

YCC NEWSLETTER



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SWISS SAILING LEAGUE EVENT



Several devoted members organized the Swiss Sailing Promotion League event on 27-28 May in Port Choiseul under the professional supervision of Andrin and Nathalie. The regatta gathered 14 teams coming from all over Switzerland, competing on 7 equally rigged J70 provided by SSL.

The club was the official organizer of this event for the first time.

The race took place on 2 full days, 8 motor boats were used in various support roles and a dinner with live music was organized on Saturday night for all participants and YCC members.

In addition, before the start of the race, the sailing teams had the opportunity to visit CERN on Friday 26th thanks to Michal and Ole as organizers and guides.

We are very proud of our YCC racing team, Elia, Kate, Nathalie and Andres, who ranked first among the 14 teams, setting the bar very high for their competitors.



The club received an official letter from the SSL thanking and recognizing the high professionalism of our organization logistics.



At the end of the race, the CNV boat 'Le Pierrot' had to be toed by our MotherDuck II and the CNV rib into the harbour after an engine failure. The engine could be recovered thanks to Emmet, one of our club experts !



WEARING A LIFE JACKET

The decision to wear a lifejacket can be taken individually by every crew member, at any time, even if the skipper has not (yet) instructed to do so. Yet, the final decision to, and responsibility for, wearing lifejackets on board is with the skipper. It is important to realize that a man overboard (MOB) rescue can be challenging, especially on keelboats without an engine, as our ynglings, or with larger keelboats because of the significant inertia and large sail surface.

A swimmer in the water without a lifejacket has a poor visibility and will have to wait until the boat picks him/her up. In cold water, a person can swim for 2 minutes after which he/she starts to get into problems. When one falls into the water due to a knock on the head by the boom, one can even lose conscienceless, and then without a lifejacket the survival chances are indeed very low.

The club therefore strongly recommends that the whole crew always wears a lifejacket in the case of winds of 3bf and upwards or water temperatures below 15 degrees. In fact, the best approach is that one should look for an excuse not to wear a lifejacket, rather than the opposite !

SUI LICENCE FOR REGATTAS

Members who registered after mid of January usually do not get a Swiss Sailing (SUI) licence. To participate to external regattas (Bol d'or, Genève - Rolle-Genève, Criterium Surprise,..), a SUI licence is required. There are 2 options.

1/ If you intend to participate to one regatta, please order yourself a temporary SUI licence (10 CHF) when registering to the regatta and ask for the reimbursement using the web form ([YCC home page > Documentation](#)).

2/ if you participate to several regattas until end of 2023, you need the annual SUI license. In case you do not have this license already, please contact [Marine](#), at least 2 weeks before the regatta to ensure the license is ordered and received at your home address on time. Please check beforehand that your home address is correct in the YCC database.

You do NOT need a SUI license to participate to the Semaine du Soir in Versoix (19-23 June) nor to internal YCC regattas.

SEMAINE DU SOIR

[This is next week already \(19-23 June\) !](#)

Semaine du Soir is a week of afterwork races, and fun social evenings at the harbour, organised by both Club Nautique de Versoix and YCC.

Some helpers are still needed ([link](#)) and we thank a lot all the people who already subscribed !

Even if you are not registered as a helper, nor for a race, you are welcome to come to enjoy the event. It is a great opportunity for beginner to see what a regatta is, and to meet new club members.

We hope to see you in Port Choiseul next week !

INTERNAL REGATTA

Next Sunday (18 June), the club is organizing the CERN Cup, the first internal regatta of the season!

This is a unique opportunity to meet other club members in a friendly and relaxed atmosphere ! Regattas are followed by a prize ceremony around a drink. [Link to register](#).

There will be other internal regattas throughout the season, do not miss them ! [Calendar](#).

BOL D' OR

The club was well represented by two of our boats, the J70 and the J80, respectively skippered by Richard and Pierre-Yves) last week-end (10-11 June) at the famous Bol d'Or regatta. An amazing experience undoubtedly, despite the lack of wind ! Follow J80@Bol D'or live on [youtube](#).



YNGLING CORNER

It is great to have our new mooring places, especially for the 3 Ynglings that are now with the other boats. However, our new channel is narrower, and several incidents recently happened, involving higher winds and not enough control with manoeuvring the boats in the channel and the port.

Precautions

Before any outing, please assess the weather and wind conditions carefully. If Bft 3-4 winds are predicted, make sure you have *experienced* crew who can paddle well and who are well-coordinated when immediate action is needed! When using our boats, please take good care of them, so that they remain a pleasure to use for everyone in the club.

Unforeseen Incidents

Please also be reminded, that if, at any time, you have any unforeseen circumstances or incidences with other boats and/or your crew (these can include getting into mooring buoys, and hitting or

'tapping' another boat, whether ours or a private boat), please note this on your boat log because all can learn from it. We all make mistakes, and honesty and taking responsibility for our actions, portrays a professional and serious image of our club.

With incidents involving private boats, make sure you take a picture of any possible damage, including small scratches, fill the [accident report](#) and send it to ycc-insurance@cern.ch, by following the procedure described on [our web site](#). We have insurance for such incidents, if needed, and we at least like to notify the boat owner that this has happened. Courtesy towards others is something that we all value.

NEW BOMBARD

The brand new Bombard, Mother Duck II was imported to Switzerland and made her maiden trip to Port Choiseul on 19 May. It was made ready just in time for the Swiss Sailing Promotion event of 26 May, serving for the crew changes during the race.

There are a few maintenance tasks before the *contrôle technique* requiring help from members. Subscribe to [Helpers webpage](#).



UPDATED RULES

Article 3.33 of [Club Rules](#) has been modified to clarify that no member of the Club can be skipper of a boat requiring a sailing or a motorboat license without having the corresponding key.

THE CLUB SHOP

IF you want a t-shirt or item with the YCC logo, do not hesitate to consult : <https://www.boutique-en-ligne.ch/yachting-club-cern-ycc/>.



BOAT FOR SALE

For sale : sailing boat EDEL 2, ideal for lake sailing, built in 1968, 5.6 meters long and 2.1 meters wide, with trailer, rigs and full equipment, autopilot and Honda BF2.3 gasoline engine. Visible in the Pays de Gex (FR).

Price : 4'500 euros.

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GO SPORT DISCOUNT

From 5 June to 25 July, sale operation at [Go Sport in Val Thoiry](#):

