



SHORELINE YACHT CLUB

presents the

Tom Scott Memorial

Cruiser Navigation Rally



TOM SCOTT MEMORIAL PERPETUAL TROPHY

Friday; September 17, 2021

Evolution of the Tom Scott Memorial Cruiser Navigation Rally

I'm not sure whether to give the historical evolution of the Tom Scott Memorial by name or by the evolution of the Two Harbors Contest, previously known as the Shoreline Invitational contest. Perhaps I'll try to do a little of both. There is a long and convoluted history of the evolution and sponsorship of these contests, so I'll try to be as concise as possible. If you have trouble following this, consider my problem in recalling all of it!

Let's start with the Two Harbors Contest because that came first historically. In 1984, Hollywood Yacht Club moved their Shultz Contest (which traditionally finished at the Isthmus (and by this time was no longer being run as a night contest), from mid-July to Friday in mid-September preceding the Ramsey. The combination of those two contests became very popular with SCCA Skippers and participation in both contests soared. Now, in order to understand the evolution, we need to jump over to the Easter Catalina Contest. So, bear with me on this for a moment.

When the Huntington Harbour Yacht Club withdrew its sponsorship and the Harrison Palmer Trophy from the Easter Catalina contest in 1983, Shark Island Yacht Club (who in 1981 was on the top of the Club Point Standings) picked it up. By 1985, after just two short years, SIYC was nearly defunct and dropped their sponsorship. Taking their first try at sponsorship of an SCCA contest, Shoreline Yacht Club then took over the Easter Catalina. They hosted the event for three years, then dropped it. In 1988, Cabrillo Beach Yacht Club then picked it up. Hollywood continued to be disappointed that their Shultz had lost its Brugman standing when it was linked with the Ramsey. So, when Cabrillo withdrew from the Easter Catalina in 1991, Hollywood took that opportunity to sponsor the Easter Catalina, a Brugman contest. They continue to sponsor the Easter Catalina.

When Hollywood Yacht Club moved their Shultz Trophy to the Easter Catalina, that left the Ramsey feeder without a sponsor. So, in 1991, Four Winds Yacht Club agreed to assume sponsorship of that contest and named it the Two Harbors Contest. They brought along the Trophy that had been previously used for the Sharkie, which had been the feeder to the now defunct Shark Island Invitational Contest. Four Winds continued to host the Ramsey feeder contest through 1995 when the Four Winds Yacht Club disbanded. Seal Beach Yacht Club then assumed the Trophy and ran the Two Harbors contest for four years until 2000.

Jumping back now, in 1988 after Shoreline dropped sponsorship of the Easter Catalina, they didn't again sponsor another contest until 1991. It was then that they assumed the feeder to the Bahia Corinthian Invitational from Seal Beach Yacht Club and renamed it the Shoreline Invitational. They continued to sponsor that contest until 2000 when they discontinued sponsorship of the BCYC feeder and moved the Shoreline Invitational trophy to replace the Two Harbors Trophy for the feeder to the Ramsey. Shoreline continues to sponsor the contest to this day. However, in 2009 the name of the trophy was changed to the Tom Scott Memorial to recognize Tom who was a very dedicated and active contestant within Shoreline Yacht Club.

For all its varied history and names, the SCCA September cruiser contest across the San Pedro Channel to Isthmus, Catalina, has enjoyed continued popularity throughout the years. Moorings are usually available then. The picnic table dinners on the beach with the awards ceremony, sometimes illuminated only by flashlight, are a distinctive break from the traditional blazer and tie routine of those on the mainland.

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Sponsored by: ----- Shoreline Yacht Club of Long Beach.

Sanctioned by: ----- SCCA & NACA.

Eligibility: ----- Members of SCCA member yacht clubs in conformity with SCCA rules.

Trophies: ----- Shoreline keeper trophies in accordance with SCCA rules.

Points: ----- Fall Series, Top-Ten, Bathke, Bobrick, Simonson, NACA, Peggy Bent Catalina Cup, and Lurie First-Year Contestant.

Rules: ----- SCCA Cruiser Navigation Rally Rules as amended February 18, 2015.

Observers: ----- This is considered an overnight rally; family members OK.

Race Committee: -- Glen Mulock, Cell: 562-266-7847

Committee boat: --- Leavin' Early

Skipper's meeting:-- None

Moorings: ----- To be arranged by skippers with Isthmus Harbor Patrol on VHF 9.

Official scorer: ----- Tom Collins on Misty Sea, Cell: 818-363-6292.

Predicted log: ----- To be sealed in an envelope and given to the observer before the rally.

Actual log: ----- Use SCCA log form dated 09/12/13. Turn in logs with official clock immediately after the rally to the scorer, Tom Collins, on the vessel Misty Sea as soon as possible after mooring but no later than 1400 hours or call Misty Sea on VHF CH- 71 for log pickup.

Awards: ----- At 1730 on shore by the fire-pits followed by cook-your-own dinner on the grills. Bring a side dish to share.

Dress: ----- Casual beach attire.

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The Course

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| START: | Buoy R "2" Fl R 4s, (located .7 nm west of Island Freeman) | 50 yards abeam |
| CP-1: | LONG BEACH LT Fl 5s 50ft 14M HORN | 75 yards stbd. |
| CP-2: | Buoy Y "215" Fl (5) Y 20s Priv | 50 yards stbd. |
| CP-3: | Buoy G "1" Fl G 2.5s – Los Angeles Entrance Channel | 50 yards abeam |
| CP-4: | 33° 35.0' N / 118° 18.0' W | |
| CP-5: | Midpoint between CP-4 and CP-6 | |
| CP-6: | 33° 31.0' N / 118° 23.0' W | |
| CP-7: | Midpoint between CP-6 and FINISH | |
| FINISH: | "Isthmus Cove Harbor Reefs Light" Fl 2.5s 21ft 5M | MINIMUM 125 yards stbd. |

Special Rally Rules

1. All equipment aboard the vessel may be used except that which is prohibited.
2. Use of the following data from any source is prohibited: Clock time or elapsed time.
3. GPS SOG (speed over ground) and speed through the water is allowed in this rally.
4. This rally will allow an Open Log where during the rally the skipper may have access to all times that are recorded on the Actual Log.
5. Official mileage is 23.9 nautical miles.
6. Start at skipper's discretion to turn in logs by 1400.
7. Radio: Monitor VHF channel 71.
8. Announce "Five minutes to start" on Ch. 71 if other contestants are in the area.
9. No penalty for predicted vs. actual start time differences.
10. Charts: Use charts: 18746 – Ed. 40; 18749 – Ed. 44; 18757 – Ed. 11.
11. Rally will be scored without handicap.
12. If mark at FINISH or any others are missing, call using GPS. Note on back of log.