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In a tense and closely fought final day, Tim Healy and his crew from Newport, Rhode Island, on board *Helly Hansen* were impressive winners of the 2013 BMW J/24 World Championship at Howth Yacht Club (near Dublin, Ireland), with eight top-five results (including three race wins) in the 10-race series. Healy, who previously won the title in 2010, was pushed all the way by the defending champion Mauricio Santa Cruz from Brazil on *Bruschetta*, who also demonstrated remarkable consistency, but who had to be content with the runner-up spot, four points adrift of his rival. Third place overall went to another American crew led by Travis Odenbach from Rochester on *Honey Badger* who had been the series leader but who did not enjoy the final day. A 20th and an 8th effectively knocked his chances, although he was only two points off Santa Cruz in the end. In fresh westerly winds which touched 25 knots at times, the penultimate race saw a second win in the series for Britain's Ian Southworth on *Il Riccio*, ahead of fellow Briton Bob Turner's *Serco*. Third place went to local Howth skipper Mossy Shanahan on *Crazyhorse*, following up on his great form the previous day, a result which contributed to him finishing as the top Irish boat overall in 19th place. Success in the last race went to the German boat *Rotoman*

Prizes presented by John Ives, Managing Director BMW Ireland



1st Place - Helly Hansen - Tim Healy (USA)

(L-R) Gordon Borges, Geoff Becker, Tim Healy, Dan Rabin, John Mollicone



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2nd Place - Bruschetta - Mauricio Santa Cruz (Brazil)

Mauricio Santa Cruz, Danie Santiago, Alexauohe Saldanta, Sergio Bittencourt, Alfredo Rovere

No photo as the team had to fly back to Brazil before prize giving.

(Tobias Feuerherd), with Keith Whittemore (*Furio*) from the USA second and Santa Cruz third. The Brazilian, however, needed Healy to be further down the fleet than his finishing place of fifth and so surrendered his world title to the American crew by four points after the one allowed discard. With the exception of Tuesday when racing was abandoned due to lack of wind, the championship featured four good racing days, with the wind strength progressively increasing as the week went on. There were six different race winners and the four US entries all finished in the top 10 which featured two German boats and the sole Italian entry.



3rd Place - Honey Badger - Travis Odenbach (USA) (L-R)

Travis Odenbach, Rossi Milev, Josh Putnam, James Barnash

After 10 races, the overall standings (after one discard) were:

1. Tim Healy (USA) 38 points
2. Mauricio Santa Cruz (Brazil) 42 points
3. Travis Odenbach (USA) 44 points
4. Ian Southworth (GB) 53 points
5. Tobias Feuerherd (Ger) 73 points
6. Keith Whittemore (USA) 77 points
7. Bob Turner (GB) 83 points
8. Ignatio Bonanno (Italy) 88 points
9. Tony Parker (USA) 114 points
10. Sullberg (Ger) 115 points

For complete event information, visit

<http://www.hyc.ie/J24worldChampionship2013/>.



HELLENIC POLICE Team dominates the 2013 Hellenic Championship

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The HELLENIC POLICE team was crowned the 2013 winner of the J/24 Hellenic Championship, after dominating in the second stage of the Championship which took place from the 26-28 of October 2013 in Agios Nikolaos, Crete and was organized by the local yacht club. After three years of Dimitri Altsiadis' EVNIKI domination, the title went to the HELLENIC POLICE team, skippered by Alexandros Tagaropoulos and her crew of Nikos Mavros, Dimitris Kokkoris, John Fakas and Periklis Aidinidis. In second place was the EVNIKI team skippered by Dimitris Altsiadis and her crew Anthimos Nikolaidis, John Orfanos, Konstantinos Tsigkaras and Sotiris Kartalis. In the third place of the podium was the ANIMA team, skippered by Aggelos Psomopoulos and her crew John Voulgaris, Manos Smirlis, Alex Mogadam and Sylvia Tzitziloni. The J/24 Hellenic Championship is divided in two stages, one organized in Athens and one in Crete and both were dominated by the HELLENIC POLICE team performances.

Most of the teams arrived at the Agios Nikolas Marina, where the yacht club is located, almost one week before the Championship to train and get to know better the local weather conditions. The tension between the teams was very high and at least four of them had a chance of winning the title as after the completion of the first stage four teams were very close with only five points separating the first and the fourth team.

Saturday morning was dedicated to the equipment inspection and the registration of the teams. All the sailors were ready for the upcoming battles on the water. Some "big names" of the Greek sailing community were present like Alexandros Tagaropoulos and his brother Panagiotis, Anthimos Nikolaidis and Katerina Kaitatzidou.

The first race took place early in the afternoon under perfect sailing conditions. The breeze was present in the race area blowing from west – Northwest and with gusts arriving at 20 knots. The HELLENIC POLICE, EVNIKI and ANIMA

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teams were on great form giving fierce battles in the races. After four races, A. Tagaropoulos' HELLENIC POLICE team scored two bullets taking an early lead in the Championship, followed by D. Altsiadis' EVNIKI in second place and A. Psomopoulos' ANIMA in third.

On Sunday, after a two-hour wait for the breeze to arrive in the Agios Nikolaos bay, four more races were completed. The breeze built up early in the afternoon from the North with gusts arriving even at 25 knots. The HELLENIC POLICE team dominated the day, scoring three bullets out of four races and winning the title of the 2013 Hellenic Champion. EVNIKI fought hard in every race but this was not enough to stop Tagaropoulos' team and closed the day in second with 14 penalty points followed by ANIMA in third place with 19 penalty points. Even though the battle for first place was over, there was a big interest in the fight between Nikos Spiggos JMANIA and Panagiotis Tagaropoulos KIKA for the fourth and fifth places. Both teams finished the day tied with 31 penalty points.

Only one race was scheduled for the last day of the regatta which took place in the morning with a Northeasterly breeze and gusts no more than 10 knots. Even though the battle for first place was over, all 13 teams were at the

starting line for the last race. For the record, the HELLENIC POLICE team won the last race, followed by EVNIKI in second place and ANIMA in third. The big interest was between JMANIA and KIKA in the battle for the fourth and fifth places of the second stage of the Championship. After a very close battle, the winner was P. Tagaropoulos' KIKA which crossed the finish line a few seconds ahead of JMANIA.

After the races, the prize-giving took place at the Agios Nikolaos Yacht Club where a lot of people gathered to applaud the winners. The J/24 Hellenic Championship was sponsored by ANEK LINES and SUPERFAST FERRIES who took care of the transportation of the boats and offered the crews very low prices.

The J/24 Hellenic Class Association apart from the Hellenic Championship organized four more races that are valid for the annual ranking list of the J/24 fleet. This year, the four regattas were organized by the SEANATK yacht club in Athens and the Herakleion Yacht Club, Gazi Yacht Club and Chania Yacht Club in Crete. After six regattas, the winner of the annual Ranking List for 2013 is MINOAN SPIRIT skippered by Aris Pallikaris, followed by Nikos Spiggos' JMANIA and Dimitris Altsiadis' EVNIKI.

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Japan JCA Report



2013 Japan Nationals was hosted by Kansai Yacht Club in Nishinomiya, exact same place where the J/24 World Championship was held in 2001. With 19 teams competing in the Nationals, Daichi WADA and his crew on JPN 5179 (SIESTA) won the title with 23 points in seven races. This was SIESTA's third consecutive win of the Nationals, although the first two victories and this one were helmed by a different driver. Keiji KONDO (FOX) placed second with his JPN4085, the boat that won the 2001 Worlds. Third place was Tokuma TAKESUE (GEKKO), after breaking the tie with Kazuyuki HYODO (STELLA NO KO) who won the Worlds in 2001 driving JPN 4085.

As Japan has been approved to host the World Championship in 2016, Japanese J/24 sailors are already starting to get into the mood for the Worlds. Kanto fleet, the largest fleet in Japan, has showed this by inviting Mike Ingham, a North American Champion, for a sailing clinic. This two and a half day event was originally planned to have a half day lecture followed by two days of on-the-water coaching, which was unfortunately modified into a half day classroom followed by a day on the water, and a day in the harbor meeting room. However, all the

participants had a great experience with Mike's onboard coaching on the second day where the wind and wave condition was nearly perfect.

Kanto District Championship was held on the following week of the clinic, where Mike joined Sumio SHIMOYAMA's SOKOKUMARU. Tokuma TAKESUE and his team on GEKKO won the two-day regatta beating 12 other teams. Yasuko MAEDA (pinkkiss) and Tomomi HATAKEYAMA (LuLL) ended second and third respectively, and next came SOKOKUMARU due to the OCS in race 4. Our 2014 events will start with the Midwinters on 22-23 February, and the 2014 Nationals is planned on 22-24 November. We are hoping that 2014 will be another good year with lots of exciting events.

Netherlands JCA Report

By Erik Jeuring



In the Netherlands, we are slowly getting the Class on the way up. Last year, we did get some sleeping boats back in the competition. We also managed to get five German boats to the Dutch Open last September (see results). We are very happy to have had a Dutch boat at the Kielerwoche (43-boat fleet) and the Worlds in Ireland. The same crew is aiming for a top 10 result in 2015 at the Worlds in Germany.

In 2014, we are trying to get the North Europeans to the North Sea Regatta which is a top event in The Netherlands. We hope to attract a big part of the German fleet and maybe some teams from the UK.

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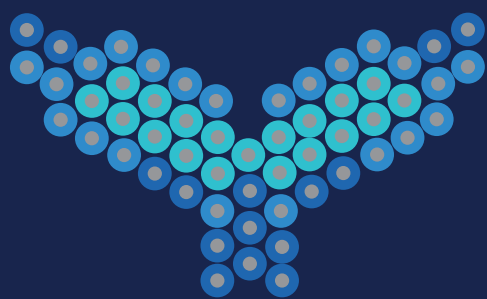
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No	Zeilno	Naam	Punten	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	GER 5282	Dirk Strelow Quick and Dirty	8,0	1	1	3	1	1	1	(dns)
2	GER 5475	Fritjof Schade, Joersfelder Segel Club JJone	15,0	(6)	3	4	3	2	2	1
3	NED 60	Erik Jeuring, Zeilschool De Randmere Merkmeester 1	16,0	2	2	2	4	(5)	3	3
4	NED 44	Matthieu Sonnemans J Stripe	28,0	3	5	5	(7)	4	6	5
5	GER 5114	Lea Katharina Witt, Hamburger Segel Club Alice	41,0	(ocs)	ocs	1	8	7	7	2
6	GER 5438	Stephan Mais Running Man	42,0	5	(ocs)	6	2	ocs	4	9
7	GER 5313	Dirk Olyslager, WV Maaskant Jool	42,0	9	6	7	9	3	(13)	8
8	NED 51	Nils Janichsen, WSV Trident Jans	42,0	7	4	(dnf)	6	ocs	5	4
9	NED 49	Mats Scheepmaker, Zeilschool De Randmere Merkmeester 2	45,0	8	8	10	5	(ocs)	8	6
10	NED 67	Oscar Roelofsen White Moose	56,0	4	(ocs)	8	11	ocs	10	7
11	NED 25	Arjan Veltheer, Uitdam Scheurijzer	59,0	(14)	10	9	12	6	12	10
12	NED 68	Dirk de Brouwere OdyJey	60,0	11	7	11	10	10	11	(12)
13	NED 41	Lonneke Foolen	67,0	10	9	12	13	9	14	(dns)
14	NED 35	Bram Adema Chaos	72,0	13	(dns)	dns	15	8	9	11
15	NED 1	Arjan van Daalen	78,0	12	(dnf)	13	14	11	15	13

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Mexico Report

By Leopoldo Farias



**J/24 NORTH AMERICAN
CHAMPIONSHIP**

**VALLARTA
RIVIERA NAYARIT**



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2013 was a very good one with many excellent races, and everyone is excited for the North American Championship from March 16-22, 2014 to be held in Vallarta. There are already more than 50 boats paid and registered with many of the world's top sailors in attendance—such as Mauricio Santa Cruz from Brazil (there are several teams coming from Brazil). Mike Ingham, Tony Parker, Chris Snow and many of the USA's best sailors are also coming. We have teams from Monaco, Germany, Sweden, Japan, Peru and many others totaling over 10 countries. We are receiving many enquiries so we foresee a fleet of around 60 to 70 boats!

If you haven't signed up yet, hurry, as this promises to be another great event!

Warm waters, winds from 12-25 knots, plenty of sunshine and the already famous parties await you at this arguably best sailing venue worldwide...

On a local note, our second semester championship had participation of an average of 30 plus boats, with regattas every other week and very tight racing. Local Valle de Bravo sailor Miguel Arroyo and his team were the winners. Second went to long time sailor Jorge Murrieta and crew, third place going to Javier Velazquez and his team of young sailors from the Mexican Navy. We are very happy to see the persistence of these sailors is paying off!

Mexico Report



Our National Championship was held the weekend of September 15-16-17, coinciding with our National Independence Day on September 16. Unfortunately, that weekend we were hit by not one but two of the most devastating hurricanes in our history. We were hit on both the Gulf and Pacific coasts at once—23 of the country's 31 states were declared disaster areas. This affected our weather causing the championship to be shortened and with less than ideal conditions, as the Lake Valle de Bravo depends greatly on the warming up of land to generate wind. With the unusually cold weather caused by the storms, wind was practically non-existent.

We also have been going through the elimination rounds for the Central American and Caribbean games hosted by the state of Veracruz on Mexico's Gulf coast next November.

To date, Kenneth Porter is leading with Jose Luis Perez-Morett from Guadalajara in second and Miguel Arroyo from Valle de Bravo in third. We will know who represents our country at this event next April. It is interesting to note that these games as well as the Pan Americans are sailed with four crew members, jib, and maximum of 320 kg which is a change being reviewed by the IJCA.

Last but not least, at the IJCA World Council Meeting last October in Newport, Rhode Island, our long time friends Jorge Castillo was unanimously elected IJCA President for the J/24 Class and Kenneth Porter was elected to the Executive Committee. Congratulations to them both! It is a great honor to have them aboard!





Photo courtesy of Onne van der Wal



2014 J/24 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP SEPTEMBER 21-26 NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND, USA

Photo courtesy of Billy Black



Sail Newport is proud to be hosting the 2014 J/24 Worlds in Newport, Rhode Island (USA) September 21-26. Located in the heart of Fort Adams State Park in Newport, the Sail Newport Sailing Center provides a phenomenal venue for this amazing event. Qualified boats can find everything they need to know about the event on the Sail Newport website (www.sailnewport.org) including accommodation recommendations and boats available for charter. Here's to a happy new year and great sailing in 2014. Looking forward to the Worlds this fall!



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J/24 AUDI EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP 9-15TH AUGUST, 2014

Photo courtesy of Magnus Grubb



9-15th August the J/24 Audi European Open Championship will be organized. This year's Europeans will take place in Ängelholm, Sweden - a city with long sailing traditions. Ängelholm is located on the west coast of southern Sweden, 100 km north of Malmö and 120 km north of Copenhagen. Originally a spa and bath resort Ängelholm is particularly known for its excellent sailing waters, its 6 km of public sand beach, and for being the home of the first high school of sailing (1981). The municipality of Ängelholm has approximately 40000 inhabitants and the city provides all types of services and facilities for tourism & visitors. The organizer of the 2014 J/24 Audi European Open Championship is Ängelholm-Skälderviken Sailing Club (ÄSSS). ÄSSS was established in 1948 and since the start the club has arranged several, International and National regattas. ÄSSS recently held Qualifiers for the ISAF Youth World Championships for several dinghy classes.

High profile representation

A large number of boats from all over the world are expected to compete and some will be represented by high profile names. Already in the beginning of January 10 boats were registered from three nations and among the first to register was Mike Ingham (USA 5443) who won the J/24 US National Championship 2013 and finished 4th in the J/24 World Championship 2013, and Per-Håkan Persson (SWE 4896) who finished 8th in the J/24 World Championship 2010.

International experts and organization

To ensure that the event is organized and conducted in accordance with international standards the organizer, ÄSSS, has surrounded itself with specialists such as Marianne Schoke, EC Member of the International Class. The measurement committee will be chaired by Stuart

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Jardine (GBR) and the international jury by Willii Gohl (GER). The Race Committee will be chaired by International Race Officer Annika Ekman (SWE).

The 2014 J/24 Audi European Championship will - besides great sailing waters and great offshore organization - of course also include great social ashore activities including a daily After Sail, a midweek (Swedish tradition)-party and a closing event and prize ceremony.

We welcome all J/24 sailors to this year's Europeans and hope to see you 9-15th August in Ängelholm, Sweden!

For more information about the event and online registration please visit: www.ec2014.j24sweden.com



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DEAR J/24 SAILORS

It is with great pleasure that ÄSSS, along with Audi, Börjessons Bil and our Municipality Ängelholm, invite all J/24 sailors to join us in the 2014 Audi European Open Championship in the beautiful city of...

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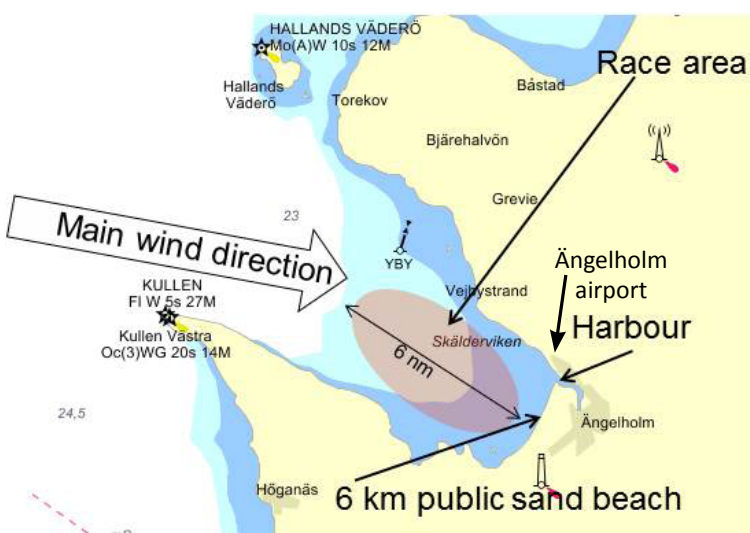
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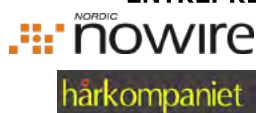
RACE AREA



PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

SATURDAY 9/8	NOON – 6PM: Check-in
SUNDAY 10/8	9 AM – 6 PM: Check-in and measurement, launching
MONDAY 11/8	9 AM – 2PM: Check-in measurement, launching 3 PM: Tune-up race 6 PM: Opening ceremony
TUESDAY 12/8	10.00 AM – 4 PM: Championship races After-sails event
WEDNESDAY 13/8	10.00 AM – 4 PM: Championship races 7 PM: Midweek social event
THURSDAY 14/8	10.00 AM – 4 PM: Championship races After-sails event
FRIDAY 15/8	10.00 AM – 4 PM: Championship races (last warning signal 14.00) 7 PM: Closing event and prize ceremony

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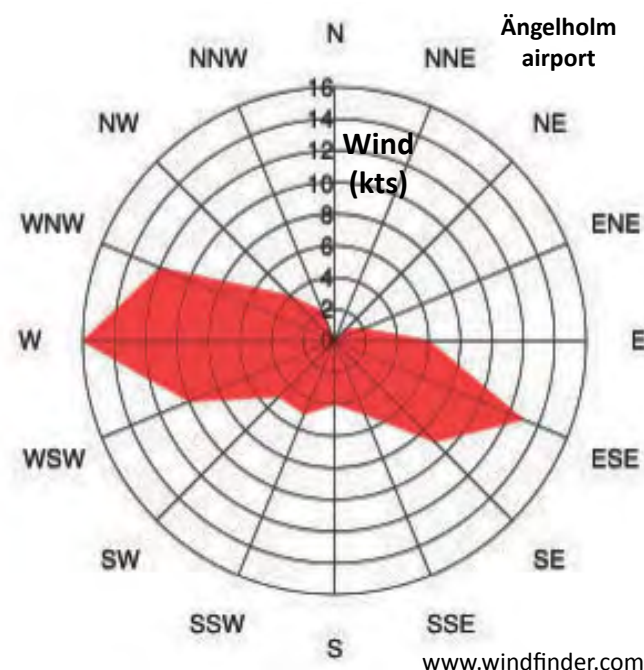
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Wind avg. 10 kts
Winds Exp: 9-19 kts
Dom wind dir. W-WNW



Wave: 0,5-3 feet
Tide: None
Currents: 0 to 0,5 knots
Shipping lines: None

WEATHER LINKS

www.smhi.se/en

www.dmi.dk/en/hav/

www.marineforecast.dk

Area: The Sound - North

www.windfinder.com

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