



2018 US Youth Championship Welcome Packet

Dear 2018 Youth Champs Competitors and Parents,

On behalf of the members and staff of the Carolina Yacht Club, we would like to extend a sincere welcome for the upcoming US Sailing Youth Championship to be held at our club in Wrightsville Beach, North Carolina. As one of the oldest yacht clubs in the nation (chartered 1853), we consider it an honor to assist US Sailing in hosting this premier championship.

For those of you who have not visited Wrightsville Beach in your travels, we offer some visitor information to help in planning your stay with us. Lodging options range from boutique, local hotels and condo hotels to recognizable chains and many home/condo rental options. Elizabeth Kratzig with Sailing Team Travel has at least one block of rooms with close proximity to our club and you may also contact Boo Carraway with lodging questions.

If you might be considering a fun summer vacation – we encourage you to bring your family do just that! Our club has a unique location spanning the island from ocean to sound so all options of beach activities merge seamlessly with the regatta activities. Siblings could be surfing out in front of the club while the racing is proceeding on the ocean and family members can set up charge accounts to avail themselves of our snack bar choices, ice cream, and/or a casual cocktail upstairs in the bar. The screened dining porch offers plenty of seating on the ocean-side of the club, while the upstairs bar is reserved for those over-21 years of age.

You can expect to see a white line that runs around our rows of rocking chairs on the main level. This white line is a part of CYC history and is the border where wet bathing suits are not allowed. There is an air-conditioned nursery room for any infants that may be visiting and ample changing and locker rooms.

While you are in Wrightsville, take in the local sights of our 4 ½ mile long barrier island. Stop in to Robert's Grocery about a half mile from the club and try their fried chicken, chicken salad, and some pimiento cheese – you won't soon forget how yummy their food is. They also offer a "hot bar" during the day with meat and vegetable options. Tower 7 is the local and very popular Tex-Mex option while South Beach Grill has delicious seafood. Causeway Café is a favorite breakfast house just this side of the drawbridge and Redix (blue building right beside Causeway Café) has everything from Vineyard Vines clothing to sunscreen, towels and beach chairs and fishing gear. Poe's Tavern, Mellow Mushroom and Lighthouse Beer and Wine front the Harbor Island area of town just past Redix and Causeway Café. Have a sweet tooth? There are two frozen options – custard and ice cream, and they are both in the small, commercial block of Wrightsville near Tower 7, Robert's and South Beach.

The vast majority of parking on our island is pay parking with pay-by-phone options unless you are able to find space in the yacht club parking lot. Unfortunately, from April – September, four-legged friends are not allowed on the beach and our club, as well, does not allow dogs. There are several wonderful boarding options nearby so let us know if you need that information. Aussie Island, also in the commercial district, rents paddleboards and bicycles so you can stop in and take your pick!



Since the regatta spans several days, you may also consider exploring the broader Wilmington area. The downtown part of Wilmington runs along the Cape Fear River and there are many craft breweries, local restaurants and picture-perfect strolls on the boardwalk along the river. Across the Cape Fear lies the Battleship North Carolina which makes for a great tour and history lesson. Wilmington and the Wrightsville Beach area are also known as “Hollywood East” as numerous movies and shows are filmed here. You can download a self-guided tour to some of the set locations. Need something more peaceful, consider a visit to Airlie Gardens, a beautiful and peaceful park about 5 minutes from the yacht club.

A bit farther south of Wilmington lies the Carolina Beach and Kure Beach area which offer fun at the North Carolina Aquarium at Fort Fisher Historic Site and Britt’s Donuts – a landmark donut shop only open for part of the year. They only serve delicious, glazed donuts, milk and coffee and they are “cash-only”. Wanting to explore even more? Hop on the ferry with your car right past the aquarium and take a 20-minute ride over to the beautiful town of Southport, NC, home to one of the nation’s largest Fourth of July festivals and gateway town for the other ferry that travels many times a day to Bald Head Island. Congratulations to you, sailors! Your determination and training has earned you entry into this premier youth championship. Parents, consider joining them on their trip to compete and enjoy your time here in Wrightsville Beach. Our contact information is below, please let us know if you have any questions. We hope this letter has given you several reasons to come join us in June!

Next step is to review this Competitor Welcome Packet and complete the Youth Champs Competitor Survey.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Schuett, Regatta Chair

Kevin Smith, Onshore Coordinator and General Manager

Boo Carraway, Housing & Travel Chair





EVENT COMMUNICATIONS

The US Sailing Youth Championship event page is the event's official website:

<https://www.ussailing.org/competition/championships/u-s-youth-championship/>

COMPETITOR SURVEY

New for 2018: All competitors must fill out this informational Competitor Survey by May 15th. The form only takes a few minutes to fill out. This form acts as the official request for host-provided housing. If you are requesting housing, the form will ask for your detailed travel information, so be sure to have your booked flight numbers on hand.

Competitor Survey: <https://form.jotform.com/81185834046156>

SCHEDULE

Saturday, June 23	1200 -1800	Registration for sailors and coaches (in the Ballroom at CYC)
	1700	Mandatory Coaches Meeting and Credential Distribution
Sunday, June 24	0800 - 0900	Registration for sailors and coaches
	0930	Mandatory Competitors Meeting
	1000	Mandatory Spectator Boat Meeting and Credential Distribution
	1200	Warning signal for first race of the day; subsequent races to follow
Monday, June 25	0900	Morning Briefing
	1100	Warning signal for first race of the day; subsequent races to follow
Tuesday, June 26	0900	Morning Briefing
	1100	Warning signal for first race of the day; subsequent races to follow
Wednesday, June 27	0900	Morning Briefing
	1100	Warning signal for first race of the day; subsequent races to follow
	1530	No Warning Signal after 1530
	ASAP	Pack-up boats/Awards Ceremony



HOUSING

A limited number of host-supplied housing will be provided to up to 50 competitors. Housing is not guaranteed and you will need to submit an official request for housing in the competitor survey (link provided above). Regatta housing is strictly for competitors not accompanied by a parent or guardian. First priority will be given to competitors 16 and under and traveling alone. Additional available beds will be allotted based on distance traveled and date requested. Competitors awarded regatta housing will receive notification on approximately May 25th. Competitors who have requested and were not awarded housing will be placed on a housing wait list and are encouraged to make other arrangements. Any available housing for waitlisted competitors will be awarded by June 1st.

Please note NoR paragraph 6.1.1. *If a competitor is awarded and accepts housing and they withdraw from housing at any time prior to or during the event, they will be protested and may be disqualified from competing. [DP]*

If you have been granted housing, you will be notified of your specific housing assignment at registration. Please remember that you will be a guest in someone's home so no wet towels on the floor, clothes everywhere, special meal requests or the like. Competitors are separated by gender.

The host family pickup time from CYC is 1900 on Saturday, June 23rd through Tuesday, June 26th. Transportation to the venue from the host family home during the event will be provided by the host. Be sure to exchange phone numbers with your host to coordinate pickups from the club each evening. Competitors staying in host-provided housing are not permitted to drive themselves at any time during the event.

For those not awarded housing, or wishing to stay on their own, you are required to have a "Designated Adult" with you at the event acting as a chaperone. Your Designated Adult must be listed in the competitor survey and must be present at the onsite registration.

The Residence Inn is offering special rates for the 2018 Youth Championship in Wrightsville Beach, NC in June. Please contact Elizabeth Kratzig at Sailing Team Travel directly to make reservations. Reservations for special rates can only be made through Sailing Team Travel. Email: sailingteamtravel@gmail.com

Residence Inn by Marriott Landfall
1200 Culbreth Dr, Wilmington, NC 28405
(910) 256-0098

Available June 19 – 28, 2018. Minimum of a 2- night stay is required. **All rooms MUST BE BOOKED by May 11, 2018.**



\$179 per night, plus tax for a Studio King with 1 King or 1 Queen bed, a sofa bed and a fully equipped kitchen with a refrigerator, stove-top, microwave, dishwasher, and all necessary utensils and pots/pans. Included in price: Complimentary full American hot breakfast, Complimentary Wi-fi, free parking.

Hotel Description:

Enjoy apartment-style suites at Residence Inn Wilmington Landfall, adjacent to the prestigious Landfall community. Our Wilmington hotel's location is a short distance from the beach, Mayfaire Town Center and UNC Wilmington, as well as top NC attractions like Battleship North Carolina, Airlie Gardens, Jungle Rapids and the aquarium. Other points of interest include historic downtown Wilmington and the Cape Fear River, both of which are minutes from our Wilmington, North Carolina, hotel's accommodations. A short walk takes you to upscale shopping and popular restaurants. Our inviting verandah, complete with over-sized rocking chairs and two gas grills, is perfect for guest cookouts and boasts views of the beautifully landscaped courtyard, pool and Sport Court, while our Gatehouse provides a casual atmosphere for intimate gatherings. Walk around our pond or hone your golf game on our putting green. Whether you are traveling for business or leisure, choose our hotel in Wilmington, NC, as your lodging destination.

Amenities: outdoor pool, fitness center and laundry facilities onsite.

Cancellation Policy: Reservations must be cancelled 72 hours prior to the arrival date arrival or you will be charged a penalty of 2 nights stay plus tax.

Parking: Complimentary Parking

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE

For competitors awarded host-provided housing:

Competitors who were awarded and accepted regatta housing will be provided transportation from the airport to CYC. Please make your way to the baggage claim area to be met by Youth Championship ambassadors. Please indicate your transportation plans on the competitor survey.

If you are considered an "unaccompanied minor" by your airline, you must enter this in your travel details in the survey. Appropriate arrangements must be made in advance with the airline, specifically contact/pick up information. The Travel Chair will be in contact with you regarding these details once you have filled out the survey form. There may be an additional charge for the return flight as an unaccompanied minor. You must have enough cash or a credit card to pay this fee at check in for your return flight.

For competitors arranging their own housing:

Competitors who are not staying in regatta provided housing are responsible for getting themselves to and from the venue. For those flying in to the Wilmington International airport (ILM), taxi and UBER/LYFT options are available to get to CYC, which is only 15 minutes away.

For competitors bringing their own boats:

Competitor parking, trailer parking instructions and maps will be provided at onsite registration.



For competitors flying in/out:

US Sailing has negotiated a discount code from United Airlines for travel to the 2018 championships. To find instruction on how to apply the code, login to your My US Sailing account and go to the member benefits and discounts page:

<http://www.ussailing.org/membership/> .

It is a good idea to include CYC's name, address and phone number on your luggage tag in the event your bags are delayed: Carolina Yacht Club ATTN: Youth Champs [insert your name] 401 S. Lumina Avenue, Wrightsville Beach, NC 28480, 910-256-3396

Departure from CYC for all competitors will be at 1700 at the latest on Wednesday, June 27th, unless prior arrangements are made and approved at least 2 weeks before by the US Youth Championship National Chair, usyouthchamps@gmail.com. Exceptions will only be granted in unusual circumstances.

TRAVEL QUESTIONS OR DELAYS

The Travel Chair for the event is Boo Carraway. If you have any questions or changes to your travel plans after completing the competitor survey, please contact her via e-mail bcarraway@carolinayachtclub.org or via text or call to her cell 910-617-5930.

It is imperative regatta organizers receive accurate travel information for competitors who are awarded housing and transportation support. Please do not enter flights on the competitor survey until they have been booked and confirmed. You must submit your competitor survey, including final travel plans, no later than May 15, 2018.

In the case of any day-of-travel delays, please contact the Travel Chair, Boo Carraway, via her cell phone (910) 617-5930 - text or call.

DOCUMENTS

In addition to the waivers, which must be completed through the registration site, Regatta Toolbox, additional forms are required for some competitors. Please read through these descriptions to determine if these forms apply to you:

- Drivers Release: the driver's release, enclosed in this document is required to be completed for any competitor driving to or from the event, regardless of age.
- Alternate Housing Form: the Alternate housing form, enclosed in this document, is required if you are not staying in regatta provided housing. The parent/guardian or Designated Adult named in your Alternative Housing Form must appear with you at registration.

Please send completed forms to Beth McLean registrar@carolinayachtclub.org by June 5th.



ONSITE CHECK-IN AND REGISTRATION

Registration will be open on Saturday, June 23rd from 1200 – 1800 hours in the ballroom at CYC.

Early arrivals to Carolina Yacht Club are not permitted and there will be no exceptions to this rule.

Upon arrival at CYC, proceed directly to the ballroom where the registration team will review and ensure all information has been correctly submitted and received.

Your lifejacket will be inspected at registration. You must wear a USCG approved PFD that is the right size for your weight and is 100% dependent on foam for flotation. Please refer to the NOR for requirements. Note: PFD's with patches are not USCG legal.

If you are not staying in regatta provided housing, your Designated Adult named in your Alternative Housing Form and listed in your Competitor Survey must appear with you at registration.

Competitors will be expected to install the provided hull stickers and the hull and/or sail numbers following registration. Competitors' sails must be numbered in accordance with class rules. Country code is not required.

CURFEW

There will be a 2200 curfew during the event, meaning all competitors must have returned to their accommodations by this time each night. These regulations are in effect from registration day, June 23rd through the duration of the event on June 27th.

CHARTER BOATS

A limited number of charter boats will be provided by the companies listed on the official website. Booking and payment for the charter is to be coordinated directly with the providers. Contact individual charter companies for pickup details.

COACHING

US Sailing provides a staff of fleet coaches for each fleet, available to all sailors. The 2018 coaching roster is: Richard Feeny (Head Coach & Laser fleet coach), Alana O'Reilly Marks (Radial), Brian Swingly (Radial), Amanda Clark (i420), Fred Strammer (29er), Robbie Daniel (Nacra 15), Justin Ahearn (T293+).

PRIVATE COACHING

Private coaching is permitted at this event. If you will be working with a private coach, please share this important information with them.

Private coaches must hold up-to-date US Sailing Level 3 Coach certification (International coaches who hold a non-US Sailing coaching certification must contact US Sailing to confirm the validity of



their certification at championships@ussailing.org, and must be US Sailing members) and must register for the event via the link below by June 10th.

Upon registration, a link will be sent to each coach to complete a background check. Additionally, private coaches must also hold a current SafeSport certification, which is valid for two years. To check your SafeSport certification status, log into My US Sailing - up to date certifications (including SafeSport) are on the Certifications list for each member. If you need to certify yourself, you can click this link to complete the SafeSport training:

<https://safesport.org/authentication/register?token=9d8ee5fa-5241-4dd2-a606-199d2f21e097>

Private coaches must bring their own coach boat and equipment.

Private coach registration fee is \$275 and includes all meals, coach boat berthing and background check.

Private Coach Registration link: <https://www.regattatoolbox.com/register?eventID=OAEoEMdNdP>

MEALS

Breakfast, lunch and dinner for the competitors will be provided at CYC throughout the regatta, starting with a light dinner on arrival day and ending with the Awards Ceremony dinner. A hot and cold breakfast will be served at the venue each morning. Lunch makings will be provided for sailors to make each morning to bring out on the water.

AWARDS CEREMONY

The awards ceremony is **mandatory** for all competitors on Wednesday, June 27th. Departure from CYC for all competitors will be at 1700 at the latest on Wednesday, June 27th, unless prior arrangements are made and approved at least 2 weeks before by the US Youth Championship National Chair, usyouthchamps@gmail.com. Exceptions will only be granted in unusual circumstances.

Parents and guests are encouraged to attend the Awards Ceremony. Tickets for parents and guests to also enjoy dinner at the Awards Ceremony are available for purchase in the CYC office.

PARENTS AND GUESTS

Parents may come and watch the sailing, but please note the specific spectating conditions in the NoR. Parents and guests attending are responsible for their own housing and meals during the event. Tickets to the Awards dinner for parents and guests are available in the CYC office.

Parents and guests can sign up for a charge account for purchases during your stay. You can set up a charging account at onsite registration or in the Club Office.



SPECTATOR BOATS

CYC intends (weather permitting) to offer at least one spectator boat. Sign up for this will be onsite at the regatta. Spectators will need to sign up at least one day before they want to go on the water. Space may be limited. Spectators are encouraged to bring their own water and lunch. Please bring your own personal flotation device.

Private spectator boats will be permitted and must abide by all rules and regulations as stated in US Sailing's Support Boat Policy and the Sailing Instructions. Private spectator boats may dock at CYC facilities overnight if arranged in advance for a fee of \$75. Please contact Kevin Smith at (ksmith@carolinayachtclub.org) to arrange for docking.

SUSTAINABILITY

This event will be certified as a Clean Regatta at the Bronze level through Sailors for the Sea. It is recommended that you bring your own water bottle from home. Water refill stations will be provided by the host.

SAILING VENUE

Temperatures in the 80s or 90s, lows in the 70s. As always in the summer there is a chance of afternoon and evening thunderstorms. June winds are a little less predictable than later in the summer but an afternoon 12 to 15 knot sea breeze with 2 to 3 foot seas is the norm.

Exit and enter Masonboro Inlet only between the 2 rock jetties. The breakwater connecting the north jetty to the island is not visible at high tide. DO NOT attempt to sail between the rocks and the island! A falling tide with an opposing wind can produce large, sloppy swells at the mouth of the inlet.

There is a 4 to 5 foot tide swing. Care should be taken in the sound to avoid sandbars and shallow water.

If assistance is needed wave your hand(s) over your head. If you do not need assistance pat your hand on top of your head. If a safety team member or anyone approaches and is giving the OK sign, they are asking if you require assistance. Reply with the appropriate hand signal

SAFETY MESSAGE

Crossing Waynick Boulevard is allowed only at the marked crosswalk. DO NOT cross in front of the cottages or from the north or south gates of the boat lot.

At registration, each sailor will be assigned a proximity band. All sailors are required to scan in and scan out anytime they are on the water. This includes practices or other activities. The scanner will be available sound side. If the scanner is not available or you are going out alone, you must notify a



dockmaster of your float plan and estimated return time. Proximity bands will be collected at the end of the regatta in the club office.

All sailors are required to wear life jackets at all times when on the water except when changing clothes or during comfort breaks.

CLUB RULES/DRESS

Proximity bands are needed when entering the club bathrooms and locker rooms. Each participant will be given a proximity band at onsite registration that should be returned to the office at the end of the regatta.

The club is non-cash. We are happy to set up a guest account for you using your proximity band for purchases during your stay. You can set up a guest account at onsite registration or in the Club Office. If your sailor is traveling on their own, a parent may contact the club office to set up a guest account for their sailor that will allow them to charge at the snack bar and club store.

Only dry clothing or dry bathing suits with cover-ups for women and shirts with sleeves for men are allowed past the white line painted on the deck, rocking chairs, ballroom, and ocean facing porch at any time.

Shoes must be worn at all times.

SUGGESTED PACKING LIST

- USCG approved PFD that is the right size for your height and weight NO EXCEPTIONS
- Your water bottle – labeled with your name
- Sunscreen, sunglasses, hat, and rash guard (for sun protection)
- Tools and parts for privately owned boats
- 30 floating Tow Line (required for all boats)
- Notebook, pen, rulebook
- Personal entertainment
- Appropriate sailing gear and clothing for a range of weather conditions
- Health insurance card

SHIPPING PERSONAL GEAR

Blades and sails may be shipped early to CYC, with prior notification to 2018USYouthChamps@gmail.com. You must be prepared to pack up your gear after the regatta with a return label for shipment. Please include the following on the label:

Your name ATTN: Youth Champs
C/o Carolina Yacht Club
401 South Lumina Avenue
Wrightsville Beach, NC 28480
(910)256-3396



CREW CHANGES

For information on crew changes, please refer to the NoR.

YOUTH CHAMPS STORE

New for 2018! Youth Champs gear is available for sale in the US Sailing online store! The link to the store will be made available on the Youth Champs webpage on the US Sailing site:

<https://shop.ussailing.org/product-category/gear-apparel/youthchamps/>

Note that at registration, each competitor receives a Youth Champs branded gift from Gill (bag, t-shirt or something similar). The items that can be purchased in the store are in addition to this gift.

Orders must be received by May 23rd and you will receive your items at the onsite registration at CYC. Additional orders may be placed at the onsite registration on June 23rd and will be shipped to your address once the order has been fulfilled.

EVENT CONTACTS

Regatta Chair: Elizabeth Schuett tewschuett@gmail.com

Onshore Coordinator and General Manager: Kevin Smith ksmith@carolinayachtclub.org

Offshore Coordinator: Sterling Powell sterlingpowell@carolinayachtclub.org

Registrar: Beth McLean registrar@carolinayachtclub.org

Housing & Travel Chair: Boo Carraway bcarraway@carolinayachtclub.org

US Youth Championship Chair: Malinda Crain mcrain@gmail.com

US Sailing: John Pearce and Meredith Carroll championships@ussailing.org



ALTERNATE HOUSING AND DESIGNATED ADULT CONSENT FORM

***Complete this form only if you are not staying in regatta provided housing.**

As a parent or guardian during this event, I agree that either I, or the adult* that I have designated on this form, will be responsible for the competitor on a daily basis during the entire event, stay at the same privately arranged housing site, and coordinate transportation to/from housing site and the Carolina Yacht Club. I will assure all the rules of the Championship will be obeyed, including the curfew and US Sailing's Regulations and Code of Conduct.

I agree that I, or the adult I have designated, will be present at registration.

Parent/guardian name (please print): _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone numbers: (w) _____ (h) _____ (cell) _____

Relationship to competitor: _____ Parent/guardian

signature: _____ Date: _____

If applicable:

Name of Designated Adult: _____

Relationship to competitor: _____

Home address: _____

_____ City/State/Zip: _____

_____ Phone number: (w) _____

_____ (h) _____ (cell) _____

***For housing purposes, an adult is considered an individual 21 or older.**

The competitor and Parent/Guardian/ or Designated Adult will be staying at the following address for the duration of the event:

Name of hotel/ B&B/homeowner: _____

Room in name of: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

All paperwork must be submitted as attachment(s) in pdf format by email (please include in the subject line of all emails the competitors last name, first name, fleet) to registrar@carolinayachtclub.org by June 5th, or within ten days of notification if you have been accepted off the waiting list.



Remember that the parent / guardian or the designated adult assigned by the parent / guardian, must be present at registration with each competitor using alternate housing

This must be completed at registration. Do not complete this in advance

I, _____ (parent/guardian/designated adult name) assume all responsibility for

_____ (competitor name) during the U.S. Youth Sailing Championships from 6/23-6/27. I release Carolina Yacht Club, US Sailing, all volunteers, and sponsors of all liability and responsibility during the Championship.

I agree that I will be responsible for the competitor on a daily basis during the entire event, stay at the same privately arranged housing site, and coordinate transportation to and from housing site and the venue. I will assure all the rules of the Championship will be obeyed, including the curfew, US Sailing's Regulations and Championships Code of Conduct.

Print name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Phone number(s) during event: _____

***For housing purposes, an adult is considered an individual 21 or older.**



Optional: If you are bringing a car or driving with other sailors, this form must be submitted as attachment(s) in pdf format by email (please include in the subject line of all emails the competitors last name, first name, fleet) to registrar@carolinayachtclub.org by June 5th, or within ten days of notification if you have been accepted off the waiting list.

DRIVER'S AND RIDER'S RELEASE FORM

Regardless of age, only those sailors who have submitted this form in advance will be permitted to drive to and from the host venue during the championship. Any driver who arrives without this form submitted in advance will be asked to surrender their keys. I

_____ (parent/guardian name) give permission for
_____ (name of competitor) sailing in the event to either drive
themselves or be driven by _____, (name)
during the 2018 U.S Youth Championship from June 23-27, 2018. I release the Carolina Yacht Club, US Sailing, all volunteers, and all sponsors of all liability and responsibility during the Championship.

I understand that my child (even if 18 or older) will not be permitted to drive their car, or ride in a car, during the Event without the permission of the OA.

Parent/guardian name (*please print*): _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone number: _____

Relationship to competitor: _____

Parent/guardian signature: _____ Date: _____

Please complete the following information about the vehicle(s) if you are bringing a car.

Vehicle Make, Model and Color: _____

License Plate (vehicle) State and Number: _____