



## Junior Learn to Sail

The Junior Learn to Sail program at Maraetai Sailing Club teaches sailing to children in a fun, safe and supportive way. Our courses are for children aged 9 years and over and are instructed by our YNZ qualified coaches

Our club is proudly hosting the 2020 Auckland Optimist Champs, and also the 2021 Optimist Nationals.

We run our program using optimist sailing dinghys. You can purchase an optimist, or the club has a number of plastic optimists that are available for hire for the duration of the Learn to Sail course.

For the parents – its quite a nice place to spend a Sunday morning. Overlooking the water from our deck area while watching the kids sail, enjoying a coffee from our coffee machine in the shed.

### Information Day

There will be an information day held prior to the Junior Learn to Sail course starting. This is where you will meet the committee, get given all the information you need and have an opportunity to view our sailing sheds and ask any questions you may have.

### 2019/2020 Season Dates

Our Junior Learn to Sail course is held on Sunday mornings from 8.30am until approx 12pm, over 7 weeks.

*Note that you are only registering for one course, not both.*

#### Junior Learn to Sail – Course 1

Information Day	13 <sup>th</sup> October at 10am
Start Date	3 <sup>rd</sup> November
Finish Date	15 <sup>th</sup> December

*After you have completed the Learn to Sail course, you can then register for our Learn to Race course that starts in February 2020.*

#### Junior Learn to Sail – Course 2

Information Day	2 <sup>nd</sup> February at 10am
Start Date	9 <sup>th</sup> February
Finish Date	29 <sup>th</sup> March



### What your sailor will need

You do not need to rush out and purchase a range of sailing gear, but you will need appropriate, warm gear for your child.

Wetsuit  
Spray Jacket or Windbreaker  
Shoes that can get wet  
Sailing Gloves  
Hat – preferably with a clip  
Towel and warm, dry clothing for after sailing

### Family Support

As a club, we rely on support from the sailors family for launching and retrieving of our RIBs as well as the children in their optimists. We also require assistance for the running of our BBQ on the Sundays to provide our sailors and support crew with a lunch option (there is a minimal cost for lunch).

For safety reasons, we require the sailors parent or guardian to remain on site at the club while the children are on the Learn to Sail program.

### Fees

Tuition Fees for our Learn to Sail course are \$225

- Includes hire of optimist for 7 week program. If providing own boat, tuition fees are \$100
- Sailor must be a member of Maraetai Sailing Club – not included in the above fee

### What to do next?

If you need more information, please email [juniorsailing@maraetaisailingclub.org.nz](mailto:juniorsailing@maraetaisailingclub.org.nz) or call Jenni on 021 440 145

If you would like to register for our Junior Learn to Sail program, please go to [www.maraetaisailingclub.org.nz](http://www.maraetaisailingclub.org.nz) or email [admin@maraetaisailingclub.org.nz](mailto:admin@maraetaisailingclub.org.nz)

*Please note that spaces on our courses and the number of optimists for hire are limited.*