

Creefleet 2012

Creefleet, established in 2009, is a safe and welcoming sailing community, where small boat sailors, regardless of skill, boat, or age, come together and practice sailing. Alone, or with friends or family, we sail our individual boats around inflatable buoys, on a course that considers not only the wind but the skill and number of participants.

Sailing with Creefleet allows us more experience than we usually get on our own, and we can observe –closely, others’ launching, steering, and trimming techniques, their turnings (whether tacking or gybing), and we can attempt to mimic those who seemingly do it so easily. Those experiencing similar wind and water conditions serve as examples: excellent, natural teachers from whom we can learn much.

Sailing a course (often called racing) requires us to steer our boat toward marks, presenting prime opportunities to sail in different directions and turn at particular times. This practice helps us learn to sail more efficiently and controllably in a variety of conditions, and boosts self-confidence each time out.

We sail our own boats, but also take opportunities to crew –or just ride with other sailors. It’s fun to try different types of boats, with a focus on friendship, exchanging tips, and experiences.

Do we race? Yes. But anyone, and everyone wins, when the shared goal is fun and improving our skills.

Sailing is often a solitary activity. Creefleet makes it a team sport: individual members in individual boats, all helping each other.

We sail every Thursday night, 6:30, all summer long, and Sunday afternoons in the fall.

Come alone, or with family. Bring whatever you have that sports a sail, and rig it best you can. If you have no boat, bring your life jacket, so you can accept a ride should you have opportunity.

Come early, or late if you must, and just join in. No worries.

We look forward to seeing you and your boat on Stony Creek!

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