1ST Annual Red Rock Sea Scout Cup
2019 William I. Koch International Sea Scout Cup
Western Region Area 3 Qualifier

NOTICE OF RACE 2020 Koch Cup Western Region Area 3 Qualifier (The Red Rock Sea Scout Cup)
Richmond Yacht Club 351 Brickyard Cove Rd, Richmond, CA on October 20th, 2019 Back up date: To be determined if necessary, the organizing authority for this event is the William I. Koch Race Committee.

1. RULES: 1.1. The regatta will be governed by rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020, the BSA Guide to Safe Scouting, the Sailing Instructions and this Notice of Race. 1.2. Certain rules may be changed; changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. 1.3. The provisions of The Guide to Safe Scouting Article XII, Transportation, Boats, Section 6. to have on-board oars and rowlocks, fire extinguishers and lights are waived for the competing vessels only.

2. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY: 2.1. The Event is open only to currently registered Sea Scouts in the Boy Scouts of America. All competitors must be at least thirteen (13) years of age and less than twenty-one (21) years of age on August 1, 2020. All entrants must be active members of Sea Scout Units. 2.2. This event is a qualifying regatta for the 2020 William I. Koch International Sea Scout Cup. Complete information on eligibility for that event is found in the Official Notice of Race at https://seascoutcup.org. The Koch Cup will also be held at Sea Star Base Galveston. 2.3. Entry is by two person teams (Skipper and Crew) 2.4.

3. ADVANCE REGISTRATION: 3.1. Teams shall register in advance. No later than October 12th, 2019 to the regatta chair, via email. ken.shupe@gmail.com. DO NOT contact the Richmond Yacht Club directly, this is a Sea Scout event that is hosted using donations by the yacht club but run by sea scout volunteers. 3.2. Completed registration shall consist of a team entry form and, from each team member, a parental consent form and a Richmond yacht club Waiver. 3.3 Bring registration forms to registration on October 20th 2019. 3.5 There will be an entry fee of $30 per competing crew which will includes snacks and awards for the crew on the day of the race. Make checks payable to: Sea Fox Nautical Foundation and include them with the entry form.

4. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS Sailing Instructions will be available at check-in and at the competitors meeting. Sailing Instructions will be emailed to the skipper of each team who registers on time to the event chair.

5. SCORING: 5.1 A maximum of eight races are scheduled, of which one completed race shall constitute a series. If six or more races are sailed, a boat’s worst score shall be discarded. 5.2 The regatta will be scored using the Low Point system of Appendix A, except as modified by the sailing instructions. 5.3. Protests hearings, if any, will take place 30 minutes after the race committee boat returns to the launching platform. 5.4. At the option of the race officer, the race may be split into two groups after the first three races Competitors whose scores in the first three races would make it highly unlikely or impossible qualify may be split off to a secondary competition.

6. BOATS Racing will be on FJ’s owned by the Richmond Yacht Club and are responsible for any and all damage sustained by crews. Crews will change boats.

7. VENUE Racing will take place in Richmond Harbor.
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8. SAFETY 8.1. A US Coast Guard approved personal flotation device shall be worn, properly fastened, at all times while launching and when sailing. Flotation devices are available for use at the Seabase or crews can bring their own so long as they are compliant. Failure to comply with this rule can result in disqualification as deemed appropriate by the protest committee. A boat retiring from a race shall notify a Race Committee vessel before leaving the course, or when that is impossible, at the Sail Team Clubhouse immediately after arrival ashore. 8.2. Competitors must be accompanied by a parent(s) or registered BSA adult leaders as required by BSA Guide to Safe Scouting, Youth Protection Requirements.

9. MEALS Snacks and Ice Cream will be provided to those who volunteer to help put on the event and all racing crews (although we won't reject donations). Participants are responsible for their own food at all other times.

10. HOUSING Overnight accommodations will be available for those who request beforehand.

11. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION For additional information, contact Ken Shupe at ken.shupe@gmail.com. Entrants and guests should bring their own portable chairs, umbrellas, etc.

12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY: Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race.