

# Portsmouth Youth Sailing

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The Jamie Boeckel Memorial Fund  
c/o Liz Collins  
Brooks Marine Group  
1 Washington Street  
Newport, RI 02840

Liz,

On behalf of Portsmouth Youth Sailing, thank you so much for the generous donation of 12 new lifejackets for our program.

PYS is a first year program designed to teach basic sailing instruction to the children of Portsmouth. We operate under the Portsmouth Action for Youth (PAY) group which is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization (Tax ID # 05-0385253) and as no goods or services were provided to you, the entire contribution is tax deductible.

As you and your board members well know, programs such as PYS would not exist without the dedicated work of volunteers and generous support of donors. Your donation has eased the burden of requiring the children supply their own PFDs. By doing so, the number of children who will be introduced to the sport of sailing for the first time will be increased. I am sure that many of these kids will love sailing as much as Jamie did.

Learning of Jamie's loss on Memorial Day weekend of 2002 is a memory that I will never forget. More importantly, I will never forget what Jamie accomplished – in both the sport of sailing and in life – his enthusiasm and happiness were infectious to those lucky enough to be in his company. I know Jamie is keeping watch on us all and he is proud of what you are doing. He truly has great friends – because he was such a good friend.

Best regards,

Tom Kirk

*“To provide the children of Portsmouth basic sailing instruction in a safe and fun environment.”*

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