

Max Klin – SHYC Sailing Coach

- **Name:** Max Klin
- **Age:** 18
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- **School:** I will graduate from Valley Regional High School in June 2018. I will attend either University of FL or University of CT, with a major in finance, in fall 2018.
- **Where you grew-up sailing:** I started sailing at Pettipaug Yacht Club in Essex Connecticut. I live just down the road from the club and would ride my bike to camp every day!
- **About your youth sailing/racing:** I have grown up around the water. I live close to the Connecticut River and have been sailing in the river and Long Island Sound all my life. At Pettipaug Yacht Club, I sailed in Optis, Blue Jays, 420s, and Lasers. I raced on the 420 Race Team from 2013-2015. During my time on the team, I placed third at Mid Atlantic Championships in Red Bank, NJ, in 2014. I also won the Niantic Bay Junior Olympic Regatta in 2014. In 2015, my team placed third in team race champs. I've also done some frostbiting at Essex Yacht Club on 420s and Ideal 18s. My family used to have a Marshall 22 and Tartan 37; now we have a Seasprite 28 that we use to cruises around Long Island Sound. My family also has a 15' Boston Whaler that I operate and maintain. I have experience racing on a Quest 30 as well as an Alden 44 in racing events such as the Essex Rum Challenge, Block Island Race Week, and the Fisher's Island JR Overnight Race (which my team placed 1st in 2015). *I also prepared and trained for the return trip for the 2016 Newport Bermuda Race, but my boat withdrew due to concerns with the weather.*
- **Past coaching experience:** I was a Junior Instructor (JIT) at Pettipaug Yacht Club for summers 2013, 2014, and 2015. I also taught at Pettipaug for summer 2016, and taught private lessons.
- **Certifications:** I obtained my US Sailing Level I in 2016. Additionally, I am CPR/First Aid certified and in 2016 I completed the US Sailing Safety at Sea Seminar & World Sailing Offshore Personal Survival Training Course in preparation for the Newport Bermuda Race.
- **What you like best about coaching kids:** They are full of energy and it's fun to figure out when they're truly passionate about the sport, whether recreationally or competitively!
- **Other favorite interests & activities:** I love to play sports, including golf, tennis, Ultimate Frisbee, flag football, skiing, and basketball. I'm the President of my school's National Honor Society as well as the Vice President for my grade. I'm a member of my school's concert & jazz band and I am the trumpet section leader. I'm the captain of the boy's cross country team and am also a member of the golf team. I love doing community service and am finishing up the paperwork for the rank of Eagle Scout!
- **Anything else you want to add:** I am so excited to be teaching at SHYC and can't wait to meet everyone!

