



FEB 2026

## NEW SEASON

We have already 295 registered members in the club, 28 of them being new members this season.

## FLEET STATUS

3 of our boats are now in the water and are available for sailing during the winter season: the *Mamma Mia* Surprise, the J80 *Jedi*, and the Yngling *Y Me*. Final preparations are underway on the J70 *Joda* and she should be ready to sail in early March.

## FLEET LAUNCHING

The launching of the fleet will take place on Saturday morning March 28 starting at 9 am. Your contribution is, as usual, needed to the boats' preparation but also to make this event unforgettable and even more friendly than past ones :-). Details will follow by email from the coordinator, Gijs.

## THEORY COURSES

**Theory courses:** theory courses are about to start.

- 18 March: Welcome to YCC
  - 23 March (TBC): tidal navigation
  - 25 March: Introduction to Sailing -part 1
  - 1 April: Introduction to Sailing -part 2
  - 22 April: Introduction à la voile
  - 29 April: Sailing rules on Swiss lakes
- 2 June: course on weather forecast by Lionel Fontannaz, the Meteo Suisse meteorologist.
- TBC: Yngling mid season theory course
  - BC: Sailing in tidal waters

All details on the [Courses web page](#)

## WINTER CONFERENCES

A series of 4 conferences have been organized by Paola Catapano and gathered several YCC participants. Slides of past events are available at [this URL](#) and more conferences may come in the future.

## COURSE LOTTERY

Lottery registration opened on Feb 18th and will close on Mar 17th at midday.

As in past years, we will offer a large range of courses from Dinghy to keelboats of different sizes. This year we will have 94 places available. For the first time, we will have this year Yngling short courses, over 4 weeks on Fridays.

Keelboats courses usually run from late April to late June while dinghy and catamaran courses run from mid-late May to late June.

Courses are not refundable once they have started, unless you are prevented to attend for medical reasons.

If you can't attend a course after you won in the lottery and paid, we'll always try to find a solution by offering your place to the first person on the waiting list.

Number of places per boat and details about price and cancellation conditions are described [here](#).

NB: If you do not win the lottery, remember that YCC members benefit from a discount on the CNV courses, on the Geneva Sailing School and this year also on the ZigZag sailing school for their symmetrical spinnaker and regatta courses. Please indicate your YCC membership when contacting those schools.

We are always looking for teachers, especially for the dinghies, but not only. Interested? Send a mail to [Michel](#).

## LEVEL ZERO

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Level Zero courses are offered to all new members for free. They provide a first sailing experience, dinghy rigging, familiarization with knots and equipment. It is a perfect way to start, meet club members and start sailing. More news will follow very soon from the organizer, Anastazjia, at [this URL](#).

## NEW KEELBOAT

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The committee has recently approved the acquisition of an additional keelboat that was donated to the club, with its mooring place.

The boat named 'Bise IV' is in very good overall conditions, fully maintained by Marine Creation though the past years. The boat has a length of 9.13 m, a beam of 3.10 m and a draft of 1.70 m. It weights 3,460 kg and has a 9hp outboard engine.

Bise IV has lovely woodwork inside and will be available to GS/D3 keyholders after a familiarization outing. It can be used for short cruises and family outings on the lake. It has a capacity of 9 persons, 6 berths in total, including a double cabin, a spacious saloon, a camping toilet, a kitchenette.



Picture from the same boat model

## HELPERS EVENING

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Note the date: The helpers evening will take place on 10 March evening to thank the helpers of the club who have been essential to the club operation last season. All helpers who have done more than the mandatory helper shifts will be invited.

## MICMAC & GIPSY

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A working group, composed of 20 YCC members, was launched at the General Assembly Meeting 2025 and led by Gijs to discuss and decide about the future of MicMac and Gipsy.

The initial focus was the evaluation of options for MicMac. The working group agreed to proceed with investing 10 kCHF for renewal work and, together with the oversight from François and Tim, will also organize shifts for the rest of the works.



Gibsea is still under discussion and a summary of the discussion will follow. For the moment, only minimal repairs have been approved" as this is, although a probable solution, not yet fully cleared out.

## REGATTAS

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The [external regatta calendar is published](#) and registrations are now open on the external regatta webpage. [Sign up](#) early to form teams and plan your training.

Regional Regattas – Experienced Sailors	
16 – 17 May 2026	La Double de Mai, SNG Cologny
23 – 24 May 2026	Criterium des Séries, SNG Cologny
30 – 31 May 2026	Genève-Rolle-Genève, YCG Cologny
6 – 7 June 2026	Boi d'Or du Léman, SNG Cologny
27 June 2026	La Soli-Double, SNG Cologny
22 – 26 June 2026	Semaine du Soir de Versoix, YCC & CNV Port-Choiseul
4 July 2026	Les 6 heures de Nernier, C2NY Nernier
TBD	Cordée Lémanique en Double. CNM Moraes

External regatta coordination this season will be taken care of by Nathalie, Helen and Florine. If you have any questions, you can reach them at [YCC-External-Regatta-Coordiators@cern.ch](mailto:YCC-External-Regatta-Coordiators@cern.ch).

## SEPTEMBER CRUISE

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Early announcement: the club traditional yearly cruise will take place from 5 to 12 of September 2026 in Kos, Greece. The Club has already secured ten yachts for this event. Registrations will open at the beginning of March via an announcement sent by mail to all members. Those who wish to register must respond within the given deadline (typically within a week from the announcement).

Newsletter by Marine.