

# **HUNGARIAN MELGES 24 CLASS ASSOCIATION**

## ***HUNGARIAN MELGES 24 CLASS REPORT – SEASON 2013***

### **The fleet**

There are 10 actively racing boats in Hungary. This is one less compared to the previous year. On the other hand there was a significant increase in the quality of the races due that the class attracts a large number of young sailors formerly sailing in Olympic classes.

### **Local regattas, sailing series**

There were 6 major Melges 24 regattas in Hungary during the 2013 season, including:

- a European Sailing Series regatta with 24 entries from 9 nations (first event of the M24 European Sailing Series)
- the Hungarian National Championship with 10 boats participating
- One Design Trophy sailing series with 4 events at Lake Balaton (with an average of 9 entries per regatta)

### **International activity**

- 4 Hungarian boats competed at the Garda Melges week 2013
- One boat has undertaken an international campaign, attending more than 5 events, including the Europeans

### **Sponsors, communication**

- MVM Energy Corporation has been the largest sponsor of the Hungarian class by hosting the European Sailing Series at Lake Balaton, and the Hungarian National Championship as well.
- Facebook site of the Hungarian Melges 24 community is an actively used platform for communication.

### **2014 Europeans at Lake Balaton**

M24 Europeans will take place from 2nd to 9th May 2014, therefore the Hungarian M24 Class Association will organize a Pre-Europeans Regatta a weekend earlier (26-27 April) to provide opportunity for testing the sailing area. Furthermore, a number of practice race weekends will be organized in course of April, as many as allowed by the weather conditions. Notice of Race for the Pre-Europeans regatta will be released soon, and we will keep everyone updated about the exact dates and details of the practice race weekends as well.

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