Getting to Cedar Point Yacht Club, by Land or by Sea

BY LAND (1 Bluff Point, Westport CT 06880):

While your GPS has turn-by-turn directions, they might not work all that well. A few hints:

Easiest approach for cars, and for trailers less than 10 feet in height, is Exit 17 off Interstate 95. The off-site parking location for use on Saturday and Sunday is right there: If arriving from the east, turn right at the traffic light, drive 100 yards under the highway bridge, and take the first right up into the parking lot. If arriving from the west, turn left at the traffic light, drive 50 yards, and take the first left up into the parking lot. See the diagram on the Off-Site Parking Location page. The shuttle service will get you to the Club in a few minutes.

If driving to the Club from either direction, turn right at the traffic light and continue south, under the 10 foot high railroad underpass, on Saugatuck Avenue, CT Route 136. After 1 mile, turn left on Duck Pond Road. After 0.3 miles, turn left onto Harbor Road. Then:

The bridge is now available to drive over with a boat on a trailer. After Super Storm Sandy the old wooden bridge has been replaced with a steel and concrete bridge. Take the third right, then the first left, and soon the Club grounds will be on your left.

If towing a trailer any part of which is 10 feet or higher, a different approach is needed. Take exit 16, East Avenue, Norwalk. Turn north onto East Avenue. Take the third right turn onto Sunset Hill Avenue, just past the City Hall. After 200 yards, turn right onto Beacon Street. At the end of that street, turn right onto Strawberry Hill Avenue. Cross the bridge over the highway and take the next left, at the light, onto Norden Place. Continue on that road, which becomes Triangle Road. At the traffic light, turn left onto Winfield St, Route 136. After 1/2 mile, turn right on Duck Pond Road, then left on Harbor Road, and proceed as in the paragraphs above.

BY SEA (41°06.0 N, 73°22.1W):

The approach to the Saugatuck River estuary begins at Gong G1, George's Rock, which you had better leave to port--west of you--lest you lose your keel on that very rock or the reef to the west of it. Proceed on bearing 311°Magnetic to G3, then follow the well-marked, but unlit, channel. At low tide, boats drawing over 6 feet are advised to stay towards the center of the channel, as superstorm Sandy has rearranged things a bit. After the last Green Can #15, aim a bit to the left of red nun "16" and, before reaching the nun, turn left into Cedar Point's basin. Contact the club on VHF channel 78 as you approach.