



## Ship Calendar

Our sailing schedule includes Monday night sail training, Wednesday night 'Beer Can Series' racing and select regattas and port-to-port races.

During the off-season, the Ship meets on a twice-monthly basis for training, advancement and other group activities, including service at the annual Chicago's Christmas Ship and the CYA Yachting Ball.

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## Charter Organization

Sea Scout Ship 5111 is proud to have the Columbia Yacht Club as our charter organization.

The Columbia Yacht Club traces its origins to 1891. The current Clubship is the 'Abegweit', a 372 foot Canadian icebreaker and rail/auto ferry, built in 1946. At the time of her commissioning in 1947, she was the most powerful icebreaker in the world. Acquired by Columbia in 1983, she is the fourth floating home owned and maintained for the use of its members and guests.



For further information, please visit  
[www.columbiayachtclub.com](http://www.columbiayachtclub.com)

### Links:

Chicago Area Council - BSA  
[www.chicagobsa.org](http://www.chicagobsa.org)

Sea Scouts - BSA  
[www.seascout.org](http://www.seascout.org)

# Sea Scout Ship Challenge #5111



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Sea Scouting is part of the Venturing Program of the Boy Scouts of America with an emphasis on water-based activities. It is a coed program for young adults 14 - 20 years old.

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Sea Scout Ship 'Challenge' 5111, chartered by Columbia Yacht Club, was formed in 2002, coinciding with the first year of the William I. Koch International Sea Scout Regatta also hosted by Columbia Yacht Club.

# Scouting Perspective

Sea Scouting maintains many aspects of traditional Scouting. These include - Advancement, Personal Growth & Responsibility, First Aid Training, Citizenship and Service to the Community, Sea Scouting has its own advancement program that is based upon Naval tradition. A Sea Scout may also be a member of a Boy Scout Troop and is allowed to progress through the higher ranks of Scouting (Star, Life & Eagle) up to his 18th birthday. Sea Scouts may also work on rank advancement until they reach their 21st birthday. The fourth and highest rank in Sea Scouting is Quartermaster. It is similar to the achievement of Eagle Scout.

- SAFETY
- TEAMWORK
- FRIENDSHIP
- FUN



Our current vessel, *Nautilus*, is a Tripp 47, designed by William Tripp III and built by Carroll Marine of Bristol, Rhode Island in 1993.

Prior to her Sea Scout service, she was known as 'Goblin' and won numerous titles & races including - Boat of the Year 2002 & 2003, 3rd place in 2003 Chicago-Mackinac & 1st place in 2004 Chicago-Mackinac.



## The Sea Promise

As a Sea Scout I promise to do my best:

- To guard against water accidents;
- To know the location and proper use of the lifesaving devices on every boat I board;
- To be prepared to render aid to those in need;
- To seek to preserve the motto of the sea,

*"Women and children first."*



# Program

Our Sea Scouting Program is about Safety, Seamanship, Sportsmanship and Service. Safety is paramount in our program. Seamanship is the art of operating a ship or boat. Our Sea Scouts learn specialized skills including: navigation, weather, swimming, water rescue, boat handling, sailing theory, communications and ropework.



# Boating Perspective

Our Sea Scouts have the opportunity to become skilled sailors on both large and small boats. Many also participate (through Columbia Yacht Club) in 420 small boat sailing and racing. We had a team qualify for the upcoming 2010 Koch International Sea Scout Regatta to be hosted by the US Coast Guard Academy in New London, CT. Many of our young people also participate in big boat racing events as crew aboard other boats in the Chicago area.