

High School Sailing

Annual Report 2013



2012-2013 a Successful Year for ISSA

We are growing!

ISSA is now 469 schools. We have 4 large districts with 80 – 100 schools, 1 medium sized district with 52 schools and 2 smaller districts with 25 -30 schools. Each of the seven districts is unique with their own board of directors, supplemental rules and regatta scheduling. We believe that this local leadership increases the opportunity for the sailors to expand their learning for sailing.



Congratulations to Antilles High School for winning this year's Mallory held at Chicago Yacht Club and Point Loma High School for winning the Baker Trophy at Davis Island Yacht Club for the second year in a row.

One of our huge accomplishments this year is the completion of new websites for each district. We are continuing to improve our ability to communicate to all the participants in high school sailing.

We certainly appreciate all the hard work that everyone provides in making ISSA successful





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ISSA (Interscholastic Sailing Association) is administered by a Board of Directors who oversee the operations of the Association including the 3 major championships, finances, archives, rules and procedures and regatta guidelines. The all volunteer Board is dedicated to enhancing the sailing experience for youth sailors while encouraging further eduation beyond their high school years.

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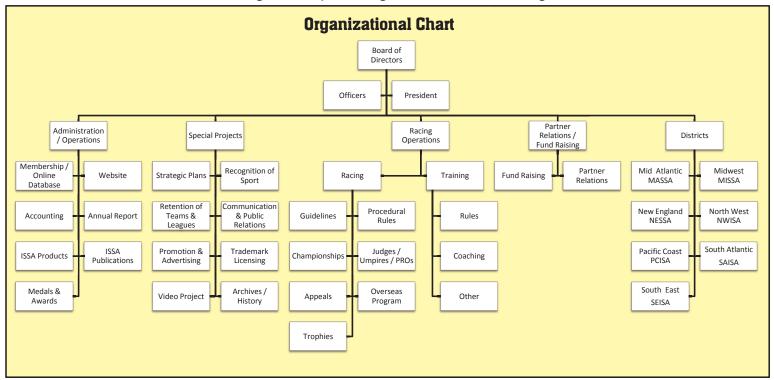
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ISSA Districts

Number of Registered Schools as of June 1, 2013

Mid-Atlantic

Midwest

New England

Northwest

Pacific Coast

South Atlantic

South East

99 teams

52 teams

82 teams

30 teams

100 teams

81 teams

25 teams

469 total

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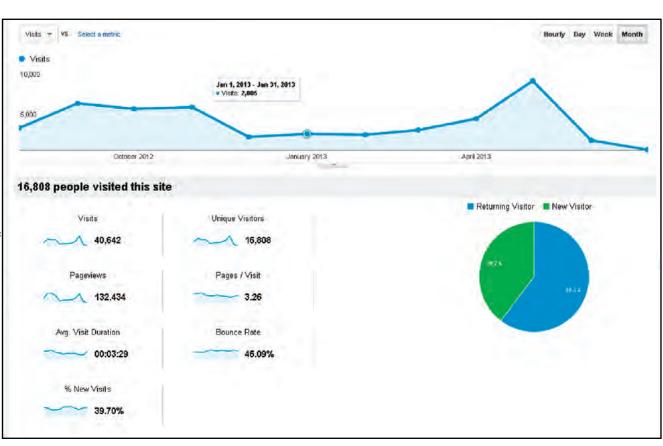
Accomplishments & Future Goals

<u>Growth</u> - ISSA has grown to 469 registered schools in the 2013 sailing season

Website - A new website was rolled out in April 2012 with advanced features and a new look. Traffic to the website has increased with 40,000+ visits to the site over the 2012-2013 year.

New District Websites - individual District pages were completed in the Spring of 2013 allowing each District the ability to have a template to match the ISSA website, but with their own content and District focus.

<u>Social Media</u>_- ISSA continues to reach out to the sailors, parents and supporters through the various social media sites including Facebook and Twitter.



Future Goals

<u>Scoring Program</u> - The focus for the coming year will be on finalizing and rolling out a new scoring program to match collegiate sailing and make the transition easier from high school to college sailing for scoring purposes.



Cressy Trophy

Singlehanded Championship

Morton Starr Cressy, Jr. was a 1927 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy and an avid sailor. The Cressy Trophy was presented to the Naval Academy by his wife in his memory. The Cressy Trophy Regatta was originally a multi-division invitational high school regatta. The Deed of Gift was changed in 1985 to re-dedicate the Cressy Trophy as the National High School Singlehanded Championship trophy, sailed in Lasers.

The 2013 Cressy was sailed off Long Beach, California in the Pacific Ocean November 9-10, 2012. 18 Full Rig and 18 Radial Rig sailors from all ISSA Districts were represented at the Cressy and competed in 18 races a piece. In the end, Mitchell Kiss, the 2012 Cressy winner, of Black River Public School won the Full rig division with Malcolm Lamphere of Lake Forest High School winning the Radial division.





Full Rig - top 5

- 1. Mitchell Kiss
- 2. Daniel DelBello
- 3. Stephen Long
- 4. Clay Broussard
- 5. Brendan Shanahan



Radial Rig - top 5

- 1. Malcolm Lamphere
- 2. Gary Prieto
- 3. Andrew Puopolo
- 4. Zach Hill
- 5. Cooper Weitz

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Baker Trophy

In 1990 the Board of Directors established the ISSA national Team Racing Championship for the Baker Trophy, named for Toby Baker, Tabor Academy's then long time head sailing coach, in recognition of his commitment to high school sailing and to team racing in particular. Toby served as President and Treasurer of ISSA and as President of the New England School Sailing Association (NESSA). His influence helped interscholastic sailing evolve into a national organization.

The 2013 Baker was sailed on Tampa Bay, hosted by Davis Island Yacht Club and SAISA. 12 teams represented the various Districts of the ISSA and sailed the round-robin series with 66 races held for the first round. An exciting last race was held be-

tween Pt. Loma and Antilles. After suffering their first defeat to Antilles earlier in the Gold Round a second loss by Pt. Loma would hand the championship to Antilles on the tie break. In nerve-rackingly light conditions the combinations changed at every mark rounding and on the final beat to the finish each team had lead boats turn back to try and manage unstable combinations. A puff in the last 50 meters of the race launched Pt. Loma ahead for the Toby Baker Championship. Antilles finished second and Broadneck third.





Baker - top 5

- 1. Point Loma High School
- 2. Antilles School
- 3. Broadneck High School
- 4. Portsmouth Abbey
- 5. Corona del Mar High School



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The Mallory Trophy is school sailing's oldest trophy, first sailed in 1930. It was selected and presented to the IYRA (now ISSA) by Clifford Mallory and his son. The early competitions were in Atlantic-class sloops, hence the sterling sliver model of the original Atlantic on the trophy. In recent years the competition for the ISSA Nationals has been in doublehanded dinghies in a two-division format.

The 2013 Mallory was hosted in the Midwest on Lake Michigan out of Belmont Harbor and Chicago Yacht Club. 20 teams representing the ISSA Districts arrived in Chicago to light air and sunny skies. By noon a front had arrived with winds topping 22 knots and temperatures dropping. Sunday's wind dropped to 15 knots with colder temperatures and lots of racing. The range of conditions proved to be a true test for all of the sailors at the championship, but ultimately the title went to Antilles School winning by 4 points over Cape Cod Academy.



Mallory - Top 5

- 1. Antilles School
- 2. Cape Cod Academy
- 3. Hotchkiss School
- 4. Point Loma High School
- 5. Severn School





SSA

Great Oaks Trophy

The Great Oaks Invitational provides a national level regatta for developing teams, creating an opportunity to compete with peers as a team grows in numbers and skill. A system of regattas for new teams within Districts, in local leagues and District-wide, provides for development of skills and attitudes, and identifies teams ready to go forward to a national-level event. The Great Oaks was introduced into the ISSA calendar in 1999, hosted by Southern Yacht Club in New Orleans. All schools that are currently members of ISSA and have not qualified for either the Mallory or Baker in the previous four years, are eligible to enter the selection process in use in their District. A team is comprised of not fewer than two nor more than four sailors who must be full-time students in the school they represent. Each team sails one doublehanded boat.

BSDRA

The British Schools Dinghy Racing Association invites teams from the United States to compete in England. 13 British teams and 1 US team competed in 2013. Ransom Everglades traveled from Florida and arrived one week early to compete in the Itchenor fleet racing event. After a brief tour of Stonehenge, the Ransom team headed to West Kirby where 96 races were completed in the first round with all teams sailing 12 races before splitting into gold and silver for stage 2 and an additional 20 races. As the British reported, "Visitors Ransom Everglades pulled out some bewitching boat handling when it matterd along with consistent speed, and stuck in the top 4 throughout along with MCS 1 and 2 and Sevenoaks A. Tonbridge A recovered from a patch of bad form on Monday to storm to the top of the silver league in Stage 3, earning a one-race repecharge with Ransom Everglades for a spot in the semi-finals. The Americans managed a 1,2 against Tonbridge A, leaving one semi-final between Sevenoaks A and MCS2 with the other between Ransom Everglades and MCS 1. In the subsequent petit-final Sevenoaks A beat Ransom Everglades 3-0, and in the final MCS 1 held MCS 2 to 3-0."

Development Regatta

Great Oaks - top 5

Gold

- 1. Ransom Everglades
- 2. North Kingstown High School
- 3. Tampa Jesuit
- 4. Oconomowoc High School
- 5. Cheverus High School

Silver

- 1. Long Beach High School
- 2. Metairie Park Country Day
- 3. Hinsdale Central High School
- 4. Wallsingham Academy
- 5. Ocean Springs High School

International Team Race Regatta

BSDRA - Top 5

1. MCS1	GBR
2. MCS2	GBR
3. Sevenoaks 1	GBR
4. Ransom Everglades	USA
5. Rutland Youth	GBR



Districts

SEISA saw growth and renewed enthusiasm this season. The number of high school events more than doubled and there were additional opportunities for practice and improve with clinics open to all high school sailors. The Cressy Qualifier was held at Southern Yacht Club in New Orleans. Congratulations to Clay Broussard and Keen Butcher for qualifying for the National High School Singlehanded Championship. The Great Oaks Regatta is always a huge success and more SEISA schools than ever participated. Early spring regattas such as the Northshore Cup, the Super Bowl Regatta, the TSA Lakewood event and the Austin Roadrunner Regatta were a great tune up for the Mallory Baker Qualifers at Lakewood Yacht Club in their new FJs in April. Congratulations to Clear Falls High School for winning both qualifiers. Check out our new website www.seisa.hssailing.org and watch for the Fall Season updates. We are gearing up for a great high school sailing season. Hope you are too!

NWISA had a very busy spring season. Eleven weekend regattas were held with an average of 24 boats at each regatta. New this spring, to accommodate more sailors, was the introduction of regional regattas and the formation of North and South regions in the district. Different formats also were tried at some of our open regattas, a regional ladder event one weekend, and then a combined A&B division's regatta the next weekend was a big hit. The new NWISA website has been very helpful in getting information out to the district, and getting new schools onboard. Scott Wilson hosted NWISA's spring meeting and Bellingham Bay, September 21&22 was selected for the NWISA 2013 singlehanded championships.

MISSA High school sailing continues to grow and become more competitive with each season. This growth has been a welcomed challenge and allowed areas, programs, and schools to develop and purchase fleets, as well as host regattas for the first time. With that said, MISSA is now hosting multiple regional or district wide events on weekends, local or combined practices and scrimmages during the week, and will be running regional qualifiers for our district championships starting this fall. We continue to have interest from new schools throughout the district. This past spring MISSA was proud to host the Mallory Nationals in 420s at Chicago Yacht Club, who did a great job putting on the event in tough conditions. MISSA purchased 18 full sets of 420 sails and received a donation of 6 suits of sails for the district to use at national qualifiers or while hosting national championships.



This should help allow new teams or programs to host larger events MISSA currently stands strong at 52 registered teams with hopes to top 60 by the end of the year!

MASSA, consisting of five separate leagues geographically covering the sailing areas from Rochester, NY to Norfolk, VA, finished the 2012-2013 school year with 99 registered schools. The MASSA leagues provided weekly, and some leagues twice weekly, regattas for their local schools to compete. MASSA leagues enjoy the autonomy to elect their own league officers, set their own schedules to address their particular sailing needs and utilize their local resources. Jimmy Carminati directs NYISA-NW; George Linzee - NYISA-SE; Brian Hull - NJISA; Alana O'Reilly - MDISA; Randy Stokes -VISA. The leagues each hold individual league qualifier championships each season to determine which teams move on to the fall and spring District Championships from which the top schools advance to the National Championships.

The Atlantic Coast Championship (a.k.a. The ACCs) was hosted by MASSA's Christchurch School in Virginia in November with schools from MASSA, NESSA and SAISA competing in what has become a highly competitive fall inter-district championship. Severn School, Falmouth High School and Christchurch School were the top three schools.

State Championships were held this spring in New York, New Jersey, Maryland and Virginia. New Jersey and Virginia held a Girls Championship.

Christchurch School hosted the MASSA Spring Fleet Race Championship, which serves as the Mation

Qualifier. The Severn School finished 1st, Annapolis 2nd, Broadneck 3rd and Christchurch 4th. These teams then represented MASSA in the Mallory National Fleet Race Championship in Chicago, with Severn finishing 5th and Annapolis 6th, Christchurch 13th and Broadneck 16th.

The Severn Sailing Association and Annapolis Yacht Club combined their fleets to host a 10 team MASSA Spring Team Race Championship that serves as the District's Baker Qualifier. Severn School won; Broadneck High School was 2nd. These schools represented MASSA in the Baker National Team Race Championship in Tampa where Broadneck finished 3rd and Severn School 10th.

Mercy McQuaid represented MASSA at the National Invitational Team Race Regatta held in Milwaukie, WI, finishing 3rd at that inter-district event competing against schools from NESSA, MASSA and MISSA.

The MASSA District continues to grow as high school sailing popularity increases. New Jersey gained another venue this year with Monmouth University purchasing a fleet of 18 FJs from ODU. Norfolk acquired a second fleet of 18 FJs. Annapolis replaced its 18 boat 420 fleet. The level of competition and quality of sailing continues to improve and the sport serves as a great transition for the large percentage of graduating high school sailors that move on to sail in college. We look forward to continued growth, on and off the water, as new sailors and volunteers get onboard in the coming years.

Randall Nunn, Isaac Clark, Joel Labuzetta, Alana O'Reilly, Cole Alsopp, George Linzee, Jimmy Carminati, Brian Hull, Scot Ellis and Stovy Brown deserve the District's gratitude for their work this year.

PCISA closed out the 2012-13 school year as the largest district again, and seems to be steadying out team growth at over 100 active teams each year. Growth this year came in the form of record participation in our five district-wide regattas. All five events received more registrations than could be accommodated within the 60 team cap and thus cuts were required following PCISA procedural rules. Within the Leagues, participation was also high, with over 70 boats at one of the NorCal regattas.

All three Leagues have made format changes over the past few years to accommodate growth and get to the high participation levels we see. With over 30 boats at all of the SoCals, and 45 boats at one, implementation of a system similar to the NorCal gold and silver divisions may be forthcoming. Hawaii held another successful IMU regatta over Thanksgiving weekend that drew teams from the mainland for a fun event. The Girls HS Invitational in San Diego was again successful with a full 18 teams. Both of these events are relatively new and growing, so teams are encouraged to register early in the upcoming school year to reserve a spot. The PCISA Cressy Qualifier in Lasers continues to be a very large event, drawing 67 boats last year to the US Sailing Center in Long Beach.

Point Loma was the strongest team in the District, winning the Baker and finishing 4th at the Mallory. We look forward to hosting a great Mallory this year out of San Diego Yacht Club at the end of the season. As the 25th high school regatta of the school year in our District we're very excited to welcome teams from around the country to race in beautiful San Diego to finish off the double-handed season.

SAISA enjoyed one of its most successful years yet, in 2012-2013 enrolling 81 teams in the district. The district is divided into 4 areas: Inland, Coastal, South and the Caribbean; covering 6 states and the Caribbean.

Congratulations to Antilles High School from St. Thomas, Virgin Islands winning the Mallory Championship and finishing second in the Baker trophy.

In the north, the top schools in the north points series were Bearden, Lake Norman, Pine Lake Prep., Wakefield, Academic Magnet, Richmond Hill, Wando, Beaufort Academy, Bishop England, Porter Gaud, Ashley Hall, And Charleston School of the Arts.

In the south, the top schools in the south points series were St Thomas Aquinas, Shorecrest Preparatory, Sarasota High School, Ransom Everglades, Tampa Jesuit, Sarasota Military School and Pine View School.

At the Great Oaks, SAISA schools placed very well with Ransom Everglades winning the event, Tampa Jesuit finishing third, and Pine View High School finishing eighth.

In May, Tampa Jesuit beat 7 schools in the team racing regatta at the National Invitational Team Racing Regatta to win the Founders Trophy. Furthermore Ransom Everglades is travelled to Europe to represent SAISA as they work with the British School's Dinghy Racing Association (BSDRA), to further sailing.

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