



## District 9 Regatta Report

Sun Apr 24th, 2011 through Fri Apr 29th, 2011

## 43rd Semaine Olympique Francaise



Final results for the ISAF World Cup, Hyeres, France.

Day One: Perfect conditions blessed the first day of competition in the Semaine Olympique Francaise, fourth event in the ISAF Sailing World Cup. The easterly breeze in the Mediterranean Sea ranging from 12 to 18 knots in the seven different racing areas, big waves and sun provided for excellent racing in Hyeres and saw many favourites taking the honors.

Americans posted strong scores in the Star, with George Szabo/ Mark Strube and Andrew Campbell/ Ian Coleman in second and third respectively behind Brazil's Robert Scheidt and Bruno Prada.

Day Two: With decreasing winds forecast for later in the week, it was a day of hurry up and wait on day two of the Semaine Olympique Francaise as start times were moved up to stay on schedule, but morning winds proved insufficient for racing. Following postponements, light to medium winds arrived.

The Star class had one of the longest day on the water with three long races. Three places in the top four have given early leaders Robert Scheidt and Bruno Prada (BRA) a ten point lead over George Szabo and Mark Strube (USA). "We arrived at the yacht club early for a 9am start time, but were postponed on shore," noted Szabo. "It was a tough day on the water starting off with a big 30-plus degree wind shift on the first beat of first race. The race committee did a good job getting us three races, although we had lots of recalls. We finally got back on land around 6pm."

Day Three: The objective of the day was to finish the program before the final stage has been reached! Sailing started late due to summery weather, more appropriate for lazing in the shade than sailing a regatta! The chances to conclude the qualifications looked grim but finally by 8PM the last boats came back to the dock after a long day of wait and sail.

Two French teams are in the Star class top three. Guillaume Florent and Pascal Rambeau won the unique race of the day to place second in front of Xavier Rohart and Pierre-Alexis Ponsot, who were second in the race. Robert Scheidt and Bruno Prada keep their earlier overall lead.

Day Four: Despite scoring their worse score so far in the regatta, Robert Scheidt and Bruno Prada (BRA) are conserving the lead in the Star fleet. "We have lead the regatta since day one. We started well and can finish well.

"We are really happy with our results because we had difficult conditions and we raced consistently. There are still four races to go, tomorrow will be a big day so we will see how we go." Today's only race's win went to Croatian Marin Lovrovic and Sinisa Mikulicic (CRO).

Day Five: Last racing before the medal race in the fourth ISAF Sailing World Cup in Hyères concluded with seven early winners in the Olympic and Paralympic classes. Robert Scheidt (BRA) is leaving his print in the Star class, leading the event from day one with crew Bruno Prada. They have already won the event. Second place before the medal race is Xavier Rohart and Pierre-Alexis Ponsot and third to Diego Negri and Enrico Voltolini (ITA).

Medal Race: Robert Scheidt and Bruno Prada (BRA) who had won the event already yesterday, took also the Medal Race. "We had a consistent week, and it is great because the weather conditions were hard and the fleet really strong. We will race a lot this year to try and keep our best level, hopefully until the Olympics."

French team of Xavier Rohart and Pierre-Alexis Ponsot conserved the second place on the podium while 2009 World Champions George Szabo and Mark Strube (USA) took Bronze after a second in the Medal race. "This result is very encouraging. We have worked hard these last months. We have better communication and decisions on the water," explained the French pair.

## Star

1	BRA 8255	SCHEIDT ROBERT	PRADA BRUNO	BRA 8255	Gua	1.0	5.0	4.0	4.0	2.0	3.0	8.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	2	39
2	FRA 8237	Rohart Xavier	Ponsot Pierre Alexis	FRA 8237	NI	3.0	18.0	1.0	6.0	21.0	2.0	11.0	4.0	3.0	14.0	10	72
3	USA 8434	Szabo George	Strube Mark	USA 8434	SDB	5.0	2.0	10.0	9.0	5.0	18.0	7.0	11.0	11.0	9.0	4	73
4	FRA 8270	Florent Guillaume	Rambeau Pascal	FRA 8270	VF	11.0	6.0	29.0	5.0	3.0	1.0	22.0	15.0	15.0	1.0	6	85
5	SUI 8364	Marazzi Flavio	De Maria Enrico	SUI 8364	TB	10.0	4.0	28.0	7.0	4.0	12.0	4.0	17.0	9.0	10.0	8	85
6	USA 8423	Campbell Andrew	Coleman Ian	USA 8423	SDB	8.0	3.0	20.0	8.0	6.0	24.0	9.0	3.0	8.0	11.0	12	88
7	ITA 8266	Negri Diego	Voltolini Enrico	ITA 8266	VE	2.0	19.0	23.0	3.0	1.0	38.0	14.0	1.0	1.0	4.0	20	88
											[OCS]						
8	GER 8340	Stanjek Robert	Kleen Frithjof	GER 8340	BF	4.0	8.0	32.0	13.0	8.0	7.0	10.0	9.0	14.0	20.0	16	109
9	CRO 8339	Lovrovic Marin	Mikulicic Sinisa	CRO 8339	Kv	12.0	12.0	3.0	25.0	11.0	15.0	1.0	12.0	4.0	27.0	18	113
10	USA 8422	Merriman Rick	Von Schwarz JOHN	USA 8422	LH	24.0	7.0	27.0	10.0	18.0	5.0	6.0	22.0	6.0	6.0	14	118

11	GER 8433	Babendererde Johannes	Jacobs Timo	GER 8433	Moh	17.0	1.0	16.0	1.0	14.0	21.0	18.0	20.0	38.0 [BFD]	2.0	---	110
12	USA 8396	Horton Andy	Lyne James	USA 8396	NB	13.0	15.0	13.0	2.0	19.0	10.0	27.0	21.0	10.0	13.0	---	116
13	ITA 8399	Bruni Francesco	Rocca Leone	ITA 8399	Pal	15.0	9.0	38.0 [BFD]	15.0	17.0	11.0	28.0	5.0	12.0	7.0	---	119
14	BRA 8397	Grael Torben	Ferreira Marcelo	BRA 8397	Gua	14.0	17.0	15.0	16.0	9.0	6.0	16.0	7.0	24.0	22.0	---	122
15	ITA 8193	D'Ali Pietro	Colaninno Ferdinando	ITA 8193	Cap	9.0	22.0	2.0	23.0	20.0	23.0	5.0	13.0	7.0	24.0	---	124
16	GRE 8296	Papathanasiou Emillios	Dragoutsis Alexandros	GRE 8296	GR	6.0	25.0	34.0	22.0	25.0	19.0	2.0	18.0	2.0	8.0	---	127
17	CRO 7287	Arapov Mate	Sitic Ante	CRO 7287	Dal	19.0	23.0	24.0	20.0	15.0	4.0	3.0	19.0	25.0	12.0	---	139
18	POL 8412	Grabowski Maciej	Lesinski Lukasz	POL 8412	Isol	7.0	14.0	38.0 [BFD]	11.0	32.0	25.0	20.0	8.0	13.0	18.0	---	148
19	UKR 8247	GUREYEV Vasyi	KOROTKOV Volodymyr	UKR 8247	Ukr	22.0	13.0	12.0	18.0	24.0	33.0	17.0	2.0	26.0	16.0	---	150
20	GER 8414	Polgar Johannes	Koy Markus	GER 8414	Ess	20.0	16.0	25.0	14.0	7.0	28.0	29.0	23.0	16.0	3.0	---	152
21	ESP 8209	Echavarri Fernando	Rodriguez Fernando	ESP 8209	Lar	26.0	10.0	19.0	29.0	16.0	17.0	15.0	16.0	21.0	17.0	---	157
22	AUS 8107	Mckenzie Paul	Toth Phil	AUS 8107	Isol	33.0	24.0	7.0	21.0	10.0	16.0	19.0	26.0	19.0	30.0	--	172
23	NED 8248	Heiner Roy	Van Der Heijden Gert	NED 8248	Hol	38.0 [DNC]	20.0	8.0	17.0	30.0	14.0	21.0	14.0	20.0	38.0 [DNF]	---	182
24	UKR 8343	Datsenko Konstantin	Bazurin Ilya	UKR 8343	Eukr	25.0	29.0	6.0	19.0	26.0	29.0	23.0	24.0	22.0	21.0	---	195
25	ITA 8432	Simeone Luca	Landolfi Vittorio	ITA 8432	Rom	38.0 [DNC]	38.0 [DNC]	9.0	26.0	13.0	8.0	26.0	27.0	27.0	23.0	---	197
26	CRO 8280	Lovrovic Dan	Lovrovic Marin	CRO 8280	Kv	23.0	26.0	30.0	24.0	22.0	20.0	13.0	29.0	18.0	25.0	---	200
27	DEN 8380	Andersen Benny	Just Mogens	DEN 8380	DF	16.0	21.0	26.0	38.0 [OCS]	12.0	30.0	31.0	30.0	17.0	19.0	---	202
28	SUI 8075	Chatagny Jean-Pascal	Ducommun Patrick	SUI 8075	G	28.0	33.0	22.0	27.0	27.0	22.0	32.0	6.0	30.0	15.0	----	209
29	SWE 8254	Carlson Philip	Peterson Benjamin	SWE 8254	Kat	21.0	27.0	18.0	12.0	29.0	26.0	30.0	33.0	23.0	29.0	---	215
30	ITA 8313	Celon Nicola	Natucci Edoardo	ITA 8313	SG	18.0	11.0	33.0	28.0	23.0	9.0	25.0	38.0 [DNC]	38.0 [DNC]	38.0 [DNF]	---	223
31	SUI 7829	Niklaus Michel	Hagin Vincent	SUI 7829	G	27.0	38.0 [DSQ]	17.0	30.0	33.0	13.0	24.0	35.0	31.0	26.0	---	236
32	FRA 7714	Berenguiet Regis	Berenguiet Vincent	FRA 7714	FdeM	30.0	31.0	14.0	34.0	35.0	27.0	12.0	34.0	33.0	33.0	---	248
33	UKR 8119	Bondar Pavlo	Dmytrenko Mykola	UKR 8119	Eukr	29.0	28.0	5.0	35.0	28.0	32.0	35.0	32.0	28.0	32.0	---	249
34	RUS 8359	Berezhnoy Andrey	Masalov Sergey	RUS 8359	VO	38.0 [DNC]	38.0 [DNC]	31.0	31.0	34.0	31.0	33.0	25.0	32.0	31.0	----	286
35	SUI 8085	Zimmermann Lorenz	Stegmeier Beat	SUI 8085	LuV	38.0 [OCS]	38.0 [DNC]	35.0	32.0	31.0	34.0	34.0	28.0	29.0	28.0	---	289
36	ITA 8202	Nazzaro Paolo	Matteucci Fabio	ITA 8202	LdB	32.0	30.0	21.0	38.0 [OCS]	37.0	35.0	36.0	31.0	34.0	34.0	---	290
37	ISV 8451	Foster John	Foster Johnny	ISV 8451	Isol	31.0	32.0	11.0	33.0	36.0	36.0	37.0	38.0 [DNC]	38.0 [DNC]	38.0 [DNF]	---	292

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