

# WILLOW BANK YACHT CLUB

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Willow Bank Yacht Club has been a fixture on the Cazenovia Lake shoreline since 1949. Originally formed as a sailing club, over the years it has become a summer home to many Cazenovia and surrounding area families. Willow Bank provides its members with outstanding lake frontage and views, docks, private boat launch, picnic area, beach, swimming area, swimming lessons, sailing lessons, children's programming, Galley take-out restaurant and a lively social program.

The adult sailing program at Willow Bank is one of the most active in Central New York. Active racing fleets include: Finn, Flying Dutchman, Laser, Lightning and Sunfish. Each of these fleets host a regatta over the summer and fleet members will often travel to other area clubs for regattas as well. Formal club point races are held on Sundays. These are races to determine a club champion in each fleet. This format provides for a fun competition within the fleets. Adults also have sailing opportunities during the week with our Women of Willow Bank fleet sailing and socializing on Wednesday evenings and, on Thursday evenings, there is an informal sailing program for all members. In addition, we offer group adult lessons and private lessons for anyone looking to learn how to sail.

For our youngest members we have a great sand beach and a lifeguarded swimming area which allows hours of summer fun! Swimming lessons, sailing lessons, and Junior Fleet racing round out our youth programs. In addition, our Sailfish Program is a great way to expose your five to ten year old to basic sailing, canoeing, crafts, team building and other summer fun. Junior Fleet is our competitive racing fleet for juniors. Kids, ten and older, with sailing instructor approval, represent Willow Bank in local Interclub regattas throughout the summer and also get to compete at the Junior Olympics which are held in Rochester every summer.

Our hearty social schedule includes the Mid-Winter Fish Fry, Memorial Day picnic, Trivia Night, Commodore's Ball, Fourth of July party, Midsummer Member-Guest Party, Kids Last Sail Party, Labor Day Awards Pot-Luck, Harvest Moon Dance Party as well as our legendary Friday Night Fish Fry dinners with live music from the deck. Members picnic at the club all summer and many have standing events with their friends at the club.

With the exception of the Club Manager, Purser and seasonal staff, Willow Bank is entirely a volunteer organization that depends on active participation by all members.

Consider making Willow Bank Yacht Club your summer home this year. Relax, recharge, and enjoy making some wonderful summer memories! For more information, please contact Charlotte Dieroff, Membership Chair at [membership@willowbankyc.com](mailto:membership@willowbankyc.com) or (315) 440-0589.

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## 2021 Membership Application

Type of Membership (see below):  Household\*  Individual  Junior  
 Term  Non-Resident Sailing

Application Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant(s) Names: \_\_\_\_\_

(\* For Household Membership Application please indicate what surname you prefer to be listed under in the WBYC directory.)

Birthdates: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupations: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address (2): \_\_\_\_\_

Names of children (under 21): Dates of birth and any sailing programs they have participated in:

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\_\_\_\_\_

Boats currently owned & where currently moored/stored:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Your sailing experience: classes of sailboats on which you have sailed, etc. :

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Your boating and other water craft experience:

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Other interests or hobbies:

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Current or prior memberships in other yacht clubs or similar organizations and your participation, if any, in the management of the club.

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Please include any other information that is relevant for your application:

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WBYC is a volunteer organization. Please indicate areas in which you would like to participate:

- Race Committee    Social Committee    Buildings and Grounds    Youth Activities  
 Club Management    Other \_\_\_\_\_

How did you first hear about Willow Bank and what convinced you to apply?

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Member Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_ (print name)

Second Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_ (print name)

Please send your completed application via e-mail to: (Sponsorship letters may be included or sent separately.)

Charlotte Dieroff, Membership Chair  
[membership@willowbankyc.com](mailto:membership@willowbankyc.com)  
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## 2021 Membership Fees

		Household	Individual	Junior
Dues		\$507.00	\$253.50	\$126.75
Capital Assessment		\$215.00	\$107.50	\$53.75
<b>Initiation Fee</b>				
Option A	One Payment	\$1,000	\$500	N/A
Option B	Two payments over first two years	\$550 each year	N/A	N/A
Option C	Term Membership: Member and spouse/domestic partner under 35 as of April 1st.	\$500	\$250	N/A
<b>First Year Total (Option A)</b>		<b>\$1,722</b>	<b>\$861</b>	<b>\$181</b>

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## WBYC Membership Classes

Excerpts from the By-Laws of Willow Bank Yacht Club regarding qualifications for membership.

### General Eligibility

Any individual or household who is interested in the promotion of yachting and other aquatic sports and/or the cultivation of good fellowship among its members shall be eligible for membership in the club. Such person who is otherwise eligible and accepted for membership and who has paid such dues, fees and assessments as are then prescribed by the Board of Directors, plus any taxes applicable thereto, shall become a member of the club with all the privileges of such membership.

### Qualifications for Class of Membership

**Household Membership** – Any individual and spouse or domestic partner and/or such unmarried children living at home who either (1) have not reached their twenty-first birthday by April 1 of the current year, or (2) if a matriculated full-time undergraduate college student, have not reached their twenty-third birthday by April 1 of the current year.

**Individual Membership** – any unmarried individual over twenty-one years of age, or whose twenty-first birthday occurs prior to April 1 of that calendar year, or any individual who is not otherwise qualified for Junior Membership shall be eligible for Individual Membership,

**Term Membership** – Special Household or Individual Membership Class if individual and spouse or domestic partner, or individual, respectively, have not reached their thirty-fifth birthday by April 1 of the current year when applying for membership. Term Member is entitled to a 50% reduction of the initiation fee. Regular Dues shall apply.

**Junior Membership** - Any individual less than twenty-one years of age, or whose twenty-first birthday occurs on or after April 1<sup>st</sup> of that calendar year, who is not married, and who is living with his parents or guardian or other responsible party, shall be eligible for Junior Membership. This class of membership is intended to be STRICTLY for those Juniors whose households do not choose to join as a household. The sole purpose is to provide such Juniors an opportunity to participate in sailing instruction and/or the club racing program. To remain eligible for membership, a Junior MUST participate in the formal sailing instruction or racing program.

**Non-Resident Sailing Membership** – Any Household, Individual, or Junior qualifying member who lives outside our local community and generally greater than 50 miles from the Club, may apply for Non-Resident Sailing Membership and pay 50% of the initiation fee. Regular Dues shall apply. Such Membership Class status is reserved for active sailors and will be reviewed and decided by the Board of Directors prior to the dues deadline.

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## Membership Application Instructions

- 1) Complete the application form above
- 2) Have two current Willow Bank Members send letters of recommendation for you. Letters should describe how long and how well the sponsor has known you, as well as any other information that will assist the Membership Committee. The letters can be sent directly to the membership chair or included with your application form. If you do not know two members at Willow Bank, please contact the Membership Chair to discuss.
- 3) Letters & application form should be sent to:  
Charlotte Dieroff  
Membership Chair  
[membership@willowbankyc.com](mailto:membership@willowbankyc.com)

You will be contacted about the status of your application before Memorial Day weekend. On average, ten to twenty new Household members are accepted annually based on available membership openings.

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