



# The Pennant

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Newsletter of the Cayuga Lake Cruising Fleet with Special Guest Author Mr. FC Hissell – Rick Bray!

## New Mark Here!

Our new mark has been delivered to the CLCF storage area, and once a light has been installed, the mark will be ready for service. This means that our marks will all be the taller-style, white cylinders with the exception of the A mark, and one mark that will be the older orange style. We were also able to purchase some 2 inch wide reflective yellow tape that we will be adding to the tops of our marks in an effort to make them more visible.

## Setting Marks – April 27

Speaking of marks, we are planning on putting the marks in the water this Saturday, April 27th. We are going to meet around 9am. With the addition of the pontoon boat, floating the marks has become a much easier process, but we will still welcome anyone who would like to help out. If you are interested in joining us, please let me (Ricky) know, or you are welcome to meet us at 9 at the NORTH docks of IYC.

## Tune up Race – April 28

There has been talk about the tune-up race, and it is on the calendar. I'm not sure where everyone is regarding boats, crew, etc... Frankly I don't even know if my skipper is in the country or not! :-) So here is what I will offer: I know some people like to get out and shake things out before the first race. The tune up race is not any official, nor is it mandatory, but if you'd like to sail on Sunday feel free to meet at the South Pavilion around 1pm. If others are there, go sail around some buoys and have fun. If no one else shows up, go sail and have fun. :-) Might be a good time to get some landmarks for the various mark locations!!!

## Race Schedule

There was some confusion with the racing calendar primarily due to the fact that the Red Jacket Race was still in the planning phases. Now that has been confirmed, you can view our racing calendar from this web address:

### [Racing Calendar](https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=cayugalakecruisingfleet%40gmail.com)

(<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=cayugalakecruisingfleet%40gmail.com>). Please note that this calendar is the **OFFICIAL** calendar. I am aware that the calendar is also available on our website, and some people choose to print it out or manually enter it into their personal calendars, but I stress the link listed above is the official calendar. If you need any more information or reasoning behind that, please feel free to reach out to me directly.

Still of the topic of the racing calendar, just to clear a few things (i.e.. in case your device time zone is set incorrectly)... our Spring, Latitude, Fall Series and Whitesail regattas are all on Sundays starting at 13:30, with a Skipper's meeting at the South Pavilion at 12:30. As of the timestamp of this email, here are the dates for the Long Distance Series:

- Sheldrake - Saturday, June 23
- 50-Mile Night - Friday, July 12
- Red Jacket - Saturday, July 27
- 50-Mile Day - Saturday, September 14

Again, please check the link about for the official calendar as any updates will be made there.

### IYC Winekeg Laser Regatta – June 8

The IYC Winekeg Laser Regatta has be rescheduled, which works out really well for us. The new date is on Saturday, June 8th. This gives us another weekend of sailing as the original date coincided with out normally scheduled racing... also, this means we are able to volunteer to assist race committee for IYC.

### Father's Day – June 16

I am looking for the fleet's input on this one. Based on the schedule change I just mentioned, we have an additional weekend in the area of the spring series. We talked about having some single day Whitesail regattas at the spring meeting. I know there was concern around the balance between true races and more "open" events. Here are the options I'd like to present:

- Option 1: End the Spring Series with 12 schedules races on Father's Day and have a BBQ to celebrate the end of the Spring series, as we have done in the past. \*This is how the official calendar is currently set\*
- Option 2: End the Spring Series with 10 scheduled races and have a Whitesail regatta on Father's Day with a BBQ (combined end of Spring Series and Whitesail)

Really, the only difference I see between the two is Father's Day is either an additional Spring Series race or a Whitesail regatta. We currently have 2 Whitesail events on the calendar, and the weekend after Father's Day is Sheldrake. Just so you have the full picture. Let me know if you have strong feelings one way or the other!

### Sailing Instructions

The updated 2019 Sailing Instructions for the Spring Series will be posted at the South Pavilion before our first race on May 5th. A pdf copy of the SIs will hopefully be included with this email, however, you can always find a copy of the SIs (complete with any updates/changes made) at this web address: <http://bit.ly/CLCF2019>

### Register For Racing, Please!

I'm sure you will hear about this in the first few Pennants, but please be sure to complete your registration form for both skippers and crew, and please pay your dues. We work hard to provide an excellent racing season for you all, and your dues help make that possible. You can find a registration form attached to this email as well.

The Treasurer informs us that only two boats have registered and paid at this time as well as five crew members. The rest of you all need to get on it! Apparently this year we will be naming names!

Stay awesome,  
~ ricky

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