



# Manhattan Yacht Club

Laser Sailing

# Tips for Buying a Laser

- ▶ Different sizes of lasers – Same hull / diff sail – you can get both standard and radial sail for same hull for example
  - Laser Standard – Larger sail – 175lb plus
  - Laser Radial – Smaller sail and mast – 121 to 159lb
  - Laser 4.7 – Smaller again – 110 to 120lb
- ▶ Sources for Lasers –
  - Websites
    - <http://www.lasertrader.org/>
    - <http://sailingforums.com/categories/the-laser-forum.3/>
    - <http://newyork.craigslist.org/boo/>
    - <http://www.boattrader.com/browse/make>
    - <http://na.laserperformance.com/home> (New)
  - The Club has some old boats for sale – \$500 to \$1000 depending on condition and 2 newer boats in VG condition for \$3,000 each.
- ▶ Cost of Lasers – \$2k to \$4.5k for used – depends on age, condition and additional extras (sails / trailers / dollies etc). \$6k to \$8k for new depending on extras.

# Tips for Transporting a Laser

## Bought laser from Darien, CT – \$394

Day started at 8am and was met at the docks at Liberty State Park at 4pm by the guys from the Club to take the boat to the dock

- ▶ Rent a truck – 16' moving truck: \$170
- ▶ Hired help (club assisted) – truck driving & laser rigging: \$120
- ▶ Gas, tolls & rigging – \$50 + \$40 + \$14: \$104

- Rented from Budget Liberty State Park location (near laser dock)
- Looked at example today:
  - Budget rent a truck (used discount code)
    - \$23.99 per day
    - \$1.03 per mile – 110 miles: \$113
    - GPS: \$11.95
    - Furniture pads: \$14
    - Total ex-tax: \$163
  - Help @ \$10 – \$120
  - Tolls: \$40
  - Gas: \$50
  - **Total: \$373**

## Tips:

- ▶ Highly recommend the GPS with the truck routes (I did not, but would definitely next time)
- ▶ Need straps/ropes – the guy I hired brought some along, and I had straps for tying the laser to the dock.
- ▶ Hiring help – was very useful, but not mandatory – a useful friend would work as well

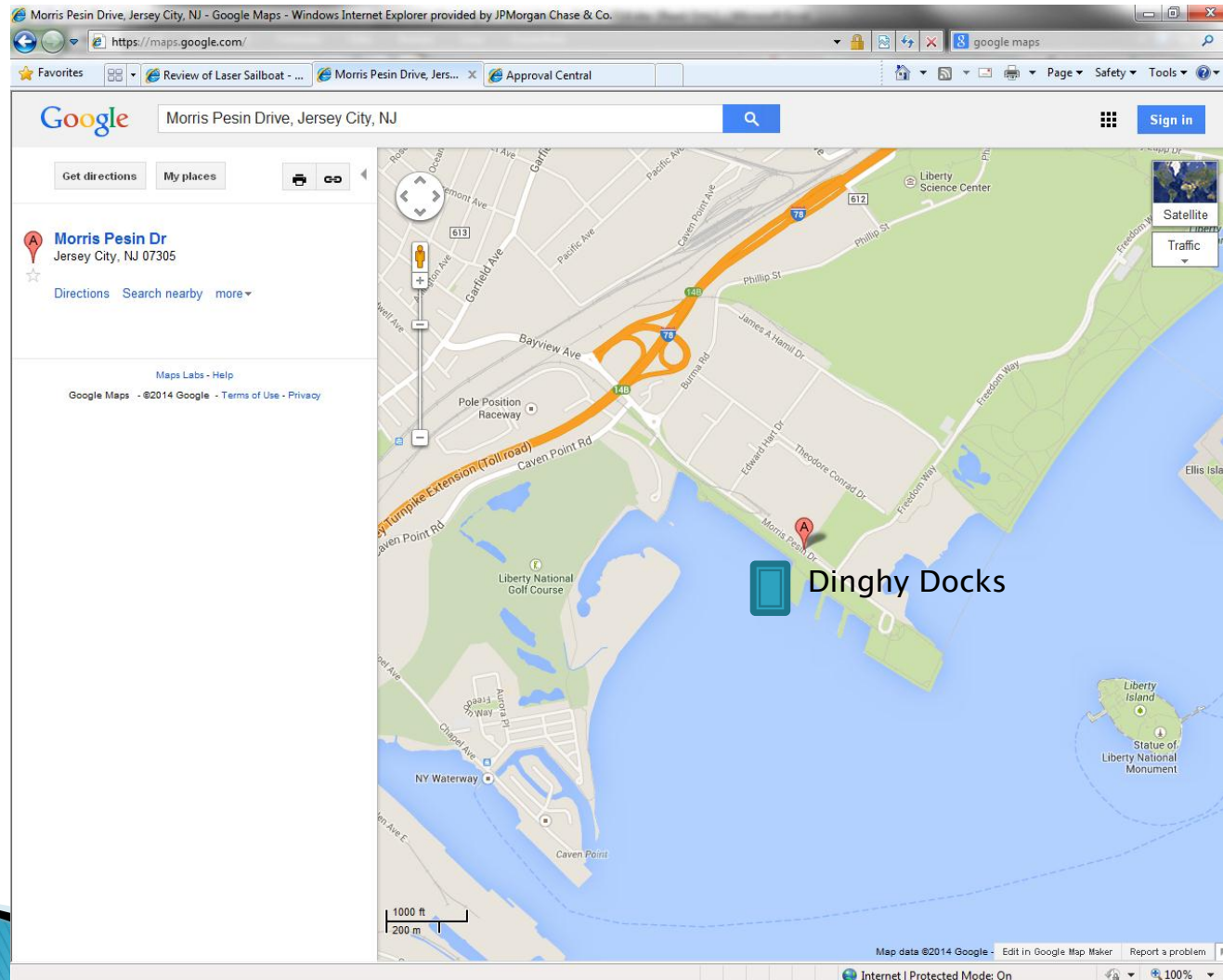
# Laser Sailing Facilities

- ▶ Docks are made available by the club with a rack for 8 dinghies (currently 4 dinghies)
  - Send an email to [Lynn@myc.org](mailto:Lynn@myc.org) to reserve a rack
- ▶ Docks are moored behind Liberty State Park on the Jersey side of the Hudson – Map on next slide
- ▶ Sailing is either around the dock towards Liberty National Golf Course or out between Liberty Island and Liberty State Park (dependent on weather)

# Laser Sailing – Docks

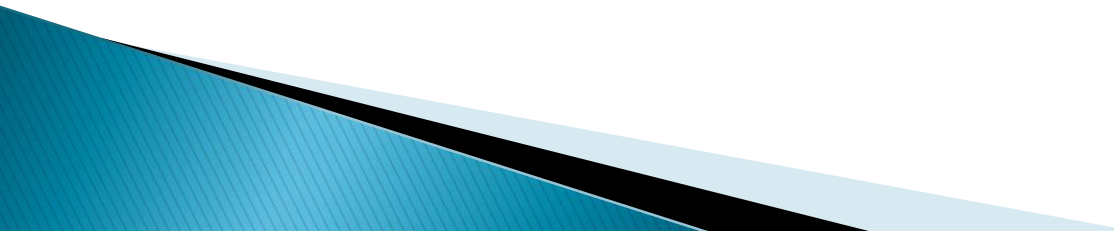


# Laser Sailing Facilities – Map





# Getting to and from Laser Sailing

- ▶ NYC Resident Members – Motor Dinghy Launch from North Cove (takes approx 15mins) – agreed with Sailing Instructors in advance depending on sailing time
  - ▶ New Jersey Residents – Agreed to pick up members from the Liberty State Park Motor launch ramp – Morris Pesin Dr – Approx 15mins after agreed departure time from North Cove
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# Laser Sailing / Racing Plans

- ▶ Recreational Laser Sailing – 1 Day a week on the weekend for approx 3 hrs – 30 mins travel, 1 hr setup / breakdown, 1.5 hrs sailing
  - Previously at control of laser sailer's by mutual agreement
- ▶ Laser Racing – 1 midweek night per week starting at 5:30pm and 1 day per weekend (need to be at Northcove by dark – Potential for Monday / Thursday night)
- ▶ Rules –
  - Safety, first and foremost – Everyone must be back to North Cove before dark. This means everyone would have to be de-rigged timely.
  - MSC employee will run the races; following regulations this person will be USGC certified



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# Laser Sailing Costs

- ▶ Storage of Laser costs – \$25 Per month or \$250 for the year (May 1<sup>st</sup> to April 30<sup>th</sup>)
- ▶ Motor Launch / Outing costs – \$25 Per Sailing trip