

# IYC Cayuga Lake Cruising Fleet

The Cruising Fleet (CLCF) is a group of people who love to sail and who have been organizing sailing events for a long time. We have races almost every Sunday from early May to the middle of October.

Our sailing events are of three kinds: around-the-buoys races, mid-distance races, and long distance races.

Our spring and fall series races include several around-the-buoy races and are open to skippers registered in the CLCF.

Our mid- and long-distance events are open to any keelboat and there are no entry fees.



*Whether you have a keelboat or not, we invite you to join us*

If you have a keelboat, consider sailing in our events! If you don't have a boat, consider sailing as a guest or crew with one of our skippers. There are always some boats that are short-handed. Come to the South Pavilion of the Ithaca Yacht Club around noon on a Sunday and ask to be directed to the Fleet Captain who can help you find a boat to sail on as a guest or crew.

Questions? Contact the Fleet!

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**Middle-Distance Races:** The Latitude Series includes seven Sunday races with each boat racing to an individual latitude on the lake. No pressure!

**Long-Distance Races:** Four events between 12 and 50 miles long with various destinations including Kidders' Landing and Red Jacket Yacht Club.



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## 2016 Dates

Spring Series: May 1 - June 19

Latitude Series: July 3 - Aug 28

Fall Series : Sept 4 - Oct 16

4 Long Distance Events



# No-Pressure Sailboat Racing

The Cayuga Lake Cruising Fleet organizes a series of middle-distance “low-key” races designed for cruising sailors: the **Latitude Series**. This is an “open” series, which means that it is open to anyone who has a keelboat, and there are no entry fees.

The Latitudes are a great way to get on the water with other sailors and learn more about your boat and sailing. These events are low-key and fun. Read on!

## The Latitude Series 2016

Low-key events on Sundays: July 3, 10, 24, 31 Aug 14, 28

**Easy Starts!** Boats registered in the CLCF will start between the Yacht Club’s flagpole and racing buoy “A.” All others start on a line extending from the flagpole and the “A” mark all the way across the lake. This way, newcomers don’t need to worry about congestion at the starting line.

**No Mark Roundings!** All boats turn around at separate latitudes assigned to them by the fleet according to each boat’s official Performance Handicap number (PHRF). Each skipper needs to have GPS to determine his/her turn-around latitude. In this system, faster boats sail farther than slower boats and the boat that re-crosses the start/finish line first is the winner.

**Join Us!** Come to the South Pavilion of the Yacht Club between 12:30 & 12:45 and join us as crew or with your own boat. Start on the water at 1:30 and finish around 4 pm (depending on wind!)

Afterwards, crewmembers often congregate at the South Pavilion to share beverages and exchange sailing stories and tips.

## Upcoming Events:

**June 19: Father’s Day and Summer Sailstice** – Join the CLCF for a day of fun on the water. Meet for sailing around noon at the South Pavilion (IYC) and a BBQ afterwards.

**June 26: Rally to Kidder’s Landing.** Join us for a trip up the lake beginning in the morning at IYC and ending at Sheldrake Point. Join for lunch afterwards at Kidder’s Landing/Busy Bee.