

International 29er Class Association

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REVIEW of 2009

To all 29er National Representatives;

This is our annual report to you on the status of the 29er Class.

DUES

- Ø Dues remain at €10 per person
- Ø Reminder: both skipper and crew must individually belong to the International 29er Class Association to race in any international event. Registration should be made before sailing.
- Ø The On-line Registration system is used to collect dues. Please contact the office if you are having difficulties.
- Ø National Representatives must zero out the balance before December 31 each year.
- Ø Membership for 2009 increase to 883 members in 24 countries.

WEBSITE

- Ø The website continues to be the main source of communication. Please continue to forward any racing news, schedules & photos so we can showcase 29er sailing around the world.

EUROCUP

- Ø The EuroCup continues to be one of the strongest and largest attended multi-events.

	# of Teams Participating	# of Countries Participating
2009	428	19
2008	398	20
2007	369	23

DEVELOPMENT & PROMOTION

- Ø 1 new country joined the 29er Class in 2009: Cayman Islands

	New Boats	Sails
2009	117	659
2008	252	1070
2007	166	1090
2006	136	800
2005	110	402

ISAF YOUTH WORLDS: 29er Open Double-handed Boat

- Ø 2007: 29er - Canada
- Ø 2008: 29er – Denmark
- Ø 2009: The 29er office and Execs lobbied hard and successfully to get the 29er included as a permanent open event in the ISAF Youth Worlds beginning in 2010.
- Ø 2010: 29er Open – Turkey
- Ø 2011: 29erOpen – Croatia
- Ø 2012: 29erOpen – Ireland

PARTICIPATION FOR 2009

	Teams	Countries
Worlds	185	20
Europeans	<i>Not held</i>	
North Americans	31	4
EuroCup-all events	428	19

MEASUREMENT

- Ø Chief Measurer Barry Johnson worked with ISAF and had the new rules available November 1, 2009.

REGATTA ORGANIZER PACKET

- Ø All regatta documents are available for download from the www.29er.org website including bid forms for Championship events.
- Ø Future championships - following the approved rotation - are continually updated on the website.

29erXX

- Ø The 29erXX held 2 events in 2009 in Lake Garda. All rigs were subsequently sold and fleets have begun to form. An event calendar has been posted for 2010 events.

EXECUTIVE

- Ø Gerardo Seeliger retired as President of the Int. 29er Class, a position he held since its inception. Gerardo ushered the Class into the world working with Julian Bethwaite and the builders and will remain on the Executive as the President emeritus to give guidance and support. Jennifer Morgan-Glass began her Presidency, elected at the World Council meeting in Lake Garda. Several new positions have been filled and the Executive is working hard for the future of the Class. The full list of the Executive is available on the www.29er.org

CLASS OFFICE

- Ø The Class office, maintained in San Diego, California, USA has answered thousands of e-mails over the course of this year.
- Ø Monitors all expenditures to within agreed budgets
- Ø Works with ISAF and Federations to assist in growth, promotion and development.

Further Information

For more information on the International 29er Class Association, contact the Class office, Executive Director Jerelyn Biehl and Sherri Campbell, who handles the finances.