

European championships 2012

The European region organizes 3 European championships (outside the Master Europeans).

1.Senior Europeans (includes Men Radial, Women Radial and Standard Europeans) in Hourtin:

It was a good event with a good attendance. Some sailors qualified for the Olympics were present.

The organisation was very good with the exception of publishing the results on the web on time and a weak internet connection.

The French Laser class put up the results, as the club website didn't last half a day and even if the club asked for a better line to the French telecom. The fact that the location of the club is in the forest didn't permit having a good connection.

Sailing was good with strong and light winds.

2. 4.7 Europeans in Breitenbrunn (Austria):

Very good attendance for that championship.

Very well organised with pasta and drinks after each day racing, a very nice tee shirt was given to each sailor and the atmosphere of the club was great. Camping on site close to the boats was possible and was excellent as the weather was nice.

The lack of wind didn't help the race committee ,who in one race almost finished when it was dark. Some problems for the webmaster to understand the differences between the European Trophy and the Europeans. The club and all the volunteers did a great job.

3. Under 21 Radial Women and Standard + Radial youth Belgium:

This was the prefect event. Very nice venue with great organisation.

Possibility to camp and space for mobile homes at the club.

A very good race committee and excellent conditions both weeks.

The communication was fantastic with a very updated website and results of the European Trophy and Europeans on time.

Pictures were of good quality were also on the club website.

I have to say this championship is an example to follow and the best one I have been so far.

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