

Dear All,

Japan Melges24 Class Association reports the following.

● The number of Melges24 boats in Japan

11 boats are now officially registered. That is increased by a boat from the last year.

● Race in Japan

We carried out the “7th Melges24 National Championship” for the first time in these ten years in Kansai Yacht Club 1st-4th Nov., then 8 boats competed in the regatta. Melges32 and Audi Melges20 races were also hosted jointly as “Japan Melges Week”, which is drawing remarkable attentions in Japan.

※ Regatta Movies

<http://www.youtube.com/channel/UCZgOBca28bL8VgmaqURGsOg>

● Japan teams joining oversea races

A few boats go to Melges24 World Championship almost every year, and perform well around 10th place. Also, often join Italian circuit and European series. Three teams will go to the next World Championship in Geelong, Australia.

● 2014 schedule

Melges24 is recently getting popular again in Japan. We have a next year’s plan to hold spring and autumn East Japan Championships and Japan Melges Week in autumn at Hayama, which is a very famous place for sailing in Japan. Besides, we are willing to give a sailing clinic in Japan with oversea coaches. We will invite sailors and coaches.

Best regards,

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