# **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:

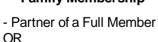
secretary@erithyachtclub.org.uk

#### Full Membership

## Family 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



- 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 membersSupport youth activitiesRight to upgrade to Full

Have links with EYC
Cannot have a boat on station

Associate Membership

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



# 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



# Youth Membership

- Free membership to 25
  Dinghy on station (fee)
  Participate in Youth
- Committee

Membership

- Use of facilities during club activities
- Participation in club sailing and social events
- Discounted training courses run by members
- 18s+ upgrade to Full Member







# 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: <u>sailingsec@erithyachtclub.org.uk</u>

#### 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: Foote 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**

<u>E-mail</u> via the Hon Secretary (<u>secretary@erithyachtclub.org.uk</u>) <u>Facebook</u> – look for Erith Yacht Club <u>Website</u> – <u>www.erithyachtclub.org.uk</u> <u>Newsletter</u> – via MailChimp to your email account







#### 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: (<u>secretary@erithyachtclub.org.uk</u>). 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)		