

# REPORTS from THE DISTRICTS

## MWISA

The spring sailing season is underway in the Midwest district. The first event is the Chicago YC's annual Icebreaker Regatta April 14. The Baker qualifier will be held April 21-22 (Note: this is a change from previously announced dates) at the Lake Forest Sailing Center and the Mallory qualifier is scheduled for April 28-29 co-hosted by Columbia YC and Chicago YC at Monroe Harbor.

The St. Joseph's HS sailing team and the St. Joseph's Foundation are holding a BYOB Laser/Laser radial regatta May 12 at Lake Paw Paw in Michigan. Check the district website [www.missa.net](http://www.missa.net) for the Notice of Race.

District membership in early April was 26 schools. Slower than expected growth plus schools delaying to pay their dues until the spring season combine to possibly reduce the district allocations for ISSA championships. One possible solution is to allow only those schools that have paid their dues by the December 31, 2001 deadline to be eligible to qualify for the 2002 national events. The district officers are looking for feedback. E-mail Chris Mitchell at [mitchell@chicagoyachtclub.org](mailto:mitchell@chicagoyachtclub.org) or Ray Teborek at [RJT@WmBlair.com](mailto:RJT@WmBlair.com)

MWISA has already scheduled its Cressy-qualifying regatta at Wayzata YC, Lake Minnetonka, MN September 29-30. Save the dates.

In an effort to increase the involvement of schools themselves in supporting their sailing teams, MWISA is planning a unique and innovative event in conjunction with its district championship/Mallory-qualifying regatta. The district is urging team members to invite school moderators, athletic directors, and/or potential faculty supporters - any school staff members who might be interested - to watch the regatta and then to a reception hosted by the Chicago YC on Saturday, April 28 at 2:00 PM. If team members would like someone from their school to receive an invitation, e-mail the name and address to Chris at [mitchell@chicagoyachtclub.org](mailto:mitchell@chicagoyachtclub.org)

## NESSA

One of the issues discussed by the representatives of 41 member schools attended the annual district meeting last fall was a request for status of a "conglomerate/regional team" consisting of 23 sailors from six schools plus home-schooled. Those discussing the issue agreed that building interest in schools and communities is worthwhile and allowing such regional teams is one way to accomplish this. At the same time, to preserve the sanctity of district events such regional teams would not be eligible. The issue will be reviewed annually by the district.

Kevin Baker has been busy organizing such a "consortium" among five schools in Fairfield (CT) County. The five would sail out of Cedar Point YC. The addition of Cedar Point YC brings to five the number of local yacht clubs supporting the school teams in the continually expanding Fairfield County League.

At the meeting the membership voted to abolish the

concept of an all-district team. Several years ago ISSA encouraged NESSA to develop its concept of an all-NESSA team. Such a honor is beneficial to sailors applying to college. On the downside NESSA seems too large and complex to allow the needed race records and familiarity that would assure equitable nominations.

The NESSA fleet championship for the O'Day Trophy and qualification for the Mallory championship will be at Bristol YC April 22 and the team racing championship for the Mark Trophy is May 19-20 at Tabor Academy, site of the 2001 Baker Trophy regatta.

A change in the spring schedule: the Connecticut High School Championship will be a one-day event Sunday, May 20.

## NWISA

District coaches met in late January to set up a spring schedule and sort out some issues. After the Kickoff Regatta March 17 at Oak Harbor, there will be a team racing tune-up clinic at Poulsbo April 21-22 and the district doublehanded championship/Mallory qualifier April 28-29 at Anacortes (Contact: Carolyn Hawkin at [frogs4dogs@sos.net](mailto:frogs4dogs@sos.net) or 360-293-8223. The NWISA team racing championship/Baker qualifier is at Friday Harbor May 5-6 (Contact: Scott Boye at [fhailcoach@hotmail.com](mailto:fhailcoach@hotmail.com) or 360-378-8548.

The Singlehanded District Championship/SOCKS

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