

Sail-a-thon



Heart of Sailing will host **Sail-a-thon** in Bellingham, WA on June 29, 2008 to benefit our sailing programs for special needs children

The Sail-a-thon is an international event to benefit Heart of Sailing's Daysail program, enabling special needs children and their families to enjoy the therapeutic benefits of sailing at no cost. Sail-a-thon is held in more than 25 regions across the U.S., Canada and Europe including sailing excursions, boat parties, beach picnics, and cookouts, as well as door prizes and awards for fundraising.

Sail with us at 11am from the Bellingham Yacht Club

Enjoy a picnic/barbeque at 2pm sponsored by the members of the BYC

Award Ceremony at 3pm and live music provided by the Maggies Fury Band

Advance registration is required at: <http://heartofsailing.org/sailathon2008/Bellingham-WA.asp>. There is no fee for general registration and all participants will receive a Heart of Sailing button. However, participants who register or raise pledges will receive incentives as described below.

\$0.00 Crewmember – Heart of Sailing Button

\$25.00 Deckhand – Receives Commemorative Button

\$50.00 Swashbuckler – Commemorative T-shirt

\$100.00 Old Salt - Commemorative T-shirt & Hat

\$200.00 + Scurvy Dog - Commemorative T-shirt, Hat & Burgee

All Participants will report to Sarah Tario, our Fleet Admiral, who is the representative coordinating the event. Participants without a sailboat may participate in one of the following ways:

- Register as a Crewmember – the Fleet Admiral will match you with a registered boat in your region;
- Register as a "Landlubber." Although you won't be sailing, you will still be able to establish fundraising goals and participate in the cookout and events;
- Sponsor a crew or individual Sailor.

Participants are encouraged to register as "crews" and choose a crew name for the event. Prizes will be awarded in each region for the crew and the individual with the highest fundraising totals.

Heart of Sailing is seeking volunteers and partnerships with Sponsors including Restaurants, Sporting Goods Stores, Yacht Clubs and Sailing Organizations to raise money for the Sail-a-thon, and provide sailing for the Special Needs families.

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