



### **Light wind for the early races shifting to near whitecaps The 2015 High School Championship**

The wind and air temperature on Saturday April 18, 2015 were as predicted. The first race began about 9 am in 1-2 MPH wind from the SE. The next race in 1-3 mph wind from the NE. Then a wind shift to the SW. We broke for a lunch break under the awnings. The top two boats were tied with five points each after three races.

Six boats raced in the HS Championship with nine schools and two family home schools represented. HS sailing in AZ is not a one school or group of schools and it is diversified with both young men and women enjoying the feel of wind moving a boat.

Shortly after noon the wind became steady from the WSW and increased from 6 MPH to 10 as the final four races were sailed. The race committee stayed busy moving marks and getting the Windward/ Leeward course as near to perfect as possible with the wind shifts. Also as the wind picked up, one race was a twice around to lengthen the time each race took. At 1:45 PM the last race was over and the clear winners were Cedric and Alex. Cedric has been the winning skipper the last three years and with a different crew each year.



- 1<sup>st</sup> Place** – (Cedric Lorch / Alex Baros)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place** – (Luke Marina/ Peter Blake)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place** – (Bharath Tata/ Jake Xu)
- 4<sup>th</sup> Place** – (Alec Arthur / Isabella Hutchinson)
- 5<sup>th</sup> Place** – (Wilson Davis / Ian Altobelli)
- 6<sup>th</sup> Place** – (Elizabeth Noble / Madison Guitard)



Only three of the seven races were the same course as we kept the safety boat busy moving marks in the East Basin of Tempe Town Lake. We have a fantastic core of volunteers that without doubt make this event a strong foundation for high school sailing in the state of Arizona. We're hopeful for another great turnout for next year's race on Saturday April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016.



## Arizona High School Sailing Champions

2015 Skipper **Cedric Lorch**  
Valley Lutheran High School

2015 Crew **Alex Baros**  
Brophy College Prep



The cheering section is in the shade under the blue awnings.

