



National Class Report 2025 - Melges NORWAY

We had four Melges 24 events this season:

1. May, Risør Season Opener (Six teams)
2. May, Marstrand Big Boat Race (3 norwegian teams)
3. Hankø Race Week (17 teams)
4. Norwegian Championship (17 teams)

Furthermore, three Norwegian teams travelled to Italy to compete in the world championship. A magnificent event, and a great time to remember.

During the EGM early in the year Tønsberg Sailing association was voted forward as the venue for the 2026 European Championship. It is with great honour that we invite you to come race with us in Norway and we look forward to creating a spectacular event.

Unfortunately, the association burned down only a week after the decision, and the organizers have been heavily affected, but assure us that they will still be able to host the event. We are pleased to announce that all the paperwork for the construction of the new club house is complete and ratified.

We continue to update our excel sheet and we are now in good control of who owns the boats in Norway and what condition they are in. We continue to experience interest in boats from young crew and the low numbered hulls are attractive in this regard.

Our fleet has experienced growth since last year and the European Championship being hosted in Norway acts as a motivator for sailors to join our class. The biggest and most active fleet as of now is in Trondheim, where 10 boats are frequently racing every week. We try to accommodate as best as we can and Trondheim will be honored with the NC in 2026. Nevertheless we still find it challenging to activate several of the teams as the country is so long and our topography makes travel troublesome. Several teams mention that they struggle with crew and the will to go to the championships due to lack of training and competition locally. This is unfortunate, but probably something we have to deal with.

On behalf of the
Norwegian National Class,
Vemund Baltzer Gransæther

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Date/place:

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