



FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Friends,

This will be the last time I am writing to you as your President. I have decided to retire at our next AGM in Vilamoura in July next Summer. During the next three years period I am going to be 70 years old and I think our young and developing class needs new and younger people with new fresh ideas in the leading positions. It has been a pleasure chairing the Europe Class Union during the last 18 years.

I do not know whether I should have taken over after Jan Edu Kelder in Kiel in 1983 if I would have known how much work it was and for how long time I was committing myself. But it has been fun and I am happy to have had the opportunity to work with you all.

During these past years, I have been lucky to have had many good vicepresidents and other officials working with me. I have been giving them free hands to develop their part of the organisation and I think the result is quite good. I thank you all for the kind support you have given me and the work you have done for the class has been very valuable.

The most important thing during these 18 years for the Europe Class is that we are now Olympic for ladies. We have been given the confidence to let our boat be used as Olympic equipment during three Olympic Games: Barcelona, Atlanta (Savannah) and Sydney and one in the future: Athens so far, and I hope that the confidence will remain for many games to come. In my opinion, the Europe is by far the best boat for ladies and light male sailors. A great advantage is the possibility to trim your sails and the rig in accordance with your weight and skill and the prevailing weather conditions. I will never forget the final voting at the ISAF AGM in London when the Europe was declared "the equipment" for the Olympic Games in Barcelona after many up and downs in the preliminary votings in the various committees. I thank you all who helped us to make our boat Olympic and who have contributed to keep it Olympic after that. I wish you all good luck in finding out new ways to promote our class, may be having the boat Olympic for light male sailors (weight classes) too.

But what is a class without people sailing in

the class ? Nothing. I am glad to have been the President in a Class for young people both girls and boys. From these past 18 years I remember many faces, first unknown, young sailors, then more familiar from year to year and now very good friends. I remember sailors, losing race after race ending up in the last part of the results, coming back the following year and the year after and suddenly as a World or Olympic Champion. This is our sport: Never give up ! and you can as a World Champion. During these years I have never been disappointed in you. I think our Class is the best in the world and the friendship and happiness is really something to take care of. I thank you all for your good sportmanship and for the joy having you all as my good friends.

I wish you all good luck in the future. I hope to meet you soon again at some regattas somewhere in the world. I am not giving up judging.

**Your sincerely,
Gustav Dahlberg**

TECHNICAL CORNER

I am happy to announce that since the beginning of April 2001 we have one more licensed mast builder. It is Deltasale from the Netherlands. The company was former known for their Optimax products, which had been good quality dinghy spars. After the prototype mast from from Deltasale passed successfully the prototype measurement, the company was issued with an Authorised Manufacturers Code. Together with this company we now have four Licensed Builders for our new one-design Europe mast. These are:

Sail Center of Sweden (SWE)
Schutte Unifibre Spars (NED)
Tropical Engineering (GBR)
Deltasale (NED)

If you are interested to get in contact with one of the mast builders, I can help you by giving you the address.

For decision at the upcoming AGM in Vilamoura we have some proposals for class rule changes to become effective in the next year. Please feel free to discuss these proposals with us at the Technical forum, which will take place in Vilamoura some days before the AGM or any time prior via e-mail: IECU-VP.Technical@addcom.de

1. Procedure for elder masts, of which the model mast was derived from

Existing rule:

None.

New rule:

Add at the end of rule 3.5.4 (ix): "Elder SCS/Marstrom masts till production no. 2292 and built before 01.03.2000 need not to be marked retrospectively with an Authorised Manufacturer Code (AMC) and an Authorised Manufacturer Sticker (AMS). They need either a confirmation on the existing old Measurement Form, that they satisfy the Class Rules with respect to items 3.5.3 through to 3.5.4 (vii) and 3.5.5 or shall be remeasured and issued with a new filled out Measurement Form, both signed by an official measurer."



Reason:

Clarification, how to handle existing SCS/ Marstroem and how measurement forms should look like.

2. Triangular sailtrack at some elder SCS / Marstroem masts

Existing rule:

None.

New rule:

Add at the end of rule 3.5.6. Grandfathering "The triangular sailtrack at elder SCS / Marstroem masts will be grandfathered at all events."

Reason:

It was in the intention of the new mast rules, that old Marstroem masts should stay valid. There were found a remarkable number of masts with a sailtrack shape deviating from the circular geometry described in the mast design specifications. It is not to see that this shape of sailtrack has an influence on speed or handling. Therefore these masts are not in contradiction to the principle of the one design mast.

3. Grandfathering at all other events

Existing rule

3.5.6 Grandfathering

Masts shall comply with these rules after...
-at all other events 1 March 2006

Event Authorities may give further allowance.

New rule:

Delete last sentence and enter: "At National events, National Championships and Open National Championships any existing mast once having been legal may be used, but Event Authorities may enter restrictions."

Reason:

The intention is, that all existing and once legal materials shall be continuously allowed to be used on national and low level basis. Many youth sailors start sailing in the Class with old material. Many free time sailors are competing on regional and national basis and have one complete set of material for years and years. It is completely against the interest of those sailors to invalidate any of their material. On that level of racing it won't do anybody harm to allow different mast shapes. Besides it helps to maintain the second hand market for this material.

4. Mounting positions for corrector weights at the mast

Existing rule:

Mast and boom Measurement Notes 3. No fittings should be positioned so that measurement at the stations shown in the measurement form may be obstructed.

New rule:

Add before the last sentence of rule 3.5.5 Weight. "They shall be positioned so that measurement at the stations shown in the measurement form may not be obstructed".

Reason:

To make more evident that even corrector weights may not obstruct the measurement stations at the mast.

5. Sailtrack width

Existing rule:

- 1) Mast Design Specifications - Table of Offsets, figure 1: min 3.5 mm
- 2) Mast Measurement Diagram Sheet 1 of 2
- 3) Mast Measurement Form Item No. 4b10 (a) Sailtrack opening slot, width min 3.5 - max 4.5 mm

New rule:

- 1) Delete Mast Design Specifications - Table of Offsets, figure "I: min 3.5 mm" and enter instead "I: $\pm 0.5, 4.0$ mm"

Reason:

To eliminate the difference between the Class Rules and the Measurement Form.

6. Rudder Fittings

Existing rule:

The fittings to connect the rudder stock to the hull shall be made so that every rudder stock fits every hull. This shall apply for new rudder stocks and boats first measured after 1 March 1998 and all rudder stocks and all boats after 1 March 2000.

New rule:

Delete "and all rudder stocks and all boats after 1 March 2000".

Reason:

The intention of the rule is to provide reliable measures for the producers of rudder stocks and hulls to avoid the necessity of customising the rudder fittings at either the hull or at the rudder stock. The customers

can easily exchange the rudder system. E.g. a coach can take one spare rudder on the water, which would fit for any of his sailors - this is helpful at big regattas, where coaching does exist. On the other side there is existing a group of sailors (see item 3), who are using old material. Often material in use can be found, where the rudder fittings at both, rudder stock and hull, still have different measures, but fit perfect to each other. As the measure has nothing to do with performance it does not make any sense, that at those old material the fittings have to be changed retrospectively.

Yours Bernhard Krüger
Vice President Technical

VILAMOURA
2001
"NOT ONLY SAILING"

Just few weeks for the Worlds. Are you ready ? Training for qualification ? If you don't qualify directly in your National to be in your National Team, remember that you can qualify through the Open Week. The highest ranked 10 sailors of the Open Week - 10 men + 10 women - who are not already qualified by their National Teams, will be accepted on the Worlds. It's a good opportunity !

Vilamoura is much more than a Marina. Nice weather, nice beaches, golf courses, good and cheap food...! And, of course, we hope to have perfect sailing condition.

Did I mention golf ? Oh...yes... well. Vilamoura has lots of superb Golf Courses. It will be difficult to keep the coaches and parents interested in the regatta if they start visiting them all ! If you are a golf fan, don't forget your clubs !

Too lazy for golf ? What about beaches ? "Il dolce far niente" ...ahhh... that's also a possibility.

About accomodation. Make your reservations soon ! You can find camping, apartments and hotels. Nothing is walking distance. Roller blades or a kickboard will be very useful.

And about food. The yacht club have 2 places where you can get food. One is a bit more sophisticated, and the other one really casual. All around the place there all lots of bars, restaurants, pizzerias, etc. If you have the op-

portunity, take your car a drive a few kilometres inland escaping from the tourist area. You will find superb cosy restaurants, with splendid fish for a very reasonable rate. Ask the locals about it !

I know that the most important is to have a good regatta, but we hope that Vilamoura will offer you also a pleasant stay while not sailing.

P.S. Don't forget your sun-protection!

Paul Depoorter
VP Racing

Invitation to the 2001 Annual General Meeting

In accordance with the IECU constitution approved at the 1991 AGM we herewith invite you to the:

2001 IECU Annual General Meeting in Vilamoura, Portugal, on Wednesday July 4th, 2001. Place and time will be announced during the event but the objective will be to start the meeting at 20:00 hours.

2001 IECU Racing Forum in Vilamoura, Portugal on Tuesday July 3rd, 2001. Place and time will be announced during the event but the objective will be to start the meeting at 20:00 hours.

2001 IECU Technical Forum in Vilamoura, Portugal, on Monday July 2nd 2001. Place and time will be announced during the event but the objective will be to start the meeting at 20:00 hours.

THE EDITOR

I am convinced that you will appreciate, (like I did) the 25 years story of the Europe in the UK, this is an historic beautifully done. I had the pleasure as well to receive the Europe class history in Lithuania written by Adas Eidukevicius. Would not be interesting to read about the evolution of our Class in each National Associations ? For the next editions I hope we will have the pleasure to read your story.



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CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF IECA

Although the Europe Class itself was born internationally in 1963, it was not until 1976, that the first boat was seen in the UK.

It was John Harrison and family that saw a demonstration of a Europe at the 1975 Optimist Worlds in Denmark, and together with Peter Taylor, a Finn builder who was looking to extend his range of boats, started the interest of bringing Europes to the UK.

The Harrison's bought two old boats which arrived in the UK in 1976, and meet the IECU President in November of that year to agree the formation of a UK Class Association. Peter Taylor was also granted a licence to build new boats in the UK.

The first Class AGM was held on the 5 March 1977 at Frensham Pond SC, at which stage John Harrison became the first Class Secretary & Treasurer. The inaugural Nationals took place that year with a total of 6 boats - 3 of them sailed by the Harrison family.

In 1979 Rondar's obtained a builders licence, and this led to increased production of UK boats, so by 1980 there were over 100 boats already registered.

Unfortunately other than the measurement certificates we do not have any further records of what happened to the Class until 1986. By then further UK builders had expanded to include, Beasley, Dorado, Claridge, Falat, Reg White, Gerry Ledger & Don O'Donnell.

The UK Class at this time was dominated by the men, and a team including Steve Cockerill & Clive Everest, sailing Roland composites with aluminium masts and Batt sails, were dispatched to the 1986 Worlds in Helsinki.

In 1987 a Junior Travellers Trophy was introduced to encourage younger members to join the open meeting circuit - what ever did happen to this ? Also that year the first combined Mens and Ladies Worlds were held on the same week at the same venue - how times have changed since !

1988 was the 25th anniversary of the International Class, and also heralded some major changes. The Class was selected for the Youth Worlds, and became a Youth Class supported by the RYA in the UK. The world's were limited to a total entry of 300, and the first Veterans Cup was held in Czechoslovakia. After some major campaigning by IECU the Class was selected as the Olympic Womens singlehander, for the 1992 Games. The RYA created the first squad of potential Olympians in 1989, and the use of carbon masts became the norm abroad. That year's Worlds in Sweden was the first for someone called Shirley Robertson who finished 57th ! In the UK subscriptions remained at 5 Pounds. The first Youth Europeans were held in West Germany.

As part of the drive to support the UK Class, the Committee decided to purchase a Searider rib, and money was raised by raffles, a sponsored bike ride, and provision of loan from the Sports Council. This facility proved very well although eventually being sold in 1995.

The Barcelona Olympics of 1992 saw the first outing for the Europe, and a rapidly improving Robertson finished 9th.

John Harrison finally decided to step down after 17 years as the Class Secretary and stal-

wart in 1994. Sue Moss took over the reigns. The 1995 Olympics Trials at Weymouth, saw a major incident with the introduction of a "swing test" and the failure of all but one boat to pass. Those that failed had lead taped to their bows !

The 96 Atlanta Olympics brought heartache for Shirley by finishing 4th, and the RYA announced its first Olympic Development Squad, coached by Jayne Singleton.

A bid by the UK to host the 1999 Europeans was made in 1997, and that year also saw Sue Moss standing down and Robert Laurie becoming Class Secretary.

In 1998 a full UK Men's team competed at the Worlds for many years, and the introduction of a new rule to halt the development of wing masts came about. At home the "nightmare" Salcombe Nationals occurred, but an increase in the membership reverses a slow decline of previous years.

The '99 Europeans held at Hayling Island dominated the UK Class Association. 218 competitors was the largest gathering of Europes in the ever seen. Shirley Robertson tops this with a silver medal.

The first Worlds of the new Millennium were held in January with the boys in Brazil. The UK Class Association puts in a bid for a Lottery Grant to purchase a rib to assist with training. The year is then rounded off with an Olympic Gold for Shirley at the Sydney Games.

What will the next 25 years hold for the Class...

Robert Laurie
IECA (UK) Secretary

FROM LITHUANIA

Lithuanian Europe Class was created in 1997 when first Europe boat was bought from Latvia.

First girl who got this second hand boat was Jurga Maleckaite previously Laser Radial sailor. Thus she is the first who participated in international regattas with Europe boat and in the same year in Lithuania was organised first international race between Europe class boats.

1998 was the year when Lithuanian team got the second Europe dinghy from Estonia. Gintare Volungeviciute was the second girl who entered the Lithuanian Europe team.

In 1999 there was already 4 Europe boats in Lithuania and it was the time when first National Championship was organised in Nida.

Fifth Europe dinghy was bought in year 2000 and in the same year Gintare Volungeviciute was the first Lithuanian sailor who participated in Europe Class World Championships in Brazil.

At present we have 7 sailors (4 girls and 3 boys) and only 5 used Europe boats and all

Schedule for year 2001

Name of Event	Date	Place
Lithuanian Cup	05.10/13	Nida
Kaunas City Cup	05.25/27	Kaunas
"Preventa" Cup	06/30-07/01	Raseiniai
National Youth Championship	08.21/24	Plateliai
National Championship	09.06/09	Nida
International Regatta "Rudens vejas"	09.27/30	Kaunas

of the sailors belong to one club: Lithuanian Sailing Center in Kaunas.

Nevertheless 4 of our members some time ago were the champions of Lithuania in Optimist se we hope that Europe class in Lithuania has a good perspective in the future.

Adas Eidukevicius
LECA secretary.

XXXII PRINCESS SOFIA TROPHY

Palma de Mallorca - 9-13 APRIL 2001

This year all the records have been beaten, the general participation increased as well as the Europe class which surpassed the number of registrations of previous years.

The climatic conditions have been the classic ones, i.e. some days with more wind and others with less and all types of wind.

The actuation of the Committees has been good, no complaint.

Regarding the Club Marítimo San Antonio de la Playa, we have to say that they made a great effort to accord the installations to the sailors' necessities. They fitted one part of the near beach for vehicles and trailers parking, marking the whole zone for sailors boats and splitted for each country.

42 men in Gold Group and 42 in Silver Group (84 men) representing 10 countries: ARG, AUT, ESP, FRA, GER, NOR, POL, POR, SUI, and SWE entered this XXXII edition.

52 women in Group Gold and 49 in Group Silver (101 ladies in total) represented at 15 countries:ARG, AUT, CZE, DEN, ESP, FIN, FRA, GBR, GER, NED, NOR, POR, SUI, SWE, and BER.

Final Results:

		Points
1.	FRA Valerian Lebrun	15
2.	SWE Fredrik Svensson	16
3.	SWE Johan Wigforss	29
4.	ESP Manuel Jimenez Fraga	33
5.	ESP Pablo Arandia Sabater	34
6.	NOR Christopher Gundersen	37
7.	ESP Gerard Marin Julia	42
8.	SWE Carl Grindebratt	43
9.	ESP Jesús Rogel Sanchez	46
10.	NOR Joakin Kadsen	50

Final Results:

		Points
1.	FIN Sari Multala	9
2.	CZE Lenka Smidova	18
3.	GER Petra Niemann	19
4.	DEN Signe Livbjerg	21
5.	NED Carolijn Brouwer	25
6.	ESP Neus Garriga Turon	29
7.	GER Doris Wetzel	43
8.	SWE Emma Joensson	52
9.	GER Wiebke Schroeder	53
10.	ARG Serena Amato	55

Francisco Llabrés
AECIE President

Think Fast.

Boys

Worlds 2000 1st

Europeans 2000 1st

Girls

Europeans 2000 1st, 2nd, 3rd

Sydney 2000 2nd, 5th, 6th,

7th, 9th

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CALENDAR

TITLE:	START DATE:	FINISH DATE:	VENUE:	NATION:	ENTRY NAME:	ENTRY ADDRESS:
Queensway Audi Icebreaker Regatta	2001-05-01		Ontario	CANADA	Toronto Sailing and Canoe Club	Toronto
Lilac Festival Olympic Classes Regatta	2001-05-12	2001-05-13	Royal Hamilton Y/C, Ontario	CANADA	Contact: Kathryn Crowder	407 Patricia Drive
Polish Yachting Association Cup	2001-05-17	2001-05-20	Puck	POLAND	Polish Yachting Association	Chocimska 14 Str.
Balaton Championship	2001-05-18	2001-05-20	Balatonfured	HUNGARY	Balatonfuredi Y/C	H-8230 Balaton fured
SPA Regatta	2001-05-23	2001-05-27	Medemblik	NETHERLANDS	PO box 818	1200 AV Hilversum
Goldener Pfingstbusch / Youth European Sailing	2001-06-02	2001-06-04	Kiel Bay, Baltic Sea	GERMANY	Kieler Yacht Club e.V.	Norddeutscher Regatta
Kieler Woche	2001-06-16	2001-06-24	Kiel	GERMANY	Kieler Yacht Club	Hindenburgufer 70
Europe Class Open Week	2001-06-26	2001-06-29	Vilamoura	PORTUGAL	GBR	
Flanders Youth Regatta	2001-06-30	2001-07-04	Nieuwpoort	BELGIUM	Nieuwpoort vzw	Watesportlaan 9
Europe Class World Championship	2001-06-30	2001-07-07	Vilamoura	PORTUGAL		
International Youth Baltic Regatta	2001-07-02	2001-07-09	Sankt, Petersburg	RUSSIA	Petrovskaja Koosa, 7	S-Petersburg
64th Warnemunder Week	2001-07-12	2001-07-15	Rostock, Warnemunde	GERMANY	Race Office	Warnemunder Woche Y
Travemunder Woche	2001-07-20	2001-07-24	Travemunder Y/C, Lubeck Bay	GERMANY	Die Travemunder Woche GmbH	Trelleborgallee 223570 Travem
Cork Week	2001-08-01		Kingston	CANADA	CORK Office	53 Yonge Street
Europe Class Youth European Championship	2001-08-03	2001-08-11	Puck	POLAND		
Open International Poland Championship	2001-08-14	2001-08-19	Puck-Sopot-Gdynia	POLAND	Polish Yachting Association &	Center of Sport and Rec
Saronikos Gulf Regatta	2001-08-16	2001-08-21	Athens	GREECE	Hellenic Yachting Federation	51 Poseidonos Ave
Belgian Sailing Cup	2001-08-18	2001-08-19	Blankenberge	BELGIUM	KBVY - BST	Vilvoordsesteenweg 1A
44th International Balaton Sailing Week	2001-08-18	2001-08-24	Balatonfured	HUNGARY	Hungarian Yachting Association	H-1143 Budapest, Dozsa Gy
Istanbul Sailing Week	2001-08-20	2001-08-25	Istanbul	TURKEY	Istanbul Sailing Club	Fenerbahce Burnu
Europe Veteran Cup	2001-08-22	2001-08-26	Bad Saarow-Pieskow, Berline	GERMANY		
Gdynia Sailing Days	2001-08-27	2001-09-01	Gdynia	POLAND	The Race Sailing Association	Al Zjednoczenia 13D
Lipno 2001 Regatta	2001-08-30	2001-09-02	Lipno Lake	CZECH REPUBLIC	Czech Sailing Association	Mezi Stadiony PS40
Austrian Interunfall Lakes Week (Dinghy)	2001-09-01		Neusiedlersee	AUSTRIA	Osterreichischer Segel-Verband	A-1230 Wien Zetschegasse 21
International Ika Rabac Cup 2001	2001-09-07	2001-09-09	Rabac	CROATIA	"FLY" Sailing Club	Ika bb
KSSS Olympic Regatta	2001-09-21	2001-09-23	Saltsjobaden	SWEDEN	Royal Swedish Yacht Club	KSSS
Semana de Buenos Aires	2001-10-01		Buenos Aires	ARGENTINA	Yacht Club Argentino	Viamonte y Costanera S
Rio de Janeiro Sailing Week	2001-10-11	2001-10-14	Rio de Janeiro	BRAZIL	Iate Clube do Rio de Janeiro	
XVIII Semana Naval	2001-10-11	2001-10-14	Bay of Cadiz	SPAIN	Consortio Mundo Vela	Plaza San Antonio 3.3
Season Closing Regatta	2001-10-13	2001-10-14	Balatonfured	HUNGARY	HYA	1143-Budapest, Dozsa Gy
2001 Enoshima Olympic Week	2001-10-18	2001-10-21	Enoshima Yacht Harbour, Kanagawa,	JAPAN	Japan Sailing Federation, Dr. Kishi Memorial Hall	1-1-1, Jinnan, Shib
Go for Gold	2001-11-01		Melbourne, Victoria	AUSTRALIA	PO Box 83	Sandringham
International Opatija Cup 2001	2001-11-23	2001-11-25	Opatija	CROATIA	Yacht Club "Opatija"	Zert 1
Sail Brisbane (SDU)	2001-12-01		Manly, Queensland	AUSTRALIA		
Sydney International Regatta (SDU)	2001-12-01		Sydney Harbour, NSW	AUSTRALIA	PO Box 537	Glebe NSW 2037
25th Christmas Race	2001-12-23	2001-12-30	Palamos	SPAIN	Club de Vela Palamos	PO Box 29
25th New Year's Regatta	2001-12-28	2001-12-31	Hvar	CROATIA	Sailing Club "Zvir"	Krizna Luka bb

EXTRACTS FROM ISAF "MAKING WAVES"

1. SAILING SPECIFIC INJURY PREVENTION SEMINAR

Prior to the Spa Regatta, ISAF will be coordinating an "Injury Prevention Seminar" on 20 and 21 May, led by Sue Crafer (GBR), the appointed physiotherapist on the ISAF Medical Commission.

The aim of the seminar is to introduce the subject and expand the knowledge of MNA's, and their associated professionals, in the prevention of sailing specific injuries. Through the sharing of Sue's extensive knowledge of the subject, ISAF hopes to reduce injuries and hence they will be less of a limiting fac-

tor on sailor's performance. For full details, visit: www.sailing.org/medical/spaseminar.asp

2. 2004 OLYMPIC GAMES

Olympic Village - Construction on residential areas of the Olympic Village is to begin late in May 2001. The deadline for completion of the project is 30 December 2003, about eight months before the Games. About 70% of the facilities are already in place. Athens Olympic Broadcasting - Following the agreement signed in December 2000 with International Sports Broadcasting (ISB), and

in accordance with the provisions of this, the host broadcasting company of the Athens 2004 Games was founded in Athens, week commencing 9 April, under the formal name of Athens Olympic Broadcasting S.A. (Athinaiki Olympiaki Radiotileoptiki A.E.) and the trademark of AOB. AOB will function as the Olympic Broadcasting Organisation for the 2004 Games, for the production of international broadcasts, the organisation and management of the International Broadcasting Centre (IBC), and the provision of all necessary services to the Games broadcasting rights-holders.

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<http://www.terravista.pt/guincho/1496/index.html>

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Women's Single Handed Dinghy (Europe)

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Pos	First Name	Lastn name	Nation	Tot Evt	Point	Prev Pos
1	Kristine	ROUG	DEN	7	4870	2
2	Sari	MULTALA	FIN	7	4839	1
3	Min	DEZILLIE	BEL	7	4725	5
4	Shirley	ROBERTSON	GBR	7	4721	3
5	Margriet	MATTHIJSSE	NED	7	4707	7
6	Maria	COLEMAN	IRL	7	4651	6
7	Petra	NIEMANN	GER	7	4531	8
8	Larissa	NEVIEROV	ITA	7	4523	10
9	Melanie	DENNISON	AUS	7	4464	4
10	Neus	GARRIGA-TURON	ESP	7	4397	12
11	Monika	BRONICKA	POL	7	4384	9
12	Sarah	MACKY	NZL	7	4372	16
13	Serena	AMATO	ARG	7	4358	11
14	Lenka	SMIDOVA	CZE	7	4262	14
15	Siren	SUNDBY	NOR	7	4209	13
16	Therese	TORGERSSON	SWE	7	4060	15
17	Denise	CESKY	AUT	7	3889	20
18	Weronika	GLINKIEWICZ	POL	7	3809	18
19	Marcelien	DE KONING	NED	7	3763	17
20	Joana	PRATAS	POR	7	3693	19



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FROM ALL-RUSSIA

In spite I am not involved in "Europe" class programme in Russia, but as Sport Coordinator of All-Russia Yacht Racing Federation, I send you information about racing of Russian team in this class.

From April 13 till April 19 Sochi's Regatta was conducted.

It was one of the most popular regatta in former USSR. Then several years has been cancelled and again born in new millenium. The weather was warm and medium and light winds permitted to have 7 races in all olympic classes, plus Snipe and Laser-Radial.

In "Europe" class 9 sailors (female) represented 2 countries Russia and Belorussia. Unfortunately best Belorussian sailor Drozdovskaya leaved Sochi for Hyères Regatta in France, but other three Belorussian fought very well and one of them Anastasya Podobed (who was in the Olympic Games of Savannah 1996) won the regatta with 6 points.

Best Russian Anastasya Maletina second with 14 points. Anastasya is still Junior and two weeks before Sochi had won Junior Spring Russian Championship in Anapa (27.3/3.4).

Third prize was won by Maria Valkovitch, 18 points (Junior) and fourth Regina Zakirova, 18 points.

We hope that Oleg Khopersky, one of the best single-handed sailor of USSR and Russia (multichampion of Europe and priser of World Championships in Finn Class) who started his coaching with Europe Class help our girls soon.

Due to small fleet of Europe dinghy , men do not sail in this class but in September they can start in non-olympic classes nationals (13.20/09), ten days before Russian Open, Olympic Classes. (21.27/09).

Sergey Kuzovov.

FROM ITALY

During the past year it hasn't been easy to develop an efficient activity at regional and local level. Therefore this year Asseuropa has decided to increment the principal activity and organise more national regattas. The actual 3 national and qualifying regattas have been incremented to 6 with 36 races of selection.

It's a big effort and challenge for the organisers and sailors but we feel it is essential for the instruction of the young ones just arrived from Optimist and the sailors in their improvement.

Actually, 4 regattas and 24 races. They have taken place at Marsala (Sicilia), at Napoli, at Torbole (Lago di Garda) and at Monfalcone.

A provisional selection has been made, in mens fleet: Giogio Colombo, Ricardo Piseddu, Alejandro Durante, Michele Benvenuti, Stefano Severgnini, Andrea Tical, Maurizio Scazzolo and in the women's fleet: Larisa Nevierov, Angela Mastalli, Maria Abbate, Giulia Pignolo, Martina Castaldo and Elena Poli.

Most of these sailors will be part of the national team that will participate in the 2001 Worlds and European Championships.

The 5th and the 6th selection regattas will take place respectively at Livorno from the

29/4 to 1/5 and from 12/5 to 13/5 at Arco in the Lago di Garda.

During the month of January we have lost the lawyer Raimondo Ingangi, former delegate for Asseuropa in Napoli and for the region of Campania.

It is a great loss for the direction of the Asseuropa and his friends of the sailing sports.

We remember him in the last regatta as organiser and perfect host during the Youth Championship in Napoli , enthusiast and friendly at Isola de Ischia where he hosted in his house the authorities of this championship.

In the recent national regatta held in Napoli has been assigned the award of a trophy challenge with his name that will be repeated every year and given to the winner of the first national regatta of the programme each year.

This Trophy has been established by the Lega Navale Italiana di Napoli and also the Asseuropa in memory of Raimondo Ingangi, the passionated protagonist of the sailing life of Napoli and the unstoppable sports leader

Claudio Morana
ASSEUROPA President

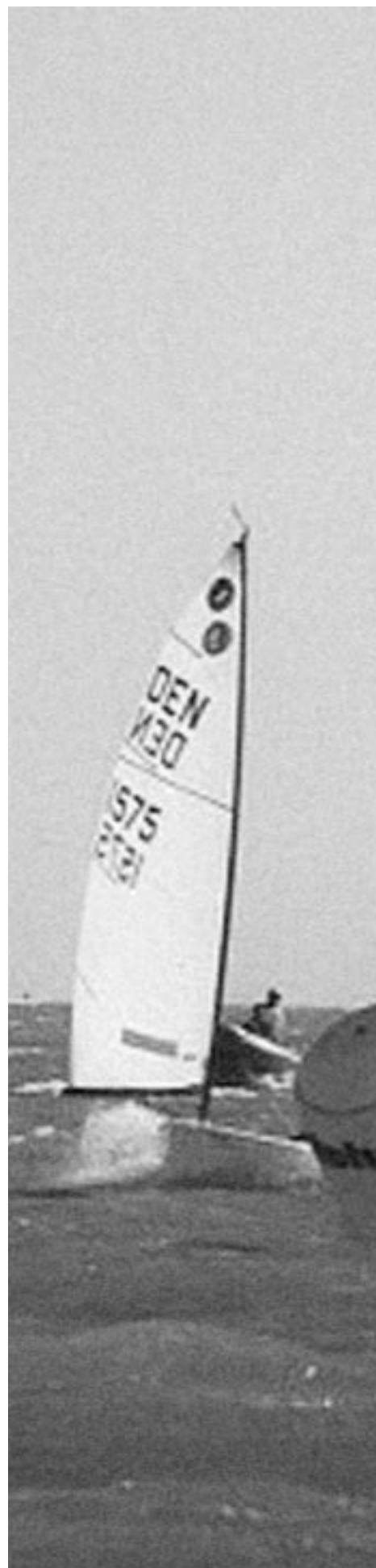


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FROM JAPAN

The 22nd Japanese National Championship was held from March 31 to April 1 at Odo Harbour in Fukuoka. Some Europe sailors may remember Fukuoka as the venue of the Youth World. 14 boats entered (10 girls and 4 boys), and 6 races were sailed under medium wind range.

It was a very exciting event, and top 4 boats were within 3 points. Yoshiaki Nagai returned to the Champion after the last race, and Maiko Sato and Takaaki Kawata were equal in points and only one point behind Nagai. Maiko broke the tie to finish second. Aiko Saito also had a chance to win the title back after four races, but she slowed down towards the end to finish fourth, 2 points behind Maiko and Takaati.

Wakako Tabata who finished fifth joins Maiko and Aiko to go the World Championship in Vilamoura and Takaati will be the only Men's entry to the Worlds. Mahoko Shimohana who finished sixth and Maiko will sail the Asian Championship in Pusan, Korea in September.

After the National Aiko Saito gave two days

clinic to the young Europe sailors together with Mr Mifune and Mr Komatsu, Japanese Olympic Sailing Team staff. It was supposed to be held before the National Championship, but Aiko had the special opportunity to meet the King of Norway just before the regatta, so the clinic was moved to a later date. JSAF (Japanese Sailing Federation) is now keen in training Europe Class for the future Olympic events, and 90% of the sailors here are still high-teens. We are hoping to increase the number of the boats and more clinics in Japan.

Our next big event is in October: the Enoshima Olympic Week. It will be from October 18 to 21, so if someone is interested in coming to Japan, please let us know. Asian Championship will take place from 16 to 25 September in Pusan where the 1988 Olympic Games were held.

Aiko Saito
JPN-225

FROM BRAZIL

We are going with eight sailors to the Worlds in Portugal this year. Probably four men and four women. We're training hard and from the 27/07 till the 01/08 we will have our National Olympic Week in Santos, on the coast near Sao Paulo. This Championship will define who will participate this year in the Europe Class women including Spa Week and Kieler Woche. The national results will be part of the selection.

Our Top Five Women are:

1. Vivian Mac Knight
2. Fernanda Guedes
3. Roberta Borges
4. Paola Sass
5. Liana Fragoso.

Walter Böddener
ABCE National Secretary



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TOP FIVE MEN

BRAZIL

1. Felipe Meira
2. Breno França Vieira
3. Cassio Lobo
4. Renato Godoy
5. Rafael Godoy

BELGIUM

1. Sigurd Vergauwe
2. Joffrey Bulbo
3. Wannes Van Laer
4. Bart Struyen
5. Dries Leys

CROATIA

1. Ivanković Goran
2. Benčina Zoran
3. Zuban Goran
4. Cvek Goran
5. Jaklin Domagoj

DENMARK

1. Michael Risoer
2. Joakim Rehnitzer
3. Nikolaj Meyland
4. Mads Ebler
5. Jonas Henriksen

FINLAND

1. Kaius Heinilä
2. Tobias Niemi
3. Jouni Kokko
4. Jonas Anderson
5. Kristoffer Brink

FRANCE

1. Valerian Lebrun
2. David Romain
3. Johan Cechosz
4. Mickael Bausmayer
5. Kevin Orlandi

GERMANY

1. Tim Kirchhoff
2. Karsten Bast
3. Daniel Nixdorf
4. Dirk Boelke
5. Stefan Thor

HOLLAND

1. Wouter van Catz
2. Jeroen van Catz
3. Jorrit Karreman
4. Joost van Lingen
5. Wietze Zetzema

ITALY

1. Vincenzo Sorrentino
2. Riccardo Pissedu

3. Alessandro Durante
4. Stefano Severgini
5. Michele Benvenuti

JAPAN

1. Yoshiaki Nagai
2. Takaaki Kawata
3. Yasuyuki Harada
4. Oritaka Hirata

NORWAY

1. Hans Christian Hage
2. Sjur Johannessen
3. Joakim Karlsen
4. Jo Rich Asvang
5. Christopher G. Gundersen

POLAND

1. Gracjan Mi : Ków
2. Sebastian Jurga
3. Mateusz Myszkowski
4. Olaf Kowalski
5. Kacper Lo-Ykowski

SLOVENIA

1. Marko Sekardi
2. Luka Bevk
3. Andraz Jadek
4. Alan Biderman
5. Al Markocic

SPAIN

1. Manuel Jimenez Fraga
2. Bartolome Mari Mayans Ruiz
3. Pablo Arandia Sabater
4. Gonzalo Albarracin
5. Pau Balaguer Huguet

SWEDEN

1. Jonas Lindberg
2. Christoffer Hedin
3. Fredrik Svensson
4. Patrick Johansson
5. Carl Grindebratt

SWITZERLAND

1. Mathias Dauwalder
2. Christian Casutt
3. Christian Hässig
4. Laurant Bucher
5. Andreas Schuler

U.K.

1. James Eynon
2. Robert Laurie
3. Stephen Penfold
4. Al Green
5. Chris Gill

SARI WINS

SARI MULTALA OVERALL WINNER OF THE XXXII PRINCESS SOFIA TROPHY. Our Class is proud and had the pleasure to see SARI MULTALA won the Overall Trophy of the XXXII Princess Sofia 2001 edition. Once again one of our sailors was the best. Congratulations.

SEMAINE OLYMPIQUE HYERES 20-27 APRIL 2001

62 ladies entered this event representing the remarkable number of 20 countries: AUT, BEL, BER, BLR, CZE, CAN, DEN, ESP, FIN, FRA, GBR, GER, GRE, IRL, ITA, NED, POR, POL, SUI and SWE.

Final results after 10 races
(les the two worst ones)

1.	NED	Carolijn Brouwer	13
2.	ESP	Neus Garriga Turon	37
3.	DEN	Signe Livbjerg	39
4.	IRL	Maria Coleman	44
5.	POR	Joana Pratas	49
6.	CZE	Lenka Smidova	57
7.	NED	Annemieke Bes	62
8.	BEL	Min Dezillie	66
9.	FRA	Solenne Brain	68
10.	POL	Weronika Glinkiewicz	81

IZOLA

IZOLA SPRING CUP - 11/16 April. Weronika Glinkiewicz from Poland won the Europe event.