

Costa Blanca Yachting Association (CBYA)

The "Costa Blanca Yachting Association" (CBYA) is based in Jávea / Moraira, 2 beautiful coastal towns located midway between Valencia and Alicante in Spain. We welcome boat owners and all those interested in sailing and motor cruising, whether a beginner, a Yacht Master or social member. The emphasis of the club is to give you a chance to compete, socialise and share boating experiences. It is not necessary to be a boat owner as anyone who has an interest in boats or indeed just talking about boats is more than welcome.



Perhaps you have just joined the happy ranks of those people who live here in Spain on the Costa Blanca. Would you like to join a club with an interest in boats. Now how about a social side thrown in for good measure as well. Well now, that at first sight would seem to be a non-runner for your wants, but there may well be an organization that can do just that for you. This is the "Costa Blanca Yachting Association" (CBYA).

Now before we go any further, you will wonder why it has been called that and not a yacht or sailing club, well, it is to also encourage motor-boat owners and social members.

There is no political correctness here; we all have a liking for messing about in boats. On the sailing side, the Club organizes various Meets and Trips throughout the summer season as well as other events during the rest of the year. We also have a very strong social side as well; we have various fun evenings, quizzes, dinner dances, wine tours, Sunday lunch get-togethers... and yes, many sailing events too.

There are many who now have time on their hands and would like to take up messing about in boats as something they always wanted to do, there are also the lucky few who have already participated in playing on the water in the U.K. or elsewhere.

Not only do we have the participatory side of the sport, but we also meet at Jávea / Moraira every week on a Monday evening where we can just talk about it, or moan as the case may be and then go for a meal afterwards, there are plenty of restaurants near-by.



If you are interested, then why not come and join us even if you do not have a boat at the moment. After all, you can come and meet us and see if there is something for you.

We currently have 100 energetic members whose sailing ability ranges from zero up to beginner level to "Yacht Master", to those that have sailed extensively on Sail Training vessels to individuals that have sailed across the Atlantic, from sprightly naughty forties to those of more mature years! But more importantly, we are also a social club for any one interested in boating, or just to come along once a week to a very informal social event for a beer and a chat. It is a great way to meet like minded people who have any sort of interest in sailing.

The CBYA competes in the "5 Clubs" Spring and Autumn series of Regattas which start from the Club Nauticos in Moraira, Altea, Campomanes & Real Club Nautico de Calpe. As a result of our support for the "5 Club" Regattas we are invited to attend additional events that the individual Club Nauticos organise. Our social sailing events at Les Bassettes, cruising in the Balearics and chartering in the BVI and Greece, have proved very popular in recent years. If you are a boat owner, or just wish to crew in these events, then you would be more than welcome to join us.

The majority of our boat owner members have their yachts and motor boats moored at marinas along the stunning 'White Coast' of the Costa Blanca, while other members have chosen France, Greece and the UK. We have plenty of experienced crew looking for skippers and skippers looking for enthusiastic crew! However, you do not need a boat to join the club... you may never even wish to go sailing... all you need is an interest in sailing where you can join up with other sailing enthusiasts and even learn to sail on other members yachts.

Why not have a look at our website.

www.cbya.org

How to join us?

Easy, just give Steve Phelan (Club Hon. Secretary) a ring, or email and he will be able to persuade you to join... we hope.

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See you on the water... very soon!