



2020 QCYC Wednesday Racing Sailboat Owner Survey Comments

Question 15: How do you find the post-race experience at the club on Wednesday?

Not welcoming. I have introduced and taught to sail six new members. In no case did any other boat owner talk to them or make them feel welcome. I have raced against the same boats for 10 years. Most of them come back, and sit around with their crew in their cockpits. I race at other clubs, and they usually gather together at a club space of some kind. Friendly QCYC.....not in the experience of the really pleasant/intelligent/social people who crewed for me.

Great

I don't take part currently

Minimally okay

Lovely. A good time to review the race with laughs and appropriate razzing with the fleet.

Great, but find that the tender line up can be a pain, especially when people get left behind.

Good. One of the races was discussing a post race app that tracks the boats.

Fun

Looking forward to it.

Great when I can get there

Not applicable, but was cliquey....

It would be better if more of the boats came up to the hall after the race for the results.

Good; it's a nice opportunity to mingle with the crews of other boats.

Good fun

Ok. I like the announcements of the top 3 finishers.

Lots of fun.

Ok

OK - but could be better with some scheduled events

Don't race

Good fun but it would be more fun if more people participated



It's pretty okay. Although going up to the club to eat and drink each week can be expensive and often myself and crew opt to socialize on the boat for a while after the race.

Good fun

Fine.

Entertaining Phil is a great asset although the challenge of catching tenders is a nightmare

Fun. I like hanging out and talking about the race with others

Cliquey

Excellent. I only wish I could go more often. The combination of a newer, bigger boat, and increased intensity at work has resulted in me not racing at all in the past year. Would like to get going again.

I love hanging out with the crew. I do miss the camaraderie we used to have with other boats going up to the club

Pleasant. I usually hang out for a while.

Enjoyable, but best when we are first over the line.

Excellent

Fine

Social

I really enjoy the menu on Wednesday night last year and the fact that you can go and get more food

n/a

We have fun on the boat and with our neighbours.

Question 16: Please contribute any other comments and suggestions related to Wednesday Night Racing:

The worst is that my crewmembers are busy people. I do not like asking them to turn out and waste an evening drifting around, on the many evenings when there is not enough wind to prevent the race becoming a crapshoot. Secondly, in spite of requesting a bigger fleet to sail in, last year we just raced against the same four boats. So where is the art in starting, and why do a third lap as the wind drops when the race order is already in no doubt? I have brought up these questions several times, and been pretty much ignored. I could go on..... but I have given up

N/A

More participants would be welcome



I stopped racing my boat for several reasons but mostly because of scary experiences with racers in bigger boats who did not abide by the rules and there were several scary experiences. As skipper I am responsible for the safety of my crew and after many years I had enough of that responsibility.

Getting all of our names on the Trophy fairly big for me. It was weird at the banquet last year to be the only owner not mentioned.

Per Q11 Splits partly based on LOA and SA (to compensate for fading breeze and the importance of starts and the next 5 mins in twilight racing. PHRF really doesn't work with big spreads and boats with significantly different waterlines in the same divisions. Would love to race against other VO70s!

When I as a thirty foot boat I have the same rating as a 37 footer and light weight 23 footer there is something wrong with the splits for a short course like Wednesday night's courses.

Buffet dinner style is best!

No

Don't race

Thanks for your work on the survey!

Is it possible to have fewer fleets (more boats per fleet)? Maybe this would create a more dynamic and interesting race with less time spent starting. You always end up just caring about one or two boats in your fleet and the results are often the same. It also kills me when the races are like 4+ laps. I'd rather do multiple races, or just call it quits early. Spinnaker would make things interesting and let us practice for real events. As a millennial I only do things for the recognition, so maybe more awards given out in between series which could also bring people to the club.

It would be good to have one series for spinnaker.

Love it. Would like to do more.

Let a good racer set the course or at least have some input.

I really like having the buffet option and also appreciate a good beer selection. I know it's tricky, but making service as fast as possible at both the bar and food-line is helpful.

Repairing the lobby access to the wind conditions would be useful.

I tried it, learned little and hate getting yelled at so am not going any more. The best part of being an adult is not getting yelled at- and this is the only time I ever get yelled at.

Organize a once per month or once per series event night at the club. Possibly hand out the awards for the each series on the last night or on the first night of the next series.