

NEWSLETTER JULY 2025

Dear Nacra 15 Class members,

We look back on a very nice World Championship in La Rochelle with good sailing conditions, 16 races sailed, nice venue and very well organized. Many thanks to La Rochelle Nautique and all volunteers for organizing this nice event.

And congratulations to our champions :

Overall:

1. Lorenzo Sirena & Alice Dessy (ITA)
2. Emilie Mansouri & Marius Praud (FRA)
3. Hannelien & Sander Borghijs (BEL)

Under 19:

1. Lorenzo Sirena & Alice Dessy (ITA)
2. Emilie Mansouri & Marius Praud (FRA)
3. Hannelien & Sander Borghijs (BEL)

Under 17:

1. Lorenzo Sirena & Alice Dessy (ITA)
2. Dylan Tonko & Casey Small (USA)
3. Mattia di Martino & Nina Cittar (ITA)

Nations Cup

1. FRA
2. ITA
3. HUN

Coming events:

Europeans in Hungary 19 – 26 October, Lake Balaton in Balatonfoldvar:

From 19 – 26 October our European Championships will be sailed on Lake Balaton, where Spartacus Sailing Club will organize the event. The Notice of Race is published, and the registration is open. See <https://2025nacra15europeans.sailti.com/en/default/races/race> . The low entry fee will be available until 15 August. Please make your entry before 15 August, which saves you money and which makes it for the local organizers clear how many participants they can expect. To prepare a good event it is very important to know how many teams will participate.

Also important for coaches to read the Notice of Race carefully and register before 15 August, because Lake Balaton is an environmentally protected area and by default no gasoline/diesel/oil fueled motorboats are allowed to be operated on the lake. Only coach boats registered before 15 August (and have completed the special form in the Notice of Race) will be allowed to operate a rib on a temporary bases with a special accreditation required from the Hungarian Environmental Authorities.

SuperSeries

Coming months, we still have 3 SuperSeries events, where we hope to see you. The SuperSeries are important to make it possible for you to sail in an international event in your own region, where teams from other countries nearby will also participate. This year already 77 teams participated in one or more SuperSeries events. Coming events are:

Italy, Gravedona: From 3 – 8 August in Gravedona Nacra's 50th Anniversary Event will be sailed. With 27 Nacra 15 teams from GBR, SUI, FRA, NED, ITA, BEL, USA and ESO and 19 botas in F18 and F20 class it will be a nice event with a lot of social events to celebrate Nacra's 50th anniversary.

To follow the event see: <https://www.manage2sail.com/nl/event/95a80fa5-76af-4499-86c7-0e7327d90359#!/>

Knokke 13-14 September: The RBSC Knokke organizes also this year the Youth Belgian Multihull event, which is part of our SuperSeries. Register now:

<https://www.rbsc.be/nl/kalender?oper=inschrijvingsformulier.wedstrijd=1313>

Switzerland, Nyon/Crans: Our final SuperSeries event will be sailed 11 – 13 October. See <https://www.manage2sail.com/f-/event/f982eb53-3e37-4c4a-841a-6a992befc78b#/entries?classId=0cf45020-ba00-4aa9-9910-cd49cabdb77e> for Notice of Race, registration and entries. Until now already 13 teams registered from SUI, BEL and FRA. Until 31 July the low entry fee will apply.

Class meeting during the Worlds in La Rochelle

During our Worlds in La Rochelle we organized a class meeting where we have spoken about:

Europeans 2026: Croatia (Yacht Club Punat), proposed dates during Easter (4 – 12 April) are agreed, despite we know teams from GBR cannot attend because of their Youth Nationals (which is a selection event for GBR teams). Other possibility was ending May during Prentecost (22 – 29 May), but during that period taking free from school is too difficult, which should mean lot of teams from more countries should not attend.

Worlds 2026: we were in the last 6 months in long and good discussion with Canarian Islands to organize the Worlds in October 2026, but unfortunately, they still could not organize the event (which we heard just before the Worlds in La Rochelle). We are now looking for another option and are via the UK N15 Class in contact with Plymouth in UK during summer holiday.

Decision about period to organize a championship: The attendees in the meeting all preferred to organize every year a championship in the summer school holidays, because outside the holiday periods it is very difficult to get free from school.

Decision about one (only Worlds) or two (Worlds and European) championships per year: a proposal to organize in the future still only one Championship per year in Europe and only if the Worlds are outside Europe, also a European Championship during that year, was not supported by the attendees. For the development of the class, it's important to have choices to sail one or more big events. It's the decision of each team themselves where to attend and how many events to sail.

Future SuperSeries final: We are looking for the possibility to organize next year a SuperSeries final event with the best teams per country based on the results of the SuperSeries (qualification) events. The number of entries per country will be based on the number of active boats per country. The idea is to have an event with supplied boats, which will be shared by some teams. This will make it possible to organize a kind of Round Robin competition. E.g. with 8 supplied boats we can have 16 or 24 teams, depending on the number of sailing days to complete a Round Robin format. Also important will be the choice of the location, because easy travel to the venue must be possible (by car or plane) and good payable accommodations. The class board will develop the ideas next period and present during the Europeans in October.

Update Class Rules: Some small changes in the Class Rules will be prepared next period, with the main changes:

C 3.1 : Helmet with a brightly coloured region

C 3.1 : The trapeze harness shall have positive buoyancy in the water

C 3.1 : Knife with a covered blade of max length of 150 mm

C 10.4 : Mechanical wind indicators may be used

C 11.3 : Colour of sailnumber in black sails

Searching for new International Class Board members:

We are looking for new enthusiastic people who want to become member of our International Class Board, to help to develop the class coming years and make step forwards. We need help to develop our youth class (vision and knowledge of youth development), help for our communication with website and social media etc. Are you interested to help us, or do you know someone who you think can help us, please let us know and contact manager@nacra15class.com

We wish you nice sailing coming period and hope to see you during are coming event.

Best regards, on behalf of the Nacra 15 Class Board,

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