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With great pleasure, the Dutch J/24 Class is organizing the 2025 European Championships from 7 to 12 July. The chairman of the Dutch J/24 Class has put together an enthusiastic team to organize this event. The Championship will be organized from marina Wemeldinge, and the sailing area is natural park the Oosterschelde.

You can sign up for this via the link: European Championship J/24 2025 manage2sail. We have kept the entry fee at 600,- euro as in previous years (early birds). In addition to sail at least 10 scheduled races, two social events (including dinner) will be organized in addition to the pleasant daily after-sail drinks.

Soon the Notice of Race will be published via manage2sail and via the website of the Dutch Class (J/24 Klasse organisatie Nederland). If you are in transit, you can leave your boat for the World Championship. If necessary, charter boats will be arranged.

For questions, please contact Tom Werff via e-mail at j24netherlands@gmail.com.



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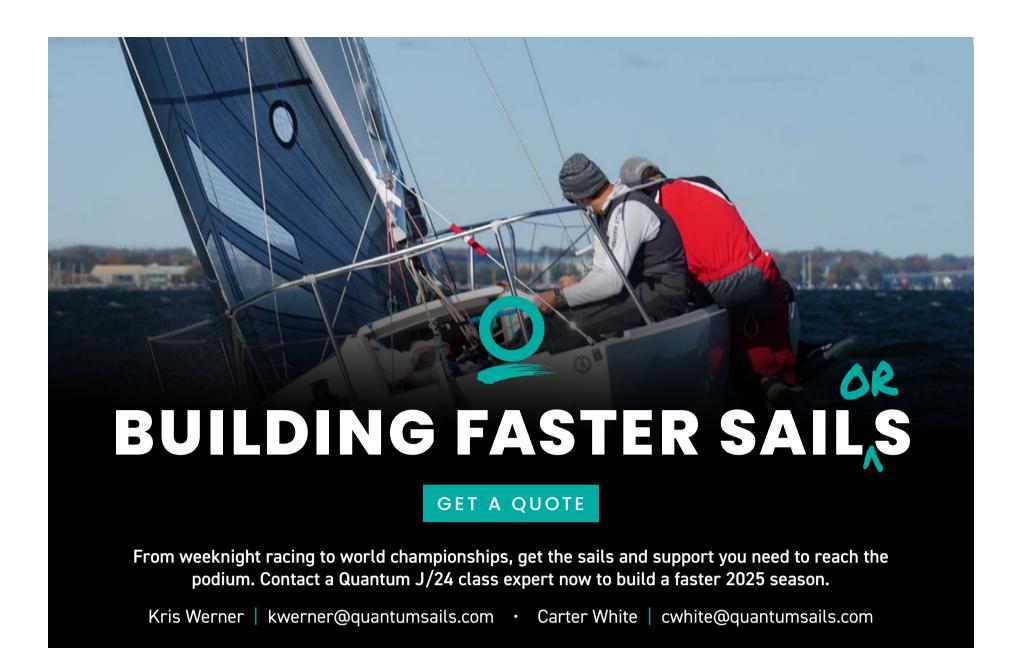
Lough Erne Yacht Club who have a long history of J/24s in Ireland played host to the 2024 national championships. 16 teams from across the country came together for the 3 day regatta, Lough Erne have a great reputation for putting on a great event and once again they did not disappoint, from the moment we arrived to the last boat pulling out on the Sunday we were well looked after.

Fresh from claiming back to back European Championships Headcase were the team to beat but despite being challenged at times they showed their class and dominated the event. The battle was then on for the runners up spot, reigning national champions Hard on Port lead the charge to finish second with Blind Squirrel claiming third on tie break.

Congratulations also go to Jevan on winning the Silver fleet and Gossip on claiming the U25 Championship.

RESULTS

				Sailed: 6, Discards: 1, To count: 5, Entries: 16, Scoring sys	tem: Appen	dix A						
Fleet	Boat	SailNo	HelmName	CrewName	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	Total	Nett
GOLD	HEADCASE	4247	Cillian Dickson	Sam D'Byrne/Ryan Glynn/Marcus RYan/LOuis Molloy	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	(4.0)	9.0	5.0
GOLD	HARD ON PORT	IRL 4794	Dave Baieley	Jack Hannah/Rory Groves/Sean Hayes/Chris Curran	2.0	2.0	2.0	(3.0)	2.0	3.0	14.0	11.0
GOLD	BLIND SQUARREL	5481 IRL	Colm O'Flatterty	Dave O'Connor/Lucia Nicholson/Gwen Draper/Sean Flynn/Ciaran Walsh	6.0	4.0	3.0	4.0	(8.0)	2.0	27.0	19.0
GOLD	JUPITER	IRL 5270	Connor Haughton	Johnny Flood/Garrett Kinnane/Charles Heather/Rumo Best	3.0	5.0	(7.0)	2.0	4.0	5.0	26.0	19.0
GOLD	HUNG JURY	IRL 5278	Brian Raftery	Gilly Henry/Diarmuid O'Donovan/Natascha Menieor/Sophie Skinner	4.0	3.0	5.0	(6.0)	3.0	6.0	27.0	21.0
GOLD	IL RICCO	5219	J.P McCaldin	Ron Finnegan/Graham Priestly/Liz Copland/Brendan Brogan	(17.0 DNS)	6.0	4.0	5.0	6.0	1.0	39.0	22.0
GOLD	HEDGE HOG	IRL 4217	Mark Usher	Ryan Usher/Matthew Hennessy/Dermot Clarke	5.0	(12.0)	9.0	9.0	5.0	7.0	47.0	35.0
GOLD	CRAZYHORSE	IRL 4533	Luke McBride	Declan Brennan/Judie Anderson/June Clarke/Nigel Walsh	7.0	(8.0)	6.0	8.0	7.0	8.0	44.0	36.0
SILVER	JEVAN	IRL 4180	Ken Draper	Mark Greer/Racheal McGarvey/William Draper/Daniel Draper/ Triona Harvey	8.0	(9.0)	8.0	7.0	9.0	9.0	50.0	41.0
SILVER	GOSSIP - UNDER 25	4202	Oisin Brennan	Frances Cadogan/Max Van Der Grijn/Oran Costello/Tom Walls	10.0	7.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	(12.0)	59.0	47.0
SILVER	LEGAL AILIEN	IRL 4064	Craig O'Neill Jnr	Craig O'Neill/Andrew O'Neill/Julie O'Neill/Paul Keal	9.0	(14.0)	11.0	13.0	11.0	10.0	68.0	54.0
SILVER	PROUD MARY	IRL 4384	Brian McConville	Colin Matthews/Ruiri Kennedy/Lorraine Fagan/Marcin Gatalski/Joe McConnville	11.0	10.0	(13.0)	11.0	12.0	11.0	68.0	55.0
SILVER	JIGALO	IRL 5312	Tim Rippey	Bridget Rippey/Jonny Beattie/Susanne Hughes Jordan/Rian Kelly	12.0	11.0	12.0	12.0	(17.0 DNF)	17.0 DNS	81.0	64.0
SILVER	'TJ'	4155	Barry Humphreys	Kris Sokol/Laura Zahumenska/Stephen Trimble/Ramona Harron	13.0	15.0	14.0	14.0	13.0	(17.0 DNS)	86.0	69.0
SILVER	PRINTFIX	IRL 5072	Owen Carten	Andrew Davidson/Colum Furlight/Darragh Gillingham/Jemma Goodwin	14.0	13.0	15.0	15.0	(17.0 DNF)	13.0	87.0	70.0
SILVER	JET - UNDER 25	IRL 739	Adam Torrens	Leah Petterson/Peter Brines/Emma Brines/Emily Torrens/Charlie Valentine	(17.0 DNF)	17.0 DNS	17.0 DNS	16.0	17.0 DNF	17.0 DNS	101.0	84.0







The undisputed king of J/24s in Australia picked up his seventh Nationals title.

Sean Kirkjian and crew dominated the racing, finishing 10 races with five firsts to finish on 20 points, 10 clear of second place Brendan Lee.

With the regatta backed by J/24 Victoria's long time sponsor Hodges Sandringham, the regatta must rank as one of the most competitive and successful Nationals of recent history. With a perfect week of sunny warm weather ranging from 20+ knots to light drifting conditions, the racing was fierce with the first four finishers all taking race wins.

Day one was taken by Warren Slater sailing *Jab* from Sandringham, a very popular day winner. Warren and crew showed what they are made of with a 1, 3, 4, setting an immediate benchmark and a warning shot across the fleet on the high level of competition to come.



Australia Report



Day winners for days 2, 3, and 4 all have the same name against them, *Vice Versa* (purchased through the regatta from John Neville), with skipper Sean Kirkjian from Sydney and crew of Shane Guanaria, Tony Reynolds (AJ), Oliver Guanaria and Margot van der Poel, taking each day's chocolates.

Brendan Lee sailing *Great White*, and twice National champ in the last few years, fought a continuing battle with Sean and took the overall lead after day two. However Sean crushed this temporary setback with three wins and a second over the next two days.

While the racing was close, the rest of the fleet clearly has some work to do.

National President Steve Wright, sailing *Tinto* and National champ in 2022, took out third with a runaway win in the last race to take Warren Slater off the podium. With the wind dying in this race, only *Tinto*, *Vice Versa* and *Great White* managed to finish; the rest of the fleet chewing boiled lollies when the time limit expired.

Close racing from start to finish

There was pain back in the fleet too, with previous National champions struggling to convert effort into places. The oldest skipper in the regatta Dave McKay (Australian Sailor of the year 1969 – and still celebrating!), a wily old fox sailing *Stamped Urgent*, came in sixth behind Simon Grain in *Convicts Revenge*.

A recent record six entries from NSW and two from South Australia built the fleet out to 19 boats. Scott Hagan in the 'eBay auction' boat had respectable placings considering



The new 'Foredeck' is a perfect after-racing venue



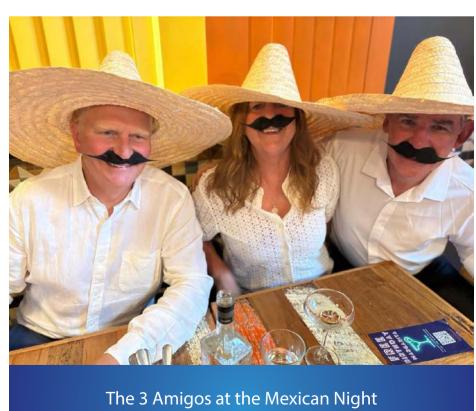
he hadn't sailed a J before the regatta. He was foiled mid-regatta with some mast issues and went through three masts in a day. However he is as keen as can be, and with only 4 months in Australia from Ireland, is the new SA Class rep, new boat owner and fired up in *Hey J*. Also from SA was familiar face Sophie Davidson, and her all-female crew on *Hi* who keep coming back for the regattas and friendly atmosphere. Catherine Thornton-Rofe was the skipper of the other all-female crew sailing Arthur Crother's *Kaotic* from NSW, also keen, coming in at 14th. This year, the organising committee also introduced a new trophy for the first female helm, awarded to Janette Syme on *Jet* who came in 13th place.

Day winners were celebrated after racing in the SYC new Foredeck extension to the club and provided a welcoming and friendly after-race atmosphere, with welcoming free beers for those thirsty palates. A strong social theme ran through the regatta with a number of functions including daily recaps, a well-attended NSW crew dinner, Thursday night twilight racing (some took the option of viewing from the foredeck cheering Scott Hagan on), a Mexican night and all culminating in the sit down dinner presentation evening. In addition to the hotly contested "J of the Day" was the equally prestigious "pic of the day" and "volunteer of the day" awards which brought a few laughs and celebrated the community spirit that is so intrinsic to the J/24 Class in Australia. Sean Kirkjian, overall OD winner, brought thunderous applause all round after re-awarding the PHS win to Chris Ravesi in Panarea, being the next in line after the first three PHS places turned out to be the same as OD.

Steve Aulich was the RO for the regatta, doing a very professional job setting great courses and turning races around fast – thirsty work Steve! SYC put on a great

regatta, and the many volunteers helping run the regatta did an excellent job with very little fuss. Our thanks go to sponsor 'Hodges Sandringham' again and to the whole Sandringham Yacht Club team for a very successful regatta. With this regatta and next year's Worlds being run up and qualifying regattas for the 2026 Worlds to be held at Sandringham in November, it was excellent practice for competitors and race management alike.

Preparations for the Worlds continue, and the organising committee will shortly be sharing some exciting sponsorship news to help make these Worlds a fantastic 'Australian flavour' regatta that both the locals and the visiting overseas competitors will remember for a long time.

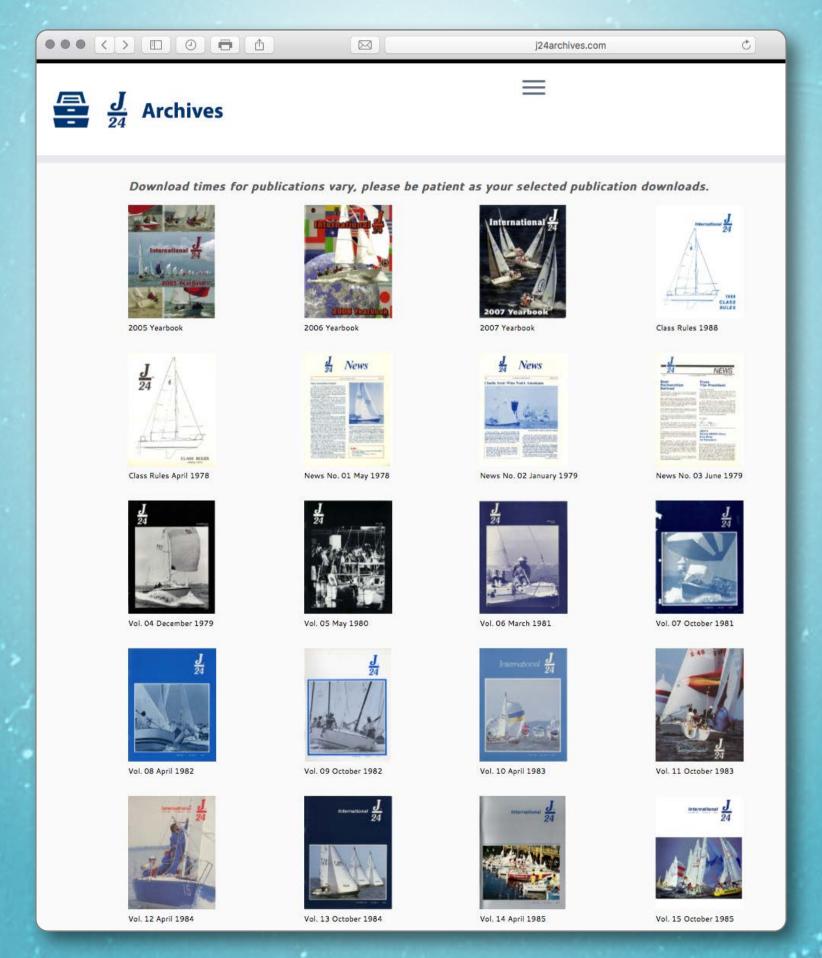


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Canada Report

The J/24 Canadian Class Association is back!



Vince Somoza



Nathan Bresett
- Class Measurer -



Josée Couture
- Secretary / Treasurer -



Jeff Jorgensen
- Membership & Marketing -

The J/24 Canadian Class Association is excited to announce the appointment of a new council and plans to hold the J/24 Canadian Championship at the Nepean Sailing Club in Ottawa, June 20-22, 2025.

After a five-year hiatus, the J/24 Canadian Class Association recently appointed a new council including longtime J/24 racer Vince Somoza of the Nepean Sailing Club (NSC) as President. Vince brings a wealth of class-specific knowledge and experience to the role, including a 2nd place finish in the 2019 J/24 World Championship in Miami aboard Clear Air (CAN 5362) with Rossi Milev. Vince has owned and raced J/24s for over 30 years.

Vince is joined by Nathan Bresett of the Bay of Quinte Yacht Club as Class Measurer. Nathan has been racing J/24s for over 14 years, and is the proprietor of *Nye Boat Works* in Foxboro, Ontario, just north of Belleville.

Rounding out the council are Josée Couture, also of the NSC, as Secretary/Treasurer, and Jeff Jorgensen of NSC as councillor responsible for Membership and Marketing. Both Josée and Jeff are avid fans of the J/24!

The new council aims to connect with J/24 enthusiasts across Canada to rejuvenate the class, increase membership, and hold annual J/24 events. To that end, the J/24 Canadian Championship will be held as part of the Nepean One Design Regatta in Ottawa, June 20-22, 2025. In addition, the membership structure has been simplified to a single tier with a low, annual fee of just \$35.

J24 enthusiasts in Canada, both old and new, are encouraged to join today by visiting the class association website - https://www.j24canada.org





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The J24 La Superba and Jamaica win the 2024 J24 Ciccolo and Owner-Helmsman Trophies.

While waiting to set sail for the new competitive season, here are the protagonists of the 2024 National Circuit. Organized in some of Italy's most beautiful locations, the circuit once again awarded the two coveted trophies.

After eight races held in Anzio, Salerno, Marina di Carrara, Livorno, Caldonazzo, Parè di Valmadrera, Porto Cervo, and Cesenatico, and with the last two stages canceled due to adverse weather and sea conditions, the Italian J/24 Class announced the final standings for the 2024 National Circuit. Organized from March to November in Italy's most scenic locations, the circuit awarded the Francesco Ciccolo Perpetual Challenge Trophy to the first-place finisher, without discards, and the J/24 Trophy to the best Owner-Helmsman, based on the best four results.





The Francesco Ciccolo Perpetual Challenge Trophy 2024, established in memory of the prematurely deceased president, was claimed by the multi-time Italian champion J/24 of the Italian Navy, Ita 416 La Superba, helmed by Ignazio Bonanno (Sez Vel Marina Militare, 408 points; 1, DNS, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 1). Second place, as in the previous edition, went to Ita 469 Bruschetta Guastafeste, helmed by Pierluigi Puthod and owned by sisters Sonia and Alessia Ciceri and Ancilla Scaccia (CV Tivano, 309 points; DES, DNS, 9, 4, 3, 4, 11, 4). Third place went to Ita 212 Jamaica, owned and helmed by the Italian J/24 Class President Pietro Diamanti (CNM Carrara, 293 points; DES, DNS, 4, 3, DNS, DNS, 7, 3).

They were followed by Ita 498 Pilgrim, owned by Mauro Benfatto (237 points), and Ita 432 Kaster, owned by Giuliano Cattarozzi and helmed by his daughter Federica (236 points).

As for the J/24 Trophy for the best Owner-Helmsman, Pietro Diamanti with his Jamaica claimed the 2024 title (292.5 points), followed by Ita 497 Boomerang, owned by Giuseppe Murgia (122.5 points), and Ita 476 Dejavù, helmed by Ruggero Spreafico (122 points). They were trailed by Ita 118 Enjoy 2, owned by Luca Silvestri (118 points), and Ita 499 Capitan Nemo, owned by Guido Guadagni (CV Ravennate, 93 points).

The winners of the just-concluded season, which involved a large number of crews—including many young teams,



a testament to the vitality of this versatile and evergreen Class and One-Design—were determined based on results from: the National Regatta won by Ita 416 La Superba, organized by Circolo della Vela di Roma in collaboration with the Anzio section of the LNI, the Reale Circolo Canottieri Tevere Remo, and Marina Capo d'Anzio. The regatta, also serving as the Biagio Manganelli Memorial, organized by the Salerno section of the Italian Naval League and won by Ita 427 Jebedee, owned by the Puglian Fleet Captain Nino Soriano. Stages hosted by Club Nautico Marina di Carrara, the Livorno section of the LNI as part of the International Naval Academy Sailing Week, the regatta in memory of Fabio Apollonio (former president of the Italian Class) organized by Associazione Velica Trentina, and the XXIII Coppa Città di Valmadrera National Regatta by Circolo Velico Tivano.





All these regattas were dominated by Ita 416 La Superba, which also excelled in the ninth round, the XLIII J/24 Italian Championship, well-organized by the Circolo Nautico Cesenatico on behalf of FIV, in collaboration with the Italian J/24 Class Association.

The J/24 European Championship Range Rover, impeccably organized by Yacht Club Costa Smeralda under FIV's aegis and in collaboration with the National Class Association in Porto Cervo's stunning waters, was the eighth stage of the 2024 National Circuit. Italian crews placing in the top ten included Ita 416 La Superba

(second), Ita 405 Vigne Surrau from CN Arzachena, helmed by Aurelio Bini (fourth), Ita 212 Jamaica by Pietro Diamanti (seventh), and Ita 461 Armagedon Miki II, owned by Gino Polin and helmed by Fabio de Rossi (ninth).

Unfortunately, prohibitive weather and sea conditions prevented crews from competing in the last two 2024 National Regattas—the traditional events hosted by Circolo Nautico Amici della Vela di Cervia and the Alghero section of the Italian Naval League—leaving the standings unchanged after the Italian Championship.

As always, the awarding of the two prestigious trophies will take place during the Italian J/24 Championship, held this year in Lerici from May 20 to 25 under the expert organization of Circolo della Vela Erix-Lerici.

The event in the waters of Lerici is just one of the highlights in the intense and exciting 2025 calendar, which will engage an increasing number of J/24s from all fleets and attract attention from the public ashore. However, the primary goal of the Italian J/24 Class Association remains to encourage many young sailors to join the fleet, affirming the vitality and versatility of the Class and the J/24. Activities will continue to be closely followed on the Italian J/24 Class Association's Facebook and Instagram pages.



The Italian J24 Class presents its 2025 National Circuit.

The calendar for next season has been made official: for the J/24 crews, an exciting year full of events throughout Italy that will award the two coveted Trophies.

The crews of the most widespread and popular keel monotype in the world, designed by Rod Johnstone in 1976 but still very current, have just closed another season of great satisfaction but the Italian J/24 Class is already in full swing to best organize the full 2025 calendar.

This year, in fact, will also be exciting and interesting thanks to the nine unmissable stages of the J/24 National Circuit, organized in the most beautiful Italian locations from April to November.

The Board of Directors of the Italian Class - composed of President Pietro Diamanti, Vice President and Treasurer Massimo Frigerio and Councilors Giuliano Cattarozzi, Marco Frulio and Gianni Riccobono - in agreement with the Italian Sailing Federation, has made official the dates of the next edition of the National Circuit that will award the

Francesco Ciccolo Perpetual Challenge Trophy - reserved for the first classified without considering the discards - and the J/24 Trophy reserved for the best Helmsman-Owner whose score is calculated on the best four races disputed. After the holiday break and the completion of the numerous Winter Championships featuring all the Italian J/24 Fleets, the 2025 edition of the National J/24 Circuit will kick off in April with a double event in Tuscan waters: the Club Nautico Marina di Carrara will host the first National Regatta with coefficient 2 on Saturday 12th and Sunday 13th, while the second National Regatta of 2025 (also with coeff. 2) will be organized by the Lega Navale Italiana sez. of Livorno, as part of the International Sailing Week of the Naval Academy and the City of Livorno, from 25th to 27th.

From 20th to 25th May, the attention of all J/24 enthusiasts will be captured by the highlight of the season, the 44th Italian Open Championship (coeff. 3) which will be organized in the suggestive waters of Lerici by the Circolo della Vela Erix-Lerici (segreteria@cdverix.it).

Italy Report

In June, and more precisely on the weekend of the 28th and 29th, the appointment is on Lake Caldonazzo where the Associazione Velica Trentina and the Garda-Caldonazzo Fleet Leader Giuliano Cattarozzi will welcome the racers on the occasion of the National Regatta (coeff. 2).

The fifth stage, instead, will take place on September 13th and 14th in Agropoli organized by the local section of the Lega Navale Italiana and the Fleet Leader of Agropoli Giuseppe Manganelli.

Also in the month of September but on Saturday 27th and Sunday 28th, Anzio will host the 2025 Italian Cup (at coeff. 2.5) thanks to the Circolo della Vela Roma - with the collaboration of the LNI section of Anzio, RCC Tevere Remo and Sez. Vel Marina Militare - and the Fleet Leader of Rome, Paolo Rinaldi.

A double appointment also for the month of October which will see the J/24 crews involved in two classic and unmissable National Regattas at coeff. 2: Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th the Circolo Nautico Amici della Vela di Cervia and the Fleet Leader Romagna Massimo Frigerio will have the opportunity to confirm the proverbial Romagna hospitality while on the 18th and 19th the Circolo Vela Tivano and the Fleet Leader of Lario Mauro Benfatto will organize the eighth stage in the Larian waters of Lecco-Pare' di Valmadrera.

And finally, as per tradition, it will be the enchanting Sardinia and the Fleet Leader Marco Frulio to host the final stage of the National J/24 Circuit organized by the Olbia section of the Italian Naval League on Saturday 15th and Sunday 16th November.

An intense and exciting calendar that will involve an ever-increasing number of J/24s from all the Fleets and attract the attention of the public on land but, also for 2025, the desire of the Italian J/24 Class Association is above all to see many young people join the Fleet, confirming the vitality and versatility of the Class and of the J/24 whose activity will be constantly followed also through the Facebook and Instagram pages of the Italian J/24 Class Association.

CALENDARIO CIRCUITO NAZIONALE J24 - 2025 -

NOME	SEDE	CIRCOLO ORGANIZZATORE	Data inizio	Data fine	2	
Regata Nazionale	M. di Carrara- (MS)	Club Nautico Marina di Carrara www.clubnauticomarinadicarrara.it	12-apr	13-apr		
Regata Nazionale	Livorno - (LI)	Lega Navale – sez. Livorno livorno@leganavale.it	25-apr	27-apr	2	
Campionato Nazionale	Lerici (SP)	Circolo della Vela Erix-Lerci (SP) segreteria@cdverix.it	20-mag	25-mag	3	
Regata Nazionale	Caldonazzo	Associazione Velica Trentina Caldonazzo segreteria@velicatrentina.it	28-giu	29-giu	2	
Regata Nazionale	Agropoli	Lega Navale – sez. Agropoli agropoli@leganavale.it	13-sett	14-sett	2	
Coppa Italia	Anzio (Roma)	Circolo della Vela di Roma - Anzio www.cvroma.com	27-sett	28-sett	2,5	
Regata Nazionale	Cervia - (RA)	Circolo Nautico Amici della Vela www.circolonauticocervia.it	4-ott	5-ott	2	
Regata Nazionale	Lecco (LC)	Circolo Tivano	18-ott	19-ott	2	
Regata Nazionale	Olbia (SS)	Lni -Olbia	15-nov	16-nov	2	



Calendar

2025

March 21 - March 23 2025 J/24 Midwinter Championship

Shake-A-Leg Miami, FL, United States

May 26 - May 31 2025 J/24 North American Championship

Houston Yacht Club La Porte, TX, United States

July 7 - July 12 2025 J/24 European Championship

van de Rest Wemeldinge, Netherlands

September 6 - September 14 2025 J/24 World Championship

Plym Yacht Club & Saltash Sailing Club Plymouth, United Kingdom

2026

November 9 - November 16 2026 J/24 World Championship

Sandringham Yacht Club Melbourne, Australia

2027

October 2 - October 9
2027 J/24 World Championship

Rochester Yacht Club Rochester, NY, United States

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L to R, Nick Subotsch – Epigen, Megan Aulich – Vic and WCOC President, Simon Grain – National Secretary, Michael Perceval – Epigen

The 2026 J/24 Worlds Announces Title Sponsor

The 2026 J/24 World Championship is being held at the iconic Sandringham Yacht Club in Melbourne Australia from 4-11 November.

The Organising Committee is excited and proud to announce the confirmation of Title Sponsor, Peerless Industrial Systems. They are an Australian company with an international client base involved in the manufacture of Industrial Epoxy Resin Systems under the brand name EPIGEN.

Peerless Industrial Systems have been an industry leader since 1970 in the development and provision of resinbased technology, they are dedicated professionals with technical expertise in the Mining, Water and Power, Oil and Gas, Mineral Processing, Refining, Pipeline, Material Handling and Storage industries.

Their resin systems are also used in boatbuilding industries throughout Australia and overseas. To see more about the company, go to their website https://epigen.com.au

Nick Subotsch from Peerless is excited to come on board, "The opportunity to work with an international event like this is the sort of excitement we love being involved with; giving back to active and forward-thinking people is what our company is all about and it is a perfect match for us."

With major sponsor Epigen coming on board, the regatta is assured of being a huge success for local and overseas competitors alike.

Now is the time to be thinking about coming 'down under' in 2026.

For more information, please regularly go to syc.com.au/ J/24-worlds or get in touch at J/24@syc.com.au.