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PCYC Racing Mixer

May 4, 2022

So, why are we here?

- Get registered for racing
- Racing schedule
- Learn about PCYC Crew Bank
- How to be great Crew
- How to be a great Skipper
- What happens next
- Q&A



Register for Racing

- Register onsite tonight at the registration table
- Go online to the PCYC public website
 - Boating
 - Club Racing
 - Monday Night Racing
 - Wednesday Night Racing
 - General Information
 - Notice of Race
 - Sailing Instructions
- Register for your Race Committee Volunteer Night
 - New this year - each race boat provides a volunteer for one night of racing

Racing Schedule

PCYC Weeknight Club Racing

➤ Monday nights

- May 16 – Practice Start
- May 24 – Aug 29
 - Women on the Helm every 2nd Monday
- Sept 6 – Crew Race
- Sept 12 & 19 – Rum Runners

➤ Wednesday nights

- May 18 – Practice Start
- May 25 – Aug 31
- Sept 7 – Crew Race
- Sept 14 & 21 – Rum Runners

Regattas and Series

- PCYC Open – July 9 - 10
- Turkey Race – Oct. 2
- LOSHRs – 6 races June to Sept.
- AHMEN – 8 races May – Oct.
- Susan Hood – June 3 - 4
- Lake Ontario 300 – July 16 – 18
- WOW Regatta – Sept. 10
- and many, many more

PCYC Crew Bank

New this year – Linda Clarke, Crew Bank Captain

Objective: To help crew and skippers find each other

- **How it works:**

- Register with Linda Clarke
 - Skippers and Crew
 - Sailing/racing experience
 - Availability & commitment
 - Desired level of competitiveness
 - Willingness to learn/coach
- Meet at the flagpole
 - Last call at 5:30

Goal – no crew left behind!

How to be Great Crew

What to bring

- Shoes with non-marking soles
- Sailing gloves
- PFD
- Weather appropriate clothing
- Hat
- Sunscreen
- Snacks (check w skipper)
- Beverage(s) (check w skipper)
- Skipper gift (optional)
- Willingness to help with the boat

What to do

- Know/learn sailing/racing basics
- Learn basic racing rules
- Understand start sequence
- Continuous self education
- Be on time at dock
- Help prep the boat for racing
- **While racing:**
 - Be attentive & listen to skipper
 - Anticipate what will happen & act
 - Be agile & quick
 - Focus on the racing
- Help clean up the boat post-race
- Let your skipper know well in advance of any race dates you can't make

How to be a Great Skipper

- Be an ambassador for PCYC and PCYC racing
- Let your crew know your racing schedule for the season
- Communicate expected at-boat arrival time and dock departure
- Ensure all crew know their role and associated expectations
- Explain how to prepare your boat for racing
- Share your racing/sailing experience and overall racing expectations
- Read the NORs and SIs and share with the crew
- **Remember that this is a passion/hobby and everyone wants to be able to enjoy themselves while being competitive!**

What happens next?

- **Skippers** – register for racing
- **Crew** – register with Linda for Crew Bank

Sailpast is June 11

- Let us know if you would be interested in an Intro to Racing workshop
- If you'd like a racing 'cheat sheet' email: sandersonam@outlook.com

• Before you leave tonight, challenge yourself to:

- Find at least two people in the room you don't know and introduce yourself
 - Skippers looking for crew
 - Crew looking for skippers

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