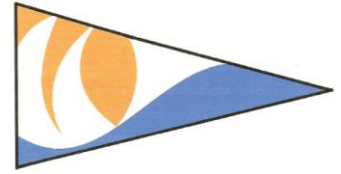




## Clearwater Community Sailing Center Membership Handbook



Welcome to the Clearwater Community Sailing Center (CCSC)! Thank you for joining one of the premier community sailing organizations in the United States. We hope you will enjoy all that CCSC has to offer.

Your Membership Handbook contains information about CCSC and its programs, associations and services. It is your responsibility to understand and comply with the information provided. Please familiarize yourself with the handbook as it provides guidelines by which we operate and maintain waterfront safety. It will also answer many of the questions you may have about CCSC including the fleet, educational programs and various services we provide.

### **Mission**

**We are dedicated to providing our community with environmentally friendly water sporting activities such as sailing, windsurfing, paddling, and kayaking for youth, seniors, disabled, recreational and world class athletes.**

## **Your CCSC Membership**

Your membership is valid for one year from the date that you complete your membership form. Your membership entitles you to:

- Access to the CCSC fleet of boats and paddleboards at no additional cost
- 10% discount on sailing classes and services
- Participate in fun racing regattas and social activities
- Volunteer for events and activities at CCSC

## **CCSC Board of Directors**

CCSC Chairman of the Board  
Secretary  
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Director

Claudia Nable  
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Frank Chivas  
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Kurt Taulbee

## **CCSC Staff**

CCSC has two four full- time staff and 16 part-time staff. The sailing instructors are US Sailing certified instructors ad are trained in American Red Cross Standard First Aid and CPR. Staff members are identified by the logo on their shirt, hat or visor.



From Right to Left: Ben, Rich, Kristi, Justin, Erin, Bev, Cullen

Executive Director	Bev Buysse
Program Director	Richard White
Sailing/Windsurfing Instructors	Cullen Ahearn Justin Ahearn (Lead Instructor)
Sailing Instructors	Erin McKie Ian Simon Thomas Timberlake
Customer Service	Erin McKie Kelly Dorn
Maintenance & Riggers	John Adair Travis Doran Justin Fitzsimon Evan Russell Calvin Trout Ian Adair
Bookkeeper	Lorraine Adams

### **About CCSC**

In 2002, Clearwater Community Sailing Association (CCSA) was formed as a private non-profit 501(c)3 organization and does business as the Clearwater Community Sailing Center (CCSC). The non-profit was organized to relieve some of the financial burden from the city and provide credible sailing instruction to the local area. The center is a membership driven organization. CCSC's programs and outreach are funded through membership dues, class fees, storage, donations, and fundraisers. The center is not run by the City of Clearwater, nor does it receive funds from the City of Clearwater. We lease the property from the city.

The center is located on the barrier island of Sand Key across from Sand Key County Park at 1001 Gulf Blvd., in Clearwater, Florida on the waterfront of Clearwater Harbor. The sailing area is in the protected waters of Clearwater Harbor between the Memorial Causeway bridge, Sand Key Bridge, and Belleair Bridge.

With more than 60 boats, CCSC is able to provide educational and recreational sailing, windsurfing and paddling programs to everyone regardless of age, ability or financial concerns. Members have no-charge access to the fleet after successfully demonstrating basic sailing skills. For additional fees, CCSC offers private boat owners 24-hour access to the water, year round boat storage and launching/haul out services.

CCSC collaborates with other organizations to provide outreach programs, alternative water sports, and elite sailing programs.

**Sailability Greater Tampa Bay** – SGTB’s mission is to provide affordable, accessible sailing activities and education for children and adults of all abilities focusing on community integration to improve the quality of life for all involved.

**Standup Fitness** – A multi-dimensional fitness and recreation business, Stand Up Fitness explores the waters in and around Saint Petersburg, Clearwater, Tampa and a number of other amazing destinations by paddle. Whether we are giving SUP lessons, providing SUP rentals, teaching Paddle Fit or discovering some of the most amazing water destinations around North America, Caribbean, Pacific Islands and South America through our Eco Tours, Stand Up Fitness is on the water and loving every minute! While we spend most of our time with our feet wet, we do offer an on-land Boot Camp Fitness Class as well as Private and Semi-Private Personal Training. We are all about living a healthy lifestyle and showing alternate ways to stay fit and active. This is a great way to see the bay when the wind has gone away.

**Sailfit**- Offering a combined approach to sail training, the partnership of Kurt and Meka Taulbee is a well rounded program. Look to SailFit for intense, informative, active sailing seminars and individualized coaching/training programs for Laser sailors at all levels with fitness, health and nutrition consulting by Meka for enhanced performance and mental acuity.

**Team FOR** - The Mission of Team FOR is to provide team members with the tools to reach their goals in competitive sailing. Team FOR membership is a natural progression for advanced sailors who are skilled, dedicated, disciplined, and motivated to achieve their personal best in competitive sailing. Sailing is a sport that emphasizes sportsmanship, friendship, camaraderie, physical and mental strength, and a joy of being on the water. These areas are the foundation of Team FOR. Commitment is the key to our success. Our families share the enjoyment of competitive sailing and the knowledge that sailing is a wonderful vehicle for the positive growth of our children.

**Kai Aniani Canoe Club** – Brings the Hawaiian Culture of outrigger paddling to the center. The Kai Aniani canoe club has three six person canoes for training, racing, and special events. The canoe club provides opportunities to our members to paddle and learn the true meaning of teamwork.

**North Beach Windsurfing** - We have teamed up with North Beach Windsurfing for summer camp instruction and coaching of our windsurfing team. Teaching Windsurfing and getting people involved in Windsurfing is not part of what we do, it is what we do. We like to think that we do it well.



## The Fleet

### Opti/Pram Fleet – 12 Opti's , 9 Prams (21) in the fleet



Opti/Pram – In 1947 the Clearwater Optimist Club, dedicated to fighting juvenile delinquency, had just finished the annual Orange Crate Derby on the only hill in Clearwater. They wanted to do more and listened carefully as guest speaker Major Clifford A. McKay suggested that a youngster out sailing had little time for juvenile delinquency. He recommended the Optimists sponsor a waterborne derby, active all year round. He pictured child-sized sailboats, purchased by local businesses but owned by the Optimist Club to provide youngsters an opportunity to learn to sail.

The Optimists promptly voted to ask Major McKay to proceed with implementing his plan. The Major contacted a talented Clearwater boat builder named Clark Mills, asking if Mr. Mills would create a small inexpensive boat, safe and easy for children to sail. He wanted a simple design that a man and his son could build. The final design of the boat was a snub-nosed, built from a single sheet of plywood, to keep the cost down. The boom was a small stick of wood, which could not damage young heads as it whipped across the wind. The tiller and center board were all wood, partially so they would float if they were lost overboard in a capsized.

### 420 – CCSC has 8 420's in the fleet



The International 420 Class Dinghy is a double-handed monohull planing dinghy with centerboard, bermuda rig and center sheeting. The name describes the overall length of the boat in centimeters (the boat is exactly 4.2 meters long). The hull is fiberglass with internal buoyancy tanks. The 420 is equipped with spinnaker and optional trapeze, making teamwork necessary to sail it well. It has a large sail-area-to-weight ratio, and is designed to plane easily. It can be rigged to sail single-handed.

The 420 was designed specifically to be easier to handle than its larger higher-performance cousin, the 470. Both were designed by French engineer Christian Maury, the 420 as a stepping-stone for club and youth sailing to the 470. The class is an class International recognized by the International Sailing Federation.

A derivative of the 420 called the Club 420 is popular in the North America. Although this class is not recognized by International Sailing Federation or the International 420 Class Association and can't be used at class events. The boats are very similar in appearance but the club 420 is slightly stronger, heavier and less

## Laser- 4 lasers in the fleet

The boat's history began with a phone call between Canadians Bruce Kirby and Ian Bruce. While discussing the possibility of a car-topped dinghy (a boat small enough to be carried on a roof rack of a typical car) for a line of camping equipment, Bruce Kirby sketched what would be known as "the million dollar doodle". The plans stayed with Kirby until 1970 when *One Design and Offshore Yachtsman* magazine held a regatta for boats under \$1000, called "America's Teacup". After a few sail modifications, the Laser easily won its class.



The prototype was originally named the "Weekender"; the sail held the letters TGIF, a common American abbreviation for "Thank God it's Friday". It was renamed Laser (after the scientific mechanism) and officially unveiled at the New York Boat Show in 1971. The Laser became a men's Olympic-class boat at the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta, and a special Olympic edition of the boat was released that year in commemoration. A version with a smaller sail, the Laser Radial (see below), was first sailed as a women's Olympic-class boat at the 2008 Summer Olympics.

The first world championship was held in 1974 in Bermuda. Entrants came from 24 countries, and first place was won by Peter Commette from the United States. Arguably the greatest champion of the Laser Class is Robert Scheidt (nickname "El Demolidor") from Brazil; he won the world championship eight times and won two gold and one silver Olympic medals.

The laser is currently manufactured by Laser Performance.

As a one-design class of sailboat, all Lasers are built to the same specifications. The hull is 4.23 metres (13 ft 10.5 in) long, with a waterline length of 3.81 m (12.5 ft). The hull weight is 56.7 kg (130 lb), which makes the boat light enough to lift onto a car-top rack.

The various sizes of Laser are all Cat-rigged; they have only a main sail. The Laser Standard sail has sail area of 7.06 m<sup>2</sup> (76 ft<sup>2</sup>) and, especially in higher winds (15 knots and over), is most competitive when sailed by a very fit, agile and muscular person weighing no less than 80 kg (175 lb).

Laser sailing and racing presents a unique set of physical and skill based challenges. Fast Laser sailing requires an advanced level of fitness in order to endure the straight legged hiking and body-torque techniques required to get upwind and reach quickly

CCSC has 3 lasers for rent and is currently home to Sailfit owned by Kurt Taulbee who specializes in teaching and coaching on the Laser.

## Hobie Wave & Getaway

A Hobie Cat is a small sailing [catamaran](#) manufactured by the Hobie Cat Company. Begun as a manufacturer of surf boards in the late 1950s, Hobie (named after [Hobie Alter](#), the company's founder) began manufacturing catamaran sailboats in the late 1960s and has become the largest manufacturer of small catamarans in the world. Today, Hobie's line of products ranges from surf boards to catamaran sailboats to kayaks, though the Hobie Cat Company is most famous around the world for its catamarans. Hobie also designed a very successful monohull, the Hobie 33.



**CCSC has 8 Hobie Waves and 4 Hobie Getaways and a Hobie 16**

## Sunfish CCSC has a fleet of 12 Sunfish.

The **Sunfish** sailboat is a personal size, beach launched [sailing dinghy](#) utilizing a [pontoon type hull](#) carrying a [lateen sail](#) mounted to an [un-stayed mast](#).

Sunfish was developed by *Alcort, Inc.* and first appeared around 1952 as the “next generation” improvement on their original boat, the [Sailfish](#). In contrast, the Sunfish has a wider [beam](#) for more stability, increased [freeboard](#) and the addition of a foot-well for a more comfortable sailing position. Sunfish began as a wood hull design and progressed to [fiberglass](#) construction just a few years after its introduction.<sup>[2]</sup>



Having a lateen sail with its simple two line [rigging](#) makes a Sunfish simple to learn sailing on and to set up. Upgrades can be added to enhance sail control for competitive sailing,<sup>[3]</sup> making the boat attractive to both novice and experienced sailors alike.

Due to the broad appeal of the Sunfish, in 1995 it was commended by The [American Sailboat Hall of Fame](#) for being “the most popular fiberglass boat ever designed, with a quarter million sold worldwide” (at that point in time).<sup>[4]</sup> Today, the Sunfish [brand-name](#) has become so widely known it is often misapplied [generically](#) to refer to any brand board-style boat sporting the characteristic [lateen](#) sail.<sup>[5]</sup>

## Daysailor

A **daysailer**, **day sailer**, or **dayboat** is a small sailboat with or without sleeping accommodations but which is larger than a dinghy. Dayboats can be monohull or multihull, and are typically trailer-able. Many dayboats have a small cabin or "cuddy" for storage and to provide a shelter, or for sleeping in, but is not always large enough to stand in. Dayboats are also distinguished from dinghies by being more stable, and are generally sailed more like a small yacht than a dinghy. For example, although crew weight may well be shifted to increase performance, this is not crucial to



stability as it is in a dinghy. The distinction between keelboats and day sailers is not always clear; generally the former term indicates a large boat (over 27 feet (8.2m) and not trailer-able) unless it is called a trailer-able keelboat, whereas "daysailer" implies a day out sailing or days out such as a weekend sailing trip.

## Open Bic



A wind of change is what the O'pen BIC has brought to the world of dinghy sailing for kids. Young sailors now have a true glide machine for real excitement on the water. The O'pen Bic, with its modern and powerful rig, is a fast boat, quick to respond, self-bailing, and is fitted by the best marine hardware manufacturers (North, Ronstan, Robline). The O'pen BIC is THE link between the Optimist generation and the new generation of sailing dinghies.

Launched in 2006, the O'pen BIC has already convinced more than 3500 young sailors. Not only is it a fun boat, for pure enjoyment on the water, but it's also a clever and quick racing boat. The O'pen Bic is now an International ISAF class, and a complete race program has been established world-wide. Recognising the dynamic and modern nature of the O'pen Bic, many sailing federations have chosen it to be their officially-recognised boat for their young sailors.

**CCSC has a fleet of 5 Open Bic's and will kick off the inaugural Open Bic Regatta in 2012.**

## Windsurfers

Windsurfing is a surface water sport that combines elements of surfing and sailing. It consists of a board usually two to four metres long, powered by the orthogonal effect of the wind on a sail. The rig is connected to the board by a free-rotating universal joint and comprises a mast, wishbone boom and sail. The sail area ranges from less than 3.0 m<sup>2</sup> to more than 12 m<sup>2</sup> depending on the conditions, the skill of the sailor and the type of windsurfing being undertaken. The history of windsurfing began in Susquehanna River, Pennsylvania, USA when Newman Darby invented the sailboard in 1948. Although Darby did not patent his invention, he is commonly seen as the father of sailboarding and windsurfing.<sup>[1]</sup>

Windsurfing can be said to straddle both the laid-back culture of surf sports and the more rules-based environment of sailing. Although it might be considered a minimalistic version of a sailboat, a windsurfer offers experiences that are outside the scope of any other sailing craft design. Windsurfers can perform jumps, inverted loops, spinning maneuvers, and other "freestyle" moves that cannot be matched by any sailboat. Windsurfers were the first to ride the world's largest waves, such as Jaws on the island of Maui, and, with very few exceptions, it was not until the advent of tow-in surfing that waves of that size became accessible to surfers on more traditional surfboards. Extreme waves aside, many expert windsurfers will ride the same waves as wavesurfers do (wind permitting) and are themselves usually very accomplished without a rig on a conventional surfboard.



CCSC has 2 windsurfers in the fleet.

## Standup Paddling

**Stand up paddle surfing (SUP)**, or in the Hawaiian language **Hoe he'e nalu**, is an emerging global sport with a Hawaiian heritage. The sport is an ancient form of surfing, and reemerged as a way for surfing instructors to manage their large groups of students, as standing on the board gave them a higher viewpoint. This increased visibility of what was going on around them such as incoming swell.

The popularity of the modern sport of SUP has its origin in the Hawaiian Islands. In the early 1960s, the Beach Boys of Waikiki would stand on their long boards, and paddle out with outrigger paddles to take pictures of the tourists learning to surf. This is where the term "Beach Boy Surfing", another name for Stand Up Paddle Surfing originates.<sup>[1]</sup>

The sport benefits athletes with a strong 'core' workout. SUP'ing is popular at warm coastal climates and resorts, and is gaining in popularity as celebrities are sampling the sport, and cross-over athletes are training with SUP. SUPs have been spotted around the globe, anywhere where there is easy access to safe waters, as well as in the surfing lineups of the world. Another reason for the rise in popularity of stand up paddleboarding is that, unlike surfing, paddleboarding is very easy to learn. Within one hour you can become very comfortable in the water and on your board. Stand up paddleboarding is also more popular with women and because of their lower center of gravity, women are often more skilled at paddleboarding than men.<sup>[2]</sup>

Laird Hamilton and Dave Kalama re-introduced the ancient sport of paddle surfing to the modern water sports world. The first "modern" surfer to bring Stand Up Paddle Surfing out of Hawaii and onto mainland USA was Vietnam veteran, Rick Thomas. In 2000, Rick - on a 11ft Muñoz board, and with a Leleo Kinimaka paddle - introduced California to the new sport.<sup>[3]</sup>



## **THE SAFETY OF MEMBERS,GUESTS AND THE FLEET IS CCSC's PRIMARY CONCERN!!!**

### **Performance Evaluations and Flag System**

Performance evaluations incorporate CCSC course curriculum and US Sailing's requirements on sail theory, boat handling and decision making in various wind and wave conditions. To ensure a safe sailing environment and to accurately evaluate one's sailing abilities, members must demonstrate proficiency in wind conditions stronger than their evaluated level. For example, if you would like to test for a medium air rating which would allow you to take a boat out in winds up to 15 knots.

Members evaluated for any rating are expected to position and rig the boat properly, inspect and identify nomenclature, depart and return to the dock safely and demonstrate proper sailing maneuvers and sail trim using correct terminology, rules of the road/right of way knowledge, knot tying and appropriate decision making are also evaluated.

Wind conditions are posted at the CCSC office. Staff decisions regarding whether to allow boats out on the water are final. CCSC members must comply with these decisions. Flags indicate wind conditions and whether boats should return to the beach.

<b>Wind Speed</b>	<b>Flag on Center Mast</b>	<b>Evaluation requirements</b>
Light air 1-5	White Flag	Light air eval requires 5-10 knots
Medium air 5-10	Yellow Flag	Medium air eval requires 9-12 knots
Heavy air 10-15	Red Flag	Heavy air eval requires 15-18 knots
No Sailing 15+	Double Red Flag	No open sailing

### **Open Sailing**

Open sailing is unstructured sailing for our members to take the boats out during our operational hours on their own. Members should be able to rig and launch the boat on their own with no assistance.

Rated members are eligible to use CCSC boats at no charge during Open Sailing once they have successfully passed a performance evaluation and received a rating. Members must have a rating (light, medium or heavy) for the prevailing wind conditions and boat type they wish to check out. If you don't have a rating for the wind speed or boat type, you will not be allowed to check out a boat at that time.

### **Boat Check-out Procedures**

1. Members must be rated for the prevailing wind conditions and the boat type they wish to use. Members will not be permitted to check out boats in wind conditions they are not rated for.
2. Members must speak with the main office and receive verbal permission to check out a boat and the boat assignment number. Members shall not leave the beach until such permission is granted.
3. Members under 14 years of age must have an adult observer on the property while underway.
4. Members must sail within the prescribed sailing area. (insert photo of area)

5. Member's guests must complete a liability waiver and pay the guest fee.
6. Personal Flotation Devices (PFD's) must be properly secured and worn on CCSC docks and boats at all times. CCSC supplies Type III PFD's for you and your guests.
7. You must wear foot wear at all times while on CCSC property.
8. Members and guest using CCSC boats must be capable of swimming 75 yards. Members and guests are required to sign the waiver stating such.
9. Sailboats may be checked out for a maximum period of two hours. If no other sailors are waiting for a boat, you may be approved for additional time. You must check in at the office prior to approval for the additional hours.
10. All CCSC boats must be at the CCSC beach ½ hour prior to scheduled closing hours of the center. CCSC boats do not have lights, failure to be at the dock on time may result in suspension of all sailing privileges or additional fees (even if you are a member). Plan ahead. As much as the staff enjoys serving our customers, we like our time off too.
11. No alcoholic beverages are allowed on CCSC boats. Use of alcohol before or during utilization of CCSC boats will not be tolerated and shall result in suspension of sailing privileges.
12. Smoking on CCSC property is prohibited.
13. Misuse of boats and equipment is prohibited and may result in suspension of sailing privileges. For example – deliberately capsizing a boat. This causes unnecessary wear and tear on the hardware of the boat and sails and eventually failure of equipment. Persons damaging a boat negligently will be responsible for the repair or replacement cost.
14. Members must report ALL accidents, injuries and collisions to the office. If you are involved in any type of collision with a boat wall or other obstruction, you must report it to the office no matter how insignificant you believe it was.
15. Members are responsible for "checking-in" by reporting to the office and telling staff they are back.
16. Except in an emergency, CCSC members are not allowed to dock anywhere other than CCSC docks. You are allowed to beach at one tree island.
17. Members are responsible for their guest's behavior and safety. Unruly, boisterous and or dangerous behavior will not be tolerated. Respect all safety rules and rules of the road and others around you.
18. Pets are not allowed on CCSC boats or docks. Animal on CCSC grounds must be leashed and supervised. You must clean up after your pets and yourself. Please take all trash to the proper disposal containers.
19. Boats are available on a first come first served basis. CCSC classes and special events may limit boat availability. Boat reservations are accepted by members only. If you are more than 15 minutes late for your reservation, the boat may be reassigned to the next person waiting.
20. Before leaving the dock carefully inspect your boat for potential equipment failures and notify staff if you are unsure about anything. Things to look for are: plugs, ringydings, lines, stay/shrouds, rudder pins. This is not an all inclusive list, but the most common things that go wrong.
21. Please use common sense. It is impossible to list every rule that governs sailing and water safety in this handbook. CCSC needs to monitor and limit certain behavior to ensure the safety of all participants and local boat owners. If you are unsure about any aspect of CCSC, please ask the staff.

CCSC puts the safety of the persons and equipment first, therefore, it is inherent for the continued safety of all concerned that CCSC staff is able to respond quickly and confidently to changing weather conditions and / or dangerous situations. CCSC members must comply with the decisions and directions of CCSC staff. This may include, but is not limited to:

- Cancelling sailing classes, open sailing or other on-the-water programs.
- Restricting sailing areas
- Requiring CCSC sailors to return to the beach or accept a tow.

CCSC staff retains the right to limit, suspend and/or revoke any ratings, membership or sailing privileges in the event of CCSC rules or procedures violations. This includes checking out a boat without permission, not being at the dock by the prescribed time, sailing outside the sailing area. If you feel you have been treated unfairly, please respect the decision of the staff and comply at that time. You may set up a meeting with the executive staff or representatives from the Board of Directors to further discuss the matter at a later date.

### **Emergency Situations and Guidelines**

Along with the fun of sailing comes the possibility of emergency situations. Fast moving weather systems, equipment failures, sea conditions and injuries are among these possible situations.

**Fast moving weather systems** – CCSC uses live Doppler radar images on the internet to predict the movement of weather systems. Staff will not jeopardize the safety of the students or fleet by sailing in precarious or unstable weather, wind or wave conditions. If you see an approaching weather system, prepare by furling your jib, releasing your traveler and heading back to CCSC docks. Staff may tow boats or allow members to sail in.

**Current, wave, or weed conditions** – Each of these underwater forces can cause a loss of maneuverability and steerage. Anticipate these conditions by watching other boats to see where the trouble spots are. If you are caught in weeds, luff your sails and use a paddle to push the weeds away from the rudder or keel.

**Equipment failures** – During your check-out, thoroughly inspect the boat to ensure that all standing and running rigging is in good shape. Ask the staff if you are unsure about anything. If something breaks on the water, do your best to compensate for the broken equipment and report it to the staff as soon as possible.

**Sailing injuries** – The severity of sailing injuries can range from small cuts or scrapes to violent blows to the head or a crew overboard in cold waters. Guidelines to follow in the event of emergencies are covered next.

- Try to anticipate situations before they become emergencies. Many situations can often be prevented. Get the boat under control, prevent any additional injuries or boat damage and try to reduce further risks.

- Be pro-active. Doing nothing often results in the deterioration of the condition. Make and execute your decisions with the safety of the crew and the boat in mind.
- If you are having trouble or have equipment failures in the sailing area, try to keep the boat moving forward (you lose steerage and control if water is not moving over the rudder) and get to a safe location or dock. If you are having trouble on the open water, go into the Safety Position, reduce sail area or heave- to, to keep the boat under control.
- Get the attention of the CCSC staff. If needed, hail a nearby boat and have them radio the Sailing Center on VHF Channel 65 by marine radio or by cell phone at 727-517-7776. You may accept a tow from vessels other than CCSC staff in the event of an emergency.
- Assess the situation and try to resolve any equipment problems. You may be able to sail back to the dock depending on the condition of the boat or type of equipment failure.
- For serious injuries on the boat, hail assistance immediately from nearby boats.
- All CCSC members are required to notify CCSC staff in the event of any sailing accident, injury or equipment failure. Staff must document all accidents and injuries.

### **CCSC Special Events, Regattas, and Social Activities**

CCSC is host to numerous events, regattas and social activities year-round. The Carlisle Room and Calio Veranda are available for rent for weddings, anniversaries, meetings, party's, classes, etc. Almost every weekend the room is rented out for such events. We are also the host facility for numerous regattas put on by CCSC or other organizations. Below is annual regattas that are held at CCSC.

<b>Month</b>	<b>Regatta</b>	<b>Host Organization</b>
February	Laser Mid-Winters	Clearwater Yacht Club
February	West Coast Outrigger Championships	Kai Aniani Canoe Club
March	YOLO Paddleboard Series	Standup Fitness
March	Team FOR Invitational	Team FOR
March	Snipe Mid-Winters	Clearwater Yacht Club
April	Clark Mills	Clearwater Yacht Club/CCSC
June	Florida Laser Series	Sailfit/CCSC
August	End of Camp Regatta	CCSC
November	Carlisle Classic	CCSC

We also have fun racing usually the third Saturday of every month from Labor Day to Memorial Day. From Memorial Day to Labor Day the fun racing is held on Thursday evenings. We also hold annual fundraising events and volunteer at events to off-set the cost or fleet replacement and repairs. These events are listed below:

March	Sand Key Springfest
June	Sailabration
October	Superboat Championships/ Kai Aniani Luau
December	Holiday Party

## Volunteer Program

CCSC is a non-profit organization and in order to maintain our fees at a reasonable rate, we request our members to get involved as volunteers and give the center approximately 40 hours per year in volunteer time at the center, on one of our committees or at one of our sponsored events. CCSC has plenty of volunteer opportunities available. There are opportunities to be on one of several committees such as:

- **Sailing Committee**- provides advice to the CCSC board on sailing activities and policies. They assist in providing race committee for regattas, both formal and informal fun racing. The Sailing Committee also is a forum for the youth sailing parents to voice concerns. The committee assists in choosing candidates for sailing scholarships for both youth teams and sailing camps.
- **Fund Raising Committee** – plans and organizes activities that raise funds for the center’s various programs and services. The fund raising activities can be anything from a car wash to a Gala. Funds raised from these activities can be designated for certain programs or may go into the general operational funds.
- **Racing & Regatta Committee** – this committee has an interest in providing the officials and committee members to host regattas. The committee must be interested in achieving status as a race official. The committee will work with the sailing committee in organization of regattas and providing the officials to host regattas.
- **Grounds & Facilities Committee** – this group of volunteers has an interest in keeping the center’s grounds and facility clean, neat and tidy. These volunteers may assist with the lawn maintenance, dock cleaning, painting, and potential building of storage racks, or other structures that will help organize and maintain the yard and fleet of boats.
- **Board of Directors** – hires the CCSC Director and provides guidance on all business matters concerning the center. The board is made up of a variety of persons from different aspects of the community to ensure the center is operated with all sailing interests represented.

For our Youth, volunteer opportunities are available with our summer camp program and the various sailing camps we hold throughout the year. Youth Teams are requested to provide volunteer hours back to the center in the form of seamanship. Youth members can help with the maintenance of the facility by cleaning boat ramps, docks, organizing and picking up trash around the yard and with landscaping, mowing, weedeating, and pressure washing the decks. As well as assisting new young sailors in learning sailing skills while at camp.

In 2012 we look forward to the initiation of our LeaderSHIP program for our youth members where they may learn how to maintain and repair the boats as well as true seamanship.

## Host Your Next Event at the Clearwater Community Sailing Center

The Clearwater Community Sailing Center is the perfect venue for a corporate, social, or family event. Located on Clearwater Harbor, the center has one of the most amazing views of Clearwater Harbor, the Gulf of Mexico, the Clearwater skyline and Belleair. The Carlisle Room is a large multi-purpose room, a 1,485 sq/ft space with the 1,225 sq/ft Calio veranda making this space very attractive for business presentations to formal dinners and receptions. The room is surrounded by glass on two sides with the veranda open on three sides allowing for the most beautiful water view in Pinellas County. The room can be accessed by two external staircases and an ADA-accessible elevator or internal staircase. The room is totally carpeted with a small kitchenette. We have tables and chairs to accommodate 200 persons. Plus we offer a large FREE parking area adjacent to our facility and grounds and free Wi-Fi throughout the building.

The Sailing Center is pleased to offer catering services through our partners: Baystar Restaurant Group, Affordable Catering and Orange Blossum Catering. These caterers can provide from simple box lunches to complete themed buffets and formal multi-course sit-down dinners. All of these caterers have a wealth of experience and are capable of working within budgetary and space requirements.

### Room Rental Pricing

The Sailing Center offers special pricing for members and not-for-profit organizations. Pricing is dictated by time of week, with the prime days being Friday, Saturday, and Sunday – weekend rates. Monday through Thursday – weekday rates. We request a \$200 + tax non-refundable deposit to secure the date. The balance is due 30 days prior to the event. We encourage you to read the rental agreement thoroughly before signing the agreement. Members receive a 10% discount on the rental fees. We also have a preferred list of caterers for our facility. If you are not using one of our preferred vendors, an additional \$200.00 will be charged to your caterer.

Weekend rates \$1,400 + tax for up to six hours, additional hours may be purchased for \$225/hr.  
Weekday rates \$990 + tax for up to six hours, additional hours may be purchased for \$125/hr.



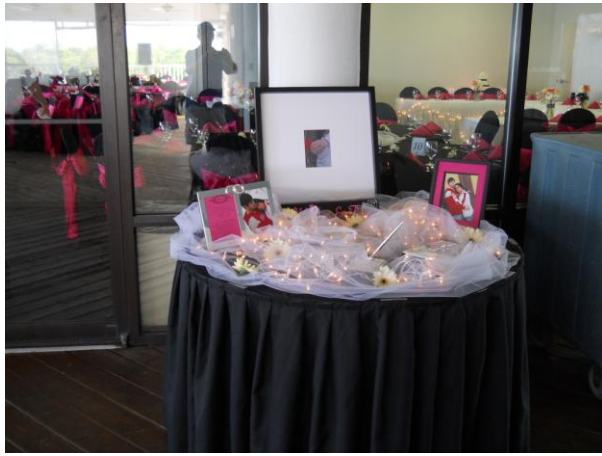
This is a photo of the space prior to set-up. You can see the beautiful daytime view from this vantage point.

**BEFORE**

The next photos demonstrate how the space can be transformed into an elegant ballroom for your wedding reception.

**AFTER**





## **Sailing Instruction**

The sailing classes are taught by US Sailing Certified Instructors and follow the US Sailing Red Book Course Curriculum.

All of the CCSC instructors are US Sailing Level 1 or above instructors. We offer a variety of classes for the beginner sailor and those who wish to take their sailing skills to the next level. One of the most popular courses is our Adult Learn to Sail course that is offered almost every weekend. We also have a variety of sailing courses that are more specific and geared toward our youth members. We do offer a Youth Learn to Sail course every weekend from Labor Day to Memorial Day. During our summer months our Youth can learn to sail at one of our summer sailing camps. As well as summer camps we offer camps during various school breaks such as the Holidays and Spring Break.

### Summer Sailing Camps include:

- Little Puffs – geared for the 5-7 year olds
- Opti/Pram
- Sunfish
- Advanced Sailing
- Windsurfing
- Standup Paddling
- Water Adventure Camp
- Jr. Lifeguards

### Basic Sailing or Learn to Sail (Adult or Youth)

6 hours. Two class sessions. An introduction to sailing a simple single-handed boat. Knowledge and confidence are built through lectures and sailing on the protected waters of Clearwater Harbor. Topics include sailing theory, boat handling, safety, right of way, knots and beaching. Skills are designed to provide students with the skills to sail on their own on any of the single-handed boats at the center. Specific Sailing Classes held throughout the week include 12 hours, 4 class sessions and begin on the first Tuesday of each month from September through May. These classes are geared for adults that want to get out on the water as a beginner or those who wish to gain a competitive spirit. The classes are held from 9:30am to 12:30pm.

- Opti/Pram – Tuesday
- Hobie Wave Catamaran – Wednesday
- Sunfish – Thursday

### Advanced Sailing

12 to 16 hours – 4-6 class sessions. Sailing theory learned in the basic sailing course is applied. You will learn in a two person boat with new topics such as launching, sail trim, tiller extension, hiking, center board control, balance and teamwork. Our advanced sailing classes include:

- 420's
- Hobie Getaway Catamaran
- Daysailor

## **Youth Sailing Teams**

We have 3 different sailing teams for the youth to join and compete on. There is an Opti, 420 and Bic Open team for our young sailors that would like to take their sailing skills to the next level and compete against other children of the same age in the local area.

**Opti Team** – The Opti Team is a beginner group of sailor broke into 4 divisions Green, Red, White and Blue. The competition level is determined by the skill level of the child.

**420 Team** – The 420 Team is a continuance of the Opti but takes the child from the younger set of 8-14 year olds to the teenage youth that want more of a challenge and learn to work as a team with another youth crewing a 420 in pairs.

**Bic Open Team** – is our newest initiative and team. The Bic Open is a new style boat that takes away bailing and is a cross between sailing and windsurfing. The Bic Open allows the child to challenge their sailing skills with tricks, capsizing re-righting and puts a whole new spin on sailing regattas. The Bic Open will be introduced at the Carlisle Classic this year as a new class.

The center is always looking for new and creative water activities that are environmentally sound and safe for both humans and our aquatic counterpart. When you have an idea bring it to the staff with the volunteers to assist in putting the program together. We look forward to hearing from you.