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# TEAM NEWSLETTER

CICSA NATIONAL KEELBOAT TEAM

## EDHEC SAILING CUP, BREST FRANCE

The team is headed to France in April for its first competition since before Covid. We are sending two teams of five sailors to compete in the J80 class of this event. Each boat cost us approximately 4,800 euros (~\$7000 CAD) to register. The cost covers registration fees, charter fees, french sailing licenses, housing, and two meals a day for every sailor. Sailors were responsible for covering most of their share of the cost and their travel fees, averaging about \$1500 round trip per sailor to get from Canada to Brest and back again.

Since this event requires ten sailors and the team only currently has eight core members, we have had to take on a few extra sailors who could not attend tryouts. We are excited to invite Will Mauchan, Jack Porter, and James Thurlow onto the team for this event!

**NEW MANAGER  
ANNOUNCED!**

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**Upcoming Event!**



# WELCOMING ABBY BROWN!

Abby first learned to sail on her dad's keelboat, then through the learn to sail program at Maple Bay Yacht Club. When she was 14, she joined the Nanaimo Yacht Club race team, where she started racing 420s before switching to the Royal Victoria Yacht Club race team the following year. There she continued to race 420s and eventually transitioned to 29ers. When she started at McMaster in 2018, she began to sail 420s again with the school's sailing team. Despite being a committed dinghy sailor, Abby never gave up her passion for keelboat sailing. She is a highly accomplished sailor, having competed in her first national event at the young age of 13, winning her first North Americans at 16, and attending her first worlds at 18. Abby spends most of her time on the water racing J70s in the states or coaching future sailors at the Port Dover Yacht Club.

Abby looks forward to working with the team to achieve our goals and get us as many opportunities as possible to train before we head to Italy to sail next summer. She also hopes to use her work with the team to bolster Canada's presence in the international competitive sailing world.



## CANADA EAST



James Thurlow  
Skipper



Rachel Green  
Mast



Valentin Sasarman  
Trimmer



Emma Hawko  
Main Trim

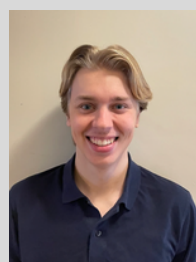


Rosie Sbrolla  
Bow

## CANADA WEST



Alec Coleman  
Skipper



Will Mauchan  
Mast



Jack Porter  
Trimmer



Richard Rychlik Jr  
Main Trim



Sophia Moiseyenko  
Bow