2023 What’s Next Clinic  
July 11-14, 2023

Organizing Authority: US Sailing

Venue: Roger Williams University  
Richard L Bready Sailing Center  
1 Old Ferry Rd, Bristol, RI 02809

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NOTICE OF CLINIC

CLINIC INFORMATION
The 2023 What’s Next Clinic is organized by the US Sailing and made possible by the generous support of SouthCoast Wind and Professional Boats.

This unique clinic provides youth sailors with a chance to build their skills in modern boats and boards and develop a love for sailing that will last a lifetime. The camp will be comprised of group presentations, on-water practice sessions, and a variety of on-land activities.

US Sailing Coaches are provided to lead training and coach all competitors to enhance the experience, sailing skills, and competitive sportsmanship of the group. No private coaching is allowed.

The Clinic will be held over 4 days. Sailors who cannot attend all 4 days may contact youth@ussailing.org to request to participate for 2 or 3 days of the clinic.

CLASSES
29er skiff, Foiling Dinghy, Wingfoil, Windsurf

The What’s Next Clinic features a variety of high performance boats and boards. The 29er two-person skiff serves as the primary clinic platform, with participants learning the fundamentals of apparent wind sailing. Foiling dinghies, Wingfoils, and Windsurfers are offered as alternate activities on a rotating basis, allowing all participants to learn the basics of each sailing discipline, or build on their pre-existing abilities.

ELIGIBILITY
Sailors must have reached their 12th birthday but not their 18th birthday during the calendar year of the clinic. Sailors must be individual or family members, all in good standing, of US Sailing at the time of registration and clinic.
Sailors should have a strong background in smallboat sailing, confidently singlehand a small boat (Opti, O’pen Skiff, ILCA, Sunfish, etc) in over 15 knots of wind, and be completely comfortable with capsize recovery. Racing ability is encouraged and sailors with a strong racing background will be challenged with racing-oriented content, however racing ability is not mandatory.

All sailors must pass a water-comfort check on the first day, consisting of treading water and swimming 25 yards in sailing gear and USCG approved life jacket.

REGISTRATION
Registration can be completed via the ClubSpot page:
https://theclubspot.com/register/camp/FAmKYE1Z2Wd/class

The registration deadline is Friday, July 7th. The camp will be capped at 24 sailors. Additional sailors may register for the waitlist and will be notified if space becomes available.

The registration fee is $600 per sailor, which boats and sailing equipment, coaching, and lunch at Roger Williams University. Sailors who cannot attend all days of the clinic will be charged a prorated fee.

EQUIPMENT
Each participant shall bring their own USCG approved life jacket that is 100% dependent on foam for flotation and the appropriate size for the sailor. Sailors should also bring appropriate sailing clothing including a light or medium-weight neoprene wetsuit with knee coverage, spray top, sailing boots, sailing gloves, etc. For an overview of appropriate sailing gear, see: https://www.skiffsquad.com/coachs-corner/dress-for-success

Participants are encouraged to bring their own trapeze harness, but extra harnesses will be available. Similarly, sailors are welcome to bring their own watersports helmet.

MEALS/WATER
Attending sailors and coaches must bring their own reusable water bottle. Lunch will be included each day.

SCHEDULE
Sailors should plan to arrive at 9:00 am and leave at 6:00 pm each day of the clinic.

VENUE
The clinic will be held at the Richard L Bready Mount Hope Bay Sailing and Education Center, 1 Old Ferry Rd. Bristol, RI, 02809.

HOUSING/ACCOMMODATIONS
All sailors are responsible for arranging their own housing/accommodations for the duration of the clinic. Dorm rooms on the Roger Williams University Campus are available to visiting sailors and parents.
for approximately $115/night for a double occupancy room, including breakfast. Please contact youth@ussailing.org for more housing information.

FURTHER INFORMATION
For further information, please contact:
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