

# Welcome to Hubbards Sailing Club

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Optimist Championships /  
Championnats Optimistes

August 2020



# You are invited!

Hubbards Sailing Club would like to take this opportunity to invite you, Canadian Optimist Dinghy Association (CODA), to partner with us as we host the Optimist Championship / Championnats Optimistes in St. Margaret's Bay in mid August 2020.

We thank you for the opportunity to present our community and our vision to you.

We are excited by the prospect of bringing young sailors to our community for a week of awesome sailing and to share with them and their families our summer culture.

We believe we can offer an experience that will be remembered for a lifetime.

The slides that follow are intended to give you an introduction to our community, our club and our plan for 2020.





Hubbards is located on the eastern side of the Aspotogan Peninsula, and along the northern shore of St. Margaret's Bay approximately 40 kilometres west of Downtown Halifax.

## Our Community



It is a popular summer vacation destination. Numerous cottages, inns, campgrounds and restaurants contribute to a healthy summer economy. The community works to sustain a "shop local" economy. Hubbards features a picturesque locale, with a yacht club, A vibrant weekend farmers market at "the Hubbards Barn", Nova Scotia's smallest provincial park, campground and numerous beaches within driving distance of one another.



# Our Club

Founded in 1966 by a group of permanent and part-time residents, the Hubbards Yacht Club was created with the vision to provide a constructive outlet for the energies and spare time of children in the community of Hubbards. The Hubbards Yacht Club launched its first sailing season on July 15, 1967 with 3 rented and a number of privately owned dinghies. That first year, a total of 52 junior sailors enrolled in the program under the guidance of a single coach. Rowboats were used for safety (crash) boats until later that summer when 'The Green Monster', a mini cape with a 6 horsepower outboard, was donated.

A lot has changed since those early days. HSC averages 160 - 170 junior sailors in its program participating in nearly 500 participant weeks of programming during our summer schedule. Sailors range from our youngest "Wet Feeters" to race team members competing in provincial, national and international regattas.

Still, some things stay the same. At HSC we continue to be committed to providing the youth of Hubbards access to affordable sailing programs. Our mission is "to teach life lessons through sailing" for all of the sailors and for the 11-12 young adults who coach in our programs each year.

# Sailing Conditions

- The locals call a typical windy day in St. Margaret's Bay “a Bay Day”
- During a typical “Bay Day” sailors enjoy a 12 – 20 knot consistent sea breeze from the south west
- An average two foot swell makes for a great day of sailing;
- What makes the bay special is its consistency. The wind seems to fill at the same time from the south west day after day.



# Getting Here

Hubbards is located in St Margaret's Bay on the south shore of Nova Scotia. It is easily accessible off Highway 103 south west of Halifax.



# Where to Stay

- Hubbards Area Local
  - Inns, B&B, Cottages
- Chester 21km – 17 minutes
  - Inns, B&B, Cottages
- Mahone Bay 40 KM – 27 minutes
  - Inns, B&B, Cottages
- Halifax 48 KM – 40 Minutes
  - Hotels and Inns
- Lunenburg 54km – 39 minutes
  - Inns, B&B, Cottage





## Local Attractions / Things to do

### Sights

- Peggy's Cove
- Old town Lunenburg "UNESCO Heritage Site"
- Mahone Bay

### Activities

- Hubbards Barn Farmers Market (Saturdays)
- Kayak, Paddle Board rentals
- Lobster Supper

### On your Own

- Lovely cycling routes



# The Regatta: Our Team

Our members, our families and our community have consistently stepped up when it comes to their support of HSC and the initiatives we choose to make our priorities. Opti Canadian Championships 2020 is no different. A group of 10 individuals has embraced our effort to host your great event.

Your organizing committee includes:

- 1) Bill Doane, HSC Commodore
- 2) Patrick Edwards, Member of the Board of Directors
- 3) John Flemming, Member of the Board of Directors
- 4) Scott Flemming, Chair of Opti Provincial Host Committee 2015,2016, 2019
- 5) Christine Murphy, Member of the Board of Directors
- 6) Stephen Fitzgerald, Member of the Board of Directors
- 7) Matt Morash, Member of the Board of Directors
- 8) Colleen Fitzgerald , Member of Opti Provincial Host Committee 2015,2016, 2019
- 9) Meghan Hennebery - Member of the Board of Directors
- 10) Sarah Doane – HSC Head Sailing Instructor.





The Regatta: Experienced Organization and Execution

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HSC has hosted Nova Scotia Provincial Opti Championships 2015, 2016, 2019

# The Regatta: Location/Facilities

Optimist Canadian Championships 2020 will utilize two properties in Hubbards, Nova Scotia

## Hubbards Sailing Club:

- Regatta management and logistics

## Hubbards Community Waterfront

- Opti Park
- Protest room/committee
- Launch
- Daily regatta and evening events



# A closer look at “Opti Park”

## Hubbards Community Waterfront

An ideal space to house our “Opti Park”, launch (2 launches), evening movie under the stars and the other festivities throughout the week.

Property includes ample space, full service washrooms, an outdoor amphitheatre. A tent will be set to serve for measuring and equipment inspection as well as serving other roles throughout the week should we experience inclement weather.

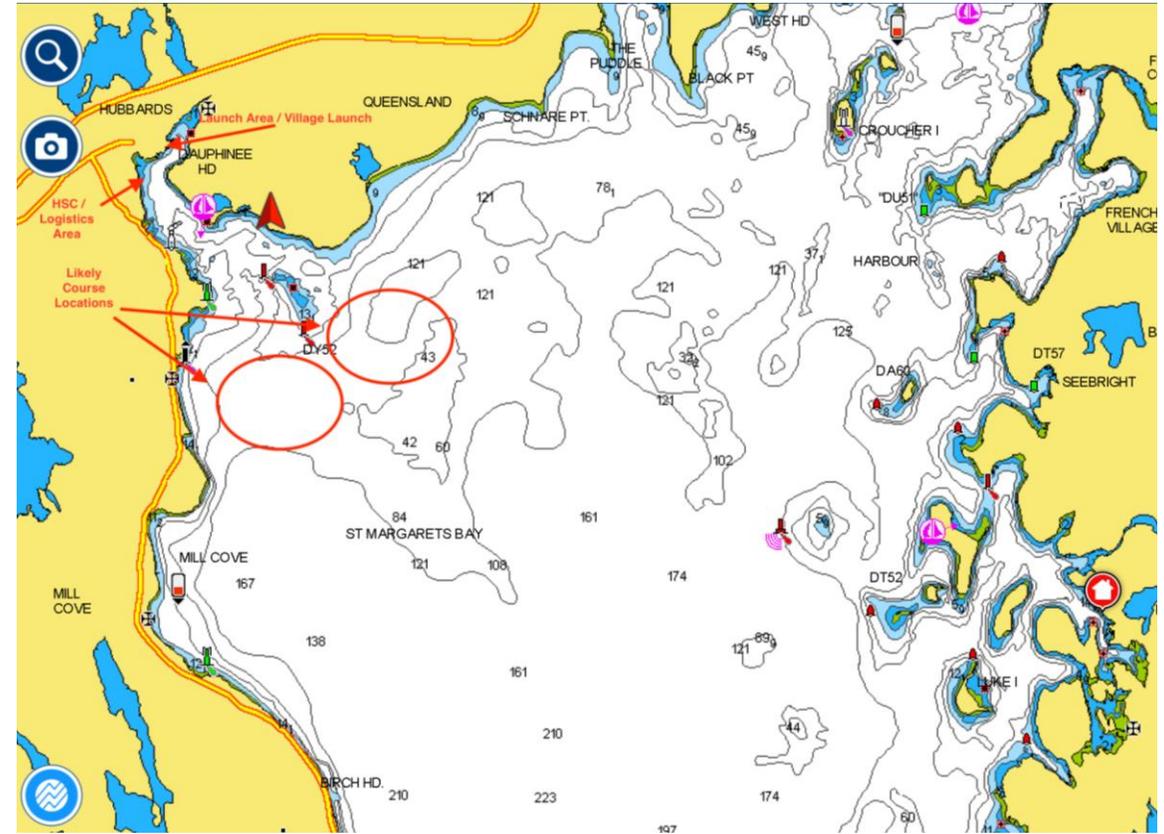




## The Regatta: Organization Centre

- Located just down the shore from the Community Water Front and “Opti Park” is our sailing club facility dedicated wholly to our youth sailing programs.
- This will serve as our communications centre and hub for organizers, volunteers and race committee.

# Course locations





## Other Notable Points

- **Our Honorary Commodore Paul Tingley, Paralympic Gold Medalist and World Champion, will be present to meet the sailors, show his medals and tell his very motivating story.**
- **Spectator viewing from Queensland Beach and/or Mill Cove**

An aerial photograph of a large, light-colored building with a central courtyard. The courtyard is filled with numerous small, white, boat-shaped objects, each with a colorful design on its side. The building has a prominent central tower with a dark roof. The surrounding area is rocky and appears to be a coastal or island setting. The text "Thank-you / Merci!" is overlaid in the center of the image.

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