Hi, just a reminder that you're receiving this email because you have expressed an interest in Saginaw Bay Community Sailing Association. Don't forget to add executive.director@sbcsa.org to your address book so we'll be sure to land in your inbox!

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# Saginaw Bay Community Sailing July 2015 Newsletter

### Youth Intro and Advanced Spaces Still Available

As of Saturday July 25, we still have 1 space in Youth Intro I (August 3-6, 10-13) and 6 spaces left in the Advanced Youth Sailing (August 17-20).

If interested, call to check on availability right away!

Youth scholarships are also available. Visit our website for more info.

## SBCSA Racing Opportunity Program

So I've completed sailing school, now what?
Want to crew on a race boat, or are you looking for crew?

Simply fill out the appropriate application that can be downloaded at the links below and send it to the address on the application. If you have a problem downloading the application, call (989) 922-7245 or email info@sbcsa.org to get a copy.

### Participating Sailing Crew

- 1. Participants must have an affiliation with SBCSA (past or present).
- 2. Apply for the program using <a href="Crew Application Form">Crew Application Form</a>.
- 3. Get paired up with a participating race boat and GO SAILING!
- Provide feedback on: your overall experience, participating Skipper, SBCSA Coordinator, etc.

5. After first time out racing, then at least annually.

Participating Skipper (and Team)

- Must be actively involved in Saginaw Bay racing (Lightnings, J&M and/or Weekend Races)
- 2. Must provide an appropriate environment that is SAFE and CONDUCIVE TO LEARNING the sport of sailboat racing while have having fun at the same time. This may include adults, minors or both.
- 3. Apply for the program using Skipper Application Form.
- 4. Get paired up with a SBCSA 'Graduate' and GO SAILING!
- 5. Provide feedback on: your overall experience, SBCSA crew member, SBCSA Coordinator, etc. at least Annually

## SBCSA Cup Pram Regatta

Our first annual SBCSA Cup Pram Regatta series has been scheduled! More details will be announced in early August. A bit of info to tide you over...

WHEN:

August 11, August 25, September 8 (along with the end of season party!)

WHO:

Open to ALL 2015 members and lesson takers, youth and adult!

WHAT:

Each night will be it's own competition, weather dependent of course. Food will be provided! More details will be coming, but for now here are the anticipated divisions:

- Beginner Youth (1 year of lesson experience)
- Experienced Youth (2 or more years of lesson experience),
- Adult (No lesson experience needed. Yes, you'll be in a pram too.)

### Tuesday and Thursday Open Sailing for Members

Tuesday 6-9pm at our docks in Wenonah Park

Don't forget that you are allowed to bring a guest when you come! Help introduce sailing to prospective members and lesson takers.

Thursday 5:30pm-sunset on our keel boats at Bay Harbor Marina (RSVP required) Have you gone out on the keel boat open sails yet? If not, call or email to reserve your space today! It's a great way to gain some confidence on the larger boats before going through your qualification sail for independent sailing (see below).

Contact me at 989-922-7245 or executive.director@sbcsa.org to reserve your space now.

### **Independent Sailing for Members**

For Association members with previous sailing experience or who have gained enough experience during lessons and Open Sailing, the SBCSA offers opportunities to sail on the lower Saginaw River and Saginaw Bay. To become qualified, members must pass a practical sailing test. To schedule a qualification test or to reserve your sailing time, call (989) 922-7245 or email info@sbcsa.org.

The Association keeps two keel boats at Bay Harbor Marina near the mouth of the Saginaw River. These boats can be used by qualified members at any time, availability, weather, and conditions permitting.

With no additional fee for sailing these boats, this program is an absolute bargain that provides a very inexpensive option to enjoy a morning, afternoon, or evening sail!

More information and photos of the boats available are at this link.

### BaySail 2015 Voyage Schedule

Info from the **BaySail website** we thought we should share:

Character building, confidence boosting, and learning are three reasons our programs attract students from around the Midwest. Last year, 26 trainees set sail on Appledore IV for the experience of a lifetime. 2015 promises to be a another great year. Join us for a Windward Bound voyage you won't forget.

Voyage 2
August 1 - 7
Bay City to Cheboygan
Ages: 14-18
\$800
-- Passport required for 16+ --

Voyage 3
August 7 - 12
Cheboygan to Bay City
Ages: 14-18
\$580

Scholarships?

Thanks to the generosity of local donors and the BaySail Board of Directors we are able to offer a limited number of Windward Bound Scholarships. Highly motivated Great Lakes Bay region secondary school students with a passion for environmental education and sail training are eligible to apply.

For more information on these and other great programs, visit the <u>BaySail website</u>.

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