



OYC Youth Learn to Sail 2020 — Sunfish Race Week

This program is open to all OYC members' children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews, for students who have completed the Sunfish Advanced Class or who have previous sailboat racing experience.

The course is limited to 6 students. Students will be sailing single-handed or double-crew on Yeopim Creek. There will be one committee boat to start the races and set the marks, and one safety boat with a coach onboard.

Race Week will run from August 3-7, 2020, from 9:30 to noon. There is a fee of \$25 for this program.

Each day, there will be a single-handed race and a pair's race. In addition, there will be "fun races" such as: 1. keep a ball onboard; 2. relay races; 3. capsize and recover race; 4. 360 degree turn within race; 5. keep your shirt dry race; 6. grab a duck race; etc. There will be classroom work on points of sail, the rules of the road, on how to start, and race courses. We intend to have practice starts and also, practice mark roundings. Finally, of course, trophies.

Requirements for participation:

- Must be able to swim the length of the pool without a flotation device.
- Must have completed the Advanced Sunfish Class, or have racing experience. Students will sail independently with a safety boat for back-up.
- USCG approved life jacket must be worn at all times.

It really would be good if the students had a waterproof stop watch to time the starts (about \$10 on Amazon.) There will be flags and horns to mark the 5 minute, 4 minute, and 1 minute until the start, but a "real racer" plans to the second.

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