

# Ventura Channel Challenge

June 6, 2009

Ventura Harbor, Ventura, California

***Hokuloa Outrigger Canoe Club welcomes you to the easy-access Ventura Channel Challenge. Please be advised that all paddlers must park in the remote parking lot where parking and shuttle service are free. No Exceptions. Carpoolers can unload people and gear at the race site and proceed to the shuttle parking lot.***

## **Highlights**

- Coffee, bagels, breakfast burritos available at 7:00
- Hawaiian Barbeque lunch available at 11:00
- Silent auction/raffle, awards ceremony & Hawaiian entertainers
- After Race Gathering with live music: Margarita Villa, Ventura Harbor Village
- BBQ's and dogs on leashes allowed. Alcohol not.
- T-shirts, shopping, kids activities

## **Schedule of Events**

Friday, June 5 <sup>th</sup>	5pm – 7pm	Unload trailers and rig canoes
Saturday, June 6 <sup>th</sup>	6am	Unload trailers & rig canoes
	7am	Registration! Breakfast! Limited-edition T-shirts!
	7:30am	Novice/Short Course steersperson meeting
	8am	Novice/Short Course Race Begins (approx 4 miles)
	9:30am	Open Steersperson Meeting (Women, Men & Co-Ed)
	10am	Women's & Co-Ed Race begins (approx 12 miles)
	11am	Hawaiian Lunch by Starr Events
	12:30pm	Men's Race begins (approx 12 miles)
	2:00pm	Entertainment, Raffle, Awards
	4:00pm	After Race Gathering at Margarita-Villa in the Harbor (music by Lorien Sanders & Da Band)

## **T-SHIRTS – SHOPPING – KIDS ACTIVITES- DOGS!**

### T-shirts

Limited-edition T-shirts, sweatshirts, race jerseys and women's racer-back tanks available for purchase. Buy early! Buy lots!!

### Vendors

Race site vendors will offer an array of items for sale. The Harbor Village has shopping galore. Leis will be available for purchase at the race site!

### Just for Kids!!!

Channel Islands National Park, just steps away, has tide pool displays with ocean creatures and creepy-crawlies. The Harbor Village has a merry-go-round, arcade, ice cream and more...

## Directions

### From the South: Paddlers

Take Highway 101 North

Exit Seaward Ave – Turn Left onto Seaward

Turn left on Harbor Blvd.

Continue on Harbor (approx 1 mile) to Schooner Drive. Turn right and then another immediate right for parking. (Carpoolers can unload people and gear at the race site and proceed to the shuttle parking lot). A shuttle will take you to the race site.

### From the North: Paddlers

Take Highway 101 South

Exit Seaward Ave – This exit takes you to Harbor Blvd – Go Left on Harbor

Continue on Harbor (approx 1 mile) to Schooner Drive. Turn right and then another immediate right for parking. (Carpoolers can unload people and gear at the race site and proceed to the shuttle parking lot). A shuttle will take you to the race site.

### Trailer Unloading/Parking

Continue past Schooner to Spinnaker Drive. Turn right onto Spinnaker.

Boat unloading/Parking is at the very end of Spinnaker Drive – through the gate.

Park trailers and leave tow vehicle with the trailer at the race site.

### Escort Boats:

The launch ramp is off Anchors Way, which is on the NE side of the Harbor.

From Harbor Drive, turn on to Schooner Drive.

Schooner Drive will dead-end after one block, turn right on Anchors Way.

Boat Launch is immediately on the left.

## Parking

**Our Paddler parking arrangement has changed from previous years. Please see important parking information below!**

FREE PARKING and Shuttle approximately 1 mile from the race site. (See map)

You are encouraged to drive to race site, drop passengers and gear, and then proceed to assigned parking and shuttle at Schooner Dr. & Harbor Blvd.

There is **NO RACE PARKING** near the businesses of Ventura Harbor Village.

**Our permits for 2010 and future races are dependant on everyone cooperating with this. PLEASE help us!**

**PLEASE** be cooperative and respectful of parking directors. It's a s\_\_\_ job!

**PLEASE** note on the map where parking is not allowed.

**PLEASE** follow all signs on race day.

NO overnight parking or camping is allowed.

## Race Awards

Bling for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> Places given for all categories.

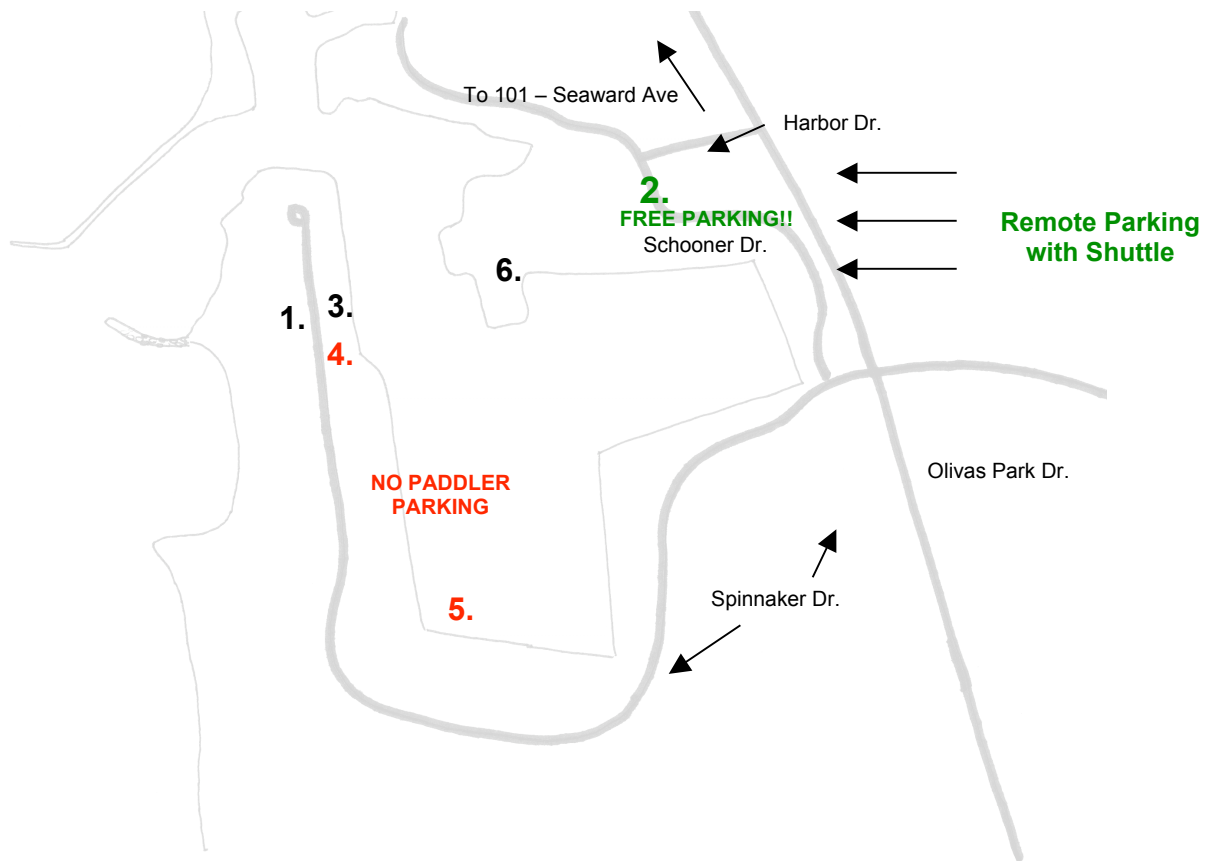
## Contacts

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## Accommodations

- \$ McGrath State Beach Camping - off Harbor Blvd - [www.reserveamerica.com](http://www.reserveamerica.com)  
800-444-7275
- \$ Motel 6 Ventura Beach – 2145 E. Harbor Blvd - [www.motel6.com](http://www.motel6.com) - 805-643-5100
- \$ Motel 6 Ventura South – 3075 Johnson Dr - [www.motel6.com](http://www.motel6.com) - 805-650-0080
- \$\$ La Quinta Inn – Fwy 101 & Victoria Ave - [www.lq.com](http://www.lq.com) - 805-658-6200
- \$\$ Vagabond Inn – 756 E. Thompson Blvd - [www.vagabondinn-ventura-hotel.com](http://www.vagabondinn-ventura-hotel.com)  
800-522-1555
- \$\$ Holiday Inn Express (Close!) 1080 Navigator Dr - [www.hiexpress.com](http://www.hiexpress.com)  
800-315-2621
- \$\$\$ Four Points Sheraton (Close!) – 1050 Schooner Dr - [www.starwoodhotels.com](http://www.starwoodhotels.com)  
800-229-5732



1. Race site – Canoe Unloading/Loading – Trailer Parking
2. **FREE PARKING W/ SHUTTLE**
3. Channel Islands National Park – Fun for kids!
4. Harbor Cove Café - **NO PARKING IN THIS AREA, PLEASE**
5. Harbor Village – Shopping, Restaurants, Arcade, Merry Go Round, Margarita Villa - **NO PARKING IN THIS AREA, PLEASE**
6. Escort Boat Launch