



ISCYRA Regatta Report

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2010 South American Championship



Regatta Base

Results for five races from November 26 to Nov. 28.

Star South American Championship begins with seven World Champions Competing

By ESPBR Esporte Brasil, November 25, 2009

The presence of seven world champions at the 2010 Star South American Championship, being sailed at the late Clube do Rio de Janeiro, makes it one of the strongest fleets in the history of this event. A total of 60 boats will be competing from Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Spain, United States, France, Greece, England, Germany, Italy, Portugal, Switzerland and Sweden. They are sailing eight races, two per day, with a drop race allowed after the fifth race.

"It is a preview for the 2010 Worlds," said Torben Grael. The Star World Championship will be 12 January to the 23rd, also on Guanabara Bay and at the Yacht Club of Rio de Janeiro. The South American Championship is hosting the best Star sailors of Brazil, highlighting Lars Grael and Ronald Seifert, who were bronze medalist at the 2009 Worlds and winners of the Royal Thames, which ended on Sunday, results that qualify the partnership as a favorite.

Lars Grael is the current South American champion from January 2009, sailing with Marcelo Jordao. Torben Grael and Marcelo Ferreira, twice champions of the Olympic Star class, Robert Scheidt and Bruno Prada, also medalists at the 2008 Olympics and world champions in Cascais / 2007, are reviving the Brazilian duels in the class. Among the foreign entrants are George Szabo and Rick Peters, world champions at Sweden in August 2009, and the Swiss Flavio Marazzi and Enrico De Maria, current leaders of the Star rankings worldwide.

Besides the Brazilian helmsmen Alan Adler, Robert Scheidt and Torben Grael, the other world champions who will be skippering at the South American are: George Szabo (USA), Xavier Rohart (FRA), Ross MacDonald (CAN) and Frederick Loof (SWE).

To Torben Grael, not having sailing in the Star with Marcelo Ferreira for two years because of his ocean sailing campaigns, the South American "is the opportunity for more training to to do well in the World Championship." Torben said that, as there are be seven world champions skippering, this is a balanced competition and provides the luxury of high-level training for the Worlds.

November 27 and 28 reports by Lynn Fitzpatrick, worldregattas.com

Torben Grael (BRA) returned to Brazil after claiming his World Sailor of the Year Award in Korea and has taken an early lead at the Star South American Championship in Rio de Janeiro. Grael is teamed up with Marcello Ferreira. The pair has claimed a Star World Championship title and two Olympic Gold Medals together.

Poised one point behind the Brazilian superstars are Falvio Marazzi and Enrico De Maria (SUI). The Swiss are eager to win their first Star World Championship and are at the top of the ISAF rankings. They have been in Brazil training for the 2010 Star World Championship and the South American Championship is proving to be a good tune-up regatta. The Swiss trail the Brazilians in the regatta standings by one point after three races. They have 13 points.

The 70-boat fleet at the 2009 Star South American Championship, hosted by late Clube du Rio de Janeiro is an exceptional turnout (see above). The sailors are experiencing moderate to windy conditions.

Mark Mendelblatt and John Von Schwarz (USA) top the North American entries. They are in third place, with 25 points, following the completion of three races. Rick Merriman and Phil Trinter (USA) are in fifth with 33 points.

Lars Grael is teamed up again with Ronald Siefert (BRA). After taking third place in the 2009 Star World Championship in Varberg, Sweden, the pair sits in fourth place in this week's championship.

Nov. 28 - Marazzi/DeMaria Lead Star South American Championship

Results are provisional, and it looks as if Flavio Marazzi and Enrico De Maria (SUI) amassed a nearly unassailable lead today at the Star South American Championship. The ISAF ranked #1 team posted a 7, 2 to their score while Torben Grael and Marcelo Ferreira (BRA), who were ahead of them by one point going into the day, had two double-digit scores and slipped to third place overall.

Past Star World Champion skipper, Alan Adler, sailing with Guilherme Almeida (BRA) also passed Grael and Ferreira with their low point score for the day. They sailed a remarkable 3,4 in the 70-boat fleet.

By discarding a deep 23rd place, two-time Star World Champion, Freddy Loof, sailing with Johann Tillander (SWE) moved up to fourth. Fewer than 20 points separate 2nd through 10th place. Six Star world championship winning skippers are included in the lot.

Marazzi and De Maria are the only team that has posted single digit scores in each race. Expect them to remain consistent.

If the final day of racing is in light air, watch out for Lars Grael and Ronald Seifert (BRA), who are sitting in fifth place, with 31 points following the discard. They are also on a roll after having placed third at the 2009 Star World Championship and winning last week's warm up regatta, the 2009 Taca Royal Thames. The rest of the Brazilians and a number of other teams savor heavy air, so anything can happen during the final day of racing on Sunday.

Official Results:

Star

Place	Boat	Skipper	Crew	Sail # : Fleet	1	2	3	4	5	Total
1	SUI 8364	Marazzi Flavio	De Maria Enrico	8364 TB	8.0	4.0	1.0	7.0	2.0	14
2	BRA 8210	Adler Alan	Almeida Guilherme	8210 RdJ	21.0	9.0	7.0	3.0	4.0	23
3	BRA 8397	Grael Torben	Ferreira Marcelo	8397 Gua	5.0	5.0	2.0	12.0	14.0	24
4	SWE 8387	Loof Fredrik	Tillander John	8387 Bk	17.0	1.0	23.0	6.0	3.0	27
5	BRA 8392	GRAEL LARS	SEIFERT RONALD	8392 Par	11.0	6.0	12.0	8.0	6.0	31
6	POR 8309	Domingos Afonso	Melo Frederico	8309 CP	18.0	26.0	4.0	5.0	5.0	32
7	CAN 8398	Macdonald Ross	Lekszycki Andre	8398 EB	22.0	19.0	5.0	1.0	11.0	36
8	USA 8389	Mendelblatt Mark	Von Schwarz John	8389 TaB	4.0	15.0	6.0	13.0	32.0	38
9	BRA 8394	SCHEIDT ROBERT	PRADA BRUNO	8255 GuA	15.0	2.0	24.0	34.0	1.0	42
10	USA 8273	Szabo George	Peters Rick	8273 SDB	6.0	64.0 [DSQ]	9.0	9.0	18.0	42.0001
11	GBR 8333	Gimson John	Greig Ed	8025 SO	14.0	17.0	20.0	4.0	9.0	44
12	USA 8362	Merriman Rick	Trinter Phil	8362 LH	7.0	7.0	19.0	37.0	12.0	45
13	USA 8361	Campbell Andrew	Nichol Brad	8361 BisB	2.0	29.0	10.0	14.0	23.0	49
14	FRA 8237	Rohart Xavier	Ponsot Pierre Alexis	8237 NI	13.0	14.0	42.0	19.0	10.0	56
15	ARG 8211	Rigoni Alejo	Percossi Juan Pablo	8211 BA	9.0	20.0	30.0	22.0	8.0	59
16	GER 8378	Babendererde Johannes	Jacobs Tino	8378 Moh	3.0	8.0	36.0	36.0	13.0	60
17	BRA 8282	PASCOLATO ALESSANDRO	Boening Henry	8282 GuB	23.0	3.0	14.0	20.0	25.0	60.0001
18	GER 8296	Stanjek Robert	Stanjek Philipp	8340 BF	1.0	18.0	51.0	26.0	16.0	61
19	GER 8299	Miller Matthias	Wenk Benedickt	8299 UB	33.0	11.0	11.0	42.0	7.0	62
20	BRA 8283	Brun Gastao	Kunze Gustavo	8283 BA	12.0	40.0	15.0	27.0	19.0	73
21	GER 8140	Merkelbach Hubert	Kleen Frithjof	8140 UB	34.0	10.0	41.0	15.0	24.0	83
22	GBR 8396	Razmilovic Ante	Wolfs Mike	8316 NFB	29.0	13.0	18.0	29.0	58.0	89
23	ARG 7966	Labandeira Julio	Thomson Valentin	7966 OL	30.0	22.0	25.0	16.0	38.0	93
24	ARG 8381	Kouyoumdjian Juan	Colla Alejandro	8381 Lar	35.0	12.0	34.0	31.0	17.0	94
25	GRE 8183	Papathanasiou Emilios	Papastefanou Pachos	8138 GR	26.0	28.0	8.0	50.0	34.0	96
26	ESP 8297	Echavarri Erasun Fernando	Rodriguez Rivero Fernando	8297 Lar	16.0	27.0	17.0	39.0	42.0	99
27	BRA 8300	FICKER PETER	Oliveira Ubiratan	8300 SAN	42.0	36.0	3.0	32.0	29.0	100
28	BRA 8284	Raulino Gabriel	Rosas Juliano	8284 Par	51.0	34.0	28.0	11.0	27.0	100
29	BRA 7772	Da Fonseca Francisco	Floricke Manfredo	7772 Cop	24.0	38.0	32.0	25.0	20.0	101
30	BRA 8337	Cunha Renato	Ermel Ricardo	8337 RdJ	27.0	32.0	35.0	28.0	15.0	102
31	BRA 8172	Mirsky Andre	JORDÃO MARCELO	6475 RdJ	37.0	42.0	16.0	24.0	35.0	112
32	USA 7885	Bonanni Claude	Burgess Richard	8279 TaB	52.0	30.0	52.0	2.0	30.0	114
33	GER 8109	Polgar Johanes	Koy Markus	8109 Ess	25.0	16.0	40.0	40.0	47.0	121
34	BRA 8145	Bodra Fabio Barbosa	Lopes Arthur	8145 SP	39.0	21.0	64.0 [DNC]	21.0	40.0	121
35	BRA 8393	Carabelli Horacio	Gonzalez Gustavo	8393 RdJ	10.0	23.0	53.0	45.0	49.0	127
36	GER 8016	Rauch Hubert	Schapeler Ingo	8016 And	49.0	50.0	37.0	18.0	26.0	130
37	BRA 7284	Castro Cesar	Montezuma Afonso	7284 Par	58.0	46.0	31.0	17.0	37.0	131
38	BRA 7441	Bueno Mauricio	Zarif Jorge Joao	7441 GuB	45.0	64.0 [DNF]	21.0	23.0	46.0	135
39	SUI 8034	Erzeberger Peter	Goncalves Samuel	8296 TB	40.0	53.0	43.0	10.0	43.0	136
40	ARG 7777	Della Torre Gerardo	Latour Guillermo	7777 BA	31.0	25.0	26.0	56.0	54.0	136
41	USA 8067	HORNOS Tomas	HORNOS Luis	8067 BH	38.0	24.0	33.0	43.0	50.0	138
42	ITA 8242	Boggi Lucio	Colaninno Ferdinando	8242 Gar	44.0	33.0	47.0	41.0	22.0	140
43	ITA 8390	Barovier Alberto	Griggio Cristian	8390 SG	64.0 [DNC]	64.0 [DNC]	27.0	30.0	21.0	142

44	BRA 8251	Conrad Reinaldo	Ostergreen Lucas	8251	GuB	28.0	43.0	38.0	35.0	59.0	144
45	BRA 7770	Dohnert Carlos	Ilha Fernando	7770	Cop	48.0	51.0	13.0	60.0	36.0	148
46	SUI 8085	Zimmermann Lorenz	Hollweg Nils	8085	LUV	43.0	35.0	55.0	33.0	45.0	156
47	ARG 7700	Della Torre Daniel Gustavo	Barroso Julian Gazari	7700	BA	47.0	45.0	22.0	52.0	44.0	158
48	BRA 8287	Reis Luiz Andre	Moura Renato	8287	Par	41.0	41.0	44.0	54.0	33.0	159
49	BRA 7884	Valerio Ricardo	Cabete Henrique	7884	SP	46.0	44.0	29.0	46.0	41.0	160
50	ITA 7556	Fornaro Andrea	Capociuchi Riccardo	7556	LdB	32.0	64.0 [DNF]	49.0	53.0	28.0	162
51	BRA 7590	King John Albert	Macpherson Norman	7590	Cop	19.0	31.0	50.0	64.0 [DNC]	64.0 [DNC]	164
52	CHI 7972	Gimeno Vicente Pablo	Riegel Robert	7972	Val	60.0	37.0	39.0	51.0	39.0	166
53	BRA 8049	Raulino Guilherme	Lagoa Marcos	8049	Par	20.0	39.0	46.0	64.0 [DNC]	64.0 [DNC]	169
54	ARG 7909	Perez Jorge Oscar	Tufarolo Marcelo	7909	OL	56.0	56.0	62.0	44.0	31.0	187
55	BRA 8039	Goretkin Sergio	Cruz Renato	8212	RdJ	36.0	49.0	60.0	49.0	53.0	187
56	BRA 8046	Valentim Renato	Buchli Jr Arno	8046	GuB	62.0	48.0	54.0	38.0	48.0	188
57	BRA 8391	Gonzaga Neto Admar	Figueiredo De Freitas Alexandre	8391	Par	57.0	47.0	45.0	59.0	55.0	204
58	BRA 8117	Caruso Bruno Manzoli	Bremer Rolf	8117	GuB	50.0	55.0	58.0	47.0	52.0	204
59	BRA 7212	Goretkin Filho Sergio	Moraes Rodolfo	7212	RdJ	55.0	64.0 [DNS]	56.0	48.0	51.0	210
60	BRA 7823	Almeida Joao Marcos	Bunge Manuel	7823	Cop	54.0	54.0	48.0	57.0	56.0	212
61	BRA 7826	Alves Cesar	Dumont Alex	7826	Par	53.0	64.0 [DNF]	57.0	55.0	57.0	222
62	ARG 8061	Pietrangeli Mario	Wessel Frederico	8061	OL	59.0	52.0	59.0	64.0 [DNF]	64.0 [DNC]	234
63	CHI 7310	Schiappacasse Domenico	Schiappacasse Manlio	7310	Val	61.0	57.0	61.0	58.0	60.0	236

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