

Sailing is a Gift. Pass it on!

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Sailing is a gift. That we can enjoy
With friends and family - or by ourselves. Oh boy!
Sailing across the water with the wind on your face,
Lifts your spirits and is a heavenly place.
Inspiring others to sail, our club's legacy grew.
Those before us loved sailing. We hope you will to!

The wind's constantly changing, its direction and force.
A wise skipper foresees and tweaks the boat's course.
With hands on the tiller and sheet for the sail,
The skipper makes changes and (*almost*) always prevails! :>
The boat heels driving forward. Cool spray hits your face.
It's exciting to harness - the wind's power and grace!

It's fun to learn sailing. How to make a boat go.
With each new experience – your confidence grows.
Learn about the wind, the sail and boat.
Develop the skills that will keep you afloat.
You learn sailing by doing and making mistakes.
What's the worst that can happen? You're swimming in the lake! :>

Racing speeds learning. It sharpens your skills.
Sailing in strong wind - tests wills and gives thrills.
Compete and share wisdom, learn the rules,
Build teamwork and friendships. Improve your tools
To face the tests - tomorrow may give.
Each sail, like each day, is a journey to live.

Sailing is fun, when out for a cruise
Or racing to win. Each way you don't lose!
Learn from mentors, who show you the way.
Coaches that build - your confidence each day.
Our summers go fast. And before time is gone.
Come, learn to sail, then pass it on!

