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Newsletter of the Cayuga Lake Cruising Fleet

CLCF Meeting, Sunday March 13

Attached are the minutes of this season's first organizational meeting of the Cruising Fleet. The following are the four most important decisions made at that meeting.

1. Membership dues will remain at \$ 150 for returning members and \$ 75 for new members. Crew membership dues will also remain at \$ 10. Skippers who pay the dues for their crews should list their crew members' names, phone numbers, as well as snail-mail and e-mail addresses on the back of the application form. Crew members who pay their own way should fill out separate membership application forms.
2. There will be only two keel-boat fleets (A & B) with the fleet split at 168 PHRF. J-24's will sail in B-Fleet. There will also be a new center-board fleet using the Portsmouth handicap system. For information on that handicap system go to www.ussailing.org/portsmouth
3. The summer racing schedule will feature six race days with center-board races from 11:30 to 1:30 and PHRF keel-boat races from 2:30 to 4:30.
4. All keel boats will be required to have VHF radios so the race committee can contact the fleet to announce course changes or race abandonments and to notify boats that cross the starting line early.

Thursday Evening Races

Racing on Thursday evenings begins on Thursday, June 2 and ends on Thursday, September 8. There will be two classes: One for center-boarders and one for keel-boats.

Start-of-the-Season Work Parties

There will be two Saturday work parties, each beginning at 10:00 a.m. On April 16, we will get the marks ready, and on April 23, we will launch the marks. Put on work clothes and gloves and join us!

Spring Banquet/Fetch

The traditional spring sailors' banquet and fetch will be on Saturday, April 30. The kitchen of the Yacht Club will provide a meat and a vegetarian entree for a fee of \$ 6.00 per person. Each person should bring along ("fetch") a dish-to-pass (side dish or dessert). The bar opens at 6:00. Dinner will be served at 7:00.

Rules and Sportsmanship Seminar

During the happy hour before the spring banquet, there will be a seminar about the new "Racing Rules of Sailing" that go into effect in 2005 and about issues of sportsmanship and/or lack thereof.

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