Annual Report of the German Melges 24 Class Association

Membership has declined slightly, with 14 full members and five associates. More than half of the members—namely eight teams—are represented in the European rankings. Three boats competed in the European Championship in Norway.

On Lake Starnberg near Munich, the class hosted a German Open with ten participating boats from three countries.

Those are the statistics for now. In reality, despite many efforts, it is very difficult to recruit active members in Germany who are willing to sail the Melges 24 at a high level and with the corresponding commitment.

Next year, a small series is planned in collaboration with the Austrian class association at Lake Starnberg (Germany), Lake Attersee, and Lake Wolfgangsee (both in Austria). The goal is to attract new participants interested in this smaller format and then integrate them into the international European Sailing Series.

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