

## **Melges 24 - UK Class Association**

### **Class Report 2017**

The class is holding its own on the East coast with 8 boats regularly sailing at Haven Ports Yacht Club and 4 boats just down the coast in at Mersea and Brightlingsea and 3 boats based in Europe.

We continue to try and identify other Melges which are scattered around the country.

The UK Nationals was held at Felixstowe with a disappointing 6 boats but we hope to re-schedule for next year to a more convenient time outside the school holidays  
The Nationals was won by Ben Stone GBR546.

UK boats were well represented at the Worlds in Helsinki (4 boats) and the European circuit (5 boats) with Gill Racing winning the overall title.

It's good to see Richard Thompson GBR822 back in the class in Europe.

Next year we are planning to try and hold a more high profile event in the UK to try and gain new participants in the class and shake out a few of the dormant boats.

David Pinner GBR645 has now taken over as Chairman of the UK class and Kathy Wilton GBR516 as class Secretary.