



Small Yacht Sailing Club of Oregon

SYSCO

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Founded in 1978, the mission of the Small Yacht Sailing Club of Oregon (SYSCO) is to provide Columbia River sailors the opportunity for racing, cruising, and recreating at modest cost. SYSCO currently has over 120 members and is Oregon's largest sailboat racing and cruising club. Its membership is comprised of a number of level, one-design, and handicapped fleets, of many different types of boats. The "small" in "Small Yacht Sailing Club" represents the minimal cost to join and enjoy club benefits; self-righting monohulls or trimarans of any size are welcome. Membership dues are only \$100 per year and fund a full year of racing, cruises, educational events, and monthly newsletters. SYSCO has no initiation fees, and members pay no entry fees for Club-sponsored races. SYSCO-sponsored races consist of level, one-design, cruising class, and handicapped competition in three weeknight series in the spring and summer (five or six weeks long), plus several weekend regattas. While the Club takes buoy racing seriously, SYSCO is also known for fun and innovative races including the fiasco-style Dual Bridge Duel, the infamous race/cruise rally to St. Helens as well as the Daylight Savings Dash/Man Overboard Challenge. This year we are introducing the SYSCO Short-Handed Soaker races in July.

SYSCO is not just about racing; the Club is equally focused on engaging the sailing community. SYSCO is again proud to sponsor a special fund-raiser for the Prostate Cancer Foundation in conjunction with the Dual Bridge Duel. The Club's cruising events include a week-long trip to the Columbia River delta in late July and casual weekend excursions throughout the summer and fall. Social and educational events include Fleet Night in January and the Race Clinic in March. For more information please visit www.syscosailing.org, or drop us a line at membership@syscosailing.org.

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SYSCO Fleets and Racing Options

SYSCO offers a variety of racing options. If you would prefer not to fly a spinnaker, the Cruising Fleet races on Thursdays and registrants are divided into several classes (e.g., Cruising A, Cruising B, etc.) based on relevant factors such as ratings for the type of boat, the observed performance of local boats, and the number of registrants. Three or more boats of the same model can race as a One-Design Fleet. SYSCO currently has nine one-design fleets. Skippers can request to race boat-to-boat in formed level fleets based on the factors described above. This option is especially useful for racers that want to fly a spinnaker and do not have a PHRF-NW Rating Certificate. Finally, racers that do have a certificate can request to race using PHRF handicap correction.

The boats listed in each Level Fleet below are examples and not exclusive of other types of boats. One-design fleets are shown in parentheses. In addition, where the Notice of Race and its bylaws permit, SYSCO will form handicapped classes. The Level Fleet assignment, Cruising Fleet, and One-Design Fleets are also used to organize Fleet activities and organize race committee duties.

Level Fleet A: Sport/Sprit Boat Class: PHRF 135 and faster:

J/105 (A1), Flying Tiger 10, Melges 24, Mumm/Farr 36 and 30, J/109

Level Fleet B: Displacement Boat Class: PHRF 135 and faster:

New York 36, Thomas 35, Beneteau 36, Olson 29 and 30, Olson 34, J 29

Level Fleet C: PHRF 136-160:

Cascade 36, C&C 34, J-30, Santa Cruz 27, S2-34

Level Fleet D: PHRF 161-185:

Martin 24 (D1), Merit 25 (D2), J-24 (D3), Moore 24 (D4), Cal 9.2, Kalik 30, Pearson 34, C&C 30, Beneteau 29

Level Fleet E: PHRF 186-214:

Erickson 32, Catalina 30, Hunter 30, Tartan 30, Cal 29, SJ-28, Morgan 27, T-Bird, Capri 25, C&C 27, Islander 28, Santana 23

Level Fleet F: PHRF 215-239:

Newport 28, Cal 2-24, Cal 28 and 27, MacGregor 26, Ranger 23 and 24, Catalina 25, 27 and 28, Pearson 26, C&C 25

Level Fleet G: PHRF 240-277:

San Juan 26, MacGregor 25, Hunter 25, Cal 22 and 23, Santana 20

Level Fleet H: PHRF 278 and slower:

Cal 20 (H1), Catalina 22 (H2), Ranger 20 (H3), Venture 21 (H4),

Level Fleet I: Multi-hulls:

F-24, F-27, Corsair (x)