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**THIS SAILOR** avoided being swamped by high waves.

## Wind Youth Clinic draws world sailors

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Sailors from across the Pacific Northwest and around the world visited Cascade Locks during a weeklong WIND youth clinic last week, which culminated in a regatta competition Saturday and Sunday.

Clinic founder Jan Visser said she chose the town for the clinic four years ago when she had come to help with a collegiate sailing event.

"I had been looking for a site

since 1994 and when I came in 2004, the minute I rounded the corner I knew this was the spot," she said.

"Cascade Locks is so perfect because of the wind."

There were 40 sailors who competed in the regatta and 35 youth who attended the clinic.

Competition included three classes of Lasers; 4.7, Radial, Full Rig; Optis and 29'ers. Students took lessons from coaches Brendan Casey of Australia and Ben Glass of Seattle, Wash.



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**WIND YOUTH CLINIC** sailors hike out using trapezes to balance the weight of wind in the sails during their regatta competition during the weekend in Cascade Locks. See story on A8.

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