



Mooloolaba Yacht Club - Youth Program 2017

Applications are invited for the 2017 MYC Youth Sailing Squad (MYSS) program.

A program Open Day will be held on **Saturday April 1** at The Wharf Mooloolaba. Sailors and families are invited to come down for a sail, program sign-on and presentation / discussion of the 2017 program.

The 2017 MYSS Program has been structured to provide a pathway for a broad range of youth sailors to build and extend their keelboat experience, catering from entry level through to fleet racing and advanced level match racing.

Participants will have the opportunity to represent the MYC Youth Squad in events at local, state and national level.

Each participant will receive coaching specific to their level of experience and individual goals.

Coaching - we are pleased to confirm that Jordan Spencer has returned to the Coast and will be coaching the MYSS throughout the year and at regattas. He was our coach in 2014/5 before moving to NSW for work for a year. Jordan is a hugely experienced sailor who has campaigned at the national and world championship level, and he is a highly qualified dinghy and keelboat instructor.

Click here for the [Application Form](#).

The MYSS Program will run from April to September and will deliver a structured program to establish core keelboat skills and then develop knowledge and practical experience in;

- Boat handling and sail trim including spinnakers
- Crew roles and teamwork
- Fleet racing knowledge and understanding of the Racing Rules of Sailing
- Developing tactics and strategies and putting them into practice
- Introduce, develop and refine Match Racing skills
- Making new friends, developing communication and leadership skills and having fun!

Squad Training Program

Saturdays - 12 to 4pm - Apr 1st (Open Day), Apr 22nd, May 6th, May 20th, June 3rd, June 24th, Jul 8th, Jul 22nd, Aug 5th, Aug 19th, Sept 2nd, Sept 8th

Sat, Sept 30th - 10 to 4pm - End of Season Regatta (Laurie Jarman Shield) and BBQ Presentation.

(All dates are also listed on the MYC website – www.mooloolabayachtclub.com.au/youth)

School Holiday Camps

Easter – April, Tue 11th & Wed 12th - 10am to 4pm

Winter – June, Wed 21st & Thu 22nd - 10am to 4pm

Regatta Schedule

Teams will be selected from the squad for each of the following local/regional regattas based on number of entries allowed and giving opportunity for as many squad members as possible to compete across the season;

April 29th & 30th - SEQ Interclub Match Racing Series – RQYS, Brisbane

May 13th & 14th - SEQ Interclub Match Racing Series – MYC, Mooloolaba

May 27th & 28th - SEQ Interclub Match Racing Series – SYC, Southport

June 17th & 18th - QLD State Match Racing Championship – SYC, Southport

September 15th to 17th - Sail Mooloolaba Match racing – MYC, Mooloolaba

In addition, teams may be selected to compete in Interstate regattas. Sailors selected for these events would need to contribute to the cost of attending these events, potential events include;

July 4th to 7th - Darwin International Match Racing Regatta, Darwin

August 5th & 6th - NSW State Youth Match Racing Championship, CYCA, Sydney

Eligibility

Sailors should be between the ages of 13 and 22 years and have prior demonstrable sailing experience in dinghy or small yacht programs.

All applications will be assessed on merit for the available positions.

The squad is limited to 20 students

Costs

Squad Training Program - \$455.00

This includes all use of the Elliott 6 boats and coaching for the 12 Saturday program clinics, end of season regatta and BBQ Presentation, MYSS shirt, MYC membership (Youth) and entry for selected crews into the local / regional regattas.

Payment is due by Friday April 14th

School Holiday Camps - \$100.00 per camp

Includes use of boats and coaching for 2 days per camp.

Payment is due 1 week prior to camp ie. Easter by Tuesday April 4th, Winter by Wed June 14th.

Local / Regional Regattas - regatta entry fees and coaching are included in the Youth Squad Program fees. Sailors will be responsible for any additional transport / accommodation costs. Additional training may also be arranged for crews prior to regattas.

Interstate Regattas – entry to additional Interstate regattas will be considered based on progress of teams in the Interclub series and sailor interest. Expressions of interest and costs will be communicated early May.

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