

2022 ITALIAN MELGES 24 CLASS REPORT

In 2022 Italian Class counted 19 members, stable from 2021.

We organized 4 races (Malcesine, Riva, Trieste, Imperia) plus the European Championship in Genova.

Unfortunately, we had to cancel the Malcesine event due to lack of entries.

Good participation to other event of the series.

Europeans in Genova was well conducted both by the Club and Race Committee with 9 races sailed in good conditions. Yacht Club Italiano was very helpful in every request of the class.

For 2023 we will have 4 events scheduled, 2 on Garda and 2 in Adriatic Sea trying to get the local fleets involved in major events.

In Italy we have a good number of boats, but is difficult to move the owners into big events like ESS, some local fleet just want to sail in the home-club and didn't care about becoming member of the class, being part of the "family" and participating in big events.

For AGM we forwarded a submission about the number of crew hiking. During last two years we saw owners with one person "legs-in" helping the helmsman trimming the main. As we know owners from other classes (specially J70 and Melges 20) want to join Melges 24, but they need a main trimmer, this change can help these owners to take the "right decision".

We recommend to IM24CA board to push the builder to solve at soon the problem of building new boats and masts.

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