

## Donating to River Rats...

**River Rats gratefully accepts and acknowledges all donations of any size.** Please make donations payable to River Rats, Inc. and mail to:

River Rats  
Box 144  
Fair Haven, NJ 07704  
Attn: Purser

We also welcome "in kind" donations of supplies and equipment up to and including boat donations (see Fleet Needs below). Please contact: [skipper@riverratssailing.org](mailto:skipper@riverratssailing.org)

## Where the Money Will Go....

The River Rats Junior Training Program keeps the lessons affordable to families by providing boats for the students. The student just needs to bring a life jacket and be able to swim. As one can imagine, the boats used in the Junior Training Program can take a pounding over the course of the summer.

Club Members provide the labor and funds for routine maintenance. Your donation will be used for extraordinary expenses, such as major repairs and parts or replacing older boats and equipment. For example, a new sail can cost from \$100 to \$300, depending on the boat. 100% of your donation will be put toward supporting the Junior Training Program.

## Fleet Needs...

Many of the boats in our current training boat fleet are near or beyond their life expectancy. This increases our maintenance efforts greatly. Your generosity in this area can make the biggest impact on the program.

Our current training fleet composition and cost:

<u>Boat</u>	<u>number</u>	<u>new</u>	<u>life expectancy</u>
Optimist (Opti)	8	\$ 3,000	5 yrs
National 10 (Turnabout)	10	\$ 6,000	15 yrs
Laser Radial	3	\$ 6,000	7 yrs
Club 420	6	\$ 8,500	7 yrs
Instructor chase boats	3		
13-15' Boston Whaler/Carolina Skiff/ RIB (rigid hull inflatable boat)		\$10,000+	10 years
25+ HP outboard motor		\$ 5,000+	4 years (400+ hrs/season)

**Thank You for Your Support**