

## ICOYC Youth exchange data



### Club details (where is club located, what are the facilities, etc.):

Club name and details: **Seattle Yacht Club**

Club address: **1807 E. Hamlin St. Seattle WA 98112**

Address where youth programme is based (if different from main clubhouse) **Same**

Contact person/s for youth programme:

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Website /programme page (direct link if possible): [www.SeattleYachtClub.org](http://www.SeattleYachtClub.org)

Programme details (could all be via website) Opportunities for ICOYC member club's youth sailors (dates, events, costs involved, family accompaniment possible, etc.):

10-week Summer Sailing School at Seattle Yacht Club Mainstation

Over 600 sailors each summer participate.

Classes are:

Little Luffers - 7-9 Years old

Overboard Optimists – 8-12 Years

Junior Jibers – 10-13

High School - 14-18

Age range: **7-18**

Experience range: **Beginners to Intermediate**

Boat types available: **Vanguard 15, Optimist, Laser, 420**      **Also Stand-up Paddle and Kayak**

Training facilities: **Seattle Yacht Club Jr. Clubhouse and Dock Facilities**

Coaching available:

**Sailing School is Monday – Friday 9am – 4pm. \$440/week for non-members.**

**Year-Round race team with Northwest Youth Racing Circuit races May – September.**

Programmes - training, racing, social: See Website [www.SeattleYachtClub.org/Juniors](http://www.SeattleYachtClub.org/Juniors)

Annual Calendar of programmes: [www.SeattleYachtClub.org/Regattas](http://www.SeattleYachtClub.org/Regattas)

**Special conditions:**

Insurance requirements: **None**

Medical conditions: **Please notify us of any special conditions.**

Safety issues: **Sailors wear Lifejackets at all times, and must pass a swim test at beginning of class.**

Costs: \$440/week for non-members, \$420/week for members

Accommodation options: **None**

**Other details:**

Attach any links or relevant photos:

**See attachment for program summary.**



# Seattle Yacht Club

*Established in 1892*

## Seattle Yacht Club Awarded the Captain Prosser Trophy for Excellence in Sailing Instruction

Seattle March 17, 2017

On behalf of the Seattle Yacht Club, Angela Frost and Cameron Hoard accepted the Captain Joe Prosser Award for Excellence in Sailing Instruction at the 2017 U.S. Sailing National Symposium. Angela is the Sailing Programs Coordinator at Seattle Yacht Club, and Cameron is the Junior Race Team coach.

This award is given to an organization that has demonstrated Excellence in Sailing Instruction, and has made an exemplary contribution toward improving the quality and safety in the training or instruction of sailors.

Congratulations to the Seattle Yacht Club and the Junior Sailing and Racing programs for winning this prestigious award.



*Left: Cameron Hoard, Race Team Coach, and Angela Frost, Sailing Programs Coordinator for Seattle Yacht Club  
Right: Coach Cam with Race Team sailors training on Puget Sound. Below: SYC Sailing School Instructors*



SEATTLE YACHT CLUB SAILING SCHOOL SUMMER INSTRUCTORS

**Award Nomination:**  
**Captain Joe Prosser Award for Excellence in Sailing Instruction**

Seattle Yacht Club has been nominated for its exemplary and rapidly expanding sailing programs. The Seattle Yacht Club has supported a Junior Sailing Program since the 1920's. The Summer Sailing School is open to the public, with 70% non-member enrollments each year. Over the past ten years, the program has more than doubled in size, with more than 620 youth sailors and more than 50 adult sailors in 2016. The program has grown from word-of-mouth referrals and is known in the community for its focus on the three tenets of Sailing Education: "safety, learning, and fun."

The instructional staff all hold US Sailing Level 1 Small Boat Instructor certifications and are held to an incredibly high standard, with a competitive application process. The instructors are CPR and First Aid certified and are trained for emergency situations on the water and other "what-if" scenarios. Daily instructor meetings are held to discuss what went well and what could have gone better, which keeps a focus on improvement and providing the best experience possible for students! The most common compliment from parents is how wonderful and professional the staff are. Additionally, Seattle Yacht Club hosts a US Sailing Level 1 Instructor Training Class every year in May for sailors throughout the region. This has been a "double" class (24 students) for more than 5 years.

The Northwest region has been focusing on growing youth sailing, especially at the High School level. Seattle Yacht Club supports a vibrant High School Sailing program that is open to sailors from any local High School, with no experience necessary. SYC provides facilities, boats, and coaching to any high school sailor who signs up, and need-based scholarships are available. SYC also hosts an annual High School Opener Regatta attended by more than 120 sailors each spring, as well as the Northwest Junior Olympics Regatta in August, with more than 100 sailors in attendance in 2016.

Seattle Yacht Club has a very approachable Junior Race Team and Opti Green Fleet program, which are also open to non-Members. SYC has been an organizer of a local circuit of novice summer Green Fleet regattas among other area programs for more than 6 years. These events are free for sailors, and include racing, on-the-water coaching, participation prizes, and lunch for all participants. This has been a great mode for introducing sailors and their families to racing in a fun, non-intimidating way.

The Green Fleet program at SYC has been the entry point for the Seattle Yacht Club Junior Race Team, comprised of about 30 year-round sailors in Optis, Lasers, 420's and 29ers. The Junior Race Team draws upon a broad base of young sailors (open to the public), primarily from the SYC Summer Sailing School, SYC Green Fleet, HS Sailing Program, and community outreach programs. All of these programs provide youths, from ages 8 to 18, the opportunity to reach for competitive success at all levels while developing athletic skills, leadership, sportsmanship, and a lifelong love of boating. SYC has given rise to numerous generations of successful Pacific Northwest sailors, including multiple Olympic champions. The SYC Race Team continues the Club's legacy of achievement, representing SYC in local, regional, national, and international competitions.