

46th  
ANNUAL

# HARDWAY RACE

May 16, 2026

Organizing Authorities: Pierpont Bay Yacht Club & Santa Barbara Sailing Club  
1st Race of PBYC's Island Series & 2nd Race of SBYC's Wilson Series

## SANTA BARBARA TO VENTURA HARBOR

The Race will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing*.  
Course Spinnaker A is designated Coastal and Courses Spinnaker B, Non-Spinnaker, & Multihull are designated Nearshore level as modified: add USSER Coastal 2.4.1 - 2.4.7, 2.4.4 coated lifelines OK.

### SPINNAKER A

(Around Santa Cruz Island, 67 nm)

Minimum 5 boats.  
PHRF membership required. (Area random leg rating).

### SPINNAKER B

(Around Anacapa Island, 47 nm)

PHRF membership required. (Area random leg rating).

### NON-SPINNAKER

(Around platforms C, Habitat, & Grace, 29 nm)

PHRF membership required *in order to be eligible to win trophies*. (Area random leg rating).

### MULTI-HULL

(Around Anacapa Island, 47 nm)

ORCATCF ratings will be used.

### HARDWAY CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY

The places of the top three PHRF Spinnaker boats from each club will be totaled and the club with the lowest points will be awarded the Hardway Race Club Championship trophy.

### HARDWAY RACE OVERALL WINNER TROPHY

This perpetual trophy will be awarded to the skipper of the boat with the lowest corrected time among all PHRF classes sailing the Hardway course around Santa Cruz.

### HARDWAY RACE FIRST TO FINISH TROPHY

This perpetual trophy will be awarded to the first boat to finish the Hardway course around Santa Cruz.

### NON-SPINNAKER PERPETUAL TROPHY

A perpetual trophy will be awarded to the skipper of the boat with the lowest corrected time among all boats sailing the Non-Spinnaker course.

### SPINNAKER PERPETUAL TROPHY

A perpetual trophy will be awarded to the skipper of the boat with the lowest corrected time among all boats sailing the Spinnaker course.

#### Friday, May 15th

Boats arrive in Santa Barbara.  
BBQ @ SBSC 5 - 7 pm  
Registration by Regatta Network only  
<https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/31335>

#### Saturday, May 16th

No Skippers Meeting  
1055: 1st Warning Signal  
food @ PBYC after race

#### Sunday, May 17th

Return to home port



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