



CORINTHIAN YACHT CLUB

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Dear CYC Jr. Sailing Families-

I hope this finds you and your family doing well and staying healthy. I am excited to announce our adjusted plans for the 2020 CYC Jr. Sailing Program. Our utmost priority has always, and will continue to be, keeping your child safe at the Corinthian. Our decision to operate this summer as outlined below stems directly from this priority. We continue to base our operations decisions on the most up to date CDC and Commonwealth of Massachusetts guidelines.

We will be offering lessons this summer to experienced single-handed sailors; that is, any rising Intermediate, Opti 1, Opti 2, and Opti Race Team sailor. We require that your sailor is a confident ocean swimmer as no swim or capsize tests will be conducted at the onset of these lessons. All lessons will be held in the Club's Optis.

We will start holding lessons July 1. Lessons will be available Monday through Thursday, with Friday being a make-up day in case of inclement weather. Lessons for intermediate-level sailors will occur from 10-12pm when the wind is historically lighter; and more advanced sailors will have lessons from 1-3pm. If your sailor was registered for Intermediate this year, they would be best placed in the AM session. If your sailor was registered for Opti 1 and is not feeling confident sailing in high winds, they too should sign up for the AM lessons. Lessons will not be held in inclement weather, which will be based on current and forecasted conditions.

Our experienced staff is eager and excited to work with your children in this new capacity! Many ideas have been generated to ensure your child is having fun, while also learning in this new environment. Lessons will be conducted by US Sailing Certified Instructors who will complete a daily Staff Health Affidavit. Instructors will be following strict cleaning protocols for the cleaning and sanitizing of boats, equipment and storage areas used each day; and will be wearing masks or buffs at all times, and gloves when rigging the Optis. They will isolate at home if they show signs or symptoms. Your sailor will be assigned one instructor--based on availability--who will be assigned to the same Opti and coach boat all season. There will be no physical 'classroom instruction' at the Corinthian. Instead, instructors will provide their sailors short, engaging and perhaps entertaining, pre-recorded online lessons to view before they arrive for each lesson. This will start with an overview lesson, and will then be tailored to each sailor's specific needs as the lessons progress.

Lessons can be purchased one at a time or as a package of 4. Lessons are two hours long. A single lesson costs \$55, and a group of 4 lessons costs \$180 (\$45/lesson). We encourage you to register your sailor for consecutive days (or weeks!) if your schedule allows, to further support their growth and development in the boat. Whether they are an intermediate level sailor, or an advanced racer, this one-on-one instruction will greatly benefit their confidence afloat and

increase their boat handling skills! Registration for lessons will be scheduled online; and we will not require payment or member charge until lessons are held. Please look for an email next week with a link for registration.

We require that your child come to the Club prepared to sail including sunscreen applied, in a bathing suit, with a life jacket, sunglasses, hat, etc. all on. Bathroom access will be available, however we encourage your sailor to go before they arrive. Furthermore, your sailor must wear a face mask at all times while on shore and the docks. This can be a buff/gaiter. Drop off and pick up will occur by driving down Corinthian Lane (one way) and waiting in your car for your sailor's instructor to meet you in the parking lot. The instructor will then escort your sailor directly to the dock where a rigged Opti will be waiting for their lesson. Your sailor will be returned to the parking lot at the conclusion of their lesson, where you will wait to pick them up.

All participating students and their parents/guardians will need to complete a Covid-19 Health Questionnaire daily and sign behavioral guidelines that address the use of masks/buffs while on land, 6' social distancing, and staying home if they show any symptoms or come into contact with someone who has shown symptoms.

We are sorry that because of the required social distancing we cannot offer our regular slate of programming. We are especially disappointed about all our Beginner sailors who were eager to get out on the water for the first time. Please know that we have every intention of holding Beginner lessons next summer!

We are excited to get back out on the water with you this summer; and appreciate all of your continued support and patience during this unprecedented time. As always, if you have any questions do not hesitate to reach out.

Thinking sun and wind!
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