



## Kitsap Sailing & Rowing Foundation

### Who Are We?

Prior to 2006, Central Kitsap County had no recreational sailing program. Started as a Leadership project, **Kitsap Sailing & Rowing Foundation** was formed to afford youth, regardless of their economic or societal position in the community, the opportunity to learn the sports of sailing and rowing.

The sailing program, and in the near future, the rowing program, is operated as a partnership between Kitsap County, the Port of Silverdale, and the Kitsap Sailing & Rowing Foundation. Sailing classes, summer sailing camps, and high school sailing teams are offered through the Kitsap County Department of Parks and Recreation.

The high school sailing team is open to students enrolled in one of Central Kitsap's three junior and three high schools. From March through May, students compete against other schools around the state. During the summer, several weeks of sailing camp and lessons are offered for youth and adults. Summer camp is advertised and open to the public at large. All participants and volunteers register with the Kitsap County Parks and Recreation Department, which administers the Program.

In these economic times, we have become the sole remaining recreational Program through the County. The sailing program continues because it is self-sustaining. Registration fees cover all costs to meet County expenses (administrative fees and maintenance of equipment). Sailing Team Coaches and Sailing Instructors volunteer thousands of hours of their time to support the program.

Kitsap County owns all equipment, manages registration, and collects fees. All participants and volunteers register with the Kitsap County Parks and Recreation Department. The Port of Silverdale allows use of its facilities for storing the boats and accessing Dyes inlet.

The Kitsap Sailing & Rowing Foundation, a 501(c) corporation, was formed to partner with the County and Port to offer dinghy-type sailing and rowing for youth. The Foundation recruits participants and volunteers, raises funds for scholarships for youth to cover program fees and equipment, and engages in activities to increase public awareness of the program. All funds raised by the Foundation go directly to sailing team, sailing scholarships, acquisition and maintenance of boats and equipment.

Since 2006, over 250 young men and women have learned to sail as a result of this public-private partnership between the Foundation, Port, and County. Over 10,000 hours of volunteer time has been dedicated to the summer sailing camps and the high school sailing team program.

The Kitsap Sailing & Rowing Foundation believes that learning to sail and row small dinghies teaches important life skills like teamwork, decision making, and appreciation of the natural environment. Competitive sailing and rowing requires tactical and strategic thinking and physical ability. With each experience on the water, young people gain self-confidence, self-esteem and a sense of camaraderie and accomplishment.



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### Our History

2006

Leadership Kitsap Group forms

Kitsap Sailing & Rowing Foundation (KS&RF), a 501c Corporation, forms and secures relationship with Port of Silverdale and Kitsap County Parks & Recreation

Acquisition of six Vanguard (V15) sailboats, dollies, sailboat trailers, Boston Whaler Safety boats, shed, fencing for boats—equipment purchased by Kitsap County and through generous donations of private individuals

#### Summer Sailing Camps/High School Sailing Team

2006 Summer Youth Sailing Camps and Fall Adult Sailing Class

2007 Central Kitsap High School Sailing Team forms (year one), Summer Youth Sailing Camps

2008 Central Kitsap High School Sailing Team (year two), Summer Youth Sailing Camps

2009 Central Kitsap High School Sailing Team (year three), Summer Youth Sailing Camps

2010 Central Kitsap High School Sailing Team (year four), Summer Youth Sailing Camps

2010 Summer Youth Circuit Sailing Series, including WIND Clinic

Columbia River Gorge, Oregon—a four-day dinghy racing camp

2011 Central Kitsap High School Sailing Team (year five)

#### Hosting Events

2009 Open Fleet Racing High School Regatta at Waterfront Park, Old Towne Silverdale (one-day event)

2010 District Championships Fleet Racing High School Regatta at Waterfront Park (two-day event)

2011 Team Racing Open High School Regatta at Waterfront Park (two-day event)

*Each event brought at least 100 sailors (along with coaches, family members) to Silverdale;*

*The 2011 event generated approximately \$6000 in revenue for our local economy*

*(housing, food, entertainment)*

#### Scholarships Awarded

Seven high school sailors' registration fees paid (registration fee per sailor \$89-\$125)

Five Summer youth sailing camps registration fees paid (registration fee per sailor \$100)



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### Current Program Inventory (April, 2011)

Eight Vanguard 15 Dinghy sailboats (value: \$7000/boat—total value \$56,000)

Eight Seitech Dollies (value: \$450/dolly—total value \$3600)

Two Laser Dinghy sailboats (total value \$3000)

13' Boston Whaler (value \$3500)

13' Boston Whaler (value \$3500)

20 horsepower motor (value \$4000)

25 horsepower motor (value \$4000)

Shed and Fence (value \$3000)

Trailers for Boston Whalers (total value \$1000)

Trailers for sailboats (2) (total value \$5000)

**Total Program Inventory Assets \$78,600.00**

### Volunteers

Paul & Jacquelyn Aufderheide

Bridget Burke

Matt Hebard

Greg Jacobs

Derek & Shelley Mortvedt

Brian Nyquist

Pete & Kathy Ozimek

Chris & Debbie Rich

Steve Robinson

Steve & Sheila Trunkey

### Junior Volunteers

Over a dozen high school sailing team members volunteered their time during Summer Sailing Camps

### Fundraising

Annual Direct Appeals through the mail

Selling Rotary Club "Duck Bucks"—CK Sailing Team sold raffle tickets; awarded \$1000 in scholarships

Selling Water bottles

Advertising at Silverdale Whaling Days Booth and walking in Whaling Days Parade

CK Sailing Team Gardening Work party

Jewelry Exchange & "Dinner Under the Stars" Evening

CK High School Sailing Team Fund-Raiser, hosted by J. Michael Koch, Attorney-at-Law