

Racing in KSC

Curious about racing but don't know where to start? Or perhaps you have been racing and can't wait to get the season started? Then join us on March 14th at the Portsmouth Event Room to learn about the numerous opportunities for racing, and our upcoming in-house lessons that will get you to the next level. We'll cover the racing opportunities, how to get involved, the requirements to be able to race and in-house classes that can help you get a head start or level up.

Races

J/22 One-design (Tuesday evenings)

One-design racing means it's the sailor and not the boat that wins races. It's a great way to learn and test yourself. Although you need to be a race member to take out a boat, any regular member can join by pre-registering for a small fee which pays for one of our instructors to get onboard with you and coach. This helps us maintain the integrity of our race membership and provides a great opportunity for you to experience racing and learn from our coaches while doing it.



KSSS – Kirkland Sailing Summer Series (Friday evenings)

The summer series brings out a host of boats and is marked by its friendly atmosphere and the post-race social events. It's the best excuse to go on a sunset sail and get a drink afterwards.



J/80 one-design on Puget Sound (Monday/Wednesday evenings)

Did you know we now have three J/80s and that Javelin is now docked at Carillon Point? In fact, just past week, our members placed third overall in the Freshwater Race held in Lake Washington with Javelin. Two other J/80s are in Shilshole, ready to be raced on Monday or Wednesday night races.



Anacortes Race Week (June 26-30)



Otherwise known as summer camp for adults. We take our J/80's to Anacortes and race them for a full week in a one-design class. Come for the competition, come for the boost multi-day racing will do to your sailing skill, come for the town, come to for the camaraderie, come for the party. *Just don't miss out*

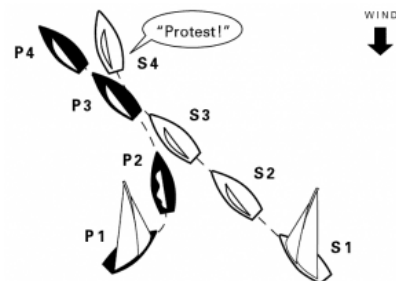
Racing Classes

Racing Fundamentals

Our Racing Fundamentals class will teach you the basics you need to get around a racecourse safely. How are races set up, how they start, rules of racing are all covered. Beware, you may find yourself excited to go racing! This class is a requirement for anyone wanting to race in the club.

Next class is on March 28

Spinnaker classes





If you want to go fast downwind, then you'll need a spinnaker. These downwind sails are big, colorful and a lot of fun. The club requires two persons on the boat to be spinnaker qualified to fly a spinnaker. Symmetric spinnakers are taught on the J/22's, while the asymmetric spinnakers will be taught on the J/80's in both Lake Washington and the Puget Sound from Shilshole. And remember, you don't have to be racing to enjoy spinnaker sailing. This is a great way to elevate your sailing, even when you're just out for a sunset sail.

Next symmetric spinnaker class is on March 28 (Lake Washington)

Next asymmetric spinnaker class is on March 29 (Lake Washington)

Race School



This is for the aspiring racer to jump start their career. On-shore instruction covers all the theory about boat handling and racing while the on-water portion puts students to every role on the J/80 as they race. For four weeks, you'll be racing with one of our instructors as a coach.

Next class is on April 10