

Newsletter |
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Collins Bay Yacht Club Sailing School

SAVE THE DATE

- July 11: Race Night (5PM start)
- July 12: Theme Day – PJs!
- July 14: Session 1 Lunch Potluck BBQ
- July 17: Session 2 Begins!
- July 19: Theme Day – Denim Day!
- July 25: Race Night
- July 26: Theme Day – Pirates!
- July 28: Session 2 Lunch Potluck

Sailing School has begun and we are off to a fantastic start! Beautiful sunshine and the perfect amount of wind for learning.

Show off your skills at Race Night!!

Friday Night Race Night moved to Tuesdays

Due to popular demand, we are moving our ‘Friday Night Race Nights’ to Tuesdays to accommodate our sailor’s families who couldn’t attend due to weekend vacations. Tuesday Race Nights will run every Tuesday starting July 11th, at 5:00PM to 8:30PM. We kindly ask that you bring a donation of \$5 to participate per sailor. Don’t forget your sailing gear and water! Parents and families welcome to participate as well, but must be able to handle boat on their own.



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Stay up to date with our social media pages

We are on Facebook and Twitter! Check out *Collins Bay Marina and Collins Bay Yacht Club* (@CollinsBayMarina) on **Facebook**. Find us at @CollinsBayYC on **Twitter**! Keep watch of both for updates, photos and much more!



We have started an Instagram Page!!

Follow us on Instagram to see daily updates, photos and stories!!

Our Insta page has been created this Thursday! Check out *CBYC Sailing School* by searching @cbyc_sailingschool! An easy way to get pictures of your kids, and show friends what CBYC is all about.



Instagram



First Week Updates

CANSail 1&2

The group of CANSail 1 and 2s we have this first session have been doing great so far! We have talked about wind direction, setting our sails, rigging, and how to steer the boat. The CANSail 1 and 2s sail training boats called Topaz Topper's. Lots more to work towards but great progress overall.

CANSail 1 students on a sunny day



CANSail 3&4

The 3/4s are picking everything up quickly and are working hard! They've started to perfect roll tacks and rodeo gybes, and are working on race starts. They now know about wind vectors, and the fundamental rules of racing!



Adult Session

Despite the rain on the first night, and slow winds the second, our adult session are going well! We have learned the basics of sailing (wind direction, sail control, rigging and steering), as well as body positioning in the boat. Check out the sunset photo below to see the great views offered during our adult sessions!



Above:

Adult Session Night 2 – light wind nights included practice hiking, capsizing, and refining skippering skills.

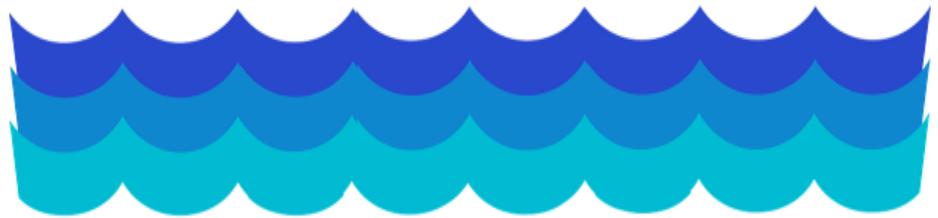
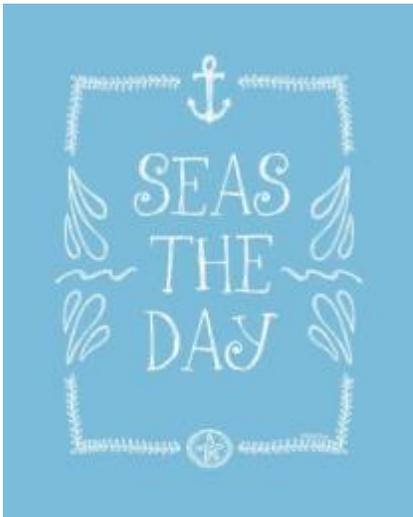
Below:

Beautiful sunset captured by our head instructor after Monday night's adult lesson.





Photo Left: Our CANSail 3 and 4 students learning sailing theory and tactics via video lesson aids in the CBYC club house.



Meet our Team – Sailing School Director

My name is Richard Dickson and this is my second year as the Sailing School Director. I am a graduate of the Royal Military College, and recently retired from the Canadian Armed Forces after 35 years in the Army. I learned to sail 25 years ago on albacores while completing my master's degree, and although I mainly sail keel boats these days, I remain convinced that the best way to learn to sail – and to understand the dynamic forces involved in sailing – is in a dinghy. Aside from the sailing school, I sail a Sirius 28 – Windsome – which is in slip E30 at the marina, and also crew in another boat for the club's keel boat races.

I am very excited about the team we have in place for this year. Bill Amirault is back as School Operations Manager, and Keith Davies has taken over as School

Administrator. Sabine has returned as head instructor, leading an impressive group of talented young coaches, who are all former students at our school, and who bring a great deal of sailing experience (see intros in newsletter #1).

I welcome your input, and definitely want to hear from you if you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions. I am often at the marina parking area at the start and end of classes, and can also be reached at schooldirector@collinsbayyachtclub.ca

Check This Out!!

**CBYC Sailing School
Website**

<http://collinsbaymarina.com/cbyc/sailing-school/>

**Collins Bay Yacht
Club Mixer**

<http://collinsbaymarina.com/cbyc/news/newsletter/>



STR8 Eyes Kingston Optical Promotion!

Owned by a parent of one of our advanced sailors, STR8 eyes Optical is offering a 10% discount to all students and families enrolled in the CBYC Sailing School program as well as the Collins Bay Marina community. Discounts on glasses, sunglasses (regular and prescription), contacts, etc. Check out their website at www.str8eyes.ca, as well as on Facebook and Twitter at STR8eyes (@str8eyes).