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Vallarta Yacht Club Junior Sailing Program Fund Raiser Spaghetti Dinner, Live auction and Raffle

April 25th, 2009

Junior Sailing 1:00 to 4:00 PM – Come and Watch

Dinner, Auction and Raffle with great prizes - 5:30 to 10:00 PM

At the Vallarta Yacht Club, Nuevo Vallarta

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<http://www.vallartayachtclub.org>



This event happens twice a year, Spring and Fall. It is a great way to support the junior sailors and the newly formed Fundacion Nautica de Bahis de Banderas AC, which is teaching our youth to sail on Banderas Bay.

The Junior Sailing Program and the Fundacion Nautica de Bahia de Banderas AC is a non profit organization funded strictly by donations, sponsorship and tuition with BECA scholarships available. Donations of items or services that could be auctioned or used as raffle prizes would be gratefully accepted.

An all female team from the Junior program is presently competing in Ecuador. Thirteen of the sailors from the Junior Program will be competing in the Junior Olympics in San Carlos, Sonora May 24th. Two will be representing Mexico in the 2009 Optimist Worlds Championship and another two will be competing in the 2009 420 One Design Worlds Championship in Brazil in August.

Our Junior Sailing program is intended to expose youngsters of all nationalities in the area and their families to the enjoyment of sailing. With multi-lingual, competent instructors, administered by a Board sanctioned Junior Sailing Committee and assisted by the stewardship of the Yacht Club Staff and member volunteer adult leaders and Junior Sailing parents.

The program's objectives are the following:

- To teach seamanship, sailing and racing skills, in a safe and fun environment
- To enable students to acquire, through the overall experience of program activities, life-long values such as sportsmanship, consideration of others, teamwork and self-reliance, as well as a love and respect for the sea
- To teach young people how to sail to the best of their ability and interest, and to encourage growth in skill and competence through both individual and team participation
- To encourage the acquisition of competitive sailing skills in regattas and in races at VYC and other Regional, National and International events.