

CITY OF SANTA BARBARA WATERFRONT DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

Date: September 19, 2019
To: Harbor Commission
From: Brian Bosse, Acting Waterfront Director
Subject: **Harbor Operations Report**

RECAP: KING HARBOR RACE

Marking the harbor's largest regatta of the year, 74 sailboats departed Santa Barbara on July 26th, kicking off the 47th annual King Harbor Race, an 81-mile mile course that terminates at King Harbor in Redondo.

Seventy boats completed the race, and with steady, 8-12-knot winds assisting them, arrived in Redondo with good times. The first boat to arrive (a Transpac 52 Vesper skippered by the David Team from Newport Harbor Yacht Club) came in just after 7:00 p.m. on race day. The final boat arrived at 10:15 a.m. on Saturday. Of note, the race presented some exciting tactical challenges, as competitors took different "tracks," due to winds appearing where they normally don't, and vice versa.

Locals who "placed" in various categories included:

- Laura Schlessinger, *Warrior*, 1st in ULDB "B" class, 2nd overall;
- Richard Yabsley, *Captain Sluggo*, 2nd in ULDB "D" class;
- Kenny Kieding and John Vincent, *Argo 3*, 3rd, ULDB "C" class, 5th overall;
- Thomas Bollay, *Armida*, 3rd, PHRF "C"

The Department congratulates all participants in this year's King Harbor Race, and looks forward to serving as "host harbor" again in 2020.

LOBSTER-TRAP STAGING IN MAIN HARBOR PARKING LOT

With the opening of commercial lobster season scheduled for Wednesday, October 2nd, the Waterfront Department will provide a free staging area for lobster traps beginning at 2:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 21st, lasting until 5 p.m. on Friday, October 4th. The attached map provides details and locations where fishermen may stage their traps for loading onto boats headed to the lobster grounds. *Note:* No trap construction or repair is permitted in the staging area. Also, trap staging is provided on a first-come, first-served basis, and is not guaranteed. In other words, if a boat or trailer occupies a stall designated for allowable trap staging, that boat shall not be expected to move. Questions? Please call Mick Kronman, Harbor Operations Manager, at 805-897-2587, or Lt. Erik Engebretson, Harbor Patrol Supervisor, at 805-560-7524,

HARBOR AND SEAFOOD FESTIVAL—SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12TH

Circle your calendars! The 18th annual Harbor and Seafood Festival will take place from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm on Saturday, October 12th. We've got it all again this year—fresh crab, lobster, oysters, mussels, and barbequed albacore, plus paella, sea urchin “uni,” fish tacos, Brophy Bros’ clam chowder and more. Then there’s great music (three bands), 40+ arts and craft vendors, tall-ship tours, Coast Guard Cutter, and Harbor Patrol Boat tours, touch tanks, free boat rides, and maritime education booths. Festival admission is free and is presented by the City, Commercial Fishermen of Santa Barbara, Inc., and Santa Barbara Harbor Merchants’ Association. Find directions and parking details and more at www.HarborFestival.org or www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/SeafoodFestival.

Attachment: Lobster Trap Staging Areas Map

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