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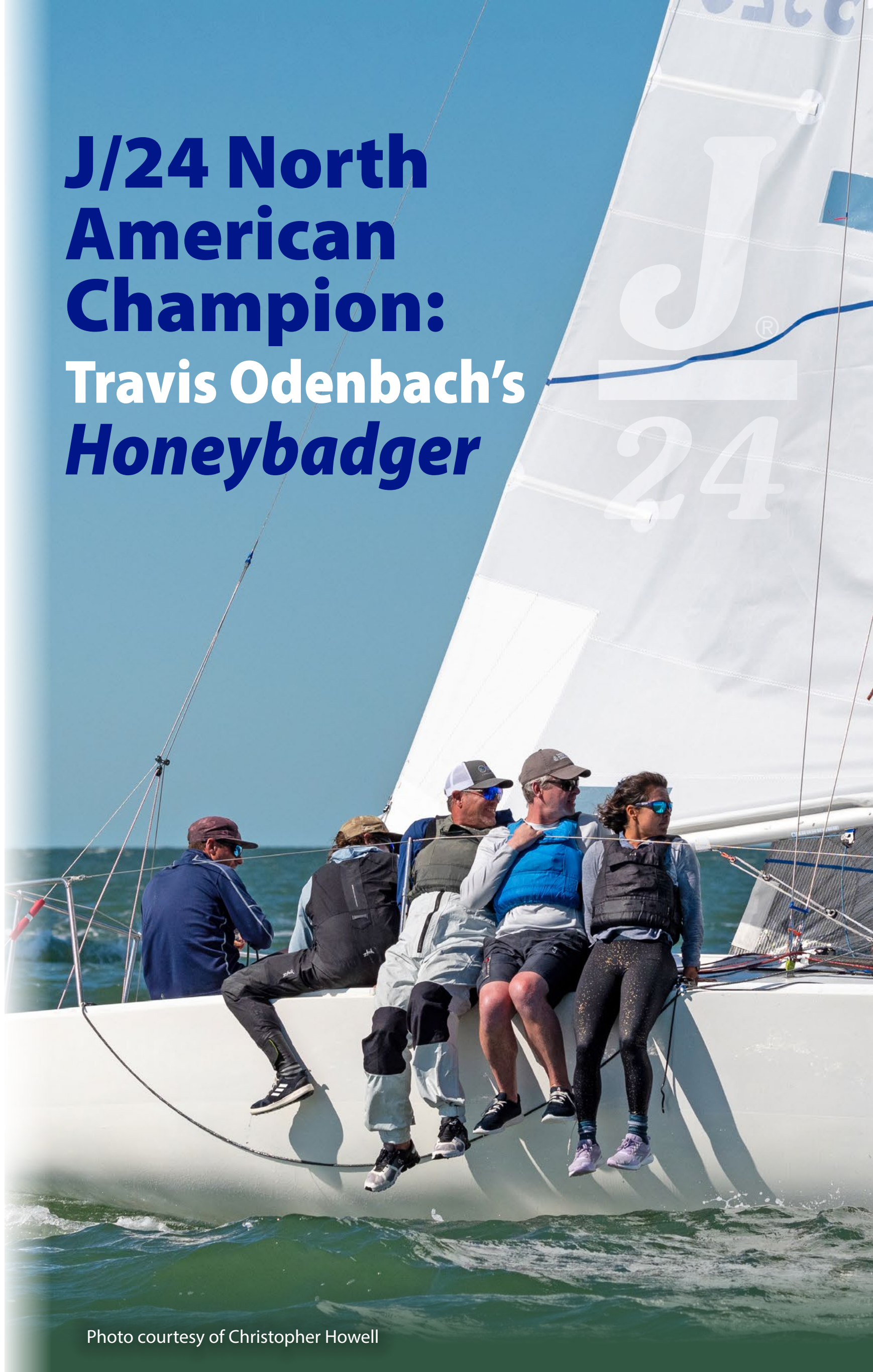


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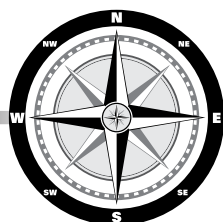
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# J/24 North American Champion: Travis Odenbach's *Honeybadger*

The J/24 North American Championship hosted by St. Petersburg Yacht Club in Florida concluded Sunday, April 7 with a lack of breeze, leaving the race total at six. Travis Odenbach's *Honeybadger* took the win with team of Monica Morgan (bow), Dave Hughes (trim), Jay Miles (tactics) and Jeff Sullivan (twings/strategy). Odenbach credited his crew of best friends who are building up to the 2024 World Championship this fall. Tony Parker's *Bangor Packet* and John Mollicone's *American Garage* rounded out the top three.

In the Corinthian division, Mike Stasko's *Redline* topped Ted Wiedeke's *Caramella* and Jasper van Vliet's *Evil Twin*.

**Day One Recap:** With only a mild chop and winds in the teens, three races were completed with lots of smiling faces as many teams were getting back to the waters following the winter break. Parker's *Bangor Packet* showed no rust in posting scores of 1,1,4 for 6 points and the day one advantage. Odenbach's *Honeybadger* comprised a solid day for 9 points, as did Mike Ingham's *USA5443* at 13 points. Leading the Corinthian division was Wiedeke's *Caramella*. Behind a frontal system that passed through the southeast on Thursday cancelling the practice race, the official start was postponed two hours on Friday morning for teams to reacquaint to Tampa Bay. Conditions turned out magnificent with breeze at 12-14 knots, cloudless skies and temperatures in the 70s. Parker's *Bangor Packet* set up his first of two bullets, followed initially by Mollicone's *American Garage* and Paul Abdullah's *Team Tarheel*. Then by Odenbach's *Honeybadger* and Jasper van Vliet's *Evil Twin*. Ingham's *USA5443* moved into the day's podium with a bullet in Friday's final battle, with Odenbach and Wiedeke fulfilling the top group.





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## Day Two Recap:

The middle day featured three more races. Winds started beautifully at 14-16 knots but decreased throughout the day, resulting in some TLE (time limited expired) in the final contest. Odenbach's *Honeybadger* earned all top-three placements to launch into the top position at 11 net points. The discard race came into play, shaking up the standings.



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Parker's *Bangor Packet* stayed in the hunt at 15 net points, and Mollicone's *American Garage* dropped a UFD from Friday to move into the bronze position overall. Leading the Corinthian division was Stasko's *Redline*. Van Vliet's *Evil Twin* rocked the opening contest Saturday, ahead of Parker's *Bangor Packet* and Odenbach's *Honeybadger*.

Odenbach gained his first bullet of the Championship in race five, trailed by Mollicone's *American Garage* and Stasko's *Redline*. Mollicone closed the day with a victory, headed to shore with George Braddon's *Bogus* and Odenbach.



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# Top Five Overall:

1. Honeybadger, Travis Odenbach - [5] -2 -2 -3 -1 -3 ; 11
2. Bangor Packet, Tony Parker - 1 -1 -4 -2 -[7] -7 ; 15
3. American Garage, John Mollicone - 2 -[24] -6 -8 -2 -1 ; 19
4. Team Tarheel, Paul Abdullah - 3 -[7] -5 -6 -4 -4 ; 22
5. USA5443, Mike Ingham - 6 -6 -1 -4 -6 -[12] ; 23



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Twenty-three teams competed April 5-7, including eight Corinthians. Complete results may be found at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenue.cfm?eID=16394>, and photos are available on the International J/24 Class Facebook page.

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# IJCA Technical Report

By Curt Barnes, International Technical Chair, [curtbarnes@gmail.com](mailto:curtbarnes@gmail.com)

## TECHNICAL REPORT

*With the 2024 World Championship coming up this fall in Seattle, Washington USA, there are some reminders in order for those planning to attend:*

- No metal or lead is allowed in or around the keel sump. Metal detectors will be part of the inspection.
- Entrants are expected to arrive with a current, valid Measurement Certificate. If work has been done to the boat, keel, rudder or spars, the certificate was likely invalidated. Changes to these items require seeking out a Measurer and obtaining a new certificate. Prior to arrival.
- Charter boat owners are expected to deliver a boat that has a current Measurement Certificate to whomever is chartering, including an equipment list that can achieve the 1330 weight.
- Corrector weights must be bolted and fiberglass strapped.
- Boats on trailers that have rusty, inoperative tongue jack/wheels will be subject to merciless ridicule.
- Lifting straps and associated gear are the responsibility of each boat owner. If your strap has red threads showing, or is chafed, faded or worn in any regard, replace it now. You will not be allowed to lift your boat if your strap is suspect in any regard.
- The equipment list is to be on the latest form, available on the IJCA website. **Rules and Regulations; Measurement Forms.** This is an Excel file that each owner can maintain and modify between events as gear changes are made.

There have been continued questions regarding the "Closed Rules"...again:

**THESE RULES ARE CLOSED CLASS RULES WHERE IF IT DOES NOT SPECIFICALLY SAY THAT YOU MAY – THEN YOU SHALL NOT.**

The only footnote to this is that the boat is to be configured as it was when it came from the Manufacturer. If the Manufacturer didn't supply it, or it doesn't specifically state it in the Rules, then it is not allowed.

- **Rudders:** There have been some rudders this past year that were found in violation of the Rules. Rudders must be built by a Licensed Manufacturer. Repairs utilizing carbon fiber are not allowed. Adding any corrector weight to a rudder must be attached to the back of the rudderhead, exposed to view and strapped to the rudderhead with fiberglass. NOT drilled and embedded in the rudder.
- **Keel Bolt maintenance:** Go to <https://j24class.org/news/keel-bolt-maintenance-bulletin/> and read the bulletin on keel bolt maintenance. Inspect and retorquer your keel bolts! Remove each nut (one at a time) and retorquer. Make sure that if there is a copper grounding wire that it does not attach to either of the aft 2 keel bolts (the ones for lifting).

The Technical Committee always welcomes feedback on technical topics. Always looking for more Measurers! Contact me, anyone on the ITC or another Measurer if you know of someone who might be a good fit.





# Sweden Report

By Kajsa Albinsson



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*As you might remember, we announced in the previous newsletter that we were going to have sail clinics with different themes every time. It was a success! Those who participated were engaged and interested, which led to interesting discussions. We can highly recommend doing these sail clinics. The result has been that we can get a feel of what our members need of the Association, how we can provide information better and develop our events during the year.*

We are now also in pre-production mode of the Championship. We already have seven boats registered, and the organization in Västervik that is arranging the Championship has done a great job. The website they have built for the event is amazing! It is in Swedish, but if you want to check it out, the website is [www.smregatta.se](http://www.smregatta.se). We hope for wonderful weather so we can have the regatta party at the yacht club's island in the archipelago. We are engaging the local paper to make an article of the event and also other media outlets to spread the word about the Championship.

The 23-25<sup>th</sup> of August, the Swedish Association has decided to make Marströms Race a qualifying regatta. The race is just one year old but was highly appreciated during 2023 with sailors from all over Sweden. Already five months before the race takes place, it has been fully booked. The race will be from Loftahammar to Västervik, and then have a big regatta party for 200 people at Slottsholmen. Björn Ulveus from Abba is the owner of the hotel.

We have some teams who are going to Kieler Woche. We are happy to have a close collaboration with Germany, which results in that we have teams who are travelling between the countries to participate in each other's regattas.



# Second Annual J/24 Corinthian US National Championship



The second annual J/24 Corinthian US National Championship made its way east to Sayville Yacht Club in Blue Point, New York from May 15-19. The forecast for Sunday's final two races called for lighter winds, which many teams hoped might be the case. Mother Nature had other plans. The North wind blew strong at 18-22 mph for the last two of eight contests. Many teams chose to power down with their jibs, while others muscled through with their genoas. When racing was completed, Telmo Basterra and his *Team Tarheel* (Thomas Bouchard, Ian Hunter, Steve Liebel and Briar Robertson) earned their name on the brand new perpetual Corinthian Championship trophy. Mike Stasko and his *Redline* team took second place, and Mark Hillman's *Hillman Capital Management* team were third. In the end, competitors from 19 boats raved about the venue, hospitality and the army of volunteers from the Sayville Yacht Club.







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**Day One Recap:** After Thursday's delay of boat launching due to gusty winds, Friday morning the breeze cooperated early so boats began to launch at 08:30. Racing was scheduled to start at 14:30. Before racing began, teams took advantage of having some coach time with Kris Werner (Quantum Sails) and Will Welles (North Sails) as they followed boats on the water. After a short AP to reset the course due to shifty East/Northeast winds, the first race was finally underway. Two races were completed, and the results were a two-boat tie at the top (Ted Wiedeke & Al Constants), followed by another two-boat tie (Steve Callison & Mark Hillman). The post-race chicken & ribs BBQ was a huge hit with everyone as the SYC team led by Mark Luely and John O'Donnell grilled up a fantastic meal.







**Day Two Recap:** It was a long day, with four races completed. The wind forecast was for a diminishing breeze starting at 1400 hours, but this never came to pass. It blew between 14-18 mph most of Saturday. After the two days of racing, Mark Hillman's team (*Hillman Capital Management*), who had three firsts and a fourth, was in first place at 12 points. Telmo Basterra (*Team Tarheel*) was in second at 14 points and Mike Stasko (*Redline*) in third at 19 points.







## Top Five:

1. Team Tarheel, Telmo Basterra, 3 -[11] -6 -2 -2 -1 -4 -2 ; 20
2. Redline, Mike Stasko, 1 -[15] -9 -4 -3 -2 -2 -1 ; 22
3. Hillman Capital Management, Mark Hillman, 7 -5 -1 -1 -1 -4 -7 -[9] ; 26
4. Caramella, Frederick (Ted) Wiedeke, 9 -2 -4 -10 -4 -6 -[14] -4 ; 39
5. Whiskey River, Steve Callison, 11 -1 -8 -3 -[14] -5 -5 -7 ; 40





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## 2024 J/24 Fowey Trophy

### Day 1 (Saturday):

The Fowey Cup commenced under fairly cold, but great sailing conditions with easterly winds ranging from 12-14 knots. Sailors faced a choppy sea state under sunny skies, setting the stage for intense competition. Throughout the day, four races challenged the fleet, each highlighting tactical prowess and competitive sailing.

In Race 1, *Jive's* early lead around the first windward mark did not translate to success, being overtaken by several boats on the downwind leg. Shane Hewlett aboard *Mr Mann* demonstrated exceptional sailing skills, securing victory with James Torr helming *MaJic* taking second place, followed by Neil Trathen on *Juggernaut* in an impressive third.

Race 2 was led by James Torr aboard *MaJic*, claiming victory in the shifting conditions. Shane Hewlett on *Mr Mann* continued to display competitive form, securing second place. Tim Octon on *NJO2* rounded off the top three. Keen off the line was Chloe Nunn with her new team onboard *Red Alert* who were OCS.

The third race of the day saw Shane Hewlett reclaiming the top spot from *Mr Mann*, further solidifying his position in the overall standings. *MaJic*, despite leading at the first windward mark, lost out as early gybers came out on top, with the course slightly skewed by the persistently clocking breeze, ending the first downwind leg in the bottom half of the fleet, but managing to claw back to third place.

Day 1 concluded with Shane Hewlett extending his dominance with yet another victory on *Mr Mann* in Race 4. *MaJic* secured second place, with *NJO2* in third, matching the overall results for the end of the day.

### Day 2 (Sunday):

Sunday's racing brought lighter and more variable winds, testing the adaptability and strategic skills of the competitors. The start of racing was delayed due to the unpredictable wind patterns, but two races were successfully sailed in shifting winds ranging from 4-8 knots and shifting from easterly to southwesterly directions.



# UK Report

Race 5 began with *Red Alert* and *Mr Mann* being called OCS but managing to split from the fleet, heading right and gaining back considerable ground with a large right shift. It was Sam Marshall helming *WiJit* who led *Jojo* at the first windward mark though, with the two and *Mr Mann* coming into a close battle on the downwind leg. In the end, *NJO2* claimed victory and *Violent J* took an impressive third place.



## J24 Fowey Trophy 2024

### Fowey

Results are final as of 13:58 on April 21, 2024

### Overall

Sailed: 6, Discards: 1, To count: 5, Entries: 11, Scoring system: Appendix A

Rank	Fleet	Boat name	SailNo	Club	HelmName	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	Total	Nett
1st	J24	Mr Mann	4241		Shane Hewlett	1.0	(2.0)	1.0	1.0	2.0	1.0	8.0	6.0
2nd	J24	NJO2	4266		Tim Octon	(6.0)	3.0	2.0	3.0	1.0	3.0	18.0	12.0
3rd	J24	MaJic	4248		James Torr	2.0	1.0	3.0	2.0	(6.0)	5.0	19.0	13.0
4th	J24	Juggernaut	4026		Neil Trathen	3.0	5.0	4.0	(8.0)	4.0	7.0	31.0	23.0
5th	J24	WiJit	4235		Sam Marshall	(7.0)	6.0	5.0	7.0	5.0	2.0	32.0	25.0
6th	J24	Jive	4261		David Cooper	4.0	4.0	6.0	6.0	(7.0)	6.0	33.0	26.0
7th	J24	DanJerosus When Wet	5238		Mark Lewers	5.0	7.0	7.0	5.0	(9.0)	4.0	37.0	28.0
8th	J24	Violent J	4013		Casper Barton	8.0	(9.0)	9.0	4.0	3.0	8.0	41.0	32.0
9th	J24	Hitchhiker	4242		Chris Randall	(11.0)	8.0	8.0	9.0	10.0	10.0	56.0	45.0
10th	J24	Jojo	4103		Diogo Freitas	9.0	10.0	10.0	(11.0)	8.0	9.0	57.0	46.0
11th	J24	Red Alert	4124		Chloe Nunn	10.0	(12.0 OCS)	11.0	10.0	11.0	11.0	65.0	53.0

The final race of the Fowey Cup saw Shane Hewlett maintaining his winning streak, securing another first-place finish on *Mr Mann*. Sam Marshall aboard *WiJit* secured second ahead of Tim Octon on *NJO2*, who maintained his consistent performances.

## Overall Results:

After two days of thrilling competition, Shane Hewlett aboard *Mr Mann* emerged as the overall winner of the 2024 Fowey Cup. Tim Octon on *NJO2* secured second place, followed by James Torr helming *MaJic* in third. Neil Trathen on *Juggernaut* claimed the top spot among the Westerly division, showcasing impressive sailing throughout the event.

The return of the J/24 fleet to Fowey after several years away was celebrated by a great turnout (particularly of Westerly boats), as the fleet start their qualification campaign for the 2025 World Championship to be held in Plymouth. The event would not have been possible without the dedication and hard work of the race officer and volunteers, and thanks go to the Royal Fowey Yacht Club and Fowey Gallants Sailing Club for hosting a fantastic event.

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# Germany Report

By Kim Neumann

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## Setting Sail into 2024: Early Victories and Upcoming Championships

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*chwere Jungs*, GER 5381, Stefan KARSUNKE, Segel-Club Oevelgönne

Our sailors have had a vibrant start to the season, albeit a bit later than usual. Typically kicking off at the end of March, this year's season opener was postponed to April 20-21. The scenic Hamburg hosted the Frühjahrsverbandsregatta (Spring Association Regatta) where teams competed eagerly for the new ranking points. The women's team *Derbe Kerle*, consisting of Lynn Wolgast, Jette Lyssewski, Malena Philippi, Lena Harder and Isabel Sprandel from the Blankeneser Segel-Club (Hamburg), triumphed in this year's first regatta. Following closely in second and third places were *VITESSE* from the Hamburger Segel-Club and *Hungriger Wolf* from Segler-Vereinigung Altona-Oevelgönne. Overall, 10 boats made their way to the competition on the Hamburg Alster.



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*VITESSE*, GER 5412, Manfred KÖNIG, Hamburger Segel-Club





*Bikini Inspektor II, GER 4718, Rolf STUPPERICH, Hamburger Segel-Club*

As the season progresses, several German crews are already intensively preparing for the European Championship scheduled for June in Sardinia. A total of eight German teams are set to participate, including *Schwere Jungs* with Stefan Karsunke, Tim Habekost, Christian Carstens, Carsten Kerschies and Malte Gibbe. This team proudly brought home a silver medal from last year's European Championship in Hungary. The next major event on the German J/24 sailing calendar is the class competition at Kiel Week to be held from June 27-30.

Additionally, we extend a warm invitation to international teams for the German Open, set to take place from October 11-13 on the Wannsee in Berlin. The Berliner Yacht Club is proud to host this event and has also an extensive onshore programme for all participants in preparation. Register now! We already look forward to a spirited autumn competition.



*pfau, GER 5269, Hauke KRÜSS, Blankeneser Segel-Club*





## The first 2024 stage of the J24 National Circuit concluded in Anzio.

*With a new victory for the J24 La Superba della Marina Militare, the new competitive season of the Italian J24 class has officially begun. Also on the podium are Enjoy 2 and Pelle Rossa, winners of two tests of the day.*

**Anzio.** After six regattas held as scheduled in the waters in front of the port of Anzio, the National Regatta concluded, valid as the opening round of the J24 National Circuit which, after ten stages from March to November, will award the Francesco Ciccolo Perpetual Challenge Trophy to first place with no discards - and the J24 Trophy to the best Helmsman-Owner whose score is calculated on the best four races held.

The victory, with a poker of firsts of the day, once again went to the J24 of the Navy, multiple Italian champion and reigning vice world champion, Ita 416 La Superba helmed by Ignazio Bonanno crewed by Simone Scontrino, Francesco Picaro, Ciccio Linares and Alfredo Branciforte (MM 6 points; 1,1,1,2,2,1), new Winter Champions in the same regatta field.



Also on the podium were the protagonists of the other two trials of the day: Ita 458 Enjoy 2 which for the occasion joined forces with Ita 358 Arpione (SVMM Anzio) for a crew made up from bow to stern of Panfilo Del Beato Corvi, Italo Paulini, Michele Potenza, Adolfo Cipelli and owner Luca Silvestri (LNI Anzio 14 points; 2,5,4,1,3,4) and Ita 428 Pelle Rossa armed and helmed by Gianni Riccobono with Claudio Dainelli tiler, Sergio Strippoli 3 as tactician, Marina Crocioschi 2 assistant bowman and Paolo Astore bowman (CdVRoma, 15 points; 3,2, ocs, 6,1,3).



# Italy Report

"It was a beautiful stage. - commented Riccobono - Six beautiful and hard-fought races with wind between 8 and 12 knots, initially from 250 right rotation up to 265 and sun. The Committee was perfect in setting up the field, adapting it to the direction of the wind between one test and another. Marina dominated as always, but in two regattas it had to give up first place to Enjoy 2 and us at Pelle Rossa. It's a shame about the final ranking... I played for second place in an OCS where we had finished second, and it's also a shame about the slightly reduced participation with only ten boats in the sea."

The Single Committee was made up of the President Gianluigi Macchia (VIII Zone), the 1<sup>st</sup> member Yann Masserotti Benvenuti (IV Zone) and the members Adriano Urciuoli (IV Zone) and Giorgio Battinelli (III Zone).

The National Regatta was organized by the Circolo della Vela di Roma on behalf of the FIV and in collaboration with the Anzio section of the LNI, the Reale Circolo Canottieri Tevere Remo and Marina Capo d'Anzio.

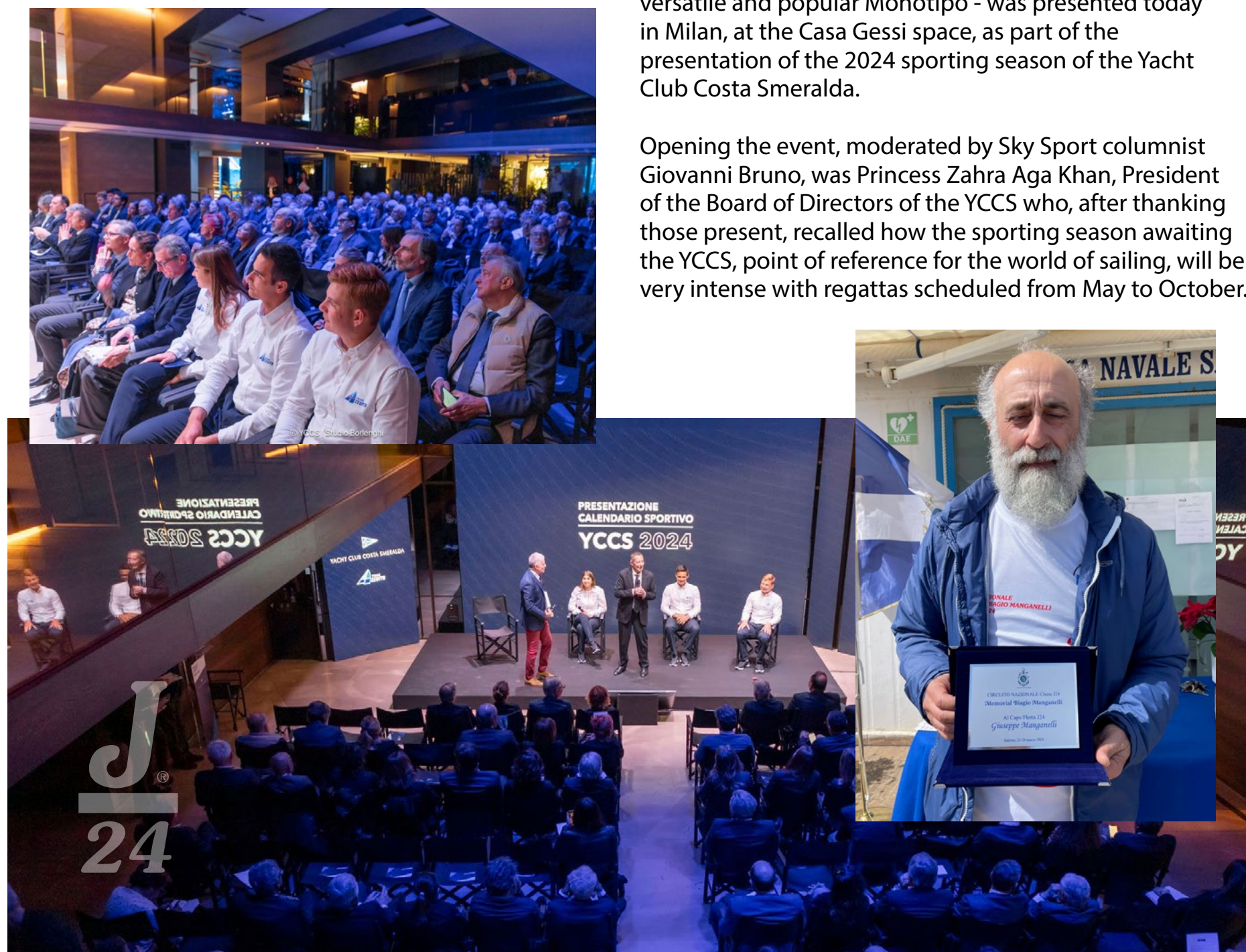
Once the Anzio heat has concluded, the J24 National Circuit will continue with the second stage, organized in Salerno by the local section of the Italian Naval League and by Agropoli Fleet Chief Giuseppe Manganelli.

## The J24 European Championship 2024 presented by the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda.

*The event scheduled from 10 to 16 June in Porto Cervo. Registrations open until April 10<sup>th</sup>. At Casa Gessi in Milan the presentation of the YCCS sports calendar that will organize the J24 European Championship.*

**Milan.** The J/24 European Championship scheduled from 10 to 16 June in the splendid Sardinian waters of Porto Cervo - a regatta field that has always been a protagonist of major events which in previous years had already hosted a World Championship and two European Championships with great success in terms of participation and satisfaction and five Italians of the versatile and popular Monotipo - was presented today in Milan, at the Casa Gessi space, as part of the presentation of the 2024 sporting season of the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda.

Opening the event, moderated by Sky Sport columnist Giovanni Bruno, was Princess Zahra Aga Khan, President of the Board of Directors of the YCCS who, after thanking those present, recalled how the sporting season awaiting the YCCS, point of reference for the world of sailing, will be very intense with regattas scheduled from May to October.





# Italy Report



At the conclusion of the greeting from the Princess who also recalled that 2024 marks a significant anniversary and that is the 40 years of collaboration with the historic partner Rolex, the General Secretary and Sports Director of the YCCS, Edoardo Recchi, took to the stage for the official presentation of the regatta calendar: "The month of June will be particularly intense - he explained to the numerous guests who attended, including the President of the Italian Federation Francesco Ettorre - The J/24 Class will return to the YCCS for the J/24 European Championship scheduled from 10 to June 16<sup>th</sup>. The J/24 monotype is among the most popular keelboats, it was designed in the late 1970s by Rod Johnstone and to date it is estimated that over 5000 units have been produced with around 100 active fleets internationally. The J/24 European Championship represents a highly anticipated event in the 2024 season of the Class and the YCCS is delighted to be able to welcome a fleet that has significantly contributed to the spread of sport sailing. The last event dedicated to the J/24 Class took place in Porto Cervo in 1996."

Registrations for the J24 European Championship 2024, organized under the aegis of the Italian Sailing Federation by the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda in collaboration with the International Class and the Italian J/24 Class, were open until April 10<sup>th</sup>. The official website where you can find all the useful information [HERE](#).

The organizing machine of the J24 European Championship therefore continues at full speed, the program of which includes, after the two days dedicated to completing registrations, the official opening on Wednesday 12 June in the afternoon with the traditional Practice Race while, in the evening, with the Skipper Briefing followed by a cocktail on the panoramic terrace of the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda, all participants and their companions will be welcomed.

From Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 16<sup>th</sup>, however, the regattas that will award the 2024 European Class title will take place: ten races planned in total - with a maximum of four per day - preceded every morning by a Weather Briefing and followed by a very welcome After Race Refreshments for crews.

The awards ceremony will take place on Sunday afternoon at the YCCS Regatta Village.

The prestigious international event will also be valid as the seventh stage of the J24 National Circuit which, organized over ten stages in the most beautiful Italian locations from March to November, will award the Francesco Ciccolo Perpetual Challenge Trophy to the first classified without considering discards and the J24 Trophy reserved for the best Helmsman-Owner (score calculated on the best four races held).







## Jebedee from Soriano wins for the second year the second stage of the J24 National Circuit in Salerno.

*The Puglian Fleet Chief and his young crew repeat the success achieved in the last edition. With the National Biagio Manganelli Memorial Regatta organized by the LNI of Salerno and by the J24 Fleet Chief of Agropoli Peppe Manganelli, the competitive season of the Italian J24 Class continued.*

**Salerno.** Thanks to a brace of victories and a second place of the day, Ita 427 Jebedee armed by the Apulian Fleet Chief Nino Soriano (on board with his son Remo, Sofia Mazza, Andrea Camporeale and Alessandro Favia, all very young from the Sailing School of the Circolo Nautico Maestrale ) established itself in the waters of Salerno, winning for the second consecutive year the J24 National Regatta - Memorial Biagio Manganelli, an event well organized by the Lega Navale Italiana section of Salerno and valid as the second stage of the Circuit which, after ten events from March to November in the most beautiful Italian locations, will award the Francesco Ciccolo Perpetual Challenge Trophy - to the first place with no discards - and the J24 Trophy to the best Helmsman-Owner whose score is calculated on the best four races held.



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In second place in the stage rankings (like last year), the other standard bearer of the J24 Pugliese Fleet and winner of the opening regatta, Ita 439 L'Emilio of the Compagnia del Mare helmed by Ciccio Mastropierro and with another crew of very young people - Carlo La Porta, Gabriele Allegretta, Elisabetta Di Fido and Leonardo Cappelluti - (CdMare, 5 points; 1,2,2).

On the third step of the podium, however, Ita 217 Viva Pad by Maddalena San Giovanni (LNI Agropoli, 9 points; 3,3,3) which preceded Ita124 Ossoduro by Francesco D'Ambrosio (CV Salernitano; 13 points; 4,4, 5), Ita 466 Biagio of Agropoli Fleet Chief Giuseppe Manganelli (LNI Agropoli 14 points; 5,5,4) and Ita 188 Ice Spray of Antonio Chiodero (LNI Agropoli 18 points; 6,6,6).

"The two days in Salerno were demanding but exhilarating - explained the J24 Fleet Chief of Agropoli Giuseppe Manganelli - on Saturday three tests were held but on Sunday it was not possible to take part in any race due to adverse weather conditions."

"Even though we didn't race on Sunday, Saturday was very beautiful, with light wind but a challenging regatta field. - added Nino Soriano who has been actively involved in promoting and spreading sailing among younger people for some time also on Altura and Monotypes such as the J24 considered a very technical and educational boat especially for young people - We had a lot of fun and I hope that the Salerno-Agropolina Fleet can grow in number and quality because the commitment of the Fleet Chief is notable and worthy to be followed."

This year too, in fact, all the competitors and their companions had the opportunity to appreciate the hospitality and organization of the Salerno section of the LNI and of the local J24 Fleet: the convivial dinner held on Saturday evening in the restaurant of the LNI of Salerno as well as the pasta party at the end of the awards ceremony on Sunday on the terrace of the club and the beautiful souvenir plates of the event designed and created by the ceramist Elvira Peduto.

The work of the Single Committee composed of the President Salvatore Rollin, the 1<sup>st</sup> member Mario Di Monte, Adele Gagliardi, Alfredo Sollai and Pasquale Leandro Cutrupi was excellent.

The positive comments at the end of the two days and the applause addressed to Giuseppe Manganelli, his fleet and the LNI of Salerno who are committed every year to the success of the event, have repaid the Organizers for their efforts in organizing this desired event also to remember the 16-year-old sailor, a great sailing enthusiast, in love with his J24 and its performance, who unfortunately passed away prematurely.

Once the first two stages have been archived - the one in Anzio won by the J24 of the Navy Ita 416 La Superba helmed by Ignazio Bonanno, and this one in Salerno - the J24 National Circuit will continue in the month of April with a double appointment in Tuscan waters: the Club Nautico Marina of Carrara will in fact host the 2024 Italian Cup - Fabio Apollonio Trophy on the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> while on the 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> the Italian Naval League section. of Livorno, as part of the International Sailing Week, the Naval Academy and the City of Livorno, will take care of the fourth heat of the Circuit.







## The J24 of the Navy La Superba wins the National J24 Regatta - Menchelli Trophy in Marina di Carrara.

*Seven races and eighteen crews for the heat well organized by the Marina di Carrara Nautical Club, also valid as the 2024 Italian Cup and Fabio Apollonio Trophy. After the first three stages, the J24 National Circuit will continue in the Labronian waters on 27 and 28 April.*

**Carrara Marina.** There's no two without three... and so, the first two stages are archived - the National Regatta of Anzio won by the J24 of the Centro Vela Altura Napoli ITA 416 La Superba helmed by Ignazio Bonanno, and the National Biagio Manganelli Memorial Regatta held in Salerno and won by Ita 427 Jebedee of the Apulian Fleet Chief Nino Soriano - the J24 Class crews took to the water again for the third stage of the 2024 National Circuit.

And after two beautiful days of sea, wind, almost summer sun, eighteen fierce crews representing numerous fleets and beautiful regattas in the waters in front of the port of Marina di Carrara with the Apuan Alps as a backdrop, the third stage also ended ( with a coefficient of 2.5) of the 2024 National Circuit which, after ten events from March to November in the most beautiful Italian locations, will award the Francesco Ciccolo Perpetual Challenge Trophy - to the first place with no discards - and the J24 Trophy to the best Helmsman-Owner whose score is calculated on the best four races played.

Thanks to five victories of the day out of the seven races held, the multiple Italian champions and reigning vice world champions of the J24 of the Centro Vela Altura Napoli ITA 416 La Superba helmed by Ignazio Bonanno in a

crew with Gabrio Zandonà, Ciccio Linares, Francesco Picaro and Simone Scontrino (GS MM, 11 points; 1,1,6,1,1,1, partial goals), after that of Anzio, he also won the heat of Marina di Carrara perfectly organized by the Club Nautico Marina di Carrara in collaboration with the National Association Class J/24, under the aegis of the Italian Sailing Federation, and also valid as the National J24 Open Regatta - Nino Menchelli Trophy - Italian Cup 2024 and Fabio Apollonio Trophy.

Silver, as in the last edition, for the winner of the third race, Ita 271 Joanna, rigged by Fabrizio Dalla Casa and helmed by Andrea Collina (CNCervia Amici della Vela, 28 points, 9,9,1,3,2,6,7 ) and bronze for the home J24 Ita 483 Per Cinque of Antonio Criscuolo and helmed by Luca Macchiarini (CNMC 28 points; 6,8,3,5,12,4,2). A close podium finish, however, for ITA 212 Jamaica, armed and helmed by the President of the Italian J24 Class Pietro Diamanti (CNMC, 30 points, 4,3,7,2,15,11,3) who anticipated the protagonist of the final regatta, the German J24 Ger 5269 Pfau of Hauke Kruess (36 points; 8,6,4,6,11,14,1).

"We are satisfied with having won the Italian Cup and the Apollonio Trophy, above all because we raced in difficult and very technical weather and sea conditions, characterized by light winds and strong currents. - commented helmsman Bonanno - This event was a excellent test in view of the European and World championships. We thank the Sports and Sailing Offices of the Navy who always support us in our activities." Satisfaction also on the part of the Presidents of the Italian J24 Diamond Class and of the Marina di Carrara Nautical Club Carlandrea Simonelli for the enthusiasm of the crews and for the success of the event which also awarded the



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Fabio Apollonio Trophy with which we want to remember not only a great president but a dear friend "I am very proud - added Diamanti during the awards ceremony - to have had here, at the Marina di Carrara Nautical Club which is my club, a significant number of boats and a very high level of crews."

On the first day, four tests were held with constant winds of around 10 knots and a lot of current. A wide route was laid out by the President of the CoR which allowed the crews to spread out along the regatta field. On Sunday, however, the last three tests took place as scheduled, allowing the gap to be applied. The work carried out on board the "Popeye" Jury Boat by the Single Committee chaired by Admiral Luigi D'Amico assisted by the 1<sup>st</sup> CdR Member Tiziano Menconi and by Gigi Porchera, Laura Olimpia Salvatore and Vincenzo Luigi De Meo was excellent.



Once the first three stages have been archived -Anzio, Salerno won by Ita 427 Jebedee of the Apulian Fleet Chief Nino Soriano and Marina di Carrara-, the J24 Fleet will remain in Tuscany but will move to the nearby Labronian waters for the fourth which will be organized on the 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> April by the Italian Naval League section of Livorno as part of the International Sailing Week Naval Academy and City of Livorno.



## The J24 of the Navy La Superba wins the National J24 Regatta in Livorno.

*The J24 Class awarded for its constant presence at the Livorno Naval Academy event. Four races and sixteen crews for the well-organised heat within the SVI24 by LNI Livorno and valid as the fourth stage of the National Circuit which will now continue in Trentino waters on 11 and 12 May.*

**Livorno.** With the evocative awards ceremony in the central square of the Naval Academy of Livorno, at the stern of the buried brig, and after four races held in the waters in front of the Ardenza district, the curtain fell on the J24 National Regatta well organized by the Italian Naval League Section of Livorno - chaired by Fabrizio Monacci - as part of the seventh edition of the International Sailing Week (SVI24) and valid as the fourth stage of the 2024 National Circuit.



In fact, over the weekend, the Labro coast was the perfect stage for the sixteen fierce crews of the J24 Class from numerous fleets who took part in the event. With two victories of the day, on the top step of the podium, once again, ITA 416 La Superba, the J24 of the Centro Vela Altura Napoli (MM, 6 points; 1,2,1,2) helmed by Ignazio Bonanno with his multi-time Italian champion crew and current vice world champion, also awarded by the President of the ANMI Group of Livorno, Antonino Laganà as the first ranked military crew.

Second place for the German team, protagonist in the second race, Ger 5381 Schwere Jungs (14 points; 6,1,3,4) and third position for the winner of the final regatta, Ita 212 Jamaica armed and helmed by the President of the Italian J24 Class Pietro Diamanti (CNMC, 17 points 2,6,8,1), all awarded by the LNI National President, team Admiral Donato Marzano.





The J24 Class was finally awarded as “thank you for their consistency in participating in the regattas organized within the SVI in recent years” with the Cup of the Livorno section of the Italian Naval League delivered by the Regional Delegate of the LNI Rear Admiral Pietro Vatteroni to the President Class J24 Diamonds. Once the first four stages have been archived - Anzio, Salerno won by Ita 427 Jebedee of the Apulian Fleet Chief Nino Soriano, Marina di Carrara and Livorno won like the opening one by La Superba -, the J24 Fleet will move to Trentino for the fifth stage of the National Circuit 2024 which after ten events from March to November in the most beautiful Italian locations will award the Francesco Ciccolo Perpetual Challenge Trophy - to the first place with no discards - and the J24 Trophy to the best Helmsman-Owner whose score is calculated on the best four races held.

The J24 National Regatta - Fabio Apollonio Trophy with coefficient 2 will, in fact, be the most widespread monotype in the world designed by the American Rod Johnston in 1978 but still extremely widespread and current, May by the Trentina Sailing Association in the splendid waters of Lake Caldonazzo in Pergine Valsugana in the Valcanover area. There are six races scheduled in total (with a maximum of three regattas for each day) and the event will be considered valid with at least one test



carried out regularly. At 12, however, the skipper meeting and at 13 the warning signal for the first race organized on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> On Saturday 11<sup>th</sup>, from 9am to 11am it will be possible to complete registrations and complete the measurement and launching operations.

The racing instructions will be made available at 11am on Saturday 11 May on the noticeboard in the secretariat. There are prizes for the first three boats classified. The J24, the most widespread Monotype in the world designed by the American Rod Johnston in 1978 but still extremely widespread and current, therefore continues to offer entertainment and give emotions to its racers.



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## 2024

**June 11 - 16, 2024**

### **2024 J/24 EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP**

Yacht Club Costa Smeralda  
Porto Cervo, Italy

**June 27 - June 30, 2024**

### **Kiel Week 2024**

Kieler Yacht-Club  
Kiel, Germany

**September 28 - October 5, 2024**

### **2024 J/24 World Championship**

Corinthian Yacht Club  
Seattle, WA, United States

## 2025

**May 26, 2025 - May 31, 2025**

### **2025 J/24 North American Championship**

Houston Yacht Club  
La Porte, TX, United States

**September 6, 2025 - September 14, 2025**

### **2025 J/24 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP**

Plym Yacht Club & Saltash Sailing Club  
Plymouth, England

## 2026

**November 9, 2026 - November 16, 2026**

### **2026 J/24 World Championship**

Sandringham Yacht Club  
Melbourne, Australia

## 2027

**October 2, 2027 - October 9, 2027**

### **2027 J/24 World Championship**

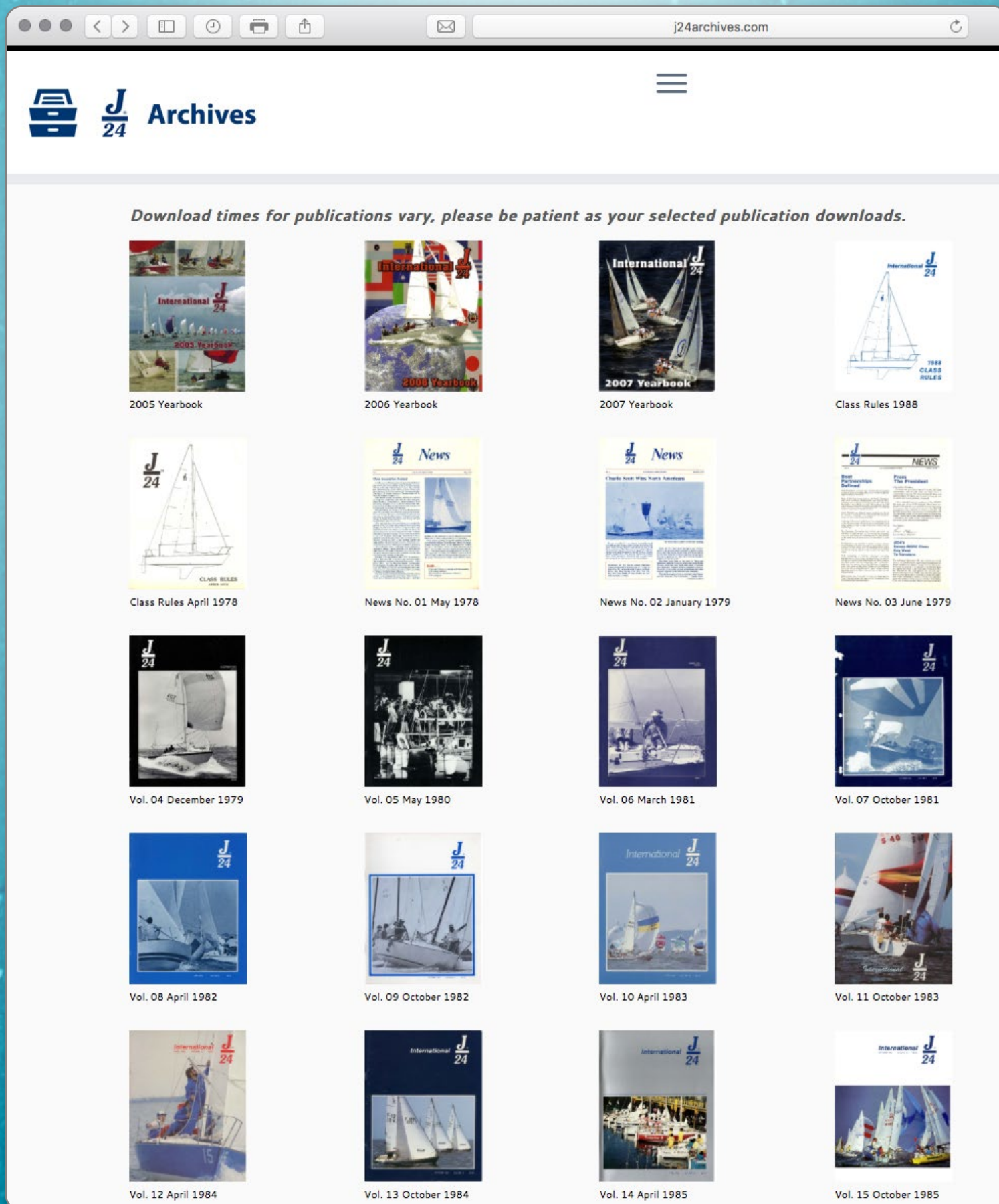
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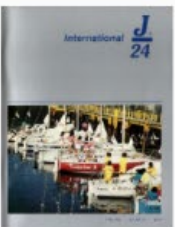



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