## 2024 EurlLCA AGM

## **EurlLCA Master Series Report**



I am Alan Davis and, subject to re-election, I shall be the EurlLCA Master Series Co-ordinator for 2025.

2024 saw 14 scheduled EMS regattas, including the European Championships, attracting a total of 783 sailors (2023 – 750 / 2022 – 728 / 2021 – 492 / 2020 – 275 / 2019 - 661) competing in one or more event. This is a continuing positive trend and remains well ahead of pre-Covid times. It is a fantastic endorsement for Master sailing in Europe with current and aspiring Olympians, past Gold medallists as well as mere mortals racing together. I am also pleased to report female sailor representation remained static at 18% within the ILCA 6 fleet and remains a target growth area.

There is a growing number of non-European sailors competing on the circuit with 26 countries represented at the recent Master European Championships. This saw a new record 308 entries, up from last year's record of 271. The class is truly inclusive with ages ranging from just 30 to those well into their 80's.

My thanks go to all those Districts who hosted an EMS event and the many volunteers who make our sailing possible.

2024 EurlLCA Master Series				
Category	ILCA 6	ILCA 6 W	ILCA 7	Total
AM	55	20	56	111
М	89	20	96	185
GM	102	20	186	288
GGM	105	8	49	154
Legend	40	1	n/a	41
Total	391	69	38	783

2024 Master Europeans				
Category	ILCA 6	ILCA 6 W	ILCA 7	Total
AM	14	2	13	27
М	35	6	31	66
GM	49	4	72	121
GGM	39	4	39	78
Legend	16	n/a	n/a	16
Total	153	16	155	308

We celebrate our champions for the EurlLCA Master Series and the European Championships:

ILCA 7	EMS winners	European Champions
AM	Ivan Zhukalin UKR	Wannes Van Laer BEL
М	Carlos Echavarri ESP	Adonis Bougiouris GRE
GM	Alan Davis GBR	Roger Schultz GER
GGM	Jose Luis Doreste ESP	Jose Luis Doreste ESP

ILCA 6 Open	EMS winners	European Champions
AM	Khalid Adil UAE	Marcin Rudawski POL
М	Alessandro Pisu ITA	Jon Emmett GBR
GM	lan Jones GBR	Carlos Martinez ESP
GGM	Terry Scutcher GBR	Miguel Noguer ESP
Legend	Jacques Perret SUI	Jonathan Andron USA

ILCA 6 W	EMS winners	European Champions
AM	Alice Grassi ITA	Alice Grassi ITA
M	Alexandra Behrens GER	Marina Sanchez Ferrer ESP
GM	Claudine Tatibouet FRA	Sarah Cockerill GBR
GGM	Heleen Wolters NED	Isabelle Arnoux FRA

And, so to next season.....



The 2025 EurlLCA Master Series calendar is taking shape with 13 dates currently agreed and one more in discussion. Please can all outstanding Bid Forms be returned as soon as possible as these provide the key information for the sailors planning their season ahead.

Dates 2025	Location	Countr v
10-12 January	Ta'Biex	MLT
31 Jan - 2 Feb	St Raphael	FRA S
3-6 April	Calella	ESP
24-26 May	To be confirmed	BEL
29 May - 1 Jun	Brassememeer	NED
7-9 June	Hayling Island	GBR
14-20 June	Europeans Hayling Island	GBR
27-29 June	Carnac	FRA N
10-13 July	Lake Ammersee	GER
18-20 July	Steckborn, Lake Constance	SUI
2-3 August	Nagu	FIN
22-24 August	Kullavik	SWE
5-7 September	Attersee	AUT
12-14 September	Como	ITA
19-28 September	Worlds Formia	ITA

The Masters' formula is based around excellent racing on the water alongside great socials on shore, meeting friends and renewing old acquaintances.

The success of the master series is down to the hard work by the host sailing clubs, their Districts and the many volunteers. All should be congratulated. 2025 promises to be an even bigger year than 2024. Master sailing is truly inclusive with a 55+ year age gap between the youngest and oldest sailors. In 2023 we changed the prizes for the ILCA 6 to Open and Women so that those women who do achieve success within the combined fleets get properly recognised for their achievements. This will continue. All rigs see current, aspiring and past Olympians lining up with all the other master sailors – few sports provide opportunities for club sailors to race against the very best.

To reflect the success of the EurlLCA Master Series, all sailors who compete in 3 or more events will be entered into a draw for new sails at the annual prize-giving in Calella. There will be 3 sails for ILCA 7; 2 sails for ILCA 6 men; and 1 sail for ILCA 6 women. Prize winners do not need to be present – but it helps!

We need to encourage more younger masters and especially women as they are our future. Please promote and support Master sailing in your Districts.



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