



PSA Club Information for Junior Regattas

Thank you for participating in a Junior Regatta at the Potapskut Sailing Association. Below is some additional local information about PSA and Blackhole creek.

1. Rigging and Unrigging

All rigging and unrigging of boat masts must be done on the lawn below the clubhouse. There are power lines crossing the driveway that heads down the hill such you cannot step a mast in either parking lot and get the boat down to the water.

2. Boat Trailers

Please do not place boat trailers on the lawn, even just to load or unload. The lawn is low and soft. Hand dollies are ok, but trailers easily get stuck. What generally works best is to back the trailer down the driveway, unload the boats onto the lawn, then pull back up the hill. Similarly, to use the boat ramp we recommend backing down the driveway to the ramp, which is on the left side of the pier (looking out towards the water).

Park any boat trailers in the upper parking lot (the first one you come to when you arrive, just past the white PSA sign).

Please keep the driveway heading down the hill and the turning circle at the bottom clear, except when actively loading/unloading boats or launching/retrieving.

3. Blackhole Creek and PSA mooring field.

PSA's location can be seen on the racing area chart (Attachment A to the Sailing Instructions). From the river, PSA is past the outer sandbar and behind a small island.

When entering or leaving Blackhole creek, always follow the marked channel, thus leaving the small island to port when entering and to starboard when leaving. The "shortcut" on the other side of the island is shallow and not passable.

On the clubhouse side of the island is a "rock" buoy. This buoy actually marks a shallow shelf that extends out from the island a good ways past the buoy's position in all directions. The safest passage is to go around the mooring field, then go past the end of the pier to the floating docks on the opposite side. Similarly, when leaving from the floating docks to head out to the river, sail past the pier, leaving the mooring field and island to starboard, then through the entrance daymarks.