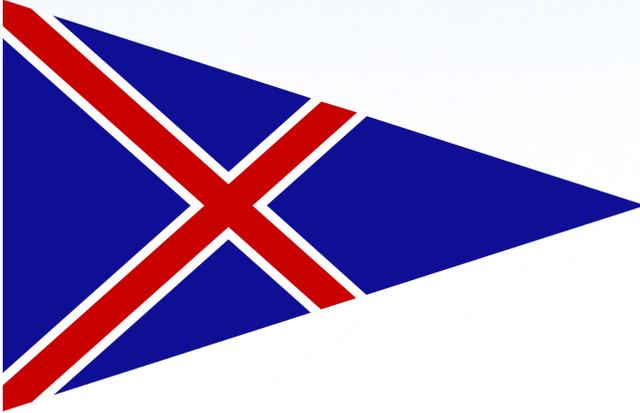


ASSOCIATION TO THE

Cotuit Mosquito Yacht Club



Annual Report 2024

ACMYC COUNCIL

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Mission Statement

The Association which consists of individuals interested in the safety and welfare of the Cotuit Mosquito Yacht Club shall maintain a close liaison with the Cotuit Mosquito Yacht Club. The Association shall render such services or furnish such facilities as may be specifically approved by the voting members of the Yacht Club and in no event shall the Association interfere with the normal yachting affairs of the Club.



Letter from the President

The CMYC came into formal existence in 1906. It was not until 1950, at the request of the CMYC, that a group of interested parents organized the ACMYC to more effectively



run the rescue operations for the yacht club races. In 1960, sailing instructional lessons started, which helped foster interest in sailing from a younger age and allow those without ownership of a boat to participate in the various activities of the yacht club. It is clear, the founders were well aware that children behind the tiller of any class of boat is a sure way to ensure the sustainability of the yacht club and the beloved Cotuit Skiff.

The ACMYC maintains a light touch to provide the necessary structure for current day responsibilities for the CMYC, such as taxes, insurance, motorboats and their operators. While these responsibilities are notable cost drivers the ACMYC's primary undertaking is hiring

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT (continued)

for, organizing, and operating the sailing instructional program which is mostly a cost neutral activity.

It will come as no surprise that in order to pay our bills the ACMYC is reliant on the generosity of its community through your donations. As an acknowledgement of this continued support the ACMYC Council wanted to convey our excitement for the coming summer and use this annual report to share how each of your donations are making a difference. We look forward to another summer in Cotuit. If any financial questions arise, we encourage you to review the ACMYC's IRS form 990 which is a 501(c)3 requirement and is readily available online.

As is the case every year, a great deal of effort goes into the operation of our club and the many hands of the council have been toiling in the off season to ensure a successful operation during the summer of 2024. While the work can feel tedious, it comes with a great level of satisfaction when we see students launch from Ropes Beach in their Optis experiencing the joy of sailing for the first time.

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT (continued)

The Council works to ensure the sailing program is successful, not only for the students, but also for the instructors it employs, many of whom are our own children who have come up through the ranks themselves. There are countless examples of multi-generational links throughout the yacht club, each with a lifetime of positive memories of our little community. If you would like to know more about how you could help continue this tradition by participating or contributing, please reach out to any council member. Their names are listed in the following pages.

Many thanks go to my fellow council members and the many, many hands behind the scenes that make this club feel like an extended family, each looking out for the other. My hope is this spirit will be maintained as the club continues to grow through its second century.

Warmly,

Josh Jackson
President 2022-2024

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Accomplishments

The ACMYC is fortunate to have so many talented individuals in our ranks and on the Council. This past year saw the development, through Sport's Engine, of our own digital presence on the web. This was a significant undertaking by Jonathan Chenard. In addition, the parent coordinators (Jen Creedon, Kirsten Peek and Heather White) were hard at work with a refined interview process and a new instructional template.



The final major accomplishment was the establishment of an as yet unnamed committee, headed by Dale Edmunds,

ACCOMPLISHMENTS (continued)

dedicated to securing the future financial position of the ACMYC.

The ACMYC is also pleased to be recognized by Charity Navigator, which gave us a 97% approval and earns us a 4-star rating, the highest offered. It continues and states if this organization aligns with your passions and values, you can give with confidence.

Sailing Program



The instructional program had a terrific 2023 season; we enrolled almost 100 students in sailing classes. In addition, we were able to attend a dozen regattas at yacht clubs held all over the Cape and Islands. CMYC sailors had some great finishes in individual races, and even brought home some trophies. The CMYC made it to the silver round of the Durant Trophy (team racing) held at the Hyannis Yacht Club, a strong showing at this competitive event. Sailors in the Instructional program also sailed in the Junior series, crewed in many skiff races and even earned spots in the club championship.

SAILING PROGRAM (continued)

Our 2024 program is led by Lizzie Cochran who grew up in Cotuit, sailed at Tabor Academy and now continues to expand her sailing experience with a position on Fordham University's sailing team. She has revitalized the Cotuit Mosquito Yacht Club Handbook, which will be on our website. We will continue to offer our newly enhanced racing classes for Optimist prams, which feature both a Green Fleet and Championship fleet class. Last year, parent's of CMYC racers donated a new 420 and the yacht club matched the gift by purchasing a second boat. This has enabled the instructors to teach younger race students with our more experienced boats to use spinnakers and trapezes, while older students take the new boats to regattas. This has made our program both safer and more competitive. We would like to thank everyone for their work in the off-season and during the summer.



SAILING PROGRAM (continued)

2024 Instructors

Lizzie Cochran	Program Director
Abby Crane	Lead Instructional Program
Ryan Petrush	420 Race Coach
Hannah Cronin	420 Development Coach
Audrey Pozen	Opti-Race Coach
Allison Churbuck	Senior Sailing Instructor
Rachel Piersall	Senior Sailing Instructor
Megan Sullivan	Senior Sailing Instructor
Emily Bunn	Mid-Level Sailing Instructor
Xander Petrush	Mid-Level Sailing Instructor
Caroline Sullivan	Mid-Level Sailing Instructor
Sam Bartlett	Mid-Level Junior Sailing
Kevin Sheedy	Mid-Level Junior Sailing
Sam Loftis	Junior Sailing Instructor
Henry Pozen	Junior Sailing Instructor
Sienna Uyenoyama	Junior Sailing Instructor

Between the instructional program and the race program there are a total of 27 different classes offered.

FINANCIALS

Financials

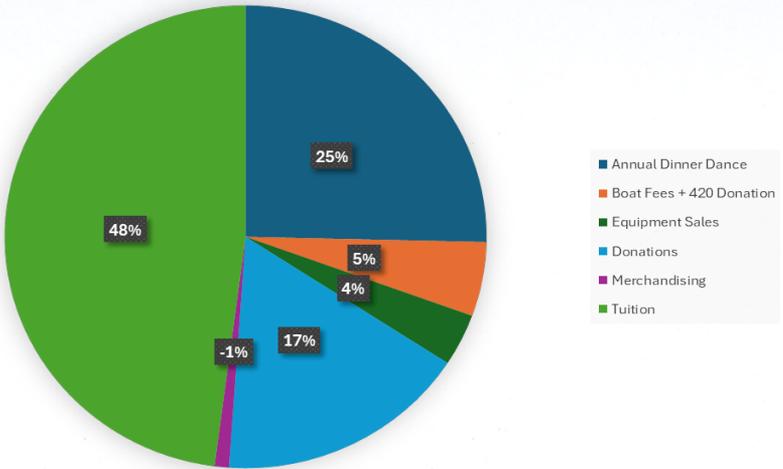
Annual meeting will be held on the second to last Saturday of August at the ACMYC property unless otherwise noted.

ACMYC Financial Information



FINANCIALS (continued)

2023 ACMYC Income



COUNCIL MEMBERS

Council Members

2024 Members

Ali Carley	Fundraising
Jonathan Chenard	Parent Coordinator & Webmaster
Jen Creedon	Parent Coordinator
Josh Jackson	President
Katie Kehrl	Treasurer
Mark Lynch	Secretary
Sam Nuechterlein	Fundraising
Clarissa Odence	Member
Kirsten Peek	Parent Coordinator
Heather Pozen	Member
Heather White	Parent Coordinator



Donor Appreciation

As you have seen throughout this document, 2023 was a successful year with a new dock and the instruction of 170 students in 45 classes (2 sessions) and participation in 17 regattas around New England. From the first year of P1 to the final year of instructing classes, there are countless opportunities to gain responsibility and grow leadership skills. What the ACMYC has to offer is unique on the Cape and, while many attempt to emulate it, few achieve the level of success this organization has exhibited year after year.

If you, a family member, or a friend has benefitted from what is offered through the ACMYC please consider making a donation of any amount by speaking to a member of the council or using your phone to scan the QR code below. Thank you.



