



Dunedin Boat Club Race Committee Commission

The Dunedin Boat Club **Race Committee** is made up of an *Advisory Committee* and a *Race Management Team*. The Advisory Committee sets the strategy, builds out the components of an event and is responsible for the event's successful conclusion. The Race Management Team is made up of the personnel that volunteer to make that specific event a success.

The Advisory Committee will have up to seven (7) members including the Chair. All members should be sailing enthusiasts with competitive sailing experience or race management experience in their resume'. All member term lengths are open ended. It is preferred that an Advisory Committee member be a DBC member in good standing.

The Advisory Committee will include the:

- Chair: A DBC member, approved by the Bridge. This individual should have a good knowledge of race management, have demonstrated leadership skills, have an attention to administrative details and understand fiscal responsibility.
- Additional members should be existing DBC members with competitive racing experience to include an on-the-water resume' or race management experience or working on it. It is encouraged that an invitation be extended to
 - a DBC Bridge member,
 - the DBC liaison to the Dunedin Youth Sailing Association,
 - the DBC liaison to the Dunedin Sea Scouts Ship and
 - the DBC liaison to the Windlasses.
 - additional candidates who are "spark plugs" in the Dunedin sailing community

The DBC Race Management Team consist of DBC members and non-member volunteers who provide their time and resources to the support of the Dunedin Boat Club sailboat racing programs. They can be powerboat or sailboat owners who volunteer their vessel to serve as Signal, Mark or a Support Boat. They are individuals who assist with the traditional Race Committee functions to manage a racing event and are individuals who support our social events before and after race events. Without this Team there would be no racing curriculum.

The DBC website will evolve with the time. The site will be informative, promotional and an "unofficial bulletin board". It is intended to be directional to where race details are located.

Equipment is a critical component to the racing program's success. One of the Advisory Committee members can be assigned to managing the equipment to include their storage location, the flags, the marks, and the "on-water" timer/tools. Anticipate that annual inventory and maintenance upgrades will be required.

Education: Race Committee 101 is a training class offered each year in the region to educate and train Race Day Management Team volunteers on the roles and responsibilities of managing a race day event. DBC should continue to promote this to DBC members, participate and contribute to its delivery and like events in the community. It is encouraged that DBC Race Committee ALSO deliver at least one (1) additional racing-oriented seminar to include updates on the Racing Rules of Sailing each year as a refresher to its racing community.

US Sailing provides an excellent orientation to the roles and responsibilities of a Race Committee in their handbook called **Join the Race Committee Team**. Each member of the Advisory Committee should be provided a copy. You can purchase additional copies at the educational store within the US Sailing.com website.