**Western New York Catamaran Association**

Sailing Packet Information

**Our Mission:** Our club is dedicated to the pursuit of sailing for its own sake; to provide a safe, family environment for all to enjoy multihull beach craft; and to develop safe sailing skills in all of our members. Our club strives for continuous improvement in the sport and we recognize our obligations to our community. Though we participate in racing, we do so as a fun activity; we do it for the love of the outdoors, our members, and being in harmony with the sea.

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**Facebook:** WNY Catamaran Association - [https://www.facebook.com/WnyCat/](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__www.facebook.com_WnyCat_&d=CwMCaQ&c=bXJVUmjr6lzK5_XPbsZK7A&r=GpWV6MoeNKTtxs3UAoRC2n3w4rl2xlVnl4hDwsY73t0&m=xHqBcEwlJFx0Rxlja9wQxL3GwvPreApqM_J1KzUnjWI&s=IpF19yhk65QJn1zdtA4NMI8P86erQUKHn9w9Iqi9B8I&e=)

* You can post pictures and information under the visitors tab.

**New Sailors** Please use our experience and network of used boats to help you select a boat. We will give you assistance in learning to sail if needed. We will meet with you personally to go over all aspects of our club such as driving the tractor and accessing our storage container.

**Beach opening/closing dates**  We usually begin the third week of May and are out by mid-October. You will receive notification from the commodore of the exact dates.

**Evangola State Park** The Park is open dawn to dusk. There is no night sailing allowed. You are responsible for paying your way into the Park. This fee is not included in your dues.

**Lake Erie** Seek out reliable sources of weather information before each sail. Lake Erie can quickly turn dangerous, so all precautions need to be taken. All PFD’s should be equipped with a whistle.

**Vehicles** The Park allows us to drive into our area when working on our boats. We are not allowed to drive in for any other reason.

You can leave the trailers on the beach, but you have to remember to park them **PERPENDICULAR** to the water’s edge with room for the tractor to go around them. Make sure you park them close to each other so we can easily put 15 trailers on the beach at one time. Park them away from our “beach huddling” area where we normally put our beach chairs and blankets together.

***We can only transport boats onto the beach by means of our tractor, which is to be “Driven BY BOAT OWNERS ONLY (no friends, no children) THAT POSSESS A VALID NY STATE DRIVERS LICENCE”. All new members must be given training to use the tractor safely and properly.***

***NO Passengers or children on the tractor or boats when in transport.***

Watch for **weddings** at the Gazebo. ***No tractor use is allowed during a wedding service. Quiet, please!***

**Family Second Boat for Children:**

In order to bring in families and keep the fleet open for years to come, we must be a kid-friendly organization.

* Secondary family boat will be $125 for children 16 and under
* Parents must be present
* Parents must drive the tractor
* Parents must be on the beach or water when sailing

***All boat owners agree to hold harmless the State of New York from any and all injuries sustained as a result of any of the boat owners’ actions. Your application and your membership check are only accepted under the conditions that you agree to do so. If you see someone doing something reckless either on the water or on the tractor, bring it to his or her attention or take action and intervene; sometimes people don’t know or they just need a reminder.***

Mail check and application to: Jon Scott, Treasurer, 6335 Old Lakeshore Rd., Lakeview, NY 14085-9524

Do not mail before May 20th. To be received by June 30th for early filing discount.

***WESTERN NEW YORK CATAMARAN ASSOCIATION***

***Application for Membership and/or Beach Rights:***

(Please Note: This does not include the Empire Passport that you’ll need to get into the park)

**FEES** (includes state taxes):

**Evangola Beach Boat Permit (*includes Social Membership for crew or immediate family*)**: **$ 500**

**Less Discount/Dividend:**

1. Two or more years Beach Membership discount: *Subtract* $25 **-** $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. Early filing discount for payment prior to June 30th: *Subtract* $25 **-** $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. Second family boat for kids 16 and under: *Add* $125 + $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**FINAL AMOUNT DUE: $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Social Membership** (includes state taxes) - **Circle One**:

1. **Family Membership** fees without Beach rights: **$ 90**
2. **Single Membership** fees without Beach rights: **$ 55**

**Make checks payable to: WNY Catamaran Assoc., Inc.**

Year, Type, and Length of Boat: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Hull/Sail Colors and Numbers (be specific): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please List Spouse/and or Crew’s Names:

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| Name(s): |  |
| Address: |  |
| City, State, Zip: |  |

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| Home Phone: |  | Car #1  Model/lic. |  |
| Car/Cell Phone: |  | Car #2  Model/lic. |  |
| Email: |  | Car #3  Model/lic. |  |

**Beach requirements**: Tie down straps for the trailer; trailer tongue wheel; and name and phone number painted clearly on the trailer tongue. Each boat is required to carry property and liability insurance. If your boat damages another boat either because of high winds or poor driving, you and your insurance carrier will be held responsible for the damage to the other boat and trailer.

***Signature required: Upon completion of this application I am stating that I do have the necessary insurance coverage for my boat and myself. I also agree to follow all New York State Park Rules; keep the tractor and the container shed locked; be responsible for any personal damage to either myself, my crew and passengers, or boat; and to follow safe seamanship and navigation rules as outlined by the U.S. Coast Guard.***

**Date: Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**