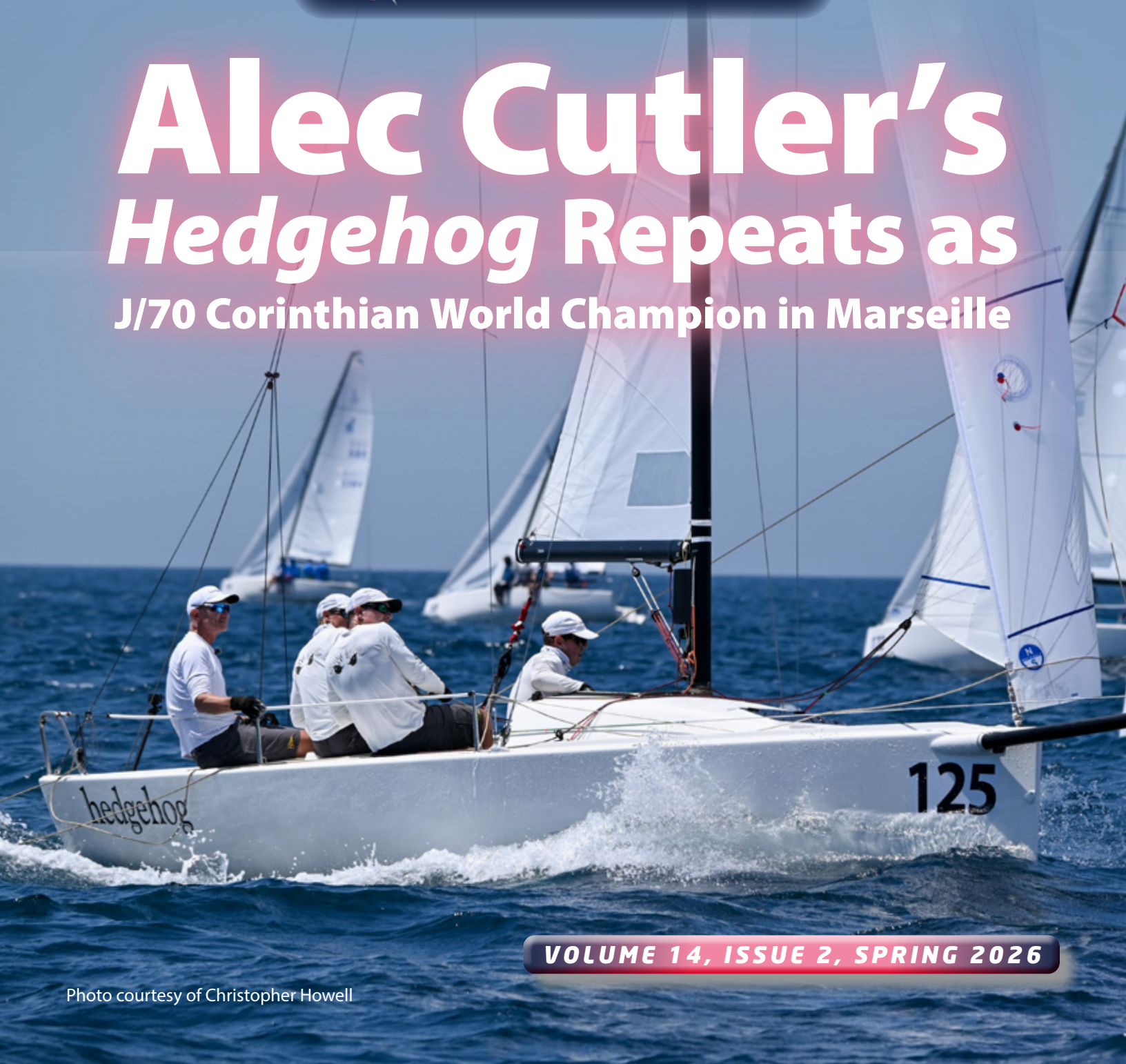


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Alec Cutler's *Hedgehog* (BER) successfully defended its title at the 2026 J/70 Corinthian World Championship, hosted by Club La Pelle and Union Nautique Marseillaise, claiming victory by a commanding 10-point margin after seven races sailed over five days in Marseille France May 26-30.

The Championship brought together 88 teams representing 20 nations, showcasing the very best of amateur keelboat racing in a week defined by challenging conditions, patience, camaraderie and adaptable race management.

Cutler and his crew of Charles Pucciariello, Keith Davids and Brad Rodi—former United States Naval Academy sailors who have competed together for decades—finished with 23 net points after discarding a 27th-place result in the opening race. From there, *Hedgehog* delivered an impressive and remarkably consistent series of 2, 1, 2, 11, 4 and 3.

The victory marks back-to-back Corinthian World Championship titles for Cutler, who also won the 2025 event. "We all sailed together in college," said Cutler. "It's very special to be able to sail with your friends."



It's the way Corinthian sailing should be. We very much enjoy our time together, and the sailing is a bonus." Reflecting on the venue, Cutler added, "Marseille was technically challenging sailing. We are probably the oldest boat by average age, so we have more patience. We have a good time and rely on the Race Committee to do a good job."

Australia's Sam Haynes aboard *Celestial* finished second overall with 33 points, while Estonia's Tonu Toniste and *Lenny* completed the podium in third with 39 points. Both teams were formidable

contenders throughout the Championship, consistently posting top finishes and remaining firmly in the hunt for the title until the final day of racing.

The final race of the Championship was sailed Saturday, May 30 after competitors waited ashore under AP postponement while organizers monitored conditions for the expected seabreeze. The patience paid off as an 8-9 knot breeze filled across the racecourse, allowing Race 7 to get underway. Winds eased slightly to 6-7 knots on the final downwind leg.



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Spain's Juan Calvo Boronat, helming *Let It Be*, captured the final race victory, followed by Denmark's Frederik Hvalsoe aboard *Sassy* in second and overall champion *Hedgehog* in third.

While Marseille delivered variable winds throughout the week, the event also featured sunshine, warm temperatures and spectacular Mediterranean scenery. Sailors embraced the true Corinthian spirit both on and off the water, with a friendly atmosphere permeating the regatta village and crews gathering each evening to share stories, food and drinks under the setting sun.

Special awards were presented to several standout teams:

Top Helmswoman

Nevra Eker, with all-female team Melis Baykan, Ceren Celayir, Feyza Kayran Gul and Melike Asci (TUR)

Top Young Team

Simon Kaiser, Niklas Kaiser, Carlos Biber and Philip Kleisner (SUI)

Top Mixed Plus Team

Lorenz Kausche, Timon Kausche, Morgane Emery and Chloé Fischer (SUI)

The organizers extended their gratitude to the Race Committee, volunteers, sponsors, Club La Pelle, Union Nautique Marseillaise and all competitors whose enthusiasm and sportsmanship helped make the Championship a memorable celebration of Corinthian sailing.



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FINAL TOP TEN

1. Alec Cutler (BER) – 23 points
2. Sam Haynes (AUS) – 33 points
3. Tonu Toniste (EST) – 39 points
4. Andrew Loe (USA) – 47 points
5. Maria Bover Guerrero (ESP) – 50 points
6. Kim Christensen (DEN) – 55 points
7. Frederik Hvalsoe (DEN) – 66 points
8. Robert Davis (AUS) – 84 points
9. Harry Twomey (IRL) – 89 points
10. Haluk Babacan (TUR) – 96 points

The 2026 J/70 Corinthian World Championship featured teams from Australia, Bermuda, Denmark, Estonia, France, Great Britain, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Mexico, Monaco, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Spain, Switzerland, Sweden, Turkey and the United States, underscoring the truly international appeal of one-design Corinthian competition.

DAY ONE RECAP: The Championship officially opened under sunshine and warm Mediterranean temperatures, as sailors completed one race in shifty conditions. The breeze began at 7-9 knots before softening near the second weather mark to 5-7 knots, then filling back to 7-9 knots by the finish. Only one race was completed as the winds dropped by late afternoon. Despite the changing conditions, the top 10 or so teams remained remarkably consistent throughout the race. Leading the standings after this opening contest was Robert Davis aboard *Nutcracker* (AUS). In second was Stefano Roberti sailing *Piccinina* (MON), while Andrew Loe's *Dime* (USA) held third. Beyond the competition on the water, racers christened the Championship with a Parade of Nations the prior night for the fourth annual Corinthian Worlds at the venue which hosted the 2024 Olympic sailing games.

DAY TWO RECAP: Wednesday saw another challenging day of light and variable conditions on the Golfe de Marseille. Competitors again completed one race as the Race Committee worked patiently through a delayed seabreeze that didn't arrive as forecasted. Teams set off in the morning anticipating the early thermal, but after an AP postponement afloat, officials moved the course farther offshore in search of more stable pressure. The new racing area delivered 8-10 knots for the setup, with Race 2 beginning in 7-9 knots under brilliant sunshine. As the race progressed, the breeze steadily faded, forcing the Race Committee to shorten the course at the second weather mark as winds dropped to 5-6 knots. Australia's Sam Haynes and *Celestial* led the Championship after posting the win in Wednesday's race. Norway's Kristoffer Spone aboard *Bagdad II* sat second overall, while the United States' Loe and *Dime* were third. *Celestial* captured victory in Race 2, followed by Bermuda's Alec Cutler and *Hedgehog* in second, with France's Denis Infante aboard *Euro-Voiles* taking third. After racing, competitors returned ashore to another vibrant evening along the Marseille waterfront village, enjoying the summer-like weather and international camaraderie.

DAY THREE RECAP: The fleet enjoyed the conditions they had been waiting for on Thursday. The Championship delivered three excellent races in classic Mediterranean conditions, bringing the regatta total to five races. The day's full schedule introduced the discard race, reshuffling portions of the leaderboard and rewarding teams that combined consistency with clean racing. Competitors were greeted by sparkling seas, sunshine, warm temperatures and steadily building breeze throughout the afternoon—champagne sailing conditions in every sense. The opening race began in 7-9 knots before increasing to 8-10 in race four, with the breeze shifting slightly right. By the final race of the day, a stable 10-12 knot seabreeze settled across the course. At the top of the standings, Bermuda's Alec Cutler and the team aboard *Hedgehog* maintained their impressive form and led the Championship with 16 net points. Just two points behind was Andrew Loe's *Dime* from the United States at 18 net points. Thursday's racing produced a variety of race winners and podium finishers across the highly competitive fleet. In Race 3, Cutler's *Hedgehog* took the victory ahead of Robert Davis' *Nutcracker* of Australia and Tonu Toniste's *Lenny* of Estonia. Italy's Gianfranco Noe steered *White Hawk* to victory in Race 4,



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followed by *Hedgehog* and Denmark's Kim Christensen aboard *Soffe*. Race 5 belonged to Mexico's Ignacio Perez and *Zaguero*, with Loe's *Dime* finishing second and Great Britain's Ali Hall aboard *Calypso* claiming third. Off the water, the atmosphere in the regatta village reflected the day's outstanding conditions, with smiling sailors and electric energy carrying well into the evening.

DAY FOUR RECAP: The leaderboard tightened even further Friday, as the fleet completed one race before unstable conditions shut down further racing for

the day. Winds began at 6-7 knots, building briefly to 9 knots before easing back to 7-8 with a left shift challenging teams throughout the course. Andrew Loe's *Dime* (USA) delivered a critical victory in Race 6 to move into the overall lead heading into the finale. They sat atop the standings with 19 net points, just one ahead of Alec Cutler's *Hedgehog* (BER) on 20 points. Sam Haynes's *Celestial* (AUS) remained firmly in contention in third overall with 28 net points. Denis Infante's *Euro-Voiles* (FRA) placed second in Friday's lone completed race, while Juan Calvo Boronat helmed *Let It Be* (ESP) to third.



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Spain Report



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Photo: ©Noa García. The Galician fleet headed out early in the morning but managed to complete only one race.

J/70 Winter Season in Spain Confirms Barcelona as Europe's New Sailing Hub

The 2025-26 winter season of the J/70 Class in Spain once again confirmed the excellent momentum currently enjoyed by the fleet, with intense activity both on the Atlantic and Mediterranean coasts and an extremely highly competitive level at every event held throughout the winter.

In Vigo, the Atlantic Sailway Series were often marked by unstable weather conditions and a lack of wind, which affected the number of races completed. Nevertheless, teams such as *Abril Verde*, *Marnatura* and *Pazo de Cea* played a leading role in a very close battle for the top positions within the Galician fleet. *Abril Verde*

managed to secure victory during one of the most difficult weekends of the winter, while *Marnatura* delivered a flawless performance in March by winning all three races sailed, establishing itself as one of the strongest teams in the Atlantic circuit.

However, the main spotlight of the winter season was once again on Barcelona, where the International Barcelona Winter Series firmly established themselves as one of the leading J/70 circuits in Europe. The Catalan capital consistently gathered between 28 and 30 teams from up to 12 different countries, confirming both the international appeal of the event and the outstanding organizational level of the Real Club Náutico de Barcelona.

Spain Report

Competition remained extremely tight throughout the seven events held between September and March, with teams such as *Noticia*, *HSN Sailing Team*, *Bodega Can Marlès*, *HangTen*, and the Danish teams *Sirena Chico* and *Sassy* constantly fighting for podium positions. *Noticia*, helmed by Luis Martín Cabiedes, was one of the standout performers of the winter, taking several race wins and remaining in contention for the overall podium until the very end.

The circuit concluded in March with *HangTen* winning the final event, while *HSN Sailing Team* claimed the overall title of the 2025-26 Barcelona Winter Series after seven events and 58 races sailed. The consistency of the Canary Islands team proved decisive in a fleet characterized by remarkable equality and an exceptionally high standard.

Photo: ©Óscar Torveo. Luis Martín Cabiedes' Noticia confirmed its excellent form in Barcelona, establishing itself as one of the strongest Spanish teams.



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Barcelona delivered excellent racing conditions throughout the three days, with pleasant temperatures and winds ranging between 7 and 12 knots, allowing a total of nine races to be completed.*

The clearest confirmation of this success is the upcoming 2026 J/70 European Championship, scheduled to take place in Barcelona this July, which already has 100 registered

teams and nearly 30 additional boats on the waiting list — figures that perfectly reflect the extraordinary moment currently being experienced by the class in Spain.

Spain Report

The major international highlight of the year will be the J/70 European Championship,

organized by the Real Club Náutico de Barcelona from July 18-25.





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2026 J/70 Mixed Plus World Championship

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It is still an option to join the J/70 Mixed Plus Worlds at Skovshoved Harbor in Denmark. For those of you not having tried to race the Mixed Plus concept, this is for sure the regatta to join.

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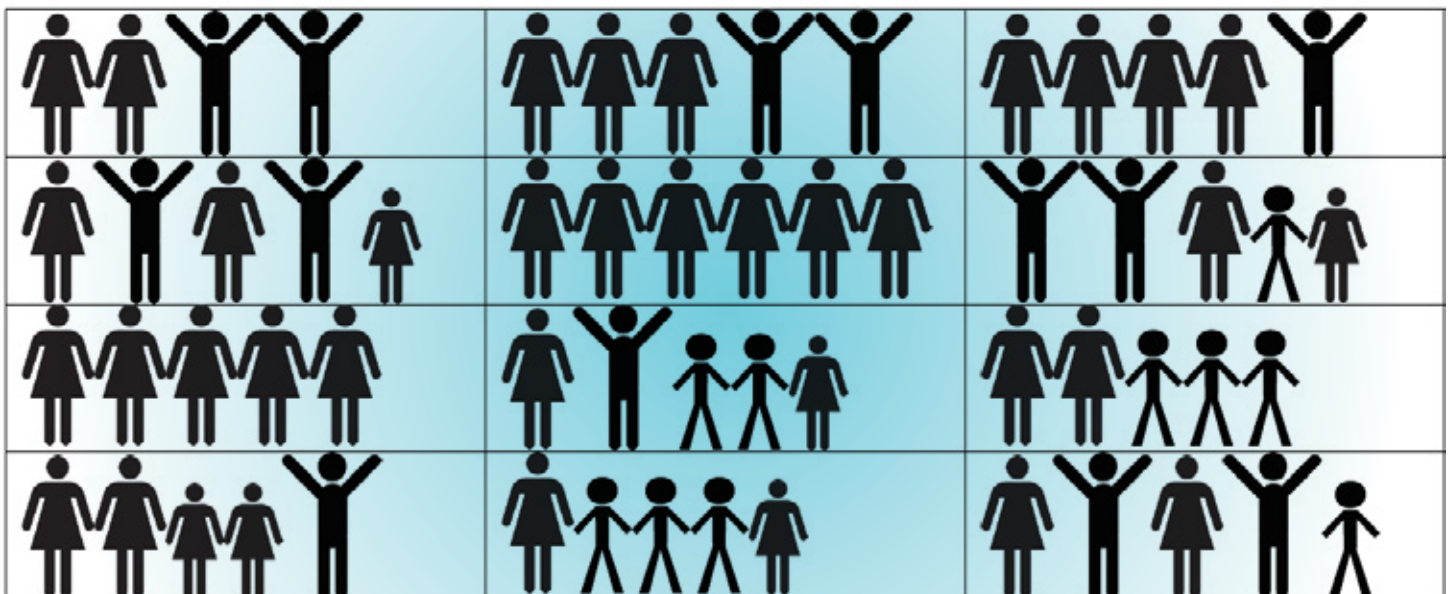
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See you in Denmark!



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By Mark Foster,

IJ70CA Technical Committee Chair

The International J/70 Class Association (IJ70CA) is working with World Sailing on moving Part III EVENT RULES into the rest of the Class Rules to conform with World Sailing guidelines. This wording has been finalized, and the International Technical Committee (ITC) has requested for the updates to not go into effect until December 1, 2026. We do not want to disrupt all the Notices of Race that are published for major Championships being hosted through 2026.

The ITC has a few other Rules proposals we are looking to review from feedback with the inspection teams at the major Championships.

If you have a Class Rule you would like to discuss, please send me your thoughts and the ITC will review to see how it might be implemented.

As always, J/70 Class Rules are closed—which means if it doesn't say specifically you can, then by the Class Rules you cannot.

This includes how you fair the center seam, and the things you can do within the Rules for the keel, keel wedges and rudder.

As the membership knows, the IJ70CA has adopted Vakaros RaceSense for all major regattas with great success. The Class has a complete set of equipment and is ready to support regattas. Contact Chris Howell for more information on how to take advantage of RaceSense at your next major regatta.

To get the best performance from your Atlas 2 and RaceSense:

1. It is recommended by the J/70 Class Technical Chair and Vakaros that the Atlas 2 should be the top unit in the stack of instruments.
2. You should calibrate your unit before the start of a regatta.

These two recommendations should help you get the best performance during your next regatta.

For more information on Vakaros and RaceSense you can visit <https://vakaros.com/pages/racesense> to learn more. Just a few things that RaceSense does for you: eliminate pinging, immediate OCS calls, two-boat starting line, eliminate starting penalty flags, zone notification and it calls the finishes. It gets the close downwind finishes correct.

LOOKING AHEAD

The Technical Committee is looking forward to seeing members at the Corinthian Worlds in Marseille, Europeans in Barcelona, Mixed-Plus Worlds in Copenhagen, Worlds in Cascais, North Americans in Annapolis and South Americans in Chile. The Class continues to mature as 99% of the boats attending Championships already have MDs, most sails are coming certified from a loft, and we increasingly use the event self-compliance form. This has made the measurement process go a bit faster and be less cumbersome to the members and measurement team. To continue with inspection, we do random spots checks, which has been working well.

I am honored as I travel to work with the talented measurers and members of the IJ70CA Technical Committee to make our Class even better. It is in great shape with all the work the Technical Committee has already put in to get us to this point. Anyone with questions or comments should contact me (mfoster1053@gmail.com) and/or the Class Executive Director Christopher Howell (howell@j70office.com). I look forward to seeing you at the next regatta.



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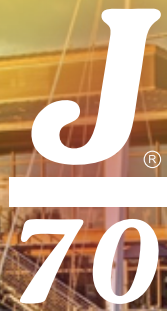
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NOTICE OF RACE AND ENTRY ARE NOW OPEN!



Haroldo Solberg's *OceanPact* Becomes First-Ever Brazilian Champion of J/70 Midwinters; Alec Cutler's *Hedgehog* Claims Third Consecutive Corinthian Title

By Hannah Lee Noll

Photos courtesy of Hannah Lee Noll

Brazil's Haroldo Solberg and his *OceanPact* team delivered a masterclass to win the 2026 J/70 Midwinter Championship, becoming the first Brazilian team to claim the title. Alec Cutler's *Hedgehog* completed a three-peat to win their third consecutive Corinthian title at this event.

The 45-boat fleet represented 10 countries. Sailing with Carlos Robles, Mario Tinoco and Gabriel Silva, Solberg's team rose from ninth on Day 1 to first overall on Day 2, then held their position when racing was abandoned during a rain squall on the final day.





“It’s the result of three or four years of work,” said Solberg. “We are very happy. Miami is a very special place for us, and this was a very difficult championship. The result is a consequence of all the preparation we do before the event.”

After two days of unstable, shifty conditions, Sunday brought one final twist. The fleet launched for racing before a dramatic rain squall rolled down Biscayne Bay, reducing visibility to mere feet. Race committee abandoned the race and ultimately the day, locking in Saturday’s standings as final.



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The regatta was defined by unpredictability. Across six races, sailors faced patchy pressure, 30-degree shifts, and a battle between sea breeze and gradient over Biscayne Bay's warm spring water. Gains and losses came quickly, producing multiple leaderboard inversions and rewarding teams who stayed composed.

Robles, competing in just his second regatta as *OceanPact* tactician, highlighted the strength of the teamwork. "It's a super well-oiled machine. Everyone is on point doing their job, which makes mine easier. Haroldo is a great leader. He stays calm, even when things aren't going well. That makes a big difference." The team plans to compete together at the J/70 European Championship in Barcelona this summer and the J/70 Open World Championship in Cascais this fall.

In the Corinthian division, Alec Cutler's *Hedgehog / Old NADS* secured a third consecutive J/70 Midwinter Championship title. Sailing with tactician Keith Davids, Charles Pucciariello and Brad Rodi, the reigning J/70 Corinthian World Champions continue to set standards in the Class. Since joining the fleet at the 2024 Midwinter Championship, where they nearly won overall, *Hedgehog* has consistently performed at the top of both the Corinthian and Open leaderboards.

Joel Ronning's *Catapult* won the Mixed-Plus division and finished fifth overall with the star-studded squad of world champion helmsman Ronning, tactician Jeremy Wilmot, Olympian and Women's America's Cup Champion Giulia Conti, Olympian Stephanie Roble and world champion Beccy Anderson. Canadian entry Federico Donzino's *Lifted*



topped the One-Pro division. The podium was completed by J/70 International Class President Martin Dent's *Jelvis* in second and American entry James Murray's *Hestia* in third.

Hosted at Shake-A-Leg Miami by Twelve USA Inc. from March 26-29, and sponsored by

Bacardi and Regatta Brokerage - the Brian Kamilar Team, the Midwinter Championship marked the fourth and final J/70 regatta in Miami this winter. PRO Mark Foster and race committee delivered efficient racing across a wide range of Biscayne Bay conditions.



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TOP 10 OVERALL

1. *OceanPact* — Haroldo Solberg
2. *Jelvis* — Martin Dent
3. *Hestia* — James Murray
4. *Empeiria* — John Heaton
5. *Catapult* — Joel Ronning
6. *Mindset* — Ralph Vasconcellos Rosa
7. *Aretê* — Bruno Bethlem
8. *Level 5* — Al Minella
9. *Good to Go* — Doug Rastello
10. *Elvis* — Filip Engelbert

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By Susanne Hübner

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Right in the middle: the German J/70 Class Association. Surrounded by halls full of innovation and encounters, our focus was clear: being present and engaging in conversation with sailors, clubs, event organizers and partners from all over the world.

Once again, the J/70 has proven what it stands for: fast, dynamic one-design racing

where teamwork and fairness are at the core.

From league racing to international regattas, the Class thrives on energy, ambition and a strong sense of community.

That spirit was clearly felt at the boot as well: strong interest, many great conversations and plenty of exchange.

For us, it was a powerful sign that the J/70 is not only successful in sport but continues to grow as a community.

And we're already looking forward to the next chapter: the J/70 Class Association will be back at boot Düsseldorf in 2027.

We're excited to welcome you!

Turkey Report

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By Emir İçgören



Turkey currently has 30 active racing J/70s, making it one of the most vibrant and growing fleets in the region. Each race, we are racing above 20 boats and with very competitive sailors across Europe.

J/70 TURKEY TOUR 2026

We are running a full national tour series this year with events across multiple venues:

- April 10–12 – Bodrum, Anthaven Marina
- May 1–3 – Istanbul, Setur Kalamış Marina
- August 6–9 – Istanbul, Eker Olympos Regatta
- October 16–18 – Trilye, Bursa – EKER Trilye Cup
- November 12–15 – Foça, İzmir – Mark İzmir – Mark Warner Turkish National Championship



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Turkey Report

TURKISH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

The 2026 Turkish J/70 National Championship will be held in Foça on November 12–15. We look forward to welcoming fleets from across the country for what promises to be a competitive and exciting event.

In addition to the national tour, we run a monthly Winter Trophy in Bodrum

throughout the winter months, keeping our fleet active and competitive year-round.

We are pleased to confirm that Turkish boats will be represented at international championships in 2026. Details to follow.



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Nautique Yachting Won Leg 6, Tenzor Team Crowned as Overall Winner of Tenzor International Cup – J/70 Open Winter Series 2025/2026



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By Tenzor Sailing Club Türkiye

From 9-12 April, the final Leg 6 of Tenzor International Cup - J/70 Open Winter Series 2025/2026 was held at the Tenzor Sailing Club Türkiye in Bodrum. The regatta was also counted as the first stage of Türkiye Tour 2026. This dual status gave a right for earning points for both competitions. The event drew a strong fleet of 19 boats.

Nine races were successfully completed within three racing days. The wind was good enough during the whole regatta, from 8-14 knots. On the last day of racing, it became stronger than the first two days...planing conditions made it very exciting.



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Turkish teams surged to the front of the leaderboard from the beginning.

Cheese Sailing, skippered by Güney Kaptan, was leading during the first and second days, but *Nautique Yachting* delivered a masterclass performance during three final races, securing two wins and a second. That stellar scoreline gave them the daily lead and, capitalizing

on rivals' mistakes, propelled Onur Erardag's crew to the top of the event leaderboard.

"It was a big relief for our team. We were mostly in the fight on previous acts but this time we managed to win it! As always, Bodrum delivered perfect weather for the fierce battles. Entering the last day, we were in fourth position but points were really close





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behind and the leading two boats were 10 points ahead so there was no pressure on us. Tactically, we have raced and trained in this area for a long time, so we know the wind characteristics pretty well. But also, most of the other teams do know the area well. Strong winds benefit our crew. We could be the fastest boat upwind so it made our day much easier. Managed to score 2-1-1 and it was enough for our first event win with team

Nautique Yachting," commented Doga Aribas, tactician of *Nautique Yachting*.

Cheese Sailing skippered by Gunay Kaptan finished 5 points behind the leaders, securing second place on the podium. A powerful final-day charge came from Inna Balashova's *Dolce Vita*—with finishes of 4-3-2, they climbed to third place. Just off the podium, Emir Icgoren's *Ameera Jet* and his international crew finished the regatta in fourth place. Taking into account that it was their first outing together in Bodrum, the success and potential of this team were evident. Andrey Pushkin's *Tenzor Team* had to settle for fifth place in this Leg, but more importantly, they held off all challengers in the overall winter season standings. *AtomTavatuy* helmed by Pavel Kuznetsov rounded out the top six with a very impressive performance for the team's first appearance in the TIC Winter Series.



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The Corinthian division podium was completed by the *Orient Express*, *Eker Efsane Yogurt* and *MAYK* teams respectively.

“It’s been a wonderful weekend – not only these three days of great sailing and great race organization but the whole series of Tenzor International Cup. We would like to thank Tenzor Sailing Club and all the competitors. We’re a little bit sad because the winter season is over, but the regattas will continue in Istanbul for summer season,” said Arif Gurdenli, *Orient Express*.

Following the final leg, the overall season champions were crowned. With six Legs, 46 races sailed, 28 teams and 10 countries represented, the Series became really successful and powerful.

As for overall results, *Tenzor Team* claimed the main trophy with 122 total points, repeating their success from the 2023/2024 season. Second place went to *Ptichki Sailing Team* with 132 points, and *Bars Sailing Team* completed the final podium with 180 points.

“Thanks to all competitors, thanks to my guys. The season was tough, sometimes nerve-wracking, and not everything went our way. Last season, many teams taught us not to give up, and we fought to the very end to achieve this result”, said Andrei Pushkin, *Tenzor Team*.

In the Corinthian division, *Orient Express* took the trophy of the Series for second time in a row, followed by *Team ASPAT* and *Ayaz JR*.



RESULTS OF LEG 6 (TOP-10):

1. Nautique Yachting 27.0
2. Cheese Sailing 32.0
3. Dolce Vita 36.0
4. Ameera Jet 40.0
5. Tenzor Team 41.0
6. AtomTavatuy 48.0
7. Orient Express 56.0
8. Ptichki Sailing Team 62.0
9. Bars Sailing Team 63.0
10. Trem Sailing Team 65.0

OVERALL RESULTS OF THE SERIES (TOP-10):

1. Tenzor Team 122.0
2. Ptichki Sailing Team 132.0
3. Bars Sailing Team 180.0
4. Russian Bogatyrs 199.0
5. Nautique Yachting 199.0
6. Dolce Vita 200.0
7. Orient Express 257.0
8. Happyhour JR 369.0
9. Ada Jr 412.0
10. Gaswar 436.0

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Armenia Report

By Artashes Dadayan

Warm Greetings from Armenia and the Winds of Armenia Yacht Club



The Armenian J/70 community continues to grow, and we are excited to share updates from our 2026 season. Our club remains focused on developing competitive sailing in the region, expanding participation in the J/70 Class and promoting sailing culture among both professional and amateur sailors.

The 2026 season includes several major regattas hosted on Lake Sevan:

- Armenian Cup 2026 – Stage I
03 June – 07 June 2026
- Armenian Cup 2026 – Stage II
01 July – 05 July 2026
- Armenian Open J/70 Sailing Championship
04 August – 09 August 2026

We are honored to welcome internationally recognized umpire Luca Babini for our upcoming events this season.



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In May, we organized a Sailing Camp designed for amateur participants including both theoretical and practical training sessions to introduce more people to the sport of sailing in Armenia.

As part of our youth development initiatives, we are also planning to organize a Student Regatta involving students from different universities across Armenia. Through this project, we hope to increase youth engagement and inspire a new generation of sailors.



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Armenian J/70 Open Championship | Oleg Semeniouk 2025

Daily club activities throughout the season include professional trainings, amateur regattas and sailing tours across beautiful Lake Sevan, creating an active and welcoming environment for sailors of all levels.

We would also highly appreciate support from the International J/70 community in promoting our events among European teams and encouraging participation in Armenia. We are eager to welcome international crews and continue building stronger connections within the global J/70 family.



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Official website for international events:

<http://openarmenia70.tilda.ws/>

Registration form:

<https://openarmenia70.tilda.ws/registration-form>

International regatta Telegram channel:

<https://t.me/+wXzEXFZvMbhmMTgy>



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04.08.2026-09.08.2026



**ARMENIAN
CUP 2026**

STAGE I – 03.06.2026 - 07.06.2026
STAGE II – 01.07.2026 - 05.07.2026



2026

June 20 - June 28

Kiel Week 2026

Kieler Yacht Club
Kiel, Germany

July 1 - July 5

2026 Armenian Cup Stage II

Lake Sevan, Armenia

July 21 - July 26

2026 J/70 European Championship

Real Club Náutico de Barcelona
Barcelona, Spain

August 4 - August 9

2026 Armenian Open

J/70 Sailing Championship

Lake Sevan, Armenia

August 10 - August 15

**2026 J/70 Mixed Plus
World Championship**

Royal Danish Yacht Club
Copenhagen, Denmark

September 4 - September 12

2026 J/70 World Championship

Clube Naval de Cascais
Cascais, Portugal

September 18 - September 20

Altantique Le Télégramme 2026

Lorient, France

October 9 - October 11

French Championship 2026

Biscarrosse, France

October 10 - October 12

**J-Cup Australia 2026: Event #4 NSW
State Championship**

Lake Macquarie Yacht Club
Belmont NSW, Australia

November 20 - November 22

**J-Cup Australia 2026: Event #5 VIC
State Championship**

Blairstown Yacht Squadron
Blairstown VIC, Australia

2027

April 1 - April 4

**J/70 Midwinter Championship
at Bacardi Race Week 2027**

Shake-A-Leg
Miami, FL, United States

June 12 - June 19

**2027 J/70 Corinthian
World Championship**

Real Club Náutico de Vigo, Spain

July 8 - July 11

**2027 J/70 North American
Championship**

CORK Kingston
Ontario, Canada

August 20 - August 28

2027 J/70 European Championship

Kieler Yacht Club
Kiel, Germany

October 23 - October 30

2027 J/70 World Championship

Annapolis Yacht Club
Annapolis, MD, United States