

SAIL SAND POINT

ANNUAL REPORT - 2021

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is Seattle's Community Boating Center, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit dedicated to bringing the joy and life-enhancing benefits of sailing and small boats to people of all ages, abilities and backgrounds.



Sail Sand Point used its 23rd year to safely increase capacity and focus on maintaining our mission. With the support of spectacular volunteers, staff, and countless donors, Sail Sand Point was able to open our acclaimed boat based programs and share our joy of sailing and small boating with many friends, new and old. What began in 1998 with a group of six families trying to build a more accessible sailing community has grown into a nationally recognized nonprofit community boating center dedicated to removing barriers that have historically kept people off the water.

CAMPS & CLASSES

With a total of 325 youth participants, Sail Sand Point awarded 27 youth scholarships worth \$10,785 to sailors, ensuring no sailor is excluded due to cost. We revamped our adult programming to offer 15 classes this year, teaching 239 adult participants, and providing \$1,830 in scholarships to 9 sailors.

SAIL SAND POINT RACING

Middle School, High School and Summer racing programs continue to flourish at Sail Sand Point as we remain a hub for competitive youth sailing in the Pacific Northwest. This year we hosted 4 regattas, including Octoberfest, the biggest youth sailing regatta in the region with approximately 200 participants!

OPEN BOATING

Open Boating allows anyone to rent a sailboat, paddle board, kayak, or windsurfer from Sail Sand Point. Our helpful Open Boating staff gives sailing advice and safety reminders from our lakefront dockmaster desk! We saw 11,000 Open Boaters rent a boat or board from us and sold 436 annual passes!

\$275,325
IN TOTAL PUBLIC
BENEFIT*

*As assessed by Seattle
Parks & Rec. 2021 Public
Benefit Guidelines

TOTAL PARTICIPANTS

12,760

VOLUNTEER HOURS

2,252

\$23,927

AWARDED IN
SCHOLARSHIPS

to ensure economic
accessibility for
PARTICIPANTS

GROWING COMMUNITY ON THE LAKE

**PROGRAMS FOR LEEWAY, FIRST MATE, BOWLINE AND FENDER GROUPS
RELAUNCHED IN 2021!**

LEEWAY

Sail Sand Point's Leeway program was relaunched in 2021! This group program collaborates with organizations, local and regional, to provide a fun, educational day on the lake to children and adults in historically underserved communities. We offer scholarships to all groups, helping to ensure no one is excluded from the water due to limited resources.

In addition to our Leeway groups, Sail Sand Point continued to offer First Mate, Bowline and Fender Groups. Each group ranging in ages, abilities and backgrounds!

SIEBEL SAILORS PROGRAM

Sail Sand Point is home to US Sailing's Siebel Sailors Program located in the Pacific Northwest region. The Program focuses on delivering increased access to sailing for youth, regardless of socio-economic background. These young sailors are provided with advanced skill development along with competitive opportunities in a fun and exciting environment!

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I like being in control of the boat and the feeling that it gives me, knowing that I can do everything, and everything is in my power. It's great, I like it a lot...I have only been sailing for two weeks and its one of my favorite things in the world now!

-Diego

(2021 SSP Siebel Sailors Program Participant)

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37
GROUP
PROGRAMS

Bringing

273
Total
PARTICIPANTS
On the Lake

33
DAYS
Of Fun &
Learning

With
SCHOLARSHIPS
Covering
100%
Of Leeway
Program
Costs



A LETTER FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



What a difference a year makes. Over the last twelve months, as we became wiser about how to remain safe as a community during this pandemic, our confidence grew and once again, we came together at Sail Sand Point. It is such a joy to be part of this community of sailors, volunteers, adventurers, supporters, and positive spirits determined to shine on even in the face of great adversity.

Over the course of 2021 over 12,000 people shared experiences with us--over four times as many as in 2020 and 75% of the attendance of our largest year! As regattas returned, our annual Octoberfest hosted over 200 young sailors and countless adult volunteers and for three weeks Siebel Sailors from the local community enjoyed full-scholarship lessons aboard our new RS Fevas. And through all the record heat wave, covid spikes, steady breeze and turbulent politics...we sailed on together.

There is no shortage of sailing metaphors. But if you'll indulge me one more, Sail Sand Point to me is like a beacon of light shining across the lake. As we emerge from this pandemic, remembering those we've lost and with immense gratitude for life's blessings, I pledge not to forget how vitally important places, and communities, like the one at Sail Sand Point are to me. And I'm grateful for the honor of keeping this light burning.

2022 is shaping up to be a terrific year, and I look forward to sharing it with you!

Sincerely,

Seth Muir

Executive Director, Sail Sand Point

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