

## **Croatian Melges 24 class**

## **Class Report 2021**

First of all, I would like to thank you for accepting us to the "family" on behalf of all present and future owners. This is a first and only keelboat class in Croatia (if we don't count Swedish Match race boats that were driven Croatia).

We started to grow rapidly since May 2020, and still counting the growth!

We, at this moment count 14 boats that are sailable. More are yet to come!

During 2021 we sailed Croatian cup (Melges 24 Sailing Series) that is still going one with two races till the end. Both of them are located in Split (y.c. Labud and Mornar). Of course, everyone is welcome and will have a place to store the boat free of charge!

We are still troubling a little bit with calendar dates because all participants are involved in many different classes! Of course, charter season in Croatia lasts every year longer and longer giving us more and more time of dates to organize and satisfy everybody's wishes.

For the first event, too strong wind (Northly wind "Bura") made us postponed event for 15 days! There were 11 boats on regatta.

Second event we all felt the season heating on because there were 7 boats on regatta.

The third regatta was also almost about to be postponed, but this time not because of the wind, but because of busy season. Barely 5 boats were sailing.

Third event was supposed to be a good training for the Europeans in Slovenia, but unfortunately, there were only 4 boats sailing. Highest ranking was "Panjic" Luka Sangulin.

We have high hopes for the final events of the season, because the season is nearly over and there isn't any more obligations for sailors so we can sail all together!

Regards, CRO Melges 24 Class Secretary Boris Bakotic