

Southeast District Championship  
Wrightsville Beach Yacht Club  
Wrightsville Beach, North Carolina  
June 2-4, 2006

Pos	Skipper	Boat	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	Total
1	Bob Harkrider	14532-N	2	6	1	2	1	2	8
2	Pierce Barden	15241-N	1	1	2	4	2	4	10
3	Terry Tyner	14825-N	3	4	3	9	8	5	23
4	John Pelosi	14932-A	4	3	4	5	9	8	24
5	John Sawyer	14318-N	6	5	8	1	6	10	26
6	Steve Johnston	15236-N	5	2	5	7	7	11	26
7	Taylor Team	9398-L	7	7	9	6	3	3	26
8	Bob Cowan	14682-?	8	14	14	3	5	6	36
9	Avis Bridgers	15141-N	10	14	14	14	4	1	43
10	Stone/ King	14356-?	9	8	11	14	10	9	47
11	Bill Sloger	11771-L	13	14	10	8	11	7	49
12		14062-?	12	9	6	10	14	14	51
13	Dave Pyle	15156-A	11	10	7	14	12	12	52

The 2006 Southeastern Lightning District Championships was hosted by the Wrightsville Beach Yacht Club over the weekend of June 3-4. If you have not visited this club, you are missing something special. As one of the oldest yacht clubs on the east coast there is a lot of history and pride with the membership. The club house is a fantastic facility located on the beach and the sailing venue is in the Atlantic Ocean just in front of the club which make for good viewing for your family or friends in tow.

Saturday's racing saw weather conditions over the entire spectrum. We started the first race in 15 to 18 knots of breeze with 3 to 4 foot waves with leads changing often between the top two boats and ultimately going to Pierce Barden. Race two was started in a cold rain and 20 knots and was won by Barden again followed by local talent Steve Johnston and District regular John Pelosi. After a lengthy capsize rescue race three and four were sailed in lighter winds but with the same big waves. Bob Harkrider and team took the honors followed by Barden, Tyner and Pelosi. Race 4 was a shorter course and sailed in a dying breeze which was managed best by John Sawyer and team followed by Harkrider and Bob Cowan's team.

Regatta organizer's Ellie Stone and Pierce Barden arranged for a fantastic southern buffet and open bar for those in attendance which made for a perfect ending to a great day of sailing.

Sunday's races were sailed in a light but building sea breeze and set up for a duel between the top two boats. The points were such that first and second were going to either team Barden or team Harkrider barring any unforeseen disasters. Team Harkrider had a 1-2 and team Barden scored a 2-4 for the last two races giving Harkrider the victory with 8 points and Barden a secure 2nd with 10 points. Rounding out the top five with only three points separating 3rd from 5th was team Tyner, team Pelosi, and team Sawyer (breaking a tie with Johnston).

A great regatta with outstanding race management, a fantastic venue and of course the most important factor of all, great friends!