

NEW MEMBER ONBOARDING



Welcome

Ahoy new member

I'd like to personally welcome you to the ONE15 Brooklyn Sail Club. Our Club started with a few dedicated sailors and we have grown to be an integral part of the Brooklyn waterfront.

This packet is designed to get you started sailing at the Club in the easiest way. All our programs are designed to help membership learn more about sailing whether it is just cruising or racing. Getting involved with all our activities will let you get the most out of the Club.

I look forward to seeing you on the docks and sailing with you soon.

Stephen Yip Executive Director, Sailing Operations Sail Better, Sail Brooklyn



Stay in Touch



Stay in touch through our member portal. https://sc.bbsailclub.com/. Login and password information will be sent to your email on record

Constant Contact Your email address is automatically added to our membership Constant Contact list – we suggest adjusting your spam filters to accept the Club's communication.

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You will receive and invitation to the Club's private Facebook group. This is different from the Club's public Facebook page.

Share your favorite pics on Instagram. We have a global following. #sailbrooklyn.

Events are listed on the Club Calendar. We post Club events as well as other activities of interest to our members



Reach out to us using <u>sailclub@one15brooklynmarina.com</u> Office operations: 718.490.7136 x 103 How Do I Go Sailing? Our sailing sessions are: 9:00 am to 12:30 pm; 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm and 5:00 pm/6:00 pm (seasonally dependent) to sunset. Please remember to show up 20 minutes before the session to help rig up boats.

Two ways to go sailing

- 1. Make arrangements with a Club Member with skipper privileges to go on a **Private Sail**. That member will make the necessary boat reservations and all you need to do is show up and sign the Float Plan.
- 2. If schedules don't mesh or you don't know any skipper members, our **Fleet Captain Program** connects crew looking for skippers with skippers looking for crew to go out cruising. The program is a great way to meet members and skippers (so you can do more sailing with #1)

Fleet Captain Program

The Fleet Captain program is the backbone of the Sail Club. W link up crew looking for skippers with skippers looking for crew to go out cruising.

Skippers in the Fleet Captain program are called Fleet Captains. They are experienced members or coaches who take out Club members sailing and are tasked with providing a little coaching if members so request. Just ask your Fleet Captain if you want to practice any sail skills.

How it works: Crews looking to go out sailing register their requests on our reservation system. When skippers sign up, the system will confirm crew reservations with those skippers.

On Saturdays, we also have Fleet Captain Racing which works in the same fashion except we have casual racing. It's for all levels of racers. Come on down and have some fun on the weekend.

More popular times are Wednesday & Friday afternoons and Tuesday evenings but scheduling is contingent on Skipper availability. Note – there is not FC cruising on race nights (Wednesday and Thursday)

Hint: Reward your Fleet Captain with your appreciation at the Sailing Center or Estuary and they'll sign up more often!

The Reservation System

Our online system makes it easy to make reservations.

- 1. In the member portal, click on the 'reservations' tab in the second horizontal menu bar. Note: The member portal is best viewed using the Chrome browser.
- 2. You will be redirected to a page that displays available times and dates.
- 3. Locate the date and time you would like to sail and press +. You can have <u>two</u> reservation requests in system at any one time.
- 4. A pop out window will appear (you may have to scroll to the top of the page to see it)
- 5. Select your name from the drop down menu, add any comments and press 'save'.
- 6. You will receive a wait list confirmation.
- 7. If a Fleet Captain skipper is available, a confirmation email will be sent out by the system.
- 8. The status of your reservation is in the system.

Daytime Sailing During the Week We have members who sail during the daytime during the week.

Wednesday and Friday afternoons seem to be popular with many skippers and crew. Sign up via the online reservation system and get to know folks.

To facilitate group communications sign up with our listserv service by sending an email to <u>daytime@one15brooklynmarina.com</u>.

Send a note to daytime@one15brooklynmarina.com "Looking to go out Tuesday afternoon, already made a reservation request – any skippers available? Offering snacks and drinks afterwards! – Thanks". Everyone on the list will get the message.

Guests

Guests are always welcome at ONE15

Private Sails

- 1. Members with skippering privileges can reserve a boat and take member and non-member guests.
- 2. There are no limitations on the guests on a private sail as the skipper is solely responsible for their guests. Guest fees must be settled and liability waivers signed prior to departure.

Fleet Captain Sails

- 1. Members can take two guests (one at a time) sailing twice per season based on capacity
- 2. Guests requests for Fleet Captain sails are indicated on the reservation system and will be accommodated if there is capacity on boats. You will be notified the night before if your request has been approved.

REMEMBER – All guests must sign a Guest Liability Waiver each time they sail and their names must be included on the Float Plan.

Racing

We have a number of racing programs whether you are new to racing or an experienced hand.

- Evening Racing. Racing on Wednesday and Thursday evenings. Skipper form teams from the Membership and race from May to September. Teams are always looking for regular crew – reliability is more valued than skill level. Boats generally leave the docks at 5:50pm. Evening festivities involve debriefs and socializing. Racers are charged a seasonal racing fee that entitles them to race both evenings.
- 2. Saturday Racing. Our core program is Saturday Fleet Captain racing. Follow the regular Fleet Captain reservation and we'll mix and match crews and skippers at the docks. This is a great afternoon of instruction, racing and socializing. Other Saturdays we'll have regular racing and fun regattas (double handed racing, women's regatta and navigators race). Some races will require a nominal crew fee.

How to go Racing

- 1. Tell everyone you are eager to race! Pass your contact information around. Let them know about your availability and experience level.
- 2. Sign up on the **Crew List** on the member portal and your info will be shared with racing skippers.
- 3. Participate in Saturday Fleet Captain racing.
- 4. Be a substitute crew for the Wednesday or Thursday night races. Teams are always looking for extra crew due to last minute changes.
- 5. Help out the race committee. Learn about racing from the officials viewpoint.
- 6. Think about forming a new team and join in the fun.

Skippering

- 1. Use Fleet Captain sails to ask questions and practice your skills. Our Fleet Captain skippers are tasked with covering parts of the skipper certification test during your sail.
- 2. All prospective skippers are required to complete the Learn-to-Skipper Module 1 within the last 18 months prior to taking the certification. This module is also great for folks looking to be better crew.
- 3. When you are ready to become a skipper, ask your skipper Fleet Captain to sign off. Then hone your practical skills with the Learn-to-Skipper modules or move onto to the skipper certification test.
- 4. We offer Skipper Certification sessions on a regular basis. Normally, the Skipper Certification will be a Fleet Captain sail with other members and the certifier.
- 5. Fast track skipper sessions combine practice and testing in one day. It is offered early in the sailing season.

How to Meet Members

Meeting other members .

- 1. Just sign up for a Fleet Captain cruise and socialize with your skipper and crew after the sail.
- 2. Get involved with one of our committees social, racing or new members. The social committee helps organize things like BBQs in Brooklyn Bridge Park.
- 3. Come down after a racing event Wednesday evening, Thursday evenings and Saturday afternoons. Saturday Fleet Captain racing also has a good social vibe after sailing.
- 4. Come on down to our Sailing Center and socialize.
- 5. Winter Wednesdays. In the off season we host events and gatherings at a local watering hole.
- 6. We can also help you organize activities and events with Club Members.

The Sailing Center

Our Sailing Center is a shared facility with the Marina and Community Dock participants

- All guests have to be accompanied by a member at the center. Please have guests sign the liability waivers for each day. Members are responsible for the conduct of their guests while at the ONE15 facility
- 2. If you have more than 6 people coming, please let us know so we can determine if a private function set up is more appropriate.
- 3. In keeping with educational and social nature of the center, no business is to be conducted at the Center.
- 4. Any purchases of food, beverages and sundry items must be settled or posted to the members account.
- 5. Other rules and protocols will be posted at the Sailing Center

Community Sail Away Program Our members give back to the community in various ways. One successful program is the Community Sail Away.

- 1. Non-profit groups sign up for the Community Sail Away Program.
- 2. Members (skippers and crew) volunteer to take out various deserving non-profits groups on Sunday mornings.
- 3. Groups leaders organize their groups by boat and have the liability waivers pre-signed.
- 4. On Sunday mornings, groups assemble for two 6ominute sailing sessions: 9:00 am and 10:30 am.

Come join the fun and share your passion about sailing

Other Member Benefits

Discounts

- 1. US Sailing Membership <u>discounts on renewals</u>
- 2. Ebb & Flow Bakery Ask for the member discounts
- 3. Estuary @ ONE15 Brooklyn Marina Ask for the member discount
- 4. Teen Sailing Program discounts for children of members

Other Details

- 1. Club Rule and Protocols are available with your membership documents
- 2. Sailing Protocols Outlines how boats are rigged, operated and derigged for sailing. This is available on the Member portal.
- 3. Emergency Action Plan provides the Club process for handling emergencies on and off the water.

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