



July 2005

The International 5.5 Class newsletter

Dear friends,

The sailing season is well underway and the Class activity is great as ever. The Italian championship in Laveno with 21 participants saw our International President Hans Nadorp win with his new boat. Carabella from Alfredo Delli was the best Italian boat and also the first classic 5.5.

In June was the second major event for the class this year: the European Championship in Austria. It took place on lake Attersee near Salzburg. Preceded by the Austrian Open won by Jürg Menzi this championship was a great achievement for the Austrian 5.5 Class Association. Edi Berndt and Christian Scheinecker put a lot of energy in turning it into a great success, and a great success it was ! The welcome and the club infrastructures were well adapted to our class, the parties and the social program were pleasant.

From a sailing / racing point of view, Attersee turned out to be decent and the fleet could complete 6 full courses.

Jürg Menzi and his crew Daniel Stampfli and Léonard Gaume on board the Marie-Françoise 17 (SUI-217) won the European title fighting another swiss crew from Gstaad Yacht Club with Christof Burger at the helm. Local champion Christian Scheinecker with Lupo di Lago made a disappointing 8 place in the final score because of a rip in the mainsail for the last two races (DNF & DNS).

INVITATION

GERMAN OPEN

CHAMPIONSHIP 2005

Flensburg, 12. - 14. August 2005

- 11. August, Opening, dinner**
- 12. August, Races 1 – 3, cultural programme, „wine & tapas“**
- 13. August, Races 4 – 6, sponsoring evening/dinner**
- 14. August, Race 7, craning prize giving**

further information www.5point5.de or www.fsc.de

The 5.5 Columbia are having there championship at Alameda Yacht Club this weekend, check the 5.5 website for the results next week !

Remember to register for the:

Dutch Open – ONK 2005 from 2 to 4 September in Muiden, organizing club is: www.knzrv.nl

Swiss Open championship (14 – 18 September in Rolle –Lake Geneva), organizing club is : www.snrolloise.ch

Wish you all a nice sailing season !

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PS.

New sails dimensions shall become effective 1st of March 2006:

Jib:

17.3 The "head" of the jib is defined as the higher of: the bearing point of the cringle or, the point at which the sail is 90 mm wide, measured perpendicular to the luff.

17.8 Not more than three battens are permitted in the leech and where fitted, shall divide the leech into approximately equal parts and be approximately at right angles to it. The length of these battens shall not exceed 700* mm.

17.9 The foresail shall be triangular, except as provided for in this class rule. The leech of the sail shall be contained in a straight line from the clew point to the tip point at which the sail is 90 mm wide measured perpendicular to the luff.

Mainsail:

18.3 The length of the foot shall be the distance from the inner edge of the measurement band at the boom end along the top of boom to the aft side of the mast excluding the track or jackstay; but if there is a groove in the mast for the sail, to the foreside of the groove or 16mm, whichever is the lesser. The cross-width of mainsail from the midpoint of the leech to the nearest point of the luff shall not exceed 62* per cent of the length of the foot and at three quarters of the leech shall not exceed 36* per cent. Hollows in the leech in way of the measurement

points shall be bridged and the leech between the upper batten and aft corner of the headboard or lower batten and clew shall not lie more than 25mm outside a straight line between these points.

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IT'S YOURS TOO !

Feel free to drop a line when something regarding the 5.5 happens. Whenever possible add a picture it's worth a 1000 words...so it saves you from writing lengthy text !!!