



Cooper River Yacht Club



***South Park Drive, between Route 130 and Cuthbert Boulevard
Collingswood, New Jersey***

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**COOPER RIVER
YACHT CLUB
HOSTS ANNUAL
CHOWDER BOWL
REGATTA
SUNDAY MORNING
NOVEMBER 1
11:00AM**



Collingswood, New Jersey – October, 2009 – The **Cooper River Yacht Club** is hosting the annual “**Chowder Bowl**” on **Sunday Morning, November 1**. The race should begin around 11:00am, and will finish around noon. Unlike a typical regatta, where there are several races and the winner is determined by scoring,

the **Chowder Bowl** race is a single race and the sailor who comes in first in each fleet gets to take home an actual chowder bowl to keep for the year. Each fleet obtains its own chowder bowl and the annual winners' names are inscribed. After the race the club has red and white clam chowder for lunch.

The public is invited to stop by to see the race, which is the last official race of the season. **Admission and parking are free**, and club officers will be on hand to answer questions on sailing, sailing lessons, and other upcoming club activities.

The club also schedules annual regattas on **Memorial Day**, the **4th of July**, and **Labor Day**.

Conveniently located on **South Park Drive**, in **Collingswood** along the **Cooper River Park**, the **Cooper River Yacht Club (CRYC)** provides a comfortable, safe, and friendly place to learn how to cruise and race, at a home away from home for like-minded boat lovers, where there is always ample free parking.

Throughout every season, the club offers lessons tailored to specific age and skill ranges, but this year in these tough economic times, the club offers some extra special values. For people living in the greater Philadelphia area, the club is much closer than the New Jersey Shore. And sailboats are the original, pure “green” mode of transportation. They have no environmental impact because they don’t consume fuels of **any** kind - ***the wind is free!***

The club's sailing instruction programs are open to anyone interested in learning more about sailing. You don't need your own boat or any experience - all you need is a desire to learn how to sail to get started. All courses are taught by certified **US Sailing Instructors**, who are trained in **CPR** and **First Aid**.

Community Sailing Stretches the Family Budget

For a moderate extra fee, the club's **Community Sailing** program is a great way to stretch the family budget. The program entitles members to use any of the club's fleet. Some of the many types of sailboats available are **Precision, Laser Radial, and Sunfish.** **Community Sailing** is an excellent way to personally experience each of the different types of sailboats without the purchase, maintenance, and storage costs of owning a sailboat. The program also helps members who may be considering the purchase of their own sailboat to make informed decisions based on hands-on experiences.

For over sixty years, the CRYC has been a vital part of the Camden County Parks system, providing a full season of activities for sailing enthusiasts. The club hosts races on Sundays at 1:00pm, from April through November, as well as a summer series of Thursday evening handicap races.

CRYC is part of an association of fourteen sailing clubs located from the New

Jersey Shore throughout the Delaware Valley: the **Mid-Atlantic Yacht Racing Association (MAYRA)**. MAYRA schedules regattas at the various member clubs throughout the summer, including CRYC. For many sailing club members, MAYRA competitions are the highlight of their summer sailing experiences.

The exciting world of sailing is as close as the easy to reach **Cooper River Yacht Club**.

For more information on the **Cooper River Yacht Club**, and all of their sailing instructions, community sailing program and summer sailing season activities, visit the club's website at www.CooperRiverYC.org or arrange to visit the club in person by calling the steward at **856-869-9145**.

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