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WSA Information: Summer Junior Sailing Program - 2020

The program's objective is to train students in the art and skill of sailing. Through hands-on experience and class instruction, we hope to produce well-rounded sailors who are at home aboard a sailing dinghy, a cruising sailboat, or a racing boat. Above all, our goal is to have our students safely enjoy their time on the water.

Boats include a fleet of Optimist Prams and Club 420's, small keelboat sloops and power support boats. All full-time instructors have been certified in the U.S. Sailing Instructor Level One course and are current with CPR and First Aid.

This document also includes the Weekly Schedule and Class Descriptions & Fees and Policies

FORMS: Junior and Adult Registration Forms are downloadable on the website: www.wickfordsailing.org
Minimum age is 8 (possible exceptions) with a max weight capacity of ~120 lbs. in Optis.

IMPORTANT DATES:

Classes Start Monday, June 22 - Friday, August 14th (also will be Open Sail Evening & Awards Night, see below)

EARLY Discount: Register by May 1st. - \$5 for any Beginner session or \$10 for another other class >4 weeks

SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS Available! Deadline May 15th - See website for downloadable form

ORIENTATION Meetings: TUESDAY, JUNE 16 — 7 pm for non-racers

Orientation meeting for all non-racing sailors and parents at the Wickford Yacht Club (end of Pleasant Street) at 7 pm. A preview of the program will be presented. Scheduling, rules, gear etc. will be discussed. New students are *strongly encouraged* to attend and any former student is welcome, however All Racers should attend the following one:

RACERS - THURSDAY, JUNE 18 — 7 pm - (Opti, Laser & 420s)

Regatta information and expectations for attending regattas, including the use and transportation of WSA boats will be reviewed. A tentative summer regatta schedule from NBYA will be available.

NBYA Olympic Junior "Race Week" — Fort Getty in Jamestown - Mon - Wed. Aug. 10-12

AWARDS NIGHT - Friday, August 14th at conclusion of 4pm classes. More info will follow in August. This is an Open Sail afternoon for ALL Sailors, a BYOB BBQ (WYC grills available) and Awards at 7pm

IMPORTANT NOTES - WHAT TO BRING, WHAT TO EXPECT:

- 1. EACH STUDENT IS REQUIRED TO HAVE THEIR OWN COAST GUARD APPROVED LIFE JACKET (vest type recommended) and WORN AT ALL TIMES WHILE ON THE DOCKS AND WATER.**
- 2. SWIM CHECK:** A mandatory swim check will be the first day of class. Students will be asked to swim a short distance and show their ability to tread water. Students should bring a change of clothes and a towel.
- 3. SNEAKERS OR BOAT SHOES MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES (optional during the swim check).**
- 4. Special Events:** Day trips will be held at various times. These will be scheduled as far in advance as possible.
- 5. NBYA Junior Regattas** are held at various locations and times. Students in the **Racing** classes are encouraged to participate and **Intermediates and Intro to 420s** could participate with instructor permission.

WSA CONTACTS: Instructors and Instruction — John Hanus HanusJ@gmail.com or 401-267-8892
Registration — Kathy Brown WSA.Classes@gmail.com or 401-267-8855

WSA Class Schedule & Class Descriptions - Summer 2020

We look forward to giving your child the best on water experience in our exciting, safe, and fun sailing program!

All classes introduce many STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) concepts utilizing a fun US Sailing Reach curriculum, reach.ussailing.org.

All Classes are Full Day 9am - 4pm. Minimum age is 8 (possible exceptions) with a max weight capacity of ~120 lbs. in Optis.

Beginners: Either a 2-week session 3 days a week Mon, Wed & Fri OR 1 Week session M-F, all 5 days

Classes are for those who are in the early stages of their journey on the water! This includes students who have never sailed before and sailors who want to perfect the basic fundamentals. There's no need to fear! Our boats can be sailed with a partner or solo and our instructors are constantly by your side. Our venue is unique because it offers a calmer wind and wave experience to hone their skills and have a great time on the water!

Curriculum for Beginner program includes: The basics of sailing including proper rigging/de-rigging of the boat, steering a straight course, understanding and using points of sail, parts of the sailboat, boat handling, sailing games, and getting a general feel for the water and the art of sailing!

Intermediate - Tues & Thurs. all day 9 am -4 pm

Intermediate is one skill level up from Beginners for more advanced students who are not yet ready for racing. Sailors could participate in race regattas later in the summer if the instructor agrees their skills are ready. The goal is a class size of 15.

**NOTE also see Optional Friday (below)*

Intro. to 420s and Seamanship - Mon and Wed all day 9 am - 4 pm

Introduction to 420s and Seamanship is for sailors who have completed the Intermediate course; are 13 years of age or older; or have permission of the program. The students will explore advanced boathandling and basic racing techniques, but do not have to enter race regattas. The group will meet for two full days. This will allow the students maximum exposure to various weather conditions in order to grow more confident with dinghy racing, if that is the direction they want to go. Classes will primarily use double-handed 420 sailboats (main & jib sails). The goal of this class is to give sailors increased time on the water and exposure to maritime skills other than simply sailing. **NOTE also see Optional Friday (below)*

Opti Racers - Mon. & Wed. all day 9 am - 4 pm & Thursday AFTERNOONS only 1-4 pm

Opti Racers is generally the class a sailor will move up to from Intermediates. It is intended for students who want to learn how to race in regattas. Participation in NBYA regattas as soon as possible is encouraged for these students. They will meet 2 full days and a half day and will use Opti racing boats. Depending on registrations, the class may be split into Returning and New Opti Racers for a half day of individualized instruction. From Optis, they may move into 420s as size, age and experience warrant.

**NOTE also see Optional Friday (below)*

420 & Laser Racers - All day Tues, Thurs & Fri - 9 am-4 pm

Racers (420 and Laser) is the highest skill level. This class consists of advanced students who are skilled enough to contribute to the success of the Wickford program at interclub racing and participate in bay area regattas hosted by NBYA. They meet 3 full days and are instructed in either 2 person 420s or their personally owned Laser. Many sailors in this class go on to participate on high school area teams.

***OPTIONAL FRIDAY** - 8 Fridays - works well with Intermediates, Opti Racers and Intro to 420 classes

Designed for more time on the water with exposure to other boats. We have 2 Quest boats - which have 2 sails & spinnaker and can fit up to 6 juniors / 4 adults. Join us Fridays for a fun day on the water introducing new skills and sailors to each other.

**Weekly
Schedule:**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9am-12pm and 1pm-4pm	Beginners Intro to 420s Opti Racers	Beg M-F Intermediate 420+L Racers	Beginners Intro to 420s Opti Racers	Beg M-F Intermediate 420+L Racers	Beginners 420+L Racers Optional Fri.*
				+ Opti Racers 1-4 PM only	*for Intro 420s, Intermediates & Opti Racers

Session Fee Schedule:

Pay in Full if registering for Beginners, else Deposit should be 1/2 of the 8 week class fees with Registration form. The balance due by sailor's Orientation date, this includes all sailors. June 16 or 18th for Racers.

BEGINNER Class Choices \$330 - 2 different formats are available. All sessions are Full Day, 9am - 4pm

<u>2 Week Sessions: 3 days MWF</u>	or	<u>1 Week Sessions: Mon thru Fri</u>
Session 1 - MWF - June 22 - July 3		Week 3 - M-F- July 6 - 10
Session 4 - MWF - July 13 - 24		Week 4 - M-F- July 13-17
Session 7 - MWF - August 3 - 14		Week 6 - M-F- July 27 - 31

OTHER CLASSES: all 8 weeks - June 22 - August 14

NOTE: All Non-Beginner Classes are intended to be 8 weeks. Contact us for a customized schedule to meet your sailor's needs if you can not attend 8 weeks. Classes maybe able to be partially pro-rated depending on length of attendance.

INTERMEDIATES (T&Th) \$720

INTRO to 420s and Seamanship (M&W) \$720

OPTI RACERS (M,W,Th 1-4pm) \$775 ** *See July 4th note below.

OPTIONAL FRIDAYS - \$230 (for Opti Racers, Intermediates and Intro to 420 sailors)

420 RACERS (T,Th,F) \$890**

LASER RACERS (T,Th,F) \$720 (Includes rack storage. Sailors may choose to keep their boat at the club. But boats may only be used from the club docks during class times but access for transportation at any time.)**

CLASS TIMES: All classes begin at 9am. Our instructors have class preparation duties so we ask that you do not leave your sailors before the start of class. Similarly, the instructors have end of the day duties so please be prompt in picking up your sailor at 4pm. A charge of \$20/day may be assessed for any late pickups more than 15 minutes.

**** US Sailing Membership & Regatta Fees:** All racing classes INCLUDE the US Sailing membership fee, which is required for regatta participation. If the sailor is already registered with their family you may subtract \$30 from the WSA Registration fee. Other family members or Family memberships at discounted rates are available for any sailor's family. To support US Sailing with a membership to benefit WSA, goto www.ussailing.org, select Membership and then select the MVP Program and select **Wickford Sailing Association** when you register.

**** NBYA membership:** All racers participating in bay regattas will also have to register with NBYA (Narragansett Bay Yachting Assoc.) and will have additional regatta fees. These fees are paid directly to NBYA. Their website is available at www.nbya.org and follow the tab at the top to Junior Sailing or speak to your instructor.

ADULT classes: 6 Monday nights - 6pm til dusk. Mondays, June 22 through July 27th. - \$235

If necessary, August 3 & 10th will be makeup dates. Space is LIMITED. See separate Adult Registration Form

Online Payments: Electronic Bank (no charge) or Online via Paypal are also accepted. **If using Paypal, please add a 3% service fee to your total.** Our Paypal link (for Registration and Donations) is: tinyurl.com/paypal-wsa



LATE FEE POLICY: Any registration not paid in full by Orientation is subject to a \$25 Late Fee.

CANCELLATION and REFUND POLICY: Registrations cancelled are subject to a \$25 Administrative Fee.

Once a student is registered and paid for a summer session, cancellations will be accepted and refunds given following these guidelines. Cancellations before Orientations will be refunded less a \$25 administrative fee. Cancellations on or after the Orientation evenings will be refunded less a \$45 administrative fee if the student's spot is filled. If the student's spot is not filled we cannot issue a refund.

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