The Yonkers Yacht Club

by Dean Wetherell

The Yonkers Yacht Club was founded in 1879. Originally located on Fair Street in Yonkers, the club moved in 1941 to its present location at 1203 Warburton Avenue. Our annual regattas were once regularly featured in articles in the New York Times like the one below:

"The ninth annual regatta of the Yonkers Yacht Club was sailed on the Hudson River yesterday, and proved one of the prettiest nautical sights ever witnessed on that river."

"Sailing on the Hudson; Annual Regatta of the Yonkers Yacht Club" The New York Times, June 27, 1888 That race included 37 yachts from the Sing Sing, Columbia and Brooklyn Yacht Clubs. In August 1880, an earlier article in the New York Times titled told the story of a 12 mile race from the club to Dobbs Ferry and back.

"The Yonkers Yacht Club had what they termed a "ladies' race" yesterday afternoon on the Hudson off Yonkers. The race was so called because a lady was carried aboard each yacht, and was designated, for the time being, its Captain. Each yacht flew at its peak the club pennant, and in addition several displayed various burgees and flags. The Rambler yacht won the race and the lady captain was presented with a gold locket necklace."

"Yachting on the Hudson; Ladies' Race of the Yonkers Yacht Club, The New York Times, August 13, 1888

The club sponsors events every year like circumnavigations of Manhattan Island and trips north through the New York State Canals.

We are a proud member of the Hudson River Boat & Yacht Club Association.



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A New Home Port

We're located on the beautiful Hudson River nine miles north of the George Washington Bridge. We welcome boaters, jet skiers, kayakers and non-boaters. Members enjoy our beautiful waterfront BBQ and picnic area with views of the Palisades.

Club members with boats take friends over to dinner at Piermont and for cruises around Manhattan. It's a beautiful place to boat and fish. The bottom line? There is a long history of boating on the Hudson. If you're interested in learning more about that rich past and about present opportunities to enjoy the river go to yonkersyachtclub.com or email theyonkersyachtclub@gmail.com. Memberships and slips are available. For the 2021 season we are offering special half price slip fees for new members.

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