



PENANG SWIMMING CLUB / SAILING SECTION.

The Sailing Section is at the forefront of the Club's mission to regain its place as Penang's leading water-sports organisation. The Sailing Section continues to promote improvements to the nature and condition of water-sporting facilities provided by the Club, and to promote and participate in Club, Inter-Club, and Regional events.

The Section has thriving Sailing activities and social events and is actively promoting Windsurfing, Canoeing/Kayaking, Stand-up paddling, Water Skiing, and even trying to get together a Dragon Boat team. Members of all ages, sexes, and abilities are encouraged to join the existing 300 plus members.

The section is responsible for management of the boat park and the berthing of the Club's and members' boats, which entails deployment of Club boatyard staff and equipment eg for launching and recovering boats. The Scuba and Angling sections are also active and co-operative users.

1. Sailing / Windsurfing / Canoeing:

- a. The section has Club-owned sailing boats, windsurfers, canoes, water skis, and equipment such as lifejackets, which can be used by members (and guests, subject to Club rules) providing in the case of sailing boats that the member has obtained certification as a competent sailor (see below).
- b. The Club boats are: 10 Optimists, (an entry level boat for juniors) 6 Lasers, (a single-handed boat for all levels of expertise) 2 Bahias (a fast two-man boat with main, jib, and spinnaker) and 4 Nacra catamarans. Also, Windsurfers and Canoes.
- c. The section runs sailing courses separately for adults and juniors, leading to the certification mentioned above. Emphasis is both on promoting sailing to juniors, and providing facilities for experienced sailors.

- d. The section has a full time coach, and during official activities eg: training or racing, a fully equipped rescue boat will be in attendance. 2017 SEA Games windsurfing silver medallist Geh Cheow Lin came through this system to the pride of the Club and credit to the coaching.

2. Water-skiing:

The section is keen to promote water-skiing in the Club and has acquired skis and related equipment, for use for training and recreational use. Members' power boats, suitable for towing water-skiers can be used. A qualified ski instructor is available on a part-time basis together with an enthusiastic group.

3. Dragon Boat:

The section will acquire a dragon boat if sufficient members come forward to join-in. Dragon boating can be good fun and good exercise, if a sufficient standard can be attained competition with other teams will be possible.

4. Social Events:

The section organises a number of social events throughout the year, some are directly sailing related eg: Commodore's Cup competition, some are section only eg: Sailors' Night get-togethers, motor boat picnic trips to outlying islands, and some are Club events eg: BBQs.

5. **JOIN** at PSC reception by filling out Sailing Section membership application form: Single member RM 6.00 pm, and Family member RM 12.00.

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