Membership

CYC offers two great membership options:

**Regular membership**: If you have a boat, Regular membership is the best option, although boat ownership is not required. In addition to full Club access, Regular members are eligible for mooring and on-land boat storage space. Regular members are shareholders and participate in club management. The years spent as a Regular member accrue toward Life membership.

**Affiliate membership**: This is a lower-cost option for those who want to join for social reasons or store and launch a small boat (dinghy-type sailboats up to 15 feet or human-powered boats up to 18 feet, e.g., kayaks, canoes). Although Affiliates have the same access to the Club as Regular members, Affiliates aren’t shareholders and do not participate in the management of the Club. Years spent as an Affiliate member do not accrue toward Life membership. Affiliate members can remain in this category for up to four years. Join as an Affiliate to test the waters at the Club in a more limited way before committing to full membership.

**Apply today!** Simply complete the Membership Application and return it to the address provided with your $20.00 non-refundable application fee. The Membership Committee will contact you to review your application. In parallel, the Secretary will request that you submit your payment for applicable dues and fees. Upon receipt of your payment, and after notice of your application has been provided to the membership in the Club newsletter, the Secretary will present your application to the membership for vote. Once approved, you’ll receive from the Commodore a “Welcome Aboard” package, and you’ll be assigned a mentor to help introduce you to the Club. After receiving your Welcome Aboard package from the Commodore, jump right in, get your feet wet, and enjoy!

Reasons to Join

- Participate in a variety of boating activities
- Beautiful Hudson River sailing venue
- Robust racing program: keelboat and dinghy racing twice weekly
- Summer Club cruises and full moon raft-ups
- Sailing education for children and adults by US Sailing certified instructors
- Kayak, paddle board, and sailing meetups for you and your family
- Social events with other members who have a passion for the water including barbecues, cocktail parties, and more
- Reciprocal privileges with other yacht clubs

For more information

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Sailing Education

Youth Sailing Program

Each summer, CYC holds a youth sailing program for children of at least 8 years of age, using a fleet of Club 420s, and Optimists. Instructors are US Sailing certified and are often former graduates of the program.

The program bolsters children’s water safety skills, basic to advanced boat handling and racing skills, and seamanship. The primary objectives are to enhance individual skills and knowledge of sailing and to foster a life-long learning experience that will continue to encourage growth in the sport of sailing, develop self-confidence, encourage teamwork, and promote sportsmanship.

Adult Sailing Program

CYC has a robust and active adult sailing education program, offered at a discount to all CYC members and immediate family. The Learn-to-Sail course includes 20 hours of on-the-water and classroom instruction provided by US Sailing Certified Keelboat Instructors. Custom sailing lessons are also available on your own boat.

Fees and Work Hours

To keep the cost of membership low and develop member relationships, CYC is a working club. CYC offers many work committee options to fit your interests and get you involved, while having fun and learning a lot too.

Regular membership fees and work hours:

- Work minimum of 26 hours annually through your 25th calendar year of membership, then four hours in your 26th year. Thereafter, no work hours are required.
- One-time initiation fee: $800, payable in two installments upon request
- Annual dues: $120, due each January
- Annual assessment: $485, due each January (prorated in first year if joining mid-year)
- Mooring: $ 21.00 per ft, due each January
- Winter hauling and storage using travel lift: $ 21.00 per ft, due annually by Sept 1

Affiliate membership fees and work hours:

- Work minimum of 12 hours per year through your 4th calendar year of membership. Affiliates must convert to Regular member by your 5th calendar year.
- Annual dues: $120, due each January
- Annual assessment: $310, due each January (prorated in first year if joining mid-year)
- Annual storage fees for kayak, dinghy sailboats, etc.