. Turn left onto Jamboree Rd. Turn right onto Back Bay Dr.

From North: Take the 405 S and take exit 7 for Jamboree Rd. Turn right onto Jamboree Rd. Turn right onto Back Bay Dr.

Canoe Trailers (West Beach Pavilion)

From South: Take the 405 N and take exit 7 for Jamboree Rd. Turn left onto Jamboree Rd. Turn right onto Pacific Coast Hwy. Turn right onto N. Bayside Dr.

From North: Take the 405 S and take exit 7 for Jamboree Rd. Turn right onto Jamboree Rd. Turn right onto Pacific Coast Hwy. Turn right onto N. Bayside Dr.

Parking @ Newport Dunes

All parking fees are your responsibility.

- Parking for rigging of canoes at West Beach Pavilion: use the N. Bayside Dr. entrance
NOTE: no vehicles or trailers are allowed on the sand
- Parking for the Friday night meeting: use Back Bay Dr. Entrance (parking for the meeting is free)
- Parking for Saturday: **use Back Bay Dr. Entrance**

Due to the number of events that will be going on at the Newport Dunes on Friday and Saturday, clubs are once again limited to rigging canoes at Pavilion E and parking through the North Bayside Dr. entrance.

\$14 per car: 5 - 7 hour timeframe

\$16 per day per car: 24 hour period

\$25 or \$32 per day for car and trailer (2 spaces/ 3 spaces)

Transportation & Lodging

- **Transportation to & from Catalina Island**
- **Catalina Flyer (Newport Beach/Avalon):** one way fare \$35.00; Group (20+) rates are available, call group reservations at (800) 830-7744 catalinainfo.com or (949) 673-5245. **(This is not the Wahine Express contact info)**
- **Catalina Express:** Long Beach and San Pedro are \$36.00 one way; Dana Point \$37.50 one way. Group (20+) rates are available catalinaexpress.com or (800)842-1056

****SATURDAY NIGHT SCORA WAHINE EXPRESS**** for ladies and coeds, friends and families that don't want to stay on the island: Chartered transportation by the Catalina Flyer FROM Catalina Island TO Newport Beach leaving the island at **8:00 PM** (this gives everyone time to stay and enjoy the festivities, get some dinner and then head back to Newport). **\$45 one way by Aug. 31st and \$55 after Aug. 31st. \$65 days of. Tickets are nonrefundable.**
Buy tickets here: <https://www.scorastore.com/product/2019-wahine-express/1?cs=true>

Lodging in Newport Beach - all hotels within 5 miles of race site

****Hyatt Regency Newport Beach: (next door to dunes)**
Hyatt Newport Beach discounted rooms: <https://www.hyatt.com/en-US/group-booking/NEWPO/G-OFSC>
(949) 729-1234 | 1107 Jamboree Road, Newport Beach Visit www.hyatt.com

- **Marriott Newport Beach Hotel and Spa:** (3min from Dunes) (949) 640-4000 | 900 Newport Center Dr., Newport Beach
- **Newport Dunes Resort:** (tent camping) (800) 765-7661 (949) 729-3863
- **Newport Dunes Resort:** (cottages) | \$200-300 per night | sleeps 6 – www.newportdunes.com/cottages.html#
- **The Balboa Bay Club Resort:** (3min from Dunes) 1221 W. Coast Hwy., 92663 888-445-7153
- **Radisson Hotel Newport Beach:**(5min from Dunes) (949) 833-0570 | 4545 MacArthur Blvd., Newport Beach, 92660
- **Holiday Inn Express Newport Beach:** (6min from Dunes) www.hi Newport Beach.com/ | (800) 308-5401 | 2300
- **Ramada Limited & Suites Costa Mesa / Newport Beach:** (8min from Dunes) (949) 645-2221 | 1680 Superior Ave., Costa Mesa, 92627 |
- **Marriott Newport Coast Villas:** (8min from Dunes) (800) 845-5279 | 23000 Newport Coast Dr.
- **Travelodge Costa Mesa Newport Beach Hacienda Travelodge:** (9min from Dunes) (949) 650-2999
- **Days Inns Costa Mesa /Newport Beach:** (10min from Dunes)(949) 642-2670 | 2100 Newport Blvd, Costa Mesa, 92627
- **Ayres Hotel & Suites (10min from Dunes)** (714) 429-9372 | 325 Bristol St, Costa Mesa, 92626
- **Doubletree Club Hilton Hotel Orange County Airport** (12min from Dunes) (714) 751-2400 | Res. (800) 222- 2582
- **Newport Beach Conference & Visitors Bureau** (800)94-COAST(26278) or visitnewportbeach.com

Lodging in Avalon **(most island hotels/motels require a 2-night minimum)**

- Visit www.ecatalina.com
- Catalina Visitors Bureau (for camping)310- 510-1520 www.catalinachamber.com or catalina.com or visitcatalinaisland.com
- Catalina Island Vacation Rentals – “homes or condos (866) 966-2487 or www.catalinavacations.com There are camp sites on the Island: RESERVATIONS REQUIRED. Camping permits are required year-round and issued upon check-in at Hermit Gulch Campground.
- www.visitcatalinaisland.com - Hermit Gulch (approx 1 mile out of town) Nightly camping fees are \$12 per adult per day,\$6 per child per day; sites can be booked at <http://irmmain.scico.com/irm/AccessType.ASP?BtrvID=1859> (310) 510-8368. The campground is approximately 1 mile from downtown, uphill. The Avalon Trolley service runs approximately every 35 minutes. Last pickup is 30 minutes prior to 10:00 p.m. Ticket prices are \$2.00 each way. The trolley runs from 9 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Taxi's are available for an additional fee. Please call for a taxi at 310- 510-0025.

Please remember to respect the City of Avalon and Newport Dunes. It has taken many, many hours and special people to set up this race.

Schedule of Events

Friday, September 6

MANDATORY Meeting for all Coaches & Skippers

Pavilion A at Newport Dunes

Newport Dunes Waterfront
Resort & Marina 1131 Back Bay Drive
Newport Beach, CA 92660

Parking at the Dunes from 5 to 9PM until the end of the Safety & Registration meeting is free. Free parking is for cars only; This does NOT include canoe trailers. Mention SCORA meeting at the gate.

Registration/Coaches – 5:30PM

- Check in with Registrar
 - Verify entries
 - Race Fees
 - Insurance
 - Canoe Information

Skippers – 6:30PM

- Sign in and receive name tag.
- Meet your coach. Discuss crew size and baggage limitations.
- Organize Saturday AND Sunday morning loading times, locations and procedures, exchange cell numbers
- **NOTE: No waiver signatures for either Coach or Skipper will be considered a failure to comply and fines will be assessed**
- Discuss Avalon mooring procedures
- Responsibilities and rules of racing
 - Precautions in case of fog
 - Acknowledging tanker lane
 - Synchronize time checks and radio checks
 - Loading and unloading areas and procedures
 - Get your fuel early: Saturday and Sunday's race – Fuel dock in Avalon (adjacent to the Casino) is open from 8:00AM to 5:00PM

Saturday, September 7

6:00 AM

- Rig and launch canoe at Newport Dunes West Beach Pavilion (see map on page 3). Please load gear on escort boat before launching to prevent a log jam at the dock.

7:20 AM

- All canoes need to be on the water and proceed to start line; be aware of rowers and tidal currents near the Pacific Coast Highway (PCH) Bridge.

7:50 AM

- Time synchronization on VHF_(TBD)_
- Skippers stay clear of the harbor entrance and well behind or either side of the starting line.

8:00 AM

- Women's Race Start. Canoes lined up at the Bell Buoy at the harbor entrance. All escort boats will follow slowly behind or alongside the Official boats that are established around the perimeter of the race course. No escort boat may enter the pack until the official signal is received. This new format will be explained at the escort skipper meetings IF FOG DICTATES, escort boats will proceed SLOWLY to assigned canoes and keep in sight.

8:20 AM

- Co-ed Race Start (skippers, please read the above for escort directions)
- Once the OFFICIAL ESCORT BOAT SIGNAL has been sounded for each time frame, all escorts may proceed onto the course from the back or either side of the pack, so as not to upset canoes with their wake as they approach their team. Throughout the race, escort boat wakes may not hinder an opposing team, nor assist

their own. Time penalties will be assessed if an escort boat does not proceed safely and courteously at any point during the race.

1:00 – 2:30 PM

- Approximate finish time
- Escort boats will proceed to the Avalon Log Jam at Lover’s Cove and see the SCORA skiff to see if moorings are available and if so, to get your mooring assignment, then you will pay the Harbor Master at this time for your mooring. Please be patient, Buff works closely with the Harbor Master to obtain available moorings for as many skippers as possible. Side ties inside will be mandatory. Bring appropriate gear for side tying.
- The gas dock is not for loading or unloading!!
- During refueling you may transfer gear up the ramp.
- Do not stack and leave gear on the ramp.

1:00 – 3:00 PM

- Canoes go to South Beach (left side of Green Pleasure Pier as seen from the water) or reserved canoe mooring (right side of pier). For the canoe moorings, only 2 paddlers are needed to secure canoe to mooring. Do not leave any personal gear on board your canoe. SCORA is under no obligation for damage or theft of improperly secured canoe.
- Clubs and coaches are responsible for any violations

3:45 – 5:00 PM – Wahine & Open Coed & 19 Coed Awards | Wrigley Stage (Crescent Ave)

- Mayor’s Cup presentation
- Women’s & Coed race awards
- Coaches confirm with Skippers regarding Sunday morning logistics.
- Any conflicts and other info will be handled at the Wrigley Stage SCORA table

8:30 PM – Wahine Express departs at Dock



Sunday, September 8

6:00 – 7:30 AM

- Breakfast in town. Please be patient, courteous, and tip well!

7:30 – 8:30 AM

- Clean up at South Beach and organize gear for loading onto escort boats.
- EACH CLUB is responsible for their own trash removal; make sure your area is clean before leaving.

8:30 AM

- Load your escort boat. Do not go to the dock until your crew is ready to load. We strongly suggest that you use your canoe to load gear onto escort boats due to congestion at docks.

9:00 AM

- **Master Coed/Sr Masters Coed Start**
- All other canoes should be on the water by now.
- Warm up and proceed to Lovers' Cove for the start (see map) where canoes will line up between 2 strategically placed SCORA buoys.
- All escort skippers must check in prior to the race by radio or in person at Lover's Cove

10:00 AM

- **Men's Race Start** will be at Lovers Cove between the buoys. Lovers Cove is very close to the Catalina Flyer and Catalina Express loading docks (and NOT a quarter mile into your race).
- All escort boats will be staged alongside the race course and will follow slowly outside the Official Boats that are established along the perimeter of the race course. No escort boat may enter the pack until the official signal is received. Escort boats are not to block the entrance to the harbor transit area.
- IF FOG DICTATES, escort boats will proceed SLOWLY to assigned canoe and keep in sight.

10:30 AM

- Once the OFFICIAL ESCORT BOAT SIGNAL has been sounded, all escorts may proceed onto the course from the back or either side of the pack, so as not to upset canoes with their wake as they approach their team. Throughout the race, escort boat wakes may not hinder an opposing team, nor assist their own. Team penalties will be assessed if an escort boat does not proceed safely and courteously at any point during the race.

1:00 – 3:00 PM

- Approach Newport Harbor.
- NO WATER CHANGES are allowed inside the harbor.
- Escort boats cannot follow their canoes through the harbor or they will be cited for breaking the "no wake" rules and/or exceeding the 5 mph limit.
- All escort boats must stop and check in with SCORA Official Boat that's located immediately inside the Harbor entrance.

2:00 – 3:30 PM

- Finish of men's race at Newport Dunes
- Unrig and load canoes onto trailers and unload escort boats
- Outside showers are available at the Dunes
- The Camp James area is not in our event contract, PLEASE NO LOITERING AT THAT SITE

2:00 PM

- End of Season Party begins (Food service and entertainment at Newport Dunes Pavilion 'C')
- **RACER FOOD TICKETS WILL BE ABLE FOR PICK UP**

4:30 PM

- Awards ceremony for men's races (and recap of women's awards) of women's awards

