

# 2010 SCJYC Junior Sailing Staff

**Lianna Gordon, Director of Junior Sailing**    juniorclub@seawanhaka.org / (516) 922-6200 x 117 (May-August)

Lianna is returning for her fifth year instructing at Seawanhaka, and her third year as a Sailing Director. Although she grew up as a motorboater, Lianna started sailing at the Port Washington Yacht Club at age nine, and actively participated in the Junior Club Bridge for 5 years, where she organized junior sailing events and fundraisers. Throughout her junior sailing years, she raced Opti's, Blue Jays, 420's, Lasers, Ideal 18's and keelboats. She is Level I and II certified instructor and racing coach, respectively. Lianna currently attends the University of Michigan, where she studies Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering and sails for the University of Michigan Sailing Team. Her favorite boat to sail is her Laser Radial. She loves that sailing is a lifelong sport that brings people together in the Corinthian spirit.

**Jacqueline Singer, Head Instructor**    jsinger719@g.rwu.edu

This is Jacqueline's seventh year instructing. For the past three years Jacqueline was the Head Instructor at the Head of the Bay Club and had previously been a Race Coach for the Performance Clinic and Race Team. Junior Sailing: Jacqueline sailed with the Bay Club JSA program for eleven years, sailing Optimists, Blue Jays, and C420s before becoming an instructor. At Roger Williams University, she was on the Varsity Sailing Co-ed, Women's and Team Racing Teams, racing C420s, and various double-handed boats. She sailed in various trophies and intersectionals, some of which included; the Women's Atlantic Coast Championships 2006, Women's President's Trophy Intersectional 2007 and Women's New England Championships 2007. Jacqueline has enjoyed college racing and spring training in Florida and Maryland and wants to encourage our sailors to continue their interest past JSA.

**Kevin Dooley, Keelboat Director**    kdooley97@hotmail.com

Veteran coach Kevin Dooley will be joining Seawanhaka this summer as Junior Keelboat Director. Kevin first raced competitively for St. Johns Preparatory School in Massachusetts. After graduation he was recruited by J/World Performance Sailing Schools to teach the following winter in Key West, Florida. Kevin later sailed for Eckerd College and earned All-SAISA Team honors while his team was consistently ranked within College Sailing's top 20. Since then, he coached several elite level high school and youth programs throughout Florida and New England. Kevin is currently campaigning an ISAF Match Race team and is eager to share his expertise and enthusiasm with the junior team. Always willing to discuss sailing he is reachable via email.

**Guillermo Beyrne, Racing Coach**

This is Guillermo's second year as a coach at Seawanhaka, but his third year coaching in the US. He has sailed Optimists, Lasers, J24's, 420's and keelboats. As junior sailor he competed eight times in South American Championships (winning once in Junior Laser Radial class) and twice in the World Championships in Spain. He was the 2001 Best Sailor of the Year in Argentina in the Laser Radial. As a coach, his sailors have won the 2007 US Junior Olympics and the 2008 US Mid-Atlantic Midget Championship. Currently, he works as a coach for a prestigious club in Argentina. He loves sailing Laser Radials.

**María Gil, Racing Coach**

María Gil is from Argentina, and this will be her second year at Seawanhaka. She has sailed Optimists, Cadets, J24's, keelboats and Lasers. She began sailing when she was 6 years old. She was the 2002 Best Sailor of the Year in Argentina in the Laser 4.7 and the South American Female Champion in 2001. She has been working for four years as a coach in a prestigious club in Argentina. During 2008, she coached sailors in Optimists, Lasers and Club 420's in Center Moriches, Long Island. Her favorite boat to race is the Laser, but she also enjoys long cruises on keelboats.

**Elizabeth "Bitsy" Whipple, Racing Coach**

This summer will be Elizabeth's fourth year teaching sailing. For the past three years she has taught at Port Washington Yacht Club, where she coached both racing 420s and racing Optis. She is both Level 1 and Level 2 certified racing coach. She grew up sailing Optis and club 420s. She learned to sail Optis at Manhasset Bay Yacht Club but then moved on to doing more independent racing on travel teams. She sailed in Europe for three years for the Monaco Sailing Team. During her time on the team she competed in two European Championships in 2003 and 2004 (finishing 24th in 2004) and two French Championships. After aging out of Optis, she started sailing 420's on a travel team. In 2006, she won the JSA 420 Champs and the CORK regatta in Canada, and finished 6<sup>th</sup> at the North Americans. Elizabeth is currently a sophomore at Connecticut College where she studies Architecture and Civil Engineering. She also sails as the B skipper for their nationally ranked women's team. Elizabeth comes from a sailing family where each member of her family sails competitively. She also loves teaching sailing and being able to pass down her love for the sport to others.

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## Sailing Instructors

### Mary Miller

Summer 2010 will be Mary Miller's third year as a Level I certified instructor at Seawanhaka. She grew up sailing at both Seawanhaka and the Cold Spring Harbor Beach Club, where she sailed and competed in Optimists, Blue Jays, and Club 420's. Last summer she had the opportunity to work with the Blue Jay/Pixel and 420 groups, and is looking forward to seeing all of the returning sailors and new faces!

### Robert Maisano

Robert is returning to Seawanhaka for his third year as an instructor. Robert began sailing on his fathers Ensign at Manhasset Bay Yacht Club, he moved on to racing Optis, Blue Jays, Laser Radials, Sonars and Ideal 18's in the Junior Sail Program. Robert is Level 1 certified. Robert's favorite boat to sail is his Laser, which he attached a 420 spinnaker to. For the past two years he has taught beginner Optis and intermediate Optis and was one of the instructors on the Keelboat Program on Diogenes in 2008. Robert is currently living in Rome, Italy where he attends The American University of Rome; his major International Relations.

### Katherine "K.C" McCarthy

K.C is returning to Seawanhaka Junior Yacht Club for her second year instructing. She is a certified Level I instructor. She grew up sailing at Port Washington Yacht Club excelling in the 420 class where she has trained and competed in both national events and JSA events. K.C. also has experience sailing optimists and keelboats since the age of nine. She is currently a freshman at The College of the Holy Cross where she is a part of the novice crew team. K.C. is looking forward to another great year at Seawanhaka!

### Christian Gordon

Christian Gordon will be returning for his second summer at Seawanhaka, as a certified Level I Instructor. He grew up sailing out of Port Washington Yacht Club, sailing Optimists, C420s, and keelboats. He was very successful in all three classes. Christian started sailing when he was 8 years old but grew up on motorboats. Currently, he races competitively, as a skipper, in C420s and as a crew on *Avalanche*, a Farr 395 out of Port Washington Yacht Club. As a skipper and crew member, he has raced and placed in a number of keelboat regattas such as 1<sup>st</sup> in Division at Beach Point Overnight in 2008 and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Vineyard Race. Last summer, he coached the Keelboat Team and excited to return to the Keelboat Program. In the fall, he will be attending Babson College and was accepted into their Entrepreneurship Program. His favorite boat is the 29er.

### Eddie Einhaus

Eddie will be returning for his second summer instructing at Seawanhaka. He grew up sailing on Long Island Sound, racing Opti's, 420's, and keelboats for Port Washington Yacht Club. Eddie was a member of the PWYC Junior Board, serving as Fleet Captain, during his years as a junior sailor. He now attends Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, where he studies Mechanical and Aeronautical Engineering and races on the RPI Sailing Team. He is really excited to have another amazing summer at Seawanhaka!

### Christopher Sager

This is Christopher's first summer at Seawanhaka and is a Level I certified instructor He began sailing at the age of 7 at "The Sea Cliff Yacht Club", to which he has been a member for the past 8 years. He commenced sailing on the Opti, which he mastered, and after four years, graduated to the Laser, competing in the 2008 Orange Bowl in Miami, Florida. Christopher prefers sailing a Laser, because in his opinion it emphasizes simplicity and has excellent performance. He also enjoys sailing the J 120 and the Star, which he raced in Sunapee for the past two years. In addition to attending Locust Valley High School, Christopher sails at the Waterfront Center at Oyster Bay in 420 Racing, and with Seawanhaka Winter Frostbiting. He is presently looking at colleges that offer engineering programs with competitive sailing teams. Christopher loves the freedom and peace he feels out on the water, as well as the competition and comrade it provides.