



Club Championship Upcoming – August 27 and 28, 2011

It's the beginning of August, our FYC sailors are finishing off vacations and distant cruises, returning to the lake in larger numbers, and starting to think about racing.

Your annual chance to vie for the Club Championship is coming up **27 and 28 August**. This year we are trying to encourage FYC skippers to take aboard new members, Sailing School students and others to expose them to competitive sail racing. The Race Committee has noticed that many keelboats are single-handed during regattas. Having a willing crew member or two to do the grinding and other line handling under your direction will mean faster tacks, closer pointing and generally better boat performance. Also, you should seriously consider the benefits of "rail meat", those willing family and friends who help counteract heel by their encouraging presence.

The Club Championship is our chance to race in an intimate setting, amongst ourselves, and share a nice meal on the Saturday evening.

Watch the website for an updated Notice of Race shortly, and further tweaking to the Sailing Instructions as we try to make the races as fair and fun as possible. Your Race Committee is already hard at work on improvements to scoring. We will also have a new set of signal flags in place, larger and consistent in colours, so the RC intent will be even clearer. Finally, look for the FYC club burgee to fly from the shore mast. We had a new one sewn, and then found one of the originals three weeks later. An abundance of riches, as they say.

Please direct any questions or interest in volunteering at this regatta to:

Regatta Organizer: [John Kabel](mailto:John.Kabel@rogers.com) at 519-453-9376, texts to 519-466-7716, or e-mail to jjkabel@rogers.com

ELIGIBILITY : ***** NEW FOR 2011 ***** All participating boats must have at least one current FYC Club Member or Sailing School student on board at all times and the boat must be registered to the club. Sailors that are NOT club members are welcome to participate given that the above rules are followed.

STARTS: All start sequences and rules in effect are for a **WATER-based** regatta (the FYC Barge will be used). We will revert to land-based starts only in the event of serious safety or weather issues, so count on seeing the "Elmer C. Searle" out there again this time.

REGATTA ENTRY FEES:

Single-Handed:	\$20.00	Double-Handed:	\$30.00
Junior Single:	\$10.00	Junior Double:	\$15.00
Learn to Race:	\$0.00		