



Oakville Yacht Squadron (OYS)

OYS was founded in 1946 and offers membership to all interested sailors. It is a not-for-profit organization and a membership maintained club.

The club includes a large (essentially) ground level hall and a ramp to access the washroom. In addition to the main hall there is a winter hall and bar (up a full flight of stairs with no elevator or stair glide). The club grounds include a lawn with riverside views. The OYS parking lot is gravel and is not paved. Please keep the gravel in mind when accessing the sail boats.

OYS offers a Team Tempest program where qualified members can share in the use of club owned boats. OYS plans to add the Accessible Sailing Program's boat to this Team Tempest program and offer exclusivity to its sailors.

OYS Sailing School

The OYS Sailing School has been in operation since 1965 and teaches adults and youths with daytime and evening sailing courses. Many of the OYS graduates have gone on to represent Canada at various events including the Olympic games. OYS instructors are fully qualified and each has first aid and CPR training.

Accessible Sailing Program

Accessible Sailing will be offered in 2010 from July 18th - 29th from 09:00 to 15:00 p.m. With sufficient interest future years will offer a broader program with the hopes of an evening instructor as well. Costs for instruction will be \$120 per participant per day. Cost includes the use of the Ontario Sailing accessible boats. There may be some opportunities for offsetting funding from local service clubs. OYS is pleased to offer participants of the Accessible Sailing Program membership at the Associate Level for the balance of the 2010 season. This offer is made at no cost to the participant!

Associate Membership

OYS offers Associate Membership for members who do not have a sailboat in the Oakville Harbour. Full membership is offered for those who have a boat in the Oakville Harbours and in addition a 'Members-without-a-boat Program' where the members share in the use of club owned boats.

Participant Registration Forms

Each participant must complete a participant registration form and hand it in no later than July 18th at 6pm. This allows for the instructors to be aware of any health related issues prior to the start of the program and meet the needs of the individual sailor. All information will be kept confidential.

Participant Requirements

Participants must provide their own DOT approved PFD / Life Jacket which must be worn at all times near the water or on a boat. Participants must also come prepared for the prevailing weather conditions. Be advised that when the sun is shining you are far more likely to get sunburn when on the water, conversely when it is cold, it is much colder on the water. Perhaps the most important requirement is a positive can-do attitude. A sailor must be prepared for

things to go sideways, smile, work-out a solution and get on with the task at hand.

Safety Policies and Inclement

Weather

The safety of students and instructors is the highest priority for the school. All students and instructors are required to wear a personal flotation device (PFD) at all times while on the water. Each coach boat is equipped with a portable VHF radio. This enables instructors on the water to be in constant communication with the School and local rescue units (TOWARF and the Police). The School and all coach boats are equipped with first aid kits to treat minor medical needs. The instructors obtain daily weather reports from Environment Canada. After receiving the report and reviewing local conditions, the Head Instructor decides if it is appropriate for the students to be sailing. In the event of on-the-water instruction being cancelled, land activities and instruction are planned for the students.

Risks

Sailing like many sports requires the participants to expose themselves to some risks. These include the potential of falling off the boat and finding oneself unexpectedly in cold water through to bumps and scrapes from contact with a boat bouncing around in rough seas or strong winds. Obviously training and common sense help reduce the likelihood of encountering a problem and handling it when it does arrive. OYS and its members take safety seriously. Every participant in the Accessible Sailing Program will be required to sign an agreement to hold OYS and its instructors and Members free of liability for any accident however caused the same as every other program member.





Oakville Yacht Squadron Accessible Sailing

Participant Questionnaire

Do you think you would be interested in sailing this summer?

Yes _____ No _____ Maybe _____

How often do you think you would like to sail this summer?

Once a summer _____ Once a month _____ Once a week _____

Other _____

Are you interested in taking lessons so that you can learn to sail independently?

Yes _____ No _____ Maybe _____

What would you be able to pay, or what to you think would be reasonable to pay for sailing lessons?

What day or days of the week would you be available to go sailing?

What time of day would be best for you?

Morning _____ Afternoon _____ Evening _____

What would you be able to pay, or what to you think would be reasonable to pay to go for a recreational sail?

Is there anything you would like more information on?

Contact Information

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____

How would you prefer we contact you?

Phone _____ Email _____ Mail _____

Thank you very much for participating and taking the time to fill out this questionnaire. ***Hope to see you on the water this summer!***



Participant Registration Form
Access BOOM

Youth Program Adult Program

Name of Participant:

Name of Parent or Guardian (youth):

Address: City: Postal:

Phone (H): Phone (W): ext:

Email:

Course Location: Dates of Course:

Personal Safety Information

Participants Name: Male Female

Date of Birth: Health Card Number:

Family Doctor: Phone:

Emergency Contact: relation: Phone:

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Are there any medical, learning or behavioural conditions of which we should be aware (including insect, food and medical allergies)? Yes No

If yes, please explain:

Waiver

I understand that it is a condition of my participating in this program that I do so at my own risk. Therefore in consideration of my acceptance of entry into this program, I agree to save harmless and keep indemnified Ontario Sailing, the host club or organization, the Canadian Yachting Association, the organizers and their respective agents, officials, servants and representatives from and against all claims, actions, costs, expenses and demands in respect to death, injury, loss or damage to my person or property, howsoever caused, arising out of or in connection with my taking part in this program, not withstanding that the same may have been contributed to or caused or occasioned by the negligence of the same bodies, or any of them, or their agents officials, servants or representatives. I further understand and agree that this release is binding upon myself, my heirs, executors and assigns. I understand that photographs and videos taken of program participants, staff may be used for promotional purposes and I hereby consent to such by Ontario Sailing.

Participants Signature Date
(Parent or Guardian if participant is under 18 years of age)