



# High School Sailing

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## Annual Report 2016



# ISSA: Another Successful Year

June, 2016

High School is now 556 schools – an increase of 10% over last year.

The Midwest (MISSA) with 31 new teams and The Southwest (SEISA) with 11 new teams both had increases of 50% from the previous year.

ISSA now has 5 districts that have 90 to 106 schools with the Pacific Coast (PCISA) being the largest with 106 teams.

Clear Falls High School from Texas representing the Southeast (SEISA) our smallest district defeated 19 of the top teams in fleet racing by winning the 2016 Mallory Trophy with a 38 point margin. The huge victory was amazing since Clear Falls High School became a sailing team only 5 years ago. The event was hosted by the College of Charleston and sailed in Z420's and CFJ's.

St. Georges from Newport Rhode Island won the 2016 Baker Trophy defeating 11 other schools. The regatta was held at Anacortes, Washington with blistering winds on Saturday and light and shifty winds on Sunday. The Anacortes Yacht which hosted the event managed to get the required 66 races but the wind died before we could sail a final four. This is the second time that St. Georges have won the event since 1989.

As I continue to report, ISSA continues to expand on all fronts. This past calendar year we hosted 320 regattas throughout the country. Many of these events are at the league and district level with the attempt to have many JV events as possible. In the fall, we ran 159 events over 15 weekends and 161 events over 20 weekends in the spring. We certainly appreciate all the help we get from Yacht Clubs, Community Sailing Centers, Sea Scout Bases and College Sailing programs and the thousands of volunteers.

The Keelboat regatta held in St. Petersburg, the San Diego all girls regatta and various intersectional events are continuing to provide a variety of sailing for the sailors. With all this activity ISSA is surpassing one of our main goals which are to have fun and provide an opportunity for all levels of high school sailors to enjoy sailing.

I would like to thank everyone for their help and support of High School Sailing.

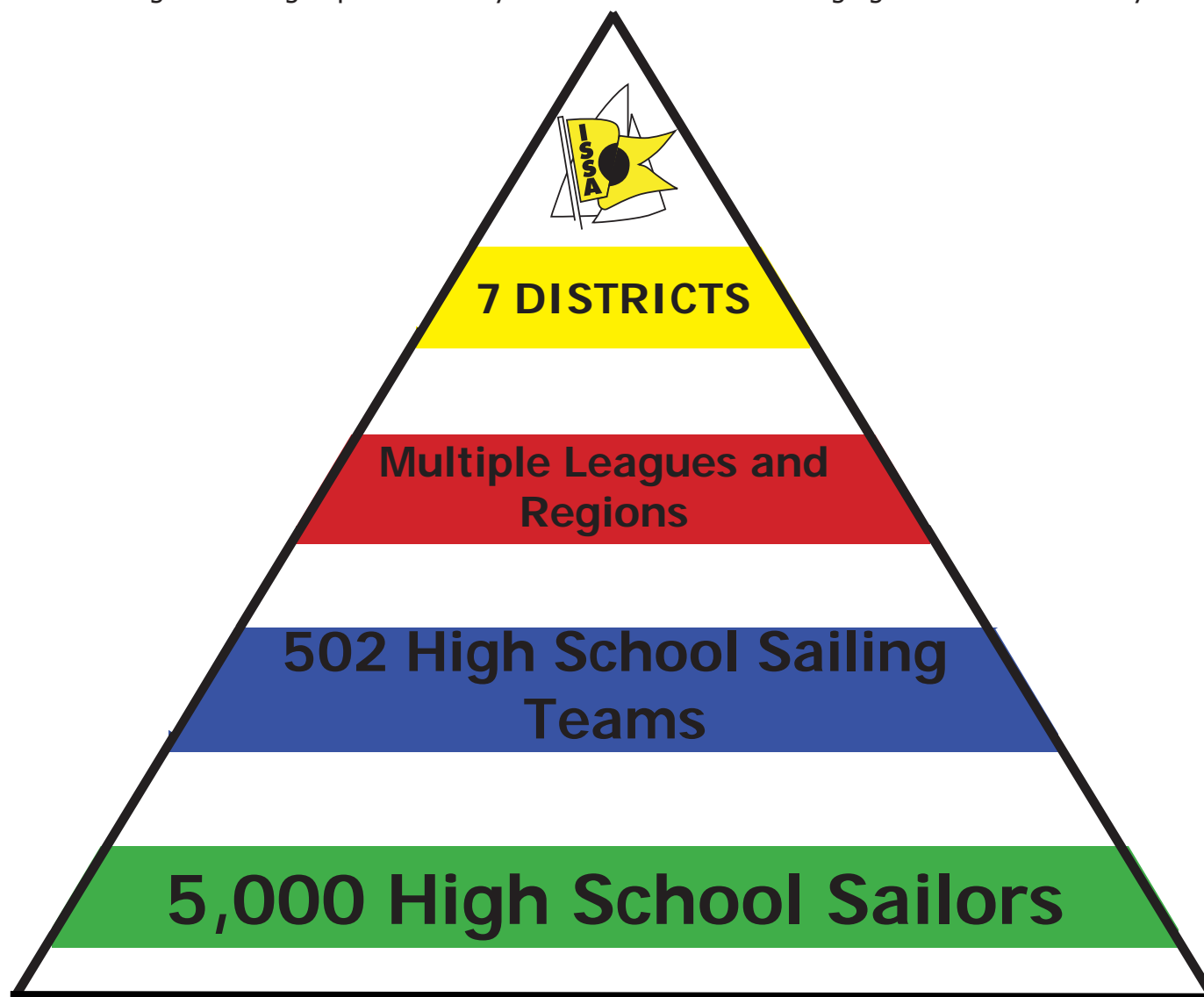


Tim Hogan, ISSA President



# ISSA

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 education beyond their high school years.



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# ISSA Districts

Number of Registered Schools  
as of June 1, 2016

Mid-Atlantic	105 teams
Midwest	92 teams
New England	94 teams
Northwest	35 teams
Pacific Coast	106 teams
South Atlantic	91 teams
South East	33 teams
	556 total





# Accomplishments & Future Goals

**Completion of ISSA's Technology Upgrade** Over the past three years, we have successfully upgraded the ISSA website, Online Registration and the Scoring Program. Now we need to set new goals in areas where we can continue to improve.

**District Organization** - Each District has different requirements due to location, weather, facilities, and types of school programs. The larger Districts have created Leagues that require an additional level of management. We need to add new volunteers to each District to assist in the various areas of our sailing programs.

**Social Media** - Continue to expand our communications through social media. This year a freshman student at a Northern California school created a video: "High School Sailing 101" which was terrific and very helpful for newer schools.



**Expansion of Intersectional Regattas** - Continue to expand with regattas that help teams that can travel to various events. This last year we started an annual Keelboat regatta in St. Petersburg, Florida.

**Focus on Team Management** - The 90% of the teams that just participate in local events and don't attend our national championships usually need assistance with team organization, coaching, boats and facilities.



**Overall Fundraising by ISSA** - Expansion of fundraising and sponsorship for the benefit of ISSA and each of the seven Districts.



# Cressy Trophy

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## 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 2015/16 Cressy was held at Old Dominion University with PRO Gary Bodie running the races. Saturday's conditions were light and shifty northerly winds where 4 races were run over trapezoid and windward/leeward courses. Sunday the sailros were greeted with better conditions with 4-10 knots throughout the day.



### Full Rig - top 5

	School	Team	A	TOT
1	Point Loma High School	Paul Didham '16	50	50
2	Oxbridge Academy	Brandon Kirby '16	55	55
3	North Fort Myers High	Jack Gower '16	67	67
* 4	Antilles School	Colin Brego '16	79	79
* 5	Point Loma High School	Steven Leuck '16	79	79

### Radial Rig - top 5

	School	Team	A	TOT
1	Newport Harbor High School	Joseph Hou '18	40	40
2	Ida S Baker Hig School	Gage Wilson '17	62	62
3	St. Thomas Aquinas High School	Sophia Reineke '17	72	72
4	South River High School	Leo Boucher '18	81	81
5	Bishop Verot High School	Scott Rasmussen '16	91	91





# Baker Trophy

## Team Racing

*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 first day of the Baker the sailors arrived to a very strong southerly wind of 16-18 with gusts to 24. Racing was postponed waiting for the wind to subside and in the afternoon, 6 races were held in manageable 13-15 knots before they increased again. Later when the wind dropped a bit more, the qualifying round was completed at 7:30pm.

Day 2 tested sailors with opposite conditions of light wind and flat water. Racing began at 8:30am in 4-5 knots and rain. Throughout the day the wind sent up and down and shifted with some sun peeking out. Races were sailed in 3-8 knots before the wind died at 2pm. 66 races were held for the finals. Thanks to the Anacortes Yacht club and NWISA as well as the 2016 Team Race Champions from St. George's School.

### Baker 2016 - top 5

Rank	School	Points	Skippers	Crews
1	St George's School Dragons	11-0	Collin Alexander '16 Matt Logue '18 Will Logue '18	Ellie Williams '16 Taylor Kirkpatrick '16 Truckie Greenhouse '17 Ben White '18 Oliver Parsons '17 Gray Benson '18
2	Newport Harbor High School Sailors	9-2	Sean Segerblom '16 Michael Sabourin '16 Joseph Hou '18 Jack McGraw '18 Steven Leuck '16 Jack Reiter '18	Briggs D'Eliseu '16 Madeline Bubb '16 Emily Overstreet '17 Nate DiMello '16 Katharine Bowman '16 Kenny Moats '17 Megan Lansdale '16 Jeremy Cienfuegos '16 James (JD) Schradly '18 Philip Adams '18 Laura Masterson '16 Lauren Vande Hal '16 Hunter Skinner '16 Jack Stencil '18
3	Point Loma High School Pointers	8-3		
4	Clear Falls High School Knights	7-4	Dane Byerly '16 Wiley Rogers '18 Nathan Zitter '19	
5	St Thomas Aquinas High School Raiders	7-4	Max Fox '16 Conner Cornell '16 Sophia Reineke '17 Clyde Wright '16 Alicia (Alexandra) Toppe '18 Thomas Walden '16 Colin Brego '16 Sam Morrell '17	Julia Sheaffer '16 Max Gilette '16 Dee Kelly '17 Clyde Wright '16 John Monahan '16 Brian Buckley '17 Maggie Barlett '16 Raid McHenry '16 Paige Clark '16 Amanda Engeman '16 Teddy Nicolosi '16 Cecereann Nicolosi '16 Nick Marshall '16 Lulu Russell '17 Stephanie Zou '16 Nathalie Cavallo '16 Tucker Hensam '16 Camille White '16 Caroline McNeil '16 Aiden Morgan '17 Blair Reilly '16 Abby Tindall '16 Eric DeMario '16 Sally Johnson '16 Zoe Harding '16 Thomas Walker '17 Alara Sabin '16 Cael Eaten '17 Berette McNaught '16 Lizzy Holmann '16 Graham Niese '16 Sydney Maxwell '17
6	Antilles School Hurricanes	7-4		
7	Tabor Academy Seawolves	5-6	Parker Loftus '16 Chase Cooper '17 Peter Thibodeau '16 Tucker Hensam '16	
8	Severn school Admirals	4-7	Connor Bayless '17 Caroline Bayless '19 Stephen Dutton '16 Stephanie Houck '17	
9	Christchurch School Seatornses	4-7	Austen Frezza '17 Brendan Little '16 Boyd Bragg '18	
10	Minnnetonka High School Skippers	2-9	Lily LooBrook '17 Conrad (Cort) Vandlik '17 Nathan Olmsted '18	









# Mallory Trophy Fleet Racing Championship

*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 silver 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 2016 Mallory Championship was hosted by The College of Charleston and sailed in Z420s. On Saturday, a strong westerly breeze from 8-15 knots gave the Race Committee what they needed to complete 14 races in each division. Very little current until after the lunch break but built to a strong outgoing tide all afternoon making upwinds legs challenging. Sunday after a full rotation including 40 races, the Clear Falls Knights took the lead early Saturday and never let go. They ended the regatta with almost a 40 point lead. The Pt Loma Pointers, who led very early in the regatta, clawed back some Sunday and easily held onto 2nd place. In the last 2 races of the regatta Shorecrest was able to erase the gap behind Milton Academy to take the last podium spot. Only 12 races were needed Sunday to complete the rotations. The wind started around 10 knots from the north and dropped off all morning. The last race ended just as the northerly shut off. Thanks to the College of Charleston sailors and crew who did a great job all weekend to get in a full regatta.



**Mallory 2016 - Top 5**

	School	Team	A	B	TOT
1	 Clear Falls High School	Knights	113	90	203
2	 Point Loma High School	Pointers	145	96	241
3	 Shorecrest Preparatory School	Chargers	135	141	276
4	 Milton Academy	Mustangs	146	136	282
5	 Christchurch School	Seahorses	134	162	296
6	 St. George's School	Dragons	130	167	297





# Great Oaks Trophy ————— Development Regatta

*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.*



## Great Oaks - top 10

### Green

1. Gulliver Preparatory School
2. Xavier High School
3. Arrowhead High School
4. St. Stanislaus
5. Moses Brown School

### Red

1. Coral Shores High School
2. Fairfield Preparatory
3. Pine Lake Preparatory
4. White Bear Lake High School
5. Orono High School

## Keelboat Invitational

The second annual Keelboat Invitational was held at St Petersburg Yacht Club November 21-22, 2015. 6 races were sailed on Sunday as a slow moving cold front prohibited racing with not wind on Saturday. Sunday has a nice North easterly followed by a building northerly to give close racing. 5-10 knots of breeze out of the east on Saturday. All the teams demonstrated great boat handling with Clear Falls HS taking the regatta win with 3 first place finished in the 6 race series.



## Keelboat Championship - top 5

1. Clear Falls High School
2. Archbishop Spalding
3. Newport Harbor High School
4. Shorecrest Preparatory School
5. North Kingstown High School



# Districts

**MASSA** organizes high school sailing for New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware, and Virginia. Within MASSA, five leagues organize weekly regattas during the spring and the fall for in league competition. State Championships were held this spring in New York, New Jersey, Maryland and Virginia. New Jersey and Virginia held a Girls Championship. The leagues each hold individual league qualifier championships each season to determine which teams move onto the fall and spring District Championships from which the top schools advance to the National Championships.

MASSA leagues enjoy the autonomy to elect their own league officers, set their own schedules, address their particular sailing needs and utilize their local resources. Liam Faudree directed NYISA-NW; Alisha Martorella - NYISA-SE; Randall Nunn - NJISA; Tom Sitzman - MDISA; Isaac Clark -VISA.

MASSA's Participation at National Championships:

**Baker Team Race National Championship - Severn School and Christchurch School** represented MASSA.

**Mallory Fleet Race National Championship - Christchurch** finished 5<sup>th</sup>. Also representing MASSA were **Key School, Mamaroneck High School and Rye Country Day School.**

**National Invitational Tournament – Norfolk Collegiate School** finished 1<sup>st</sup>.

MASSA organized the following major Championships:

**Atlantic Coast Championship** hosted by Norfolk Yacht and Country Club in Virginia. 1<sup>st</sup> St. Thomas Aquinas, 2<sup>nd</sup> **Key School**, 3<sup>rd</sup> **Christchurch School**, 4<sup>th</sup> **Norfolk Collegiate School**

**MASSA Spring Fleet Race Championship (Mallory Qualifier)** - hosted by the Waterfront Center in Oyster Bay, Long Island, NY. 1<sup>st</sup> **Christchurch School**, 2<sup>nd</sup> **Key School**, 3<sup>rd</sup> **Mamaroneck High School**

**MASSA Spring Team Race Championship (Baker Qualifier)** – Hosted by Norfolk Yacht and Country Club. 1<sup>st</sup> **Christchurch School**, 2<sup>nd</sup> **Severn School**, 3<sup>rd</sup> **Norfolk Collegiate School**

MASSA also hosted a keel boat qualifier, a fall fleet race championship and a fall team race championship. During this past year, the Fleet Race District Championships were expanded to include 36 schools over two venues. MASSA seeking to create enduring continuity and quality local racing has made an effort to help strengthen its leagues' organizational structures.

Randall Nunn will succeed Randy Stokes as District Director. Randall served as District Treasurer and has for years been a motivating force behind high school sailing in New Jersey. Randall is well prepared to lead MASSA to future growth and innovation.

**MISSA** continues to grow as fast as corn in July! We finished the season with 92 school teams, nearly doubling our size in the last two years. We hosted 63 regattas at 16 different venues within MISSA, and sent 15 different schools to national championships or intersectional invitationals. Each of our areas has some unique challenges. Our largest area, the West has most of its teams concentrated near Milwaukee or near the Twin Cities – about a 5 hour drive apart. The spring season has to wait for the water to become liquid, but this year they were very successful getting a series of local one-day ("Tier 3") regattas



going in both Minnesota and Wisconsin. (Our "Tier 3" regattas are not qualifiers, and are organized to encourage smaller teams and less experienced sailors to get racing.) The area showed its strength by hosting the NIT at the same time as its Minnesota State Championships. Our Central area has primarily been made up of teams in the Chicago area, where we have about 20 schools, but only four host clubs, which are all at or near capacity. Growth in this area will depend on getting more venues, so we were encouraged to add several schools from elsewhere in Illinois this year and hope to continue the trend. The East area, comprised of Michigan and Ohio, is where we have seen our biggest growth. Our challenge in this area will be helping many of our smaller new teams reach a sustainable level. Several new schools in this area stepped up to host their first high school regatta this year, and MISSA is committed to giving them the support they need to succeed.

Special thanks to outgoing MISSA President Frank Ustach who led the district through this incredible growth period!

**SEISA** has had a great year of growth! In the 2015-2016 year we established our first ever Board of Directors, approved District Rules and continue to add new teams! The rules are designed to allow small teams to compete in local regattas and allow high-level regattas as well. The East side of the district sails primarily in the c420's and the West side primarily FJs. SEISA won the Mallory Trophy, the ISSA Champs for Fleet racing, double-handed. This is only the 2<sup>nd</sup> time in SEISA history and the first for a Texas team – Clear Falls High School Knights in League City, TX. We are continuing to build our district and adding state championship regattas to the mix. We are working towards building a strong regatta circuit on both sides of the district, with cross-over participation in several regattas between the east and west regions of the district highly encouraged. We are also working to build more & consistent fleets of boats in the district. SEISA will host the ISSA Cressy Champs, the Single-handed Nationals in Galveston TX in the fall of 2016!



**NESSA** had 94 active schools for the 2015-2016 season. The structure of our organization was refined by establishing a 7 member executive committee to assist the traditional president, vice president, sec/treasurer structure.

The fall of 2015 ushered in a new format for Intersectional Qualification in the district. Four fall events: The Polar Bear Open at Bowdoin College, The Arnold Brown Regatta at Sail Martha's Vineyard, The Casco Bay Open at Sail Maine and the Gleekman Trophy on Lake Massapoag each produced an invitation to the winner to move on to the Atlantic Coast Championship Intersectional held at the Norfolk Yacht and Country Club. NESSA, MASSA, SAISA and MISSA were each represented, congratulations to NESSA teams Falmouth ME, North Kingstown HS, Fairfield Ludlowe and Cape Elizabeth on advancing to the ACC's.

The Great Oaks Qualifier was reformatted into a single day qualifier held at Sacred Heart University/Fairfield University. Xavier, Fairfield Prep and Moses Brown advanced to the Great Oaks at Southern YC.

The fall season also has the single handed qualifier, Nancy Healy Trophy at Wickford YC. Ridgefield HS, St George's School and Cape Elizabeth HS each advanced to the Full Rig Championship, Cressy Trophy at ODU. In Radials it was Milton Academy, Falmouth HS and Portsmouth Abbey advancing to the Cressy.

The final Qualifier was for the National Keelboat Invite held at Fisher's Island Yacht Club in IOD's. Falmouth HS and North Kingstown HS advanced to the national event at St Petersburg YC in Sonar's.

Spring time is team race focused in New England. Thank you to MIT for hosting both the Mark Trophy to qualify Baker Trophy teams and simultaneously hosting the Terk Trophy to qualify the NIT representatives. Sixteen teams in each fleet over two days qualified St George's School and Tabor Academy for the Baker. Falmouth HS, Bishop Stang and Sharon HS advanced to the NIT's.

Two other major regattas in New England were also completed. The Rebecca Herreshoff Trophy is the women's only championship hosted this year at Mass Maritime School, congratulations to winner Portsmouth Abbey, North Kingstown and The Hotchkiss School.

Finally, some fleet racing! Sixteen teams were qualified at four venues to compete for the O'Day Trophy hosted at Brown University. Tabor Academy, St George's School, Milton Academy and Brunswick School advanced to the Mallory Trophy at College of Charleston.

**NWISA** had a very busy 2015-2016 racing season. The fall season had a great single-handed Championship at Cascade Locks, a keelboat qualifier in Bellingham, Cascadia Cup at Sail Sandpoint and the Trick or Treat team race on Orcas. Spring 2016 featured 12 weekend regattas, highlighted by double handed districts in Bellingham with 60 FJ's participating between gold and silver fleets and team race districts hosted by Anacortes at Seafarers Park. The Anacortes Yacht Club and Anacortes High School team helped host a great Baker regatta Memorial Day weekend at their fantastic venue Seafarers Park. At the NWISA annual spring meeting an ambitious fall 2016 schedule was approved including single handed districts at CGRA Labor Day weekend.

**SAISA** improved to 91 teams compared to 88 teams the previous school year. We are separated into 3 divisions including North, South, and Caribbean. We continue to have 15 people on the board of directors with 7 from the south, 7 from the north and one from the Caribbean. The district held over 35 regattas finalized with our district championships at Lake Norman YC in Cornelius, NC with 16 teams to come up with the top 3 for the berths for the Nationals. The Cressy Qualifier was held in St Pete. The Keelboat championship which was started in St Pete continues its great popularity. The Mallory Championship was hosted at College of Charleston this year with the top 20 teams in the country in attendance and 40 races held. We used 20 FJs and 20 420s. SAISA was the only team with 3 teams from their district in the top 10. The board meets monthly to stay on top of the changes which it implemented over the last 2 years.

**PCISA** had a record number of registered schools and outstanding participation in the 5 district-wide regattas. All five events received more registrations than could be accommodated but the District is attempting to be inclusive as much as possible.

The PCISA Cressy qualifier was held at the US Sailing Center in Long Beach with a great turnout in both divisions and Pt Loma's Paul Didham capturing the Full rig Cressy National Championship with Newport Harbor's Joseph Hou winning the Radial division National title.

The Roy Disney Trophy symbolic of combining Cressy, the 5 PCISA events, PCCs, Baker and now SoCal & NorCal events, found Newport Harbor atop the leaderboard followed by Pt Loma and Corona del Mar HS. 30 different schools were calculated in the overall standings.

Congratulations to all the PCISA sailors for another fantastic year of High School sailing.

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