

Information about Harbour Sailing Club

Youth Program Inter-Club Regattas Events

We are delighted to have your child represent the Harbour Sailing Club aka Sail Queens in local and regional sailing events. However, there are rules and limitations we must abide by.

SKILL LEVEL – Some regattas are designated as “Green Fleet” regattas designed for new sailors. Rules are lightly enforced and participation is as important as winning. Some regattas are for Red, White, and/or Blue fleets and suitable only for highly skilled sailors. Most regattas fall somewhere in between.

When a regatta is chosen by the Sailing Committee for us to participate in, we will announce the event with the dates and costs. Then, our Youth Sailing Coach will contact parents of sailors with the appropriate skill level to arrange participate. Our goal is to offer the appropriate regatta opportunities for your sailor.

EQUIPMENT LIMITS – At present, QHYC owns 5 Optimist Sailboats. Assuming all are in operating condition, this will limit the number of sailors who can participate in a regatta. Assuming a regatta with all classes, we will contact the sailors with the best skills first.

REGATTA COSTS – There are a number of fees associated with a regatta. And each regatta can be a little different. Below is a sample of what costs you can expect when participating in a regatta. Specific information will be available for each regatta.

- **Entry Fee** – When applicable. \$10 to \$75. Some informal regattas have nominal fees. Paid directly to the hosting organization. This fee, which may be paid in whole or in part by HSC, is usually due in advance. HSC will advise fee protocol for each regatta.
- **The Notice of Race** outlines the entry fee and what it covers (may include Lunch, Dinner, Shirt, Awards, etc.)
- **EQUIPMENT FEE** – There is no fee for your child to use QHYC equipment.
- **TRANSPORTATION FEE** -Usually the Optis are transported by the youth's parent in Vans or SUV. If requested and club can arrange, A fee will be charged for transporting boat to and from a regatta.
- **DAMAGE/CLEANING FEE** –Sailors and their families are expected to care for, and return equipment in receipt condition, reasonable wear and tear excepted. While it is understood that youth boats get “banged up” from time to time, serious damage not related to staff activity will be parent responsibility and parent will work with Club to effect / share reasonable repair program.

EVENTS – From time to time, QHYC will offer your child (and/or you) the opportunity for to participate in a field trip, outing, or sailing event (Not to be confused with a regatta). Eligibility and fees (if any) will be outlined in an event notice or sign-up form.