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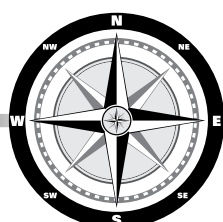
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Team *Headcase* Claims Third Consecutive J/24 European Championship Title

By Tom Werff



The Irish team *Headcase* has triumphed at the 2025 J/24 European Championship, held in Wemeldinge, the Netherlands—securing their third consecutive European title. Dutch team *Jack Around*, led by Rutger Krijger, earned the silver medal, while German team *Schwere Jungs*, helmed by Stefan Karsunke, took bronze.

The Championship took place from July 7-12. Day one focused on technical inspections of boats and sails. On day two, final checks were completed, followed by a skippers' briefing led by the organizing committee and race officials. On Tuesday at 14:00, a practice race was held—an ideal warm-up that allowed teams to navigate the strong currents of the Oosterschelde and familiarize themselves with the racecourse.



The event was officially opened later that evening at 18:00 by the chair of the Dutch J/24 Class Association. The 2025 edition of the Europeans centered around cross-generational connection, learning, and of course, the competition for victory.

On Wednesday, July 9, the starting vessel left port as scheduled, followed closely by all 20 teams. Due to unstable wind conditions, the AP flag was briefly raised, but once the breeze stabilized, four races were sailed under ideal weather. *Headcase* dominated the day with four first-place finishes, showcasing their mastery of tidal sailing.

Jack Around delivered a strong performance to secure second place, and reigning German champion *Hungriger Wolf* finished the day in third. The long day on the water concluded with a festive dinner featuring Premier mussels and live music.

Thursday began with the AP flag hoisted again, anticipating a repeat of Tuesday's light conditions. Fortunately, the seabreeze filled in around 13:00, allowing two more races from 14:00 onward. *Headcase* extended their lead, while *Jack Around* slipped to fourth overall. *Schwere Jungs* moved past *Hungriger Wolf* to claim third position in the standings.



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Forecasts throughout the week were encouraging, with consistent afternoon breezes from the northwest and occasional shifts to the west. International teams praised the venue and conditions, calling the sailing area beautiful and suitably challenging for a European Championship.

Friday began with the AP flag raised, delaying the teams' departure until around 12:30. Four races were sailed that day. After completing a total of 10 races, only two more were scheduled for Saturday which ultimately became two and a half. The penultimate race was abandoned by the Race Committee due to a significant wind shift. Finally, at around 13:30, the very last race of the event was held.

TOP 3



Photo gallery:

[2025 J24 European Championship - hlavooij](#)
&
[Media – J/24 Klasse organisatie Nederland](#)

Video highlights:

[J24 European Championship 2025, The Netherlands](#)

Class Website for Media:

[J/24 Klasse organisatie Nederland](#)

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Results after 12 races

Results: [European Championship J/24 2025](#) [manage2sail](#)



Overall Results

As of 12 JUL 2025 At 16:11

Discard rule: Global: 5. Scoring system: Low Point.

Rk.	Bow No	Sail Number	Boat Name	Name	Points per Race												Total Pts.	Net Pts.
					R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R10	R11	R12		
1	3	IRL 4247	Headcase	Cillian DICKSON	1	1	1	1	1	4	(5)	2	3	1	4	1	25	20
2	11	NED 5281	Jack Around	Rutger KRIJGER	9	2	3	3	(12)	5	4	6	1	2	1	2	50	38
3	13	GER 5381	Schwere Jungs	Stefan KARSUNKE	(21) DSQ	5	5	6	2	1	2	3	4	4	2	4	59	38
4	16	GER 5316	Hungriger Wolf	Till POMARIUS	2	11	(12)	5	3	3	1	1	2	5	7	3	55	43
5	12	GBR 4241	mr mann	Shane HEWLETT	(21) UFD	6	10	2	5	11	3	4	16	3	14	10	105	84
6	17	GBR 4266	NJOS	Tim OCTON	3	13	2	9	11	9	12	5	5	7	8	(15)	99	84
7	4	NED 5440	The DutchJees	Dirk OLYSLAGERS	(21) UFD	7	9	4	4	2	13	7	7	6	17	9	106	85
8	8	GER 4718	Bikiniinspektor	Jörn HARMS	5	10	13	7	6	(21) DSQ	10	9	6	10	9	7	113	92
9	9	ITA 438	Rabbit Per Cinque	Luca MACCHIARINI	4	16	4	(17)	16	8	7	8	9	8	5	8	110	93
10	6	GER 5417	Viva on Aqua	Jasper van VLIET	8	4	14	8	(16) DPI	7	16	16	13	9	3	5	119	103
11	14	GER 5438	Running Men	Stephan MAIS	(21) UFD	3	8	10	10	6	9	14	18	17	12	12	140	119
12	15	GER 4406	JUX	Thomas CRAMER	12	(18)	11	12	7	13	15	11	11	12	18	6	146	128
13	2	GBR 4242	Hitchhiker	Chris RANDALL	7	15	6	11	13	14	8	15 RDG	14	13	13	(18)	147	129
14	10	BEL 298	Jeronimo	Piet BRIELS	(21) UFD	8	7	15	14	18	18	10	10	16	10	11	158	137
15	20	NED 5417	Jong belegen	Uco SONNENBERG	6	12	(18)	18	18	15	6	17	15	14	6	13	158	140
16	7	NED 6	Joint Venture	Tom WERFF	10	14	16	16	8	12	14	12	8	(20)	15	19	164	144
17	5	GER 3634	Fast Forward	Hannes HEß	13	9	17	13	9	16	11	15	(19)	18	11	14	165	146
18	19	NED 285	J van tegenwoordig	Jord V D SLOOT	11	(20)	19	19	19	10	19	18	17	15	16	17	200	180
19	18	GER 5330	Rotkäppchen	Tjark BEHRING	14	17	(20)	20	20	17	20	19	12	11	20	20	210	190
20	1	NED 44	Jigsaw	Celine DUYVER	(21) UFD	19	15	14	17	21 DSQ	17	13	20	19	19	16	211	190

Stuart Jardine Trophy



Youngest European Championship sailor 2025:
Harry Mills (GBR 4242 Team Hitchhiker)



Youngest J/24 sailing team EC 2025:
GER 3634 Fast Forward



Oldest J/24 EC 2025: (NED 285 Team J van Tegenwoordig)

The Dutch J/24 Class delivered a rich program of competitive racing led by a world-class Race Committee and lively shoreside activities. Both sailors and organizers reflect proudly on an exceptional event.

Thanks to our sponsors:

The 2025 J/24 European Championship was held at Wemeldinge in the Netherlands, hosted by the Dutch J/24 Class Association, and Jachthaven van de Rest Nautic. Twelve races were scheduled from 9-12 July. The fleet consisted of 20 teams from 6 nations.



Results

Event website including results and notice board:
[J/24 Championship, European Championship J/24 2025 manage2sail](#)

Thanks to IJCA Technical Committee member Michael Peters for this report:

A fantastic week of sailing with 12 races and 20 boats in light to medium winds came to an end on 13 July with the outstanding victory of Headcase from Ireland. The inspection of boats and sails went largely without a hitch, with the help and my thanks to all the volunteers of this event. Also thanks to the sponsors and the sailors, without you such sailing events would not exist. Only those who missed this event must be sad, everyone else had a lot of fun with beer, pizza and a final dinner at the prize-giving. Once again, my thanks go to the organizers, sponsors, volunteers and sailors!



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2025 J/24 North American Champion Crowned in Texas: *Amuse Bouche*

The 2025 J/24 North American Championship saw seven races sailed over two race days to determine the champions – Kurt Dammeier and *Amuse Bouche* at 10 points with team Peter Keckemet, Lance McDonough, Mike Marshall and Melanie Edwards. Congratulations to all of the podium finishers on a great regatta sailed in challenging conditions!





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2nd Place – **Tony Parker**, *Bangor Packet*,
11 points

3rd Place – **Ted Wiedeke**, *Caramella*,
21 points (TOP Corinthian!)

4th Place – **Chris Holmes**, *Bad Moon*,
31 points (Corinthian)

5th Place – **Ruben Lozano**, *Evolution*,
37 points (Corinthian)





Full results available at https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/28673#_home



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A special thank you to Houston Yacht Club in Texas and all of their Race Committee, regatta organizers and volunteers for hosting such a great Championship! Twenty boats competed from May 26-31.

Looking forward to welcoming you soon!



We are just weeks away from the start of the 2025 J/24 World Championship in Plymouth. Preparations have been in full swing, and we are looking forward to welcoming you for what we hope will be a brilliant event.

The race team have had a practice event to refine their skills, the social events are being finalised and every other detail we can think of is being perfected in anticipation of your arrival.

There is definitely a real buzz among the UK fleet who are excited to be hosting the event.

Please reach out to us on Facebook, Instagram or via the website www.j24worlds2025.com if you have any queries that we can assist you with prior to your arrival.

We've ordered the sunshine and the breeze and hopefully, in true England style, not the rain... see you soon in Plymouth.



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The Florida Yacht Club and Fleet 55 in Jacksonville, Florida are excited to host two big events on the J/24 calendar:
the **2025 J/24 US National Championship**
and the **2026 J/24 Midwinter Championship.**

2025 J/24 US National Championship **Dates: November 19- 23, 2025**

Get ready for three days of racing as top J/24 crews from around the country gather in Jacksonville for the 2025 J/24 Nationals presented by Closets by Design. With historically good Fall sailing conditions, dynamic river currents and stunning skyline views, Jacksonville offers a unique racing venue that challenges even the most experienced sailors. This year, the regatta will feature Vakaros Race Sense race management. Registration also includes three regatta dinners and socials, including the Bold City Brewery Welcome Party, "King's Day" Party at FYC with live music and the famous FYC Oyster Roast!

Long-term boat storage has been arranged in Jacksonville for out-of-town boats who would also like to compete in the 2026 J/24 Midwinter Championship and keep their boats in the state for the winter series.

2026 J/24 Midwinter Championship **Dates: March 13-15, 2026**

Following the Nationals, the excitement returns in 2026 with the J/24 Midwinters. This winter regatta offers sailors from colder climates the chance to escape to sunny Florida and shake off the off-season rust. The Midwinters serves as a great tune-up for spring campaigns and provides a relaxed yet competitive atmosphere on and off the water. Stay tuned for more on event socials and regatta details.

The Florida Yacht Club, with its historic charm and southern hospitality, just completed a multi-million-dollar renovation. This, combined with direct access to the racecourse just minutes away from the club, makes it the perfect venue to host these large regattas. We look forward to welcoming you to Jacksonville later this year!

Please find the NOR and registration here:
<https://theclubspot.com/regatta/JYaHaGUQG0>



Victorian Fleet. Melbourne.

It's winter in Australia, and despite chilly 12 degree mornings and winds between 5 and 40 knots (yes it was cancelled), the sailing continues.

The Hodges Sandringham One Design Winter Series at Sandringham Yacht Club (home of the 2026 Epigen World Championship) attracted up to 11 starters including six new players keen to gear up for Worlds selection in five months. Of note, *Haywire* Barney Walker, sporting new sails, showed form with a first and third in only their second outing since joining the Class. *Gridlock* Wayne Bates a first, and *Hyperactive* Scott Buckingham constantly around the top of the fleet. These teams, along with series leader *Poker Face* Adam Keys-Tilley, *Jab* Warren Slater (who is heading to Plymouth) and *Bruschetta VI* Hugo Ottaway,

make up the top places with three race days remaining before the start of our summer season in October.

Following the success of the Vakaros race management system at the Beechers Handmade Cheese 2024 World Championship in Seattle, we have purchased the system for Australia. Our Race Officers and competitors are learning the benefits this new technology brings to the racecourse. The Vakaros race management and boat devices really are the "Next Exciting Chapter" in yacht racing, and have been overwhelmingly embraced by all involved.

We are very excited to have this system for the 2026 Epigen Worlds.

Off the water, Hodges Real Estate Sandringham have confirmed their continuation of their sponsorship of our Winter and Summer 2025/2026 season. This is the third year Hodges have supported J/24 Victoria.

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Our 2026 Worlds sponsor, Epigen Industrial Paint Systems, has purchased four North spinnakers with Epigen logos (keep an eye out for these in Plymouth), Gill sailing jackets for the Worlds Committee, tee shirts for all the teams going to Plymouth, and lastly, sponsoring a social night all in the name of Epigen 2026 Worlds.

Sandringham Yacht Club, host of the 2026 Epigen Worlds, has reinvested significantly with the replacement of two new hardstand cranes, and purchased (in partnership with J/24 owners) 10 new hardstand J/24 trolleys. This purchase gives us increased capacity to house interstate and overseas Js.

Our sponsors, yacht club and supporters have created a strong and vibrant Class, and we can't thank them enough.



Western Australian Fleet. Perth.

Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club, located on the Swan River at Melville Waters, has the largest fleet of J/24s in WA. The summer regatta results have *Jazz* Aaron Kanther winning the Mid Summer Series out of 24 mixed fleet entries and *Fun 2* Ron Thomson fourth in the Saturday Summer Series amongst a mixed fleet of 20. The current Winter Series racing is around fixed marks with a course length 9 km on Melville. Others in the fleet: *JJF* Jo Wilson, *Jpeg* Shann Evans and *Flashback* Olisin Coffey. Four crews are keen to contest the Worlds selection series in January. Aaron Kanther is purchasing a second boat driving 3400 km (2117 miles) from Perth to Melbourne, whilst Ron Thomson has chartered a local boat.

South Australia. Adelaide.

The re-emergence of the J/24 Class has seen five Js being repurposed back into club and Class racing at the Royal South Australian Yacht Squadron. Two owners, Kiaron Cowley and Mark Evans, have expressed interest in competing in the Worlds selection series and are currently refurbishing their boats in time for January. Class stalwart Pete Stevens has almost completed his restoration of *Haywire* (yes there are two of them), having it ready for charter for both the Worlds selection / National Title in January and Epigen Worlds in November 2026.



New South Wales Fleet. Sydney Harbour / Cronulla.

By Dave West, NSW Class President

Youth on the Helm: Sydney Harbour Hosts Third Annual J/24 Youth Challenge

The sails were set, the breeze was light, and the competition was fierce as Sydney's third J/24 Youth Challenge returned in June 2025—bigger, bolder and brimming with rising talent.

Over 30 young sailors, representing clubs from around Sydney Harbour, converged at Manly Yacht Club for a weekend showdown of five tight races. This year marked the first time the regatta was held on a weekend—giving schoolbooks a break and letting the youth shine on the water. The format was windward/leeward, with youth crews, some seasoned and some fresh to keelboats, taking full control. Boat owners could ride along but weren't allowed to call tactics. The decisions—good, bad or brilliant—were all on the shoulders of the next generation.

Race 1 kicked off in a teasing northerly of 5–8 knots. *Innamincka*, with Ashleigh Larkin at the helm and a Middle



Harbour junior crew, burst off the line with style. But it was *Ace*, skippered by William Hough from Manly, who played the wind shifts perfectly and claimed the bullet, just ahead of *Innamincka*. A tight battle saw *Waterhound* (Fin MacLennan) edge the girls from Middle Harbour 16 ft Skiff Club on *JSpot* for third, and close behind just one second separated *Kaotic* (Josh Zatz) and *Okavango Delta* (Macie Bourke) at the finish.

As the breeze faded in Race 2, *Innamincka* fought back to take the win over *Ace*, while *Kaotic* punched through for third in the softer conditions.

A mid-regatta wind shift brought a course reset in a building southeasterly for Race 3. *Innamincka* led early but stalled in a hole up the second work. *Ace* capitalized and took the top spot again, with *Kaotic* staying consistent in third.

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Race 4 had its share of drama—*Waterhound* jumped the start, while *Ace* and *Kaotic* nailed a mid-line launch. *JSpot* surged early but got caught in a lull. Meanwhile, *Innamincka* climbed from fifth to second with a tactical masterclass. *Ace* took yet another win.

In the **final race**, *Ace* sealed the regatta with a dominant start and lead at every mark. *JSpot* showed real grit to finish third after an early charge, while *Innamincka* rounded out their series with another solid second. *Okavango Delta* closed out their best day yet with a second straight fourth.



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J24 Youth Challenge 2025 hosted by MYC



Team Ace

Skipper Will Hough
Winner of the Youth Challenge Cup



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After the racing, the stories flowed as freely as the BBQ sausages at the Manly Yacht Club deck. Sailors swapped tales of shifts, wipeouts and wins. A heartfelt thanks went to the event's engine room: Stephen Teudt and team for running five races in light breeze; Margaret Fraser-Martin for the stellar photography; Lyn Humphreys for shepherding teams with skill and patience; and David West for his ongoing sponsorship and those shiny trophies.

Of course, none of this would have happened without the generosity of the boat owners who took teams on pre-regatta training days and handed over their tillers for the weekend:

- **Waterhound** – Anthony Poole
- **Kaotic** – Catherine Rofe
- **Ace** – David West
- **Innaminka** – John Crawford
- **Okavango Delta** – Manly Yacht Club Youth Sailors
- **JSpot** – Scott Jamieson

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The wrap up: The youth challenge has become an exciting and meaningful event on the Sydney J/24 calendar—proving once again that with a little encouragement, the future of the Class is in passionate, capable and competitive hands.

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- 1st **Ace**
- 2nd **Innaminka**
- 3rd **Kaotic**

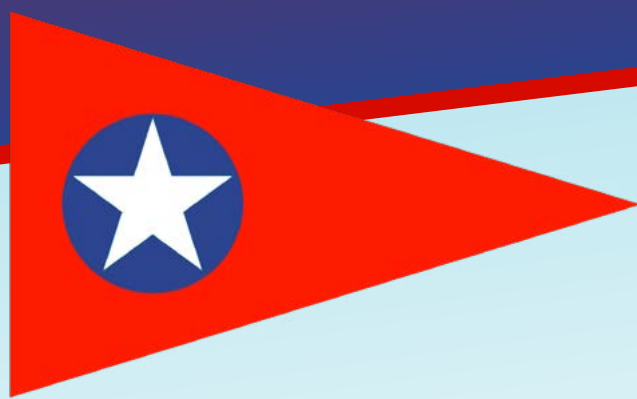
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- 1st **JSpot**
- 2nd **Waterhound**
- 3rd **Kaotic**





Get Ready for the J/24 South American Championship 2025 in Chile!



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The 2025 J/24 South American Championship will take place in the stunning bay of Viña del Mar, Chile from November 27-30, hosted by the prestigious Yacht Club de Chile.

Expect top-level racing, steady coastal breeze, a vibrant social atmosphere and an unforgettable experience on and off the water. Teams from across the continent are already preparing to compete in this key event of the J/24 calendar.

The Notice of Race is now published – and registration is officially open! [HERE](#)

Register now at: www.yachtclubdechile.cl

Important deadlines:

- Standard entry fee: CLP \$600,000 until October 20 at 12:00 PM
- Late entries after that date: CLP \$800,000
- No refunds after November 8

The entry fee includes haul-in/haul-out, mooring, inspection, social events and prizes.

Mark your calendar and don't miss your chance to race in one of the most iconic coastal cities in South America.

Stay tuned for more updates on social media [@yachtclubdechile](#) and get ready to sail fast, compete hard and celebrate big in Viña del Mar.

South America Report



CHILE

Manutara Wins Glorias Navales Cupin Higuierillas

Gabriela Portus and her crew aboard *Manutara* claimed victory at the historic **Glorias Navales Cup**, hosted by the Chilean Navy in **Higuierillas**. The regatta, sailed over two days in **light winds** and **rolling Pacific swells**, showcased the strength of the local fleet.

Second place went to *Charlie* (Federico Bierwith), followed by *Chungungo* (Horacio Salamanca), rounding out the podium in a tightly contested event.

The Chilean calendar continues in **mid-October** with the **National Championship** in **Talcahuano**, followed by the iconic **OFF Valparaíso Regatta**, to be held in **Recreo Bay (Viña del Mar)** at **Yacht Club de Chile**.



OFF will take place just two weeks before the **South American Championship**, marking the **long-awaited return of the continental title after seven years**. Excitement is building across the fleet, with teams ramping up preparations.

South America Report



ARGENTINA

Gran Carajo Wins Aperturain San Roque

Following the opening events in **Patagonia's southern lakes**, the Argentine fleet moved to the center of the country for the **Apertura Championship** on **San Roque Lake, Córdoba** — raced under **Pan-American** format conditions.

A total of **29 boats** competed over **three weekends** and **26 races**. The overall winner was **Javier Moyano** aboard *Gran Carajo*, followed by **Ruben Lozano** on *Quattro* and **Julian Dadone** on *Carrera*.



International Highlight

Special congratulations to **Juan Moreno and the crew of Evolution** for securing **fifth place** at the **2025 North American Championship**. Crew members included Ruben Lozano, Adrián Berelejis, Facundo Cabiedes and Pablo Fabre.

ROAD TO THE WORLDS

All the best to the boats representing Argentina at the **2025 World Championship in Plymouth**: *Quattro*, *Ziggy Race* and *Tata Patagonia* —vamos equipo!



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Evan Petley-Jones Wins 2025 J/24 Canadian National Championship

Nova Scotia skipper Evan Petley-Jones and the crew of *Lifted* (CAN 4025) took first place to win the first J/24 Canadian National Championship since 2019. Held during the annual Nepean One Design Regatta hosted by the Nepean Sailing Club in Ottawa, the event saw 13 entries battle it out in seven races over two days of racing.

Mike Stasko of the Canandaigua Yacht Club and the crew of *Redline* (USA 799) took second place, while local skipper Jean Levac aboard *Barking Squirrel* (CAN 5226) placed third. Petley-Jones also took Top Canadian Boat after Day One of Racing and Top Canadian Boat Overall. Wind and weather conditions varied considerably over the two days, from heavy winds and gusty conditions on day one, to light-to-moderate and steady winds on day two in sometimes blistering heat.





Petley-Jones, the previous Canadian Champion, expressed excitement about the revival of the J/24 Class Association in Canada and the possibility of more J/24 Canadian-based events in the future. Jean Levac was also enthusiastic about the regatta, noting it was one of the best NODs in years. Attendance at the event was bolstered by the participation of five US boats from the Rochester (2) and Canandaigua (2) Yacht Clubs of New York, and the Mallet's Bay Boat Club (1) of Vermont. The Royal Canadian Yacht Club and the Bay of Quinte Yacht Club were also represented. Both NSC and

Rochester J/24 Fleet representatives hope to capitalize on the success of the regatta and see more boats travelling to and from events on both sides of the border in the future.

After five years of inactivity, the J/24 Canada Class Association was revived late last year with the goal to bring J/24 enthusiasts together and holding more annual events. President Vince Somoza was more than pleased with the turnout for the Championship and expressed optimism about the future of the Class in Canada.

J/24 Fleet

Sailed: 7, Discards: 1, To count: 6, Entries: 13, Scoring system: Appendix A

Rank	Boat name	Main sail number	Helm	Club	062101	062102	062103	062201	062202	062203	062204	Total	Nett	Alt Sail Num
1st	Lifted	4025	Evan Petley-Jones	Chester Yacht Club	1.0	2.0	3.0	(4.0)	1.0	1.0	1.0	13.0	9.0	
2nd	Redline	799	Mike Stasko	Canandaigua Yacht Club	2.0	1.0	4.0	3.0	2.0	(8.0)	3.0	23.0	15.0	
3rd	Barking Squirrel	CAN 5256	Jean Levac	Nepean SC	4.0	4.0	1.0	(5.0)	5.0	2.0	4.0	25.0	20.0	
4th	Bogus	5208	George Braddon	Rochester Yacht Club	(9.0)	7.0	6.0	2.0	4.0	3.0	2.0	33.0	24.0	
5th	Ice Cube	USA 49	Michael Quaid	Malletts Bay Boat Club	8.0	3.0	2.0	1.0	7.0	4.0	(9.0)	34.0	25.0	
6th	Jalapeno	2600	Kieran Whalen-Hughes	Nepean SC	5.0	6.0	7.0	(8.0)	3.0	7.0	6.0	42.0	34.0	
7th	Lady MINX	USA 5482	Lee Ann Zaretsky	Rochester Yacht Club, New York	6.0	5.0	5.0	(12.0)	10.0	9.0	5.0	52.0	40.0	
8th	Mojito	5362	Vince Somoza	Nepean SC	3.0	(10.0)	8.0	10.0	6.0	10.0	8.0	55.0	45.0	
9th	Cluster	CAN 2728	Matt Kenny	Royal Canadian YC	(12.0)	8.0	9.0	6.0	9.0	6.0	12.0	62.0	50.0	
10th	Elle	537	David Kaye	Canandaigua Yacht Club	7.0	(14.0 DSQ)	11.0	11.0	8.0	5.0	10.0	66.0	52.0	
11th	Thing 2	CAN 5254	Nathan Bresett	Bay of Quinte Yacht Club	10.0	11.0	(14.0 UFD)	7.0	11.0	11.0	7.0	71.0	57.0	
12th	Flying Circus	2577	Steven Brombach	Nepean SC	11.0	9.0	10.0	9.0	(13.0)	12.0	11.0	75.0	62.0	
13th	White Hot!	CAN 3223	Jeff Jorgensen	Nepean SC	(13.0)	12.0	12.0	13.0	12.0	13.0	13.0	88.0	75.0	

Scoring codes used

Code	Description	Points
DNF	Started but did not finish	13
DNS	Came to the start area but did not start	9
DSQ	Disqualification	Varies
UFD	U flag disqualification under rule 30.3	14





At the beginning of the year, the Hungarian J/24 fleet approached the new season with great aspirations. With four One Design Balaton Tour regattas, the National Championship and the Fleet Championship in the calendar, it was certain that 2025 would be a season to remember.

In May, we hosted our first open day in years, where more than 20 enthusiastic sailors discovered the thrill and beauty of J/24 sailing. Not long after, the competition season

kicked off in Kenese, with 10 boats lining up on the starting line. In a closely fought contest, *Twenty Big 5* emerged victorious, narrowly ahead of *J/spot* and *Django*.

The next stop of the One Design Balaton Tour was hosted by Kereked Sailing Club. During this regatta, *J'Korszak-Laurel* dominated, finishing with just 4 points overall. Second and third places were shared between *iIroncat* and *Twenty Big 5*, both collecting 6 points.

While the first two regattas were sailed in mild conditions, the third event challenged the fleet with winds exceeding 25 knots. The international experience and confidence of *J/spot* shone through in these tough conditions, as last year's National Champion won all four races. The remaining podium spots went to *iIroncat* (12 points) and *KiJé* (14 points).

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The strong winds continued for the Blue Ribbon Regatta, where five J/24s competed in the longest round-the-lake competition in Europe. After just over 13 hours of sailing, the finish line was first crossed by *Jackaroo*, likely setting an all-time record.

As we enter the second half of the season, anticipation is high for the National Championship, where we once again expect a fleet of more than 24 boats.

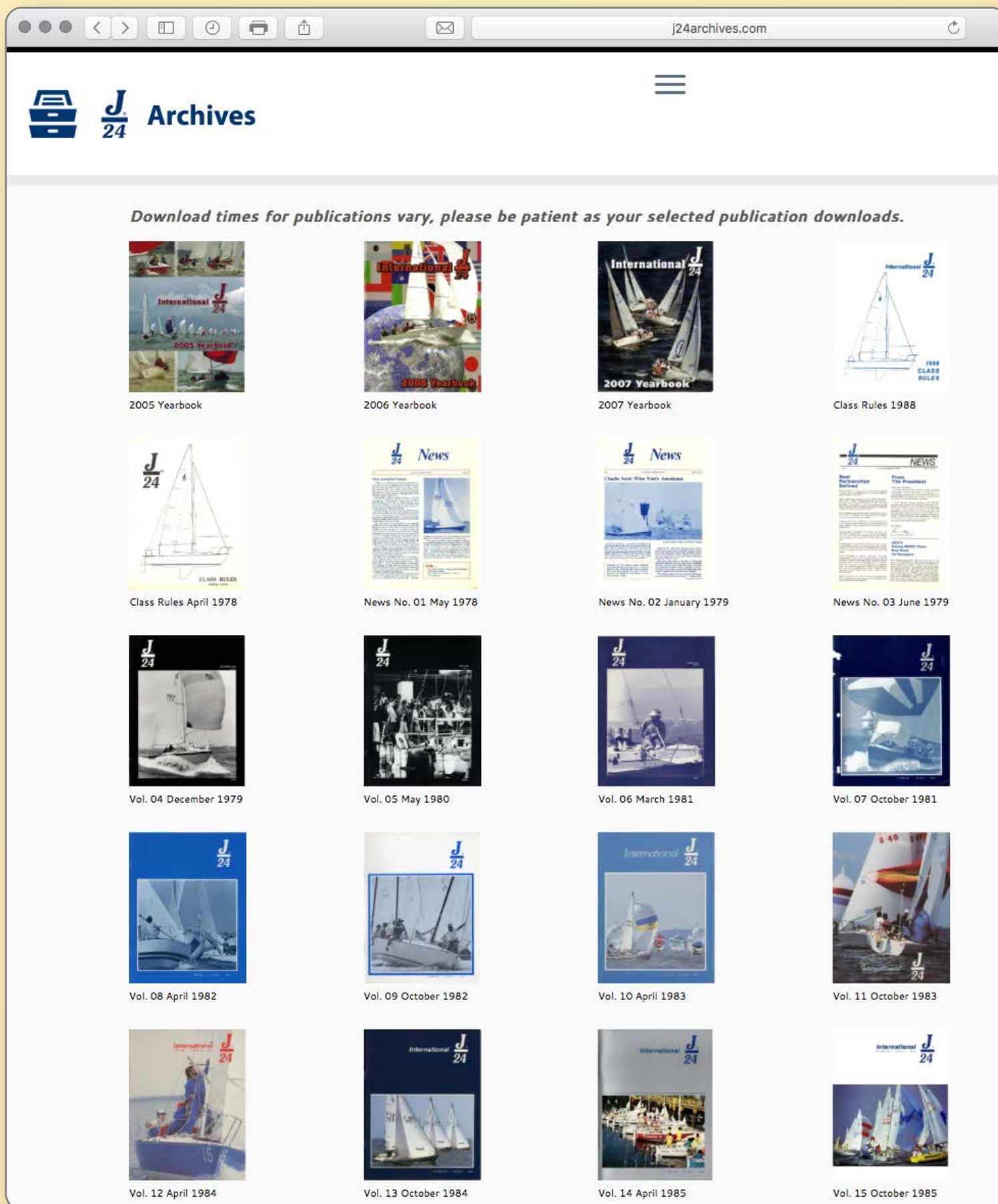
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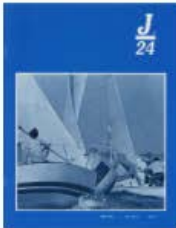
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Sweden Report

by Monica Persson and Björn Österberg



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Dear J/24 Sailors in Sweden and all around our World, How wonderful it is to meet J/24 sailors! During 2025, our Swedish J/24 sailors have been on **J/24 Tour 2025** starting end of May going to J/24 German Open, and in June to Kiel Week in Germany, then in August sail racing at our Swedish National Championship in Limhamn, Malmö; awaiting us is around the island races 'Tjörn Runt' and 'Marström Race,' and the Worlds in Plymouth UK in September. Finally in October, our new reigning J/24 Swedish Champions Team *Ca Plane* will go to Marstrand Sweden to sail race against all Swedish Champions in 'Sailing's Champion'. What a J/24 year 2025 has turned out to be, and so many great new J/24 memories and journeys we are creating together!

SWE-JCA's activities in 2025:

We filled our calendars with J/24 sail racing, and SWE-JCA focused on our core events: the J/24 Clinics and Training in

Västervik and in Malmö and the 2025 J/24 Swedish National Championship in August in Limhamn, Malmö.

The Swedish J/24 Class Association encourages participation in J/24 sailing in Sweden and around our world. We are proud to participate with two teams at the J/24 Worlds 2025 in Plymouth, England. Our J/24 sailors have taken on the larger regattas presented and been active in Europe during 2025, as well as being very active on Swedish sailing waters. We have been engaged in our Clubs' Sailing Schools and sailed local Club Regattas and evening races throughout the 2025 sailing season. We are sailing in the greatest one-design sail racing Class of the world, we for sure do! We are proud of our J/24 sailors and the warmth and fellowship that we have in our Class and the Swedish J/24 Class Association. We are proud and happy to be part of the J/24 world and the "J/24 Family," and we are so happy to meet over and over again.

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J/24 Swedish National Championship 2025 – This summer's high!

Congratulations to SWEDISH CHAMPIONS 2025 – Björn Österberg and *Ca Plane* team!

The 8th-10th of August was a beautiful summer weekend with nice J/24 sailing and smiling faces. We sailed in the Öresund waters north of Öresund Bridge at **MSS – Malmö Segelsällskap** who arranged the after-sail BBQ and the regatta dinner, and the clubhouse was all ours for the event. We would like to thank our host MSS – Malmö Segelsällskap who made the regatta possible with great sailing conditions. From the bottom of our hearts, we would also like to thank ALL officials, friends and competitors at our J/24 Swedish Championship 2025 for coming to Limhamn, Malmö and Sweden, making good competition and having great fun together with us! THANK YOU ALL!

THANKS A LOT from our hearts for such a fantastic weekend with all you lovely J/24 sailors! We had a really fun weekend at our Swedish National Championship, and it is YOU who make it so much fun!!! We are so proud of you all! Thanks for participating. So nice to get together again. Well sailed all of you! And thanks for your smiling faces, support between the teams, lovely J/24 dance moves, playfulness and great fun! We are very grateful for the J/24 fleet who gathered in Limhamn, Malmö. You always keep the competition on the racecourse high and exciting, and make fantastic fun on shore! We were 12 teams from two countries: Sweden and Germany. Very happy to see the mix of the fleet with youth teams, male and mixed teams



challenging the more experienced J/24 sailors – you rock! Three days of sail racing at our J/24 Swedish Championship 2025 accomplished and completed. Exciting fun and friendly J/24 sail racing!

Congratulations to the winners of the regatta and our new J/24 SWEDISH NATIONAL CHAMPIONS 2025 – GOLD!

SWE 4786 *Ca Plane*, KSSS Kungliga Svenska Segelsällskapet, with Björn Österberg, Anders Edblad, Christian Hadenius, Lova Barthelson, Markus Jenkinson. Brilliant sailing! Great experience and knowledge onboard. Congratulations on your first time winning the Perpetual Trophy for the J/24 Swedish National Champions! For 2025, your names will be engraved.

- **Second** and congratulations to **best foreign team** GER 5313, *Juelsand*, SVAOe, with Maike Hass, Gesa Göllner, Jonas Lyssewski, Naomi Kosmehl, Philippine Lunau.
- **Third** and **Silver** in the **Swedish National Championship 2025** SWE 4896, *Team Front Runner*, Malmö Segelsällskap, with Per-Håkan Persson, Hans Thulin, Monica Persson, Cecilia Lundgren, Ludvig Fröding.

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- **Fourth** GER 4495, *Oste Strolch*, FC St. Pauli, with Peter Langhans, Rollo Böhm, Daniel Carl, Marcelle Rohde.
- **Fifth and Bronze in the Swedish National Championship 2025** SWE 5437, *For Fun*, ÄSSS Ängelholm-Skaldervikens Segelsällskap, with Andreas Olovsson, Martin Petersson, Magnus Jönsson, Matthias Wennborg, Alice Sjöberg.

The Swedish J/24 Class Association perpetual trophy to the **Best Swedish Youth team under 25 years of age**, silver globe 'the J/24 World', was awarded to sixth place overall and fourth in J/24 Swedish Championship 2025: SWE 5380, *Gammeldansken*, MSS - Malmö Segelsällskap with Nils Simonsson, Melker Almquist, Viggo Löfgren, Alexander Krokstade, Kalle Johnsson Stjernström. Outstanding

progress since last time! "We give you the J/24 world," and together with it automatically also follows our personal J/24 contact net worldwide and opportunities to participate in J/24 Europeans and J/24 World Championships and J/24 regattas in Europe and all over the world. For 2025, your names will be engraved. Take care of "the J/24 World" during the year, and welcome back to fight for it again next year! We are happy that so many young sailors participated and that all our young sailors are brave-hearted, mentored by experienced sailors and have so much fun both on shore and on the water sail racing J/24s. Young teams from Malmö, Västervik and Simrishamn participated, which make us very proud and happy.



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Regatta report – J/24 Swedish National Championship 2025

by Björn Österberg, SWE 4786 *Ca Plane*

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This was the regatta we had been looking forward to since last summer! Malmö – the perfect venue for one-design racing. Steady onshore SW winds. Course area just outside the harbour, and all shore facilities in the same spot. But there is a tricky twist to the sailing here – current. Often more than one knot and constantly changing in strength and in direction. Some of the crews used the host Club's Thursday night race to tune the boats and get a little familiar with the currents. With Friday's racing starting late afternoon, our crew got a good session practising tacking, gybes and mark roundings. And, yes, we needed practise. 3/5 of the crew, including me, peaked our J/24 careers in the early 90s. Lucky for us, on the sharp end of the boat we had Lova and Markus, two agile sailors in their mid 20s getting right in to the tricks of sailing "old fashioned" with symmetrical spinnaker. A big help came from the Harken boathandling videos now found on YouTube.



The two races on Friday were digested with a BBQ at the clubhouse where the so special J/24 ambience started to show. Old memories were shared (for us mostly from the 1993 Worlds in Abersoch), and the new crews got tips and tricks from the more experienced.

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Saturday had four races in a strengthening breeze.

The German boats showed great consistency avoiding the pitfalls created by the current shifting direction during the racing. A long day on the water was followed by an even longer night at the clubhouse. Dinner, prize giving (every day) and an old fashioned disco with DJ JJ added new memories for everyone.

Sunday saw a 14-knot wind building to 18 by the end of the second race. This is when the J/24 really shows the fun of sailing! In the last race, both jibs and genoas were seen with even performance. Smiles everywhere after a perfect day on the water. Another(!) prize giving where perpetual trophies were given to best youth team, best foreign team and the overall winners. This would be a great location for the 2026 Europeans, which we really hope for and are very much looking forward to!

We thank Björn Österberg on SWE 4786 *Ca Plane* very much for his great regatta report!

Results: <https://www.sailwave.com/results/J24SM2025.htm>

Thanks a lot to all competitive crews who provided great fun competition and fun over the course of the event. Also, many thanks to MSS – Malmö Segelsällskap, the race officials and everyone else who supported making this

such a fantastic event. And thanks to all fantastic people who show appreciation for our work, it generates lovely energy to continue.

What's next? This year 2025 has been filled with larger J/24 sailing events, and our Swedish J/24 sailors have and will be travelling a lot. Let's reload our energy and continue the 'J/24 Tour 2025'! Next up awaiting us is around the island races 'Tjörn Runt' in Stenungsund and 'Marström Race' in Loftahammar, the J/24 World Championship in Plymouth in September, and 'Sailing's Champion' in Marstrand in October.

The SWE-JCA Board will set the J/24 plans for 2026 during autumn. All J/24 owners and teams in Sweden come and participate in J/24 sail racing 2026! As soon as we have more information, we will inform you. We are happy to say: **Good winds at the J/24 Worlds 2025 in Plymouth!**

J/24 in our hearts and friends for life!

Malmö, Sweden in August 2025

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XLIV Italian Open J/24 Championship: a superb edition.

The Italian flag goes to La Superba. Silver for Bruschetta Guastafeste and bronze for Five for Fighting. The Championship, which saw twenty-four crews participate, concluded after eight races in the waters of Lerici. The hospitality and organization of the Circolo della VelaErix were greatly appreciated.

Lerici. The awards ceremony marked the end of the 2025 edition of the Italian J/24 Championship, a well-organized event delegated by the Italian Sailing Federation (FIV), by the Circolo della Vela Erix, with the patronage of the Municipality of Lerici and the collaboration of the Italian J/24 Class Association.

Spread across three days of competition—characterized by strong mistral winds in the first two and a lighter one in the final—and eight hard-fought and challenging races held in the picturesque waters of Lerici by twenty-four crews representing numerous Italian fleets, the 2025 Italian Championship was a resounding success.



Indeed, he greatly appreciates the hospitality of the association chaired by Carlo Stefanini and the organization of the event by CdVE Vice President Davide Sampiero, as well as the work of the Race Committee coordinated by President Mario De Grenet.

During the closing ceremony, the defending champions of ITA 416 were awarded their prizes: the J/24 of the Italian Navy's Centro Vela Altura skippered by Ignazio Bonanno, crewed by Simone Scontrino on sheets, Francesco Linares

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in the middle, Francesco Picaro in the duo, and Alfredo Branciforte in the bow. Thanks to five victories today (ITA 416, GSMM 10 points; 2, 1, 3, 1, 1, BFD, 1, 1), the Bonanno team won the Italian title for the eleventh time, the fifth consecutive time, and the Challenger Trophy for the Class as the best-ranked Italian crew.

Also on the podium (second and third in order) were ITA 469 Bruschetta Guastafeste, crewed by Sonia and Alessia Ciceri, and Ancilla Scaccia, skippered by Pierluigi Puthod (LNI Mandello del Lario; 24 points; 6, 3, 1, 4, 6, 2, 12, 2).





And the winner of the sixth race, ITA 304 Five for Fighting, crewed and skippered by Eugenia De Giacomo Pitanti (CCRdLauria; 33 points; 4, 4, 9, 8, 11, 1, 4, 3, crewed by Nicola Pitanti, Matilde Pitanti, Marco Bruna, and Lorenzo Cusimano). Eugenia De Giacomo was also awarded the women's overall title.

Also receiving awards were the fourth- and fifth-place finishers, respectively, ITA 498 Pilgrim, owned by Lario Fleet Chief Mauro Benfatto and skippered by Fabio Mazzoni (LNI Mandello d.L.; 33 points; 3, 5, 5, 7, 3, 10, 5, 5)

and ITA 271 Joanna, owned by Fabrizio della Casa and skippered by Andrea Collina (CNCervia Adv; 40 points; 11, 2, 4, 5, 5, bfd, 6, 7) and the Under 25 crew ITA 092 Son of Rabbit of the Circolo Velico La Spezia, skippered by Matteo Pucci. A memento of the event was finally delivered to the Mayor of Lerici, Leonardo Paoletti, to the president of the Italian J/24 Class Pietro Diamanti and to the Marina di Carrara Nautical Club for their invaluable support in the measurement and launching of the boats (collected by member Marco Bruna representing the Club). XLIV Italian Open J/24 Championship: a Superb Edition.

Massimo Frigerio is the new President of the Italian J/24 Class.

Pietro Diamanti, after expressing his desire for a rotation of Council positions, is stepping down as president after many years. The new Council was unanimously confirmed: Mauro Benfatto, Pietro Diamanti, Massimo Frigerio, Marco Frulio, and Gianni Riccobono, who will serve as vice president.

Lerici. During the recent XLIV Italian Open J/24 Championship held in beautiful Lerici, the annual assembly of the Italian J/24 Class met to elect its representatives for the next two years.

The new council, elected unanimously, is represented by Mauro Benfatto, Pietro Diamanti, Massimo Frigerio, Marco Frulio, and Gianni Riccobono. Last week, the Italian Class Council met to renew its positions.

Pietro Diamanti expressed his desire for a rotation of positions within the Board, and after considering the opinions of all the Board members, the following was proposed: Massimo Frigerio as President, Gianni Riccobono as Vice President, and Pietro Diamanti as Treasurer.

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The Board members all accepted the proposed positions with great satisfaction.

"I am extremely happy to be appointed President of the Italian J/24 Class," commented the new President Frigerio, J/24 Fleet Leader of Romagna, and owner of the Ita 473 Magica Fata. "I don't even remember how many years I've been racing on this beautiful boat, which has given me so much satisfaction, both in terms of results and especially on a human level. I must say that the best feeling is the strong friendship that develops within the crew and the satisfaction of having a large group of passionate friends in all the crews participating in the events. I have always tried to be of service to the Class and the Owners because I know well that being an owner is a difficult and important role. I thank everyone who has had faith in me over all these years, and I hope I am worthy of the role. I am aware that after the names of Pietro and dear Fabio, who have made the history of the class, I can only be a complement. Thanks to all the board that supported me and to all my fellow Owners and their irreplaceable crews."

"For me, the J/24 is a reason for living. I've been enjoying this "little boat" for 40 years, and my goal is to continue having fun in the years to come," explained outgoing President Pietro Diamanti. "During the Lerici assembly, I was confirmed as a councilor for another two years, and during the subsequent council meeting to assign positions, I expressed my desire not to run for President because I believe it is right that this role be assigned to another member of the board, made up of people who have worked over the years to ensure that the J/24 Class continues to be present on all of Italy's regatta courses after so long. I thank all the members who have placed their trust in me over the years, and especially the members of the Board of Directors: without their collaboration, the Class would not have achieved these results. So, greetings to all the members... see you at sea playing with our splendid J/24s."





The J/24 Bruschetta Guastafeste wins the 2025 Fabio Apollonio Trophy.

Well-organized by the Trentino Sailing Association on the splendid waters of Lake Caldonazzo, the fourth leg of the National J/24 Circuit concluded after four races and a great deal of hospitality. Dejavù and Armageddon also finished on the podium.

Lake Caldonazzo - Valcanover. After four races held in the splendid waters of Lake Caldonazzo in Pergine Valsugana (Valcanover) by about fifteen crews representing numerous Italian fleets, the National J/24 Regatta - Fabio Apollonio Trophy (coefficient 2) concluded successfully. The event was well organized over the weekend by the Trentino Sailing Association and serves as the fourth stage of the 2025 National Circuit.

The event, also held in memory of their friend Fabio Apollonio, former president of the Italian Class, took the top step of the podium, thanks to a hat-trick of victories, with the crew of the ITA 469 Bruschetta Guastafeste, skippered by Pierluigi Puthod and crewed by sisters Sonia and Alessia Ciceri and Ancilla Scaccia (CV Tivano; 3 points; 1,1,4,1). Second place went to Ita 476 Déjà Vu, owned and helmed by clubmate Ruggero Spreafico (CV Tivano; 7 points, 2, 2, 3, 3), ahead of Ita 461 Armagedon, owned and helmed by Fabio De Rossi (Circolo Nautico Brenzone; 9 points; 5, 11, 2, 2).

Next in line were Ita 432 Kaster, owned by Garda-Caldonazzo Fleet Chief Giuliano Catarozzi and helmed by his daughter Federica, Ubaldo Ranzi's Ita 507 Cucuia (CV Sarnico), and Francesco Nucara's Ita 438 Rabbit (CVMare).

The racing was highly technical, and the crews were forced to tack frequently to make the most of the wind variations. Despite the unstable wind, the Jury managed to hold four of the six scheduled races: three on Saturday afternoon—the first with winds that changed strength and direction several times, and the other two steady—and a beautiful race on Sunday with a long-awaited southerly wind arriving just before the start deadline.

The hospitality of Velica Trentina was impeccable, as always. Indeed, the success of this event was once again met with great satisfaction, both from the participants—who appreciated and enjoyed the excellent hospitality and delicious local products—and from the Velica Trentina board and the brothers Dario and Giuliano Cattarozzi, thanks to whom the J/24 has spread to Lake Caldonazzo.

The crews of the world's most widespread and popular one-design keelboat, designed by Rod Johnstone in 1976 but still as relevant today, will continue the 2025 National Circuit over the weekend of September 13th and 14th when the Agropoli Section of the Italian Naval League (www.leganavaleagropoli.it) and Fleet Chief Peppe Manganelli will welcome the racers for the National Regatta with a coefficient of 2, valid as the fifth stage.

Calendar

2025

September 6 - September 14

2025 J/24 World Championship

Plym Yacht Club & Saltash Sailing Club
Plymouth, United Kingdom

November 27 - November 30

**2025 J/24 South American
Championship**

Yacht Club de Chile
Viña del Mar, Chile

2026

September 30, 2026 - October 4, 2026

**2026 J/24 North
American Championship**

Port Credit Yacht Club
Mississauga, Ontario, Canada

November 4 - November 11

**Epigen J/24 World Championship
Melbourne 2026**

Sandringham Yacht Club
Melbourne, Australia

2027

October 2 - October 9

2027 J/24 World Championship

Rochester Yacht Club
Rochester, NY, United States



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