



# MELGES

## **MELGES 24 BUILDERS REPORT – 2017**

The Melges 24 had a successful year in 2017. Melges produced new boats, many used boats have been dressed up and placed back on the water and the Melges 24 event attendance around the world has been strong.

**New Boats:** All of the boats are built at Melges USA in Zenda, Wisconsin. 4 new boats were built this season. Constant improvement has been the case with the Melges 24 product. The boats are delivered to the customer with extreme attention to finish and detail. A “just add water” approach. The consumer receives a new boat from Melges and you can simply go sailing – no fuss.

We are currently building a run of new 2018 boats right now. We anticipate the ramp up for the Melges 24 World Championship in British Columbia in 2018. Melges Performance Sailboats will be at the World Championship and all other big events leading up to the Worlds. Support and service from the builder is essential.

**Used Boats:** Melges assists daily with parts and service on used boats. Customers have anticipated the Winter Series in the USA and then the World Championship in British Columbia. Used boats have been purchased and are on the water racing. The builder continues to service and assist with parts and preparation so that the sailing is simple and fun for the consumer. Again, this is a daily thing for our team at Melges. Every day we work on advancing the Melges 24 fleet and our customers. We see teams beginning to ramp up their Winter Sailing plans as they prepare for the World Championship.

A big thank you goes to our Melges Europe team and the others in the European Community that support and promote the Melges 24. This has been going on since 1993 and it is still very strong thanks to the many people involved. The World Championship in Finland was an incredible event and the class association should be very proud. We are hoping for the same type of championship this year in June 2018. Thank you to Melges Europe and the International Melges 24 Class Association. We appreciate all that you do.

**Questions or Issues:** None at this time. Production is smooth and in good order. There may be some Melges 24 Southern Spar mast topics as we move through the season.

Any other questions please let us know. The Melges Team is happy to assist in any way possible.

Thank you again for members hard work and effort.

Sincerely,

The Melges Team