



# The 2023 Viper North Americans presented by



September 22-24

The Viper 640 North American Championship is our flagship event, this being the 15<sup>th</sup> year this has been held. The Class is very pleased to welcome BMO Private Wealth\* as our title sponsor for this event. Together we will be working to make this a fabulous event.

We would like many more Vipers at this event, so here is some good information about the Club and Ottawa, which will hopefully encourage you to hitch up your Viper and head north. The BMO Private Wealth and the Viper Great Lakes region are ready to welcome you!

### About the Nepean Sailing Club

The Nepean Sailing Club was founded in 1979, and is located in the west end of Ottawa on Lac Deschênes, a part of the Ottawa River. The club has a current membership of over 1700, who live in Ottawa and the surrounding suburbs.



The club is proud of its Sail Training program as well as the Able Sail program with a fleet of accessible sailboats for those with special needs. The Club hosts a number of large sailing events through the season. The clubhouse and facility is designed to host major regattas such as the Viper North Americans and to host member social events.

With its large marina and dry sail area, the club is one of the largest keel boat marinas in Canada. There are 2 hoists and large areas for dry sailboats and dinghies, junior sailing and the Able Sail program.

\*more about BMO Private Wealth here: BMO



Slips will be made available for competitors in our marina.



The racing area is northwest of the club, allowing for courses of up to 1.2 mi in all wind directions.

Check out the great video showing Viper sailing at the club at <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xT9YkB9IqzM">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xT9YkB9IqzM</a>

Come and race with us! Register here: https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=15857

We also have our local marine store, The Chandlery, as a sponsor. They have all the important racing stuff from well known brands (Harken, Ronstan, Gill, Zhik and many more. You can order online and have it ready for pick-up at the registration desk. Need a new halyard or sheet? Lots of good ropes in stock. Shoes, hiking boots and gloves? All there!

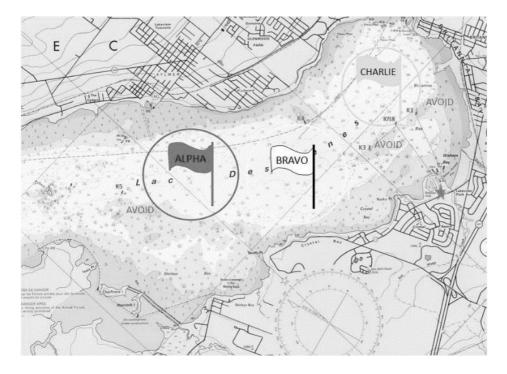
Check out the Chandlery here:

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## Racing will be in the club's Alpha course area:



### Special Thursday activities:

On Thursday afternoon we are planning a Viper Performance Clinic to be sponsored by Doyle Sails. Brad Boston and his team will walk us through tuning and on-thewater performance pointers. Exact timing to be announced.

Thursday evening, the Club holds its regular One Design race night. The Viper class has a scheduled start at 17:55, and all registered competitors are invited to participate in this race as a fun tune-up. Tradition dictates that the evening racing is then discussed over beverages in the club bar!

### **Event Social Calendar:**

Thursday	16:00	onwards meet up in the NSC bar (cash bar, Harbour View Hall)
Friday	16:00	Post race keg
	17:00	Welcome reception @ blue tent (if rain, inside)
Saturday	16:00	Post race keg,
	17:00	NSC bar (cash bar, Harbour View Hall)
	17:30	Class AGM (Harbour View Hall)
	18:00	Buffet dinner
Sunday	15:30	Post race keg
	16:30	Awards



#### Accommodation:

There is on-site camping at Nepean Sailing Club for no charge and there are washing facilities and a full service restaurant. Please contact the Event Chair for availability.

Local accommodations are plentiful – here is a small selection:

- <u>Wesley Clover Parks Campground</u> 10 minutes away.
- <u>Hyatt Place Ottawa</u> Bells Corners 10 minutes away from the venue in the suburbs of Ottawa. The Brew Table pub is located beside the hotel.
- <u>Holiday Inn Express</u> Ottawa West Nepean. Less than 10 minutes away in Bells Corners.
- <u>The Brookstreet Hotel</u> one of Ottawa's premiere hotels, is located just 10 minutes from the Nepean Sailing Club. The hotel offers a wide range of rooms and amenities for everyone, including spa, gym, and superb dining.
- The <u>Days Inn Ottawa West, is</u> located just 5 minutes from the Nepean Sailing Club. The hotel offers quality rooms and value accommodation.

Alternatively, stay downtown. The center of Ottawa is a 20-minute drive from the club (outside of weekday rush hour, and for sailors, downtown to the club in the morning is not congested, opposite to the main commute). There are many hotels in the downtown core as well as apartments available on Airbnb or other booking sites.

#### **Ottawa Attractions:**

Great restaurants in Ottawa

https://theculturetrip.com/north-america/canada/articles/a-foodie-s-guideto-ottawa-10-best-restaurants/

The best patios and pubs for an evening out:

https://ottawatourism.ca/en/ottawa-insider/great-patios-ottawaneighbourhood

Ottawa is special! Check these out...

https://youtu.be/A1UQHUMUipo

https://youtu.be/yP04Y1glx14

Ottawa City Guide: https://youtu.be/NRvsiBuzJ8k



**Rideau Canal:** 



The Rideau Canal looks just as good in winter as it does in summer. The UNESCO World Heritage Site in Ottawa, constructed in the late 19th century, winds through the downtown area, before reaching a series of locks and the Ottawa River beside Parliament Hill. In winter, part of the canal is transformed into a world-renowned <u>ice skating rink</u>.

