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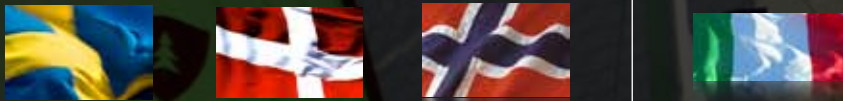
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THE NESL CONCEPT



The world of sailing is changing! We have all seen the new formats of America's cup and the development over the years of Extreme Sailing Series. We are moving towards the successes of other sports and extracting all good features from their concepts, both from an athletes point of view as well as spectators and media. NESL is designed for such purposes, but aimed at the broad body of sailors. Welcome to the future concept of sail racing.

Time is an essential issue in today's society and a very important aspect of the NESL Concept. The racing is served on a silver platter for all participating teams demanding only a minimum of time spent for a maximum of sail racing and social experience.

The core feature to provide this is of course racing with provided boats. The NESL organization owns the boats, keeps them in immaculate condition for racing and handles all transports to the different venues.

When the crews arrive to the venue the boats are in water, trimmed identical and all ready for the day's race. You just dress for the occasion and enjoy the ride!

However, the NESL Concept is not just one regatta with provided boats, but rather a complete season for the crews. We have four base venues, one summer (vacation) venue and one finals venue. These are located in Sweden, Denmark, Norway and Italy. The base cities are Stockholm, Oslo, Gothenburg and Copenhagen, the summer venue is Tanumstrand and we wrap up the season with a final weekend at the absolutely stunning venue of Lake Garda.

Each crew will have a total of 8 racing days plus the finals weekend at Garda. 4 of these will be in the team's hometown, and 4 will be in each of the other cities, including the summer venue. This means you travel to 4 venues, easily and economically reached by both airplane and train. Remember the boats and organization are in place without any effort from the teams!

An NESL team consists of 3 persons or more. There are no weight limits and no restrictions as to who is sailing for the team. You are free to change team members as you like. However you may not be part of two teams at the same time.

The teams are free to have their own sponsors and an area on the sail is reserved for the team as well as space on the website along with some common advertisement for the NESL.

The NESL 2012 has 36 team spots, divided equally among the 4 base venues. This means there are 9 open spots for Stockholm based crews, 9 for Oslo, 9 for Gothenburg and 9 for Copenhagen.

A strict schedule is set up where 12 teams race each day. This means that there is one or more NESL race day virtually every week during the season providing a continuous flow of events and adjustments to the series scoring board. All teams must show up for the assigned races.

Of course this is not only a competition between the teams, we will also crown the best city in the NESL City Challenge along with more featured events and scorings.


The NESL Concept is extremely scalable both from a geographical point of view as well as expansion of participating teams. For the season of 2013 we will see a grading concept to divide the teams into divisions along with new complementing attractive venues.

This complete sail racing and event season is offered at only 900 SEK per person and month. So take a long needed leap into the future and join the NESL way of sail racing!

* 900 kr per person and month in 12 months (at least 3 persons in the team, but if the team has more than 3 members, those are free of charge). Alternatively 10 000 SEK per person in advance (at least 3 persons in the team, but if the team has more than 3 members, those are free of charge).



VENUES & DATES

MAY	LEAGUE PART I	STOCKHOLM	
JUNE	LEAGUE PART II	OSLO	
JULY	SUMMER VENUE	TANUMSTRAND	
AUGUST	LEAGUE PART III	GOTHEBURG	
SEPTEMBER	LEAGUE PART IV	COPENHAGEN	
OCTOBER	FINALS	LAKE GARDA	

The NESL 2012 starts in Stockholm, at the location of Sail Stockholm, in the middle of the beautiful capital of Sweden. The racing course is just outside City Hall, and along the shores of Norr- and Söder Mälärstrand as well as the surrounding bridges there are plenty of perfect hang outs for sailors and spectators.

All venues are handpicked to provide a unique experience and atmosphere both on and off the race course. All places are easily reached either by airplane or train, as well as car of course.

The league moves on to Oslo for June. All boats are loaded on our NESL Truck, moved to Oslo over night and set up the next day to be all ready when the NESL Sailors arrive. Just like Stockholm, we race in the middle of the city.

During July we take a short break. However, for 2 weeks we visit the summer resort of Tanumstrand and from there we move on to Gothenburg and then wrap up the main series in Copenhagen.

From here the NESL moves to the beautiful Lake of Garda in Italy. The perfect place to end a wonderful season and run the finals of the NESL during one weekend! This is also where we'll start the season of 2013, a bit earlier than we can do in the Nordic countries....





THE FORMAT

Short and fast sprint races with a fleet of 6 provided all new boats, the CB66 NESL Edition. We race close to shore with 12 teams each day on courses adapted to the purpose.

The boats are identical, with identical gear; but to ensure fair competition the crews are assigned boats by lottery and switched accordingly when changing crews.

To make sure that the commitment of time for the crews is at an acceptable level, all regattas are single day regattas, meaning they are completed during one day.

THE BOAT

We use a slightly modified version of a CB66 Racer, the CB66 NESL Edition. Some small improvements are made but for the season of 2012 the main new feature is the new, mast top gennaker measuring 52 sqm! More enhancing features to come...

CB⁶⁶
NESL EDITION

Length: 6,60 m
Width: 2,10 m
Weight: 500 kg
Main: 18 sqm
Jib: 7,5 sqm
Gennaker: 52 sqm



GRAND PRIZE SCORING

In all regattas you earn tickets valid for winning the Range Rover Evoque just by participating. If you also perform well you are rewarded with extra tickets as shown below.

Each racing day a 'Racing Day Scoring', RDC, will apply leaving us with a winner of the day as well as all the other positions down to the last. By participating in the racing day you earn 20 tickets. The winner of the RDC will earn an extra 20 tickets, the second runner up 15 extra tickets and the third runner up 10 extra tickets. From there on down to the last place you will earn a number of tickets equal to 12 minus your place.

At the end of the NESL a lottery based on all distributed tickets will be conducted. The winner of the lottery will be awarded the NESL Grand Prize, the Range Rover Evoque!

Even if you do not perform that well your chances are still quite high to win the Grand Prize, and if you perform well....

PARTICIPATION - 20 TICKETS						
FIRST PLACE +20 TICKETS		SECOND PLACE +15 TICKETS			THIRD PLACE +10 TICKETS	
4 th +7 TICKETS	5 th +6 TICKETS	6 th +5 TICKETS	7 th +4 TICKETS	8 th +3 TICKETS	9 th +2 TICKETS	10 th +1 TICKET

LEAGUE SCORING

In addition to the Grand Prize Scoring there is of course a complementing League Scoring, more from the athletically competitive point of view. This scoring will provide the league scoring board with the continuous changes the NESL Concept offers.

The main trophy of this scoring is of course the great honor of being the best sailor...! However this scoring also will be a basis for a prize giving. You can expect a nice set of prizes, maybe not as grand as the Range Rover Evoque, but still....

Each race day the teams collect points in the overall league. Given the concept, naturally the score a team has at one particular point of time must be evaluated in relation to how many sailing days that team has competed as well as the expected competition in the remaining.

After the main series is completed in Copenhagen all teams have raced against each other an equal amount of times. This means that we have a final result for the main series. The top 18 teams are directly qualified to the finals at Lake Garda, Italy. The other 18 teams are invited to Lake Garda, giving them a second qualifying round. The 6 best teams from this round will qualify to the finals where the 24 teams compete to be the number one NESL crew 2012!

