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JEAN-CRISTOPHE CACHE (FRA 5592) FIRST LEADER OF THE EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE EUROPE CLASS
Anette Viborg (DEN 1728) leader of the female category

L'Escala, 3rd July 2007. The European Championship of the Europe Class started today with most unfavourable weather conditions for the regatta sailors who faced a very variable wind that complicated the two legs of the day.

The day started in the water at 12.00, to start the first regatta punctually at 13.00. With a very variable wind of 180°-200° and with an intensity of 8 to 13 knots, the difficulties arose when taking the good side to sail and to make the most of the wind. The Frenchman Jean-Cristophe Gache (FRA 5592) dominated the two races and added two victories for the first two regattas of the championship. Behind him, in the first regatta, came Christian Rindom (DEN 4) and the Catalan sailor, Gerard Marín (ESP 436). Without a doubt, the multiple changes of direction of the wind were the reason why regatta racers like Sven Stadel passed the finishing line in twentieth position in the first race. In the female category, the Danish regatta sailor, Anette Viborg (DEN 1727) passed the finishing line first in the first race. Behind her were Aurelie Chaumeil (FRA 5581) and the Finnish racer, Nina Ramm-Schmidt (FIN 8). As with the men, the constant changes of direction of the wind meant that, for example, Helen Montilla came in 16th, not very usual for her.

For the second regatta of the day, the conditions had become even harder, but this time because of an increase in the intensity of the wind which reached 20 knots. The greater intensity during the second regatta, which was hard enough anyway, involved an extra effort by all the regatta sailors, making clear the level each of them has. The French sailor, FRA 5592 was the first person to cross the finishing line, followed by his compatriot, Brice Baizez (FRA 5584) and Sven Stadel (ESP 104). Gerard Marín (ESP 436) was fifth, behind Christian Rindom (DEN4). In the female category, the German sailor Swinda Pfau (GER 28) passed the line first, followed by the Danes, Anette Viborg (DEN 1727) and Sarah Poulsen (DEN 1728). The first Catalan regatta racer was Ariadna Herrándiz (CV Palamós) who came fourth in the second regatta.

Male classification.

1.- Jean-Cristophe Gache (FRA 5592), 2 points; 2.- Christian Rindom (DEN 4), 6 points; 3.- Gerard Marín (ESP 436), 8 points; 4.- Brice Baizez (FRA 5584), 9 points; 5.- Marc Paris (ESP 384), 15 points; 6.- Arne Berg (GER 61), 15 points; 7.- Dani Codina (ESP 636), 18 points; 8.- Sven Stadel (ESP 104), 23 points; 9.- Peter Keller (DEN 1719), 23 points; 10.- Emil Borresen (DEN 1589), 23 points.

Female classification.

1.- Anette Viborg (DEN 1727), 3 points; 2.- Swinda Pfau (GER 28), 10 points; 3.- Nina Ramm-Schmidt (FIN 8), 10 points; 4.- Julia Rita (ESP 533), 13 points; 5.- Ariadna Herrándiz (ESP 667), 15 points; 6.- Auréli Chaumeil (FRA 5581), 16 points; 7.- Ascensión Roca (ESP 250), 16 points; 8.- Aurélie Maury (FRA 5634), 17 points; 9.- Eli Llargués (ESP 500), 19 points; 10.- Claudia Juan (ESP 343), 20 points.



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