ELROY CUP  SoCal Sea Scout Regatta, November 9&10, 2019
Official Notice of Race (NoR)

Preamble
The "ELROY CUP" is a competition for registered Sea Scouts from the Western Region, with the Scouts racing to earn an invitation to the 2020 William I. Koch International Sea Scout Cup.

The 2019 racing event will begin on Saturday November 9 and conclude on Sunday November 10.
The Organizing authority for this year's event is Sea Scout Ship 1886, in conjunction with the Western Region Sea Scouts, San Diego-Imperial Council and the San Diego Yacht Club.

PART 1- General Administrative Information

1.0 Race Headquarters. The 2019 event headquarters will be located at the San Diego Yacht Club located 1011 Anchorage Lane, San Diego, CA 92106. Headquarters will be open from 7 a.m. until 6 p.m. Saturday, November 9, and Sunday, November 10, 2019.

Forward questions to the 2019 event Chairperson Robert Curry, 1886RSYC@gmail.com.

1.1 Race Information Page. A Registration Page will be available before October 1, with information for, and changes to, race Registration and Event information.

1.2 Event Cost. The event cost per participant will be $50 ($100 per team). Prior registration is REQUIRED. Registration will be available via on the San Diego Yacht Club Sea Scout 1886 Page – https://sdyc.org/groups/sea-scouts/254.

1.3 Camping, Food, and Lodging. There will no lodging provided. Lunch will be provided to racers. Dinner November 9th from 4-7pm at the SDYC Pavilion will be hosted by Ship 1886.

1.3.1 What to Bring. All participants must have a government issued identification card, with picture, on their person at all times during the event. Identification accepted includes; driver’s license, state identification card or passport.

Your Ship’s uniform REQUIRED for Sunday awards ceremony. Event supplied jersey required for racing.

Bring your own USCG approved life jacket, it must be worn at all times on the dock and boats.

1.4 Transportation. The Event does not provide transportation. Parking is available within walking distance on the street and in paid parking lots around the San Diego Yacht Club entrance, 1101 Anchorage Lane, San Diego, CA 92106. No on-site parking will be available.

1.5 Public Safety and Healthcare

1.5.1 Physically Demanding Event. This Event is physically demanding, temperatures may range from 50°F to 90°F or more and winds at 15kts or higher. Water temperature can be between 55°-70° f. and participants may experience extreme cold or warm conditions. Participants must prepare for all weather eventualities.

1.5.2 Event Issued Identification Cards. No Event cards will be issued

1.5.3 Healthcare and First aid. First aid and health care officer will be available during the event. In the event of an accident, report all incidents to any event Staff member.
PART 2 - RULES, ELIGIBILITY AND CONDITIONS OF THE EVENT

2.0 Rules and Regulations

2.0.1 Governance. This Event will be governed by the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020; BSA Guide to Safe Scouting (No. 34416D or current); Participant’s Rules of Conduct, Appearance and Comportment; Sailing Instructions; and this Official Notice of Race.

2.0.2 Crews. All vessels shall be sailed by a crew of two (2) Sea Scouts comprising of one (1) Skipper and one (1) crew.

2.0.3 Vessels. The races for the Western Regatta will be conducted in FJs as provided by the Organizing Authority. The vessels will be sloop rigged with no spinnakers. Class rules will not apply.

2.0.4 The Guide to Safe Scouting. Article XII, Transportation, Boats, Section 6. We waive the provisions for onboard oars and rowlocks, fire extinguishers, and lights, for the competing vessels only.

2.1 Eligibility and Entry.

2.1.1 All Youth Participants. The event is open to all currently registered Sea Scouts in the Boy Scouts of America.

2.1.2 Entry. Only registered Participants and authorized persons allowed in the staging area.

2.2 Preliminary Schedule of Events. This schedule of events is subject to change. Check the Facebook Page periodically for updates.

0700 Flags (Class A Uniform required)
0715 Registration opens
0830 Registration closes
0900 All Participants Report to Dock for Safety meeting (Class B, team shirts, or event shirts)
1000 Racing Starts
1230 Lunch (time approximate)
1315 Racing resumes (time approximate)
1800 Awards
2000 EVENT ENDS

2.3 Scoring.

2.3.1 Low Point Scoring System. The low point scoring system will apply, except that each boat’s series score will be the sum of all of her race scores without discard. Each crew from each ship will be scored separately and a crew’s regatta score shall be the total of her race scores from both morning and afternoon. The lowest series score wins. First place will receive ¼ point, second place will receive 2 points, with whole numbers assigned thereafter.

2.3.2 Penalties. A boat that does not start, does not finish, retires after finishing, or is disqualified will be scored one (1) point more than the number of competitors boats entered in the fleet.

2.3.3 Complete Races Required. The number of required races is addressed in the SI.

2.3.4 Qualification and Ranking. The crew with the lowest series point score in the fleet shall win the SoCal Regatta and receive invitation to the William I. Koch International Sea Scout Cup. The overall 1st thru 10th place vessels will announced after Saturday’s Race at the awards ceremony.

2.4 Decisions of the Race Jury

2.4.1 The Jury. Shall consist of a minimum of three (3) members, which shall include, one (1) member of the San Diego Yacht Club. All Jury Members will be appointed to the Race Jury by the Regatta Chairman.

2.4.2 Protests are fully addressed in the SI All decisions of the Race Committee/Jury shall be final.

2.5 Arbitration. For protests involving an alleged breach of the Rules of Part 2 of the NOR, NO arbitration hearing will be held prior to the protest hearing.
2.6 **Responsibility.** The safety of a vessel and its crew is the sole responsibility of the vessel’s Skipper. The Skipper of each vessel shall decide whether or not to start or continue in any race. In the event of dangerous weather or other unsafe conditions, the Race Committee may determine to postpone, reschedule, or abandon racing. All participants including staff shall wear a USCG certified type I, II or III personal flotation device (PFD) at all times while on or near the water. Racing participants may not wear an inflatable device. Participants must supply their own PFD, in good condition.

2.7 **Notice of Valid race.**

1. Fifteen days prior to the regatta a minimum of four (4) Sea Scout crews must be registered. YOU MUST REGISTER for the SoCal Regatta no later than October 15, 2019.

2.8 **Amendments to this Notice.** The SoCal Regatta Event Committee and Race Jury reserve the right to amend this Official Notice of Race at any time. Amendments to this Notice made prior to November 8, 2019, will be posted on the SoCal Regatta official Facebook page. Amendments will also be physically posted at the November 9, 2019 Skipper’s meeting. No amendments will be made to these rules without the express consent of the 2019 SoCal Regatta Chairman (Robert Curry), the primary Race officer, and the Race Event Committee.

The Race Committee extends its warmest wishes to all boat crews for a fun, exciting, and safe race conducted in the spirit of Scouting and sportsmanship!