## **Club History**

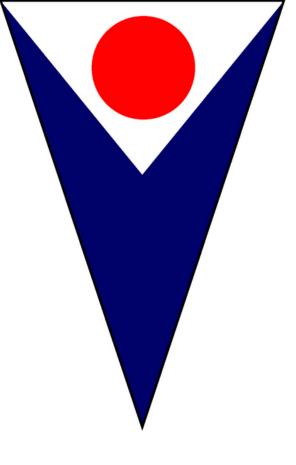
The Japan Yachting Association was established in 1937, primarily for dinghy sailors, and in 1949, it was brought under the auspices of the Ministry of Education. In 1953, the Nippon Ocean Racing Club was formed for offshore sailors, under the Ministry of Transportation. The two groups started talking about a merger in 1980, but it wasn't until April 1, 1999, that the two became the Japan Sailing Federation, a single body for all recreational sailors. The JSAF hosts a number of prestigious ocean races including the Oshima Race, Pearl Race, Japan Cup, and the Melbourne-Osaka Double Handed Race. The Federation also sponsored a challenge for the America's Cup in 1992.

## **JSAF Rolex Invitational Cup History**

JSAF has participated in every edition of the Rolex New York Yacht Club Invitational Cup from 2009 to 2019. This will be JSAF's seventh attempt at the IC trophy. The club's best finish was in 2009, when they placed third but the JSAF has consistently brought a strong team to the event with finishes of sixth two years in a row back in 2011 and 2013, fifth in 2015, seventh in 2017, and eighth in 2019. The JSAF's IC crew was selected through consideration of eligibility, team and helmsman tournament record, and the relationship with the NYYC.

## **JSAF Crew**

Leading JSAF's 2023 team will be helmsman Shinichi Mogi from Ueno, Tokyo, Japan. His resume includes first place at the Japan Middle Boat Championship, Nippon Cup (2022) and winner of the 53rd Pearl Race. Kosaku Yoshida started has competed in World Championships and won several national titles. As a college student, he continued his career in match racing and keelboats. He has experience in various one-design classes and IRC races such as X35, Dragon, J24, Melges 20 and 24 and J70 and was selected as the driving team for the Ragamuffin100 at the Transpac 2015.



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## **JSAF CREW**

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