

Membership Options at EYC

There are four main categories for membership at EYC. They are listed with the rights and opportunities that you get depending on which suits you best. Don't worry if you join part-way in the year, you pay a pro-rata based on the number of months left of the year. Please contact the Hon Secretary for details:

secretary@erithyachtclub.org.uk

Full Membership

- Cruiser/dinghy on station
- Yacht tender on station
- Vote at AGM & SGMs
- Right to sit on General Committee
- Free use of facilities
- Unlimited use of slipways
- Participation in club sailing and social events
- Use of swinging mooring
- Discounted training courses run by members

Family Membership

- Partner of a Full Member OR
- Parent of Youth Member
- Cannot have boat on station
- Cannot vote at AGM & SGMs
- Sit on sub-committees
- Participation in club sailing and social events
- Discounted training courses run by members
- Crew for members
- Support youth activities
- Right to upgrade to Full Membership

Associate Membership

- Have links with EYC
- Cannot have a boat on station
- Cannot vote at AGM & SGMs
- Sit on sub-committees
- Participation in club sailing and social events
- Discounted training courses run by members
- Ability to crew on cruisers and dinghies
- Right to upgrade to Full Membership

Youth Membership

- Free membership to 25
- Dinghy on station (fee)
- Participate in Youth Committee
- Use of facilities during club activities
- Participation in club sailing and social events
- Discounted training courses run by members
- 18s+ upgrade to Full Member



ERITH YACHT CLUB



Welcome to Erith Yacht Club

Thank you for expressing an interest in the club and sailing here. We recognise that there are many calls on our time in today's world, but we feel that sailing, and at Erith in particular, can give you many benefits.

We are a friendly club that helps each other on and off the water. Having relatively new facilities (2010) means we are lucky with the quality of what we can offer. We hope that you will join in, make new friends and become part of the sailing family at EYC.

Why sailing?

There are many excellent reasons and a few are listed below.

- **Social:** It is a sociable sport on and off the water
- **Fitness:** A fun way to improve your fitness and keep fit
- **Escape:** An opportunity to escape from day-to-day concerns
- **For everyone:** Sailing is for all ages & abilities, for families & friends
- **Lots of options:** You have a range of sailing options from the buzz of racing to stress-free social sailing in small boats or larger cruisers
- **Financial options:** Sailing suits a wide range of finances depending on your boat
- **Explore:** You can explore the river Thames or further afield at leisure

What EYC can offer you.

The club offers facilities for both owners of cruisers and dinghies. We have some dinghies that members can hire for a small fee to get them on the water while they decide on what boat to purchase.

Fantastic Facilities

- Clubhouse and work sheds
- Half-tide pontoon
- All-tide slipway to launch/recover dinghies and cruiser tenders
- Space on land for storing cruisers, dinghies, and cruiser tenders
- Swinging moorings for cruisers

Organised sailing events – both leisure and racing

We have a mixture of informal sailing and racing for cruisers and dinghies. Check out the Club Facebook/Website. E-mail: sailingsec@erithyachtclub.org.uk

Informal sailing

This includes the following:

- Buddy Sailing – no safety boat cover but people can buddy-up and sail together.
- Sundowners (cruiser & dinghy) – Friday evenings between April and September.
- Greenhithe trip (cruiser & dinghy) – a day sail to the pub and a race back to EYC.
- Limehouse cruise (cruiser) – a weekend sail to London
- Medway cruise (cruiser) – a bank holiday weekend flotilla sail to the Medway

Cruiser Racing

The club offers a mixture of cruiser races over the sailing season. These include:

- Foot Mitchell – Sunday series from May-June
- Diamond – Saturday series from July-August
- EYC Open Regatta weekend (both) – weekend in September
- Commodore's Cup – raced from/to Medway over a b/h weekend
- Bill Smart (Ovens) – Usually in October

Bar and Socials

The bar is open every Wednesday (12-2pm) and Sunday (12-4pm). It is also open on Fridays with the Sundowners and on social occasions such as the various UK Saints days, Christmas, Prize Giving, Open Regatta weekends.



Dinghy Racing

- Brass Monkey – January to March
- Brunton Cup – Easter Sunday
- Piper Cup – Sunday in May
- Kelpie Cup – Sunday in June
- Bryan Waite – Sunday in July
- Graham Taylor (single/hander) – Sunday in September/October

Training for Club members

We run a few set courses during the year for members and non-members. All courses are run using RYA-trained Club volunteers who give up their time. We aim to give you the skills to develop as a competent and confident sailor.

E-mail: training@erithyachtclub.org.uk

RYA Sailing Level 1: Usually in April or May (tides/Easter depending)

RYA Powerboat Level 2: Usually in February/March

RYA Safety Boat course: to be decided based on demand

RYA Sailing Seamanship, Level 1 or Level 2: June or July

The two-day Level 1 course introduces you to sailing and by the end you should be able to steer a boat without any help. Level 2 builds on this and teaches you new skills so that ultimately you can sail without an instructor in the boat. After that you can continue to improve your seamanship skills as you gain experience.

Communication methods

E-mail via the Hon Secretary (secretary@erithyachtclub.org.uk)

Facebook – look for Erith Yacht Club

Website – www.erithyachtclub.org.uk

Newsletter – via MailChimp to your email account





ERITH YACHT CLUB



Membership Booklet & Signature Form

Introduction:

This booklet is an introduction to the Club, what it can offer and the opportunities you can get from being a member. You can keep in the inside pages for reference.

This front page is also part of the membership process.

Signatures for Membership

As part of the membership process please ensure that you have completed the **membership form** and submitted it to the Hon. Secretary for display on the General Committee noticeboard for 28 days before the next GC meeting.

Please gather 3 signatures from Club activities during the 28 days before the GC meeting and scan it to the Hon. Sec: (secretary@erithyachtclub.org.uk).

These events include:

- a. Members' Adult Sail Training (MAST) – Sunday afternoon
- b. Sailing events (cruiser/dinghy) – on going
- c. Sundowners – Friday evenings
- d. Training courses – usually run between end April and end June.
- e. Work Sundays – over winter months
- f. Volunteering to support club members – on going
- g. Social events, including in the bar – bar open Sundays 12-4 and Wednesdays, 12-2

YOUR NAME:

Date	Event/Activity	Member's Name/Signature
1)		
2)		
3)		