



2012 Report from the Techno 293 Class to the ISAF Windsurfing & Kiteboarding Committee

The Techno 293 Class has enjoyed another fantastic year of growth.

Membership The membership has stabilised at 30 nations, representing 6 continents. However, there are active fleets in many more countries (therefore totalling 50) and there has been a big increase recorded in enquiries from new countries and membership (via national associations) is set to grow.

World Championships. A very successful worlds this year, held at the International Regatta Centre, Medemblik, in the Netherlands. Another truly memorable, and well organised, event for the 330 techno competitors. The kids had a rare treat on the final day – a visit from two dutch Olympic windsurfing Gold Medalists – from the very first Olympics for windsurfing, Stephan van den Berg (Los Angeles 1984) and Dorian van Rijsselberghe (London 2012).

Under 15 Champions: Tom Monnet (FRA); Lucine Bossard (FRA)

Under 17 Champions: Antonio Bonet (ESP); Marta Maggetti (ITA)

Open Champion (Over 17): Julien Bouyer (FRA)

Links to full results and daily videos - <http://www.techno293.org/page0150v01.htm>

South American Championships – Buzios, Brasil. 9th to 15th January

Champion – Brenno Francioli (BRA)

Asian Championships – Pattaya, Thailand. 21st to 29th January

Champions – Siricha Phusiri (THA) and Chung Yuet Yee (HKG)

Oceanic Championships – Manly, New Zealand

Champions – Alex Hart (NZL) and Xanthe Bowater (NZL)

North American Championships – Merritt Island, Florida, USA. 17th to 20th February.

Champion – Rasmus Sayre (USA)

Europeans – scheduled for 21>27 October in Los Alczares, Murcia, Spain.

Youth Olympic Games – Nanjing, China, 2014

It is confirmed that the Techno 293 with 7.8 sail/rig has been selected as equipment for Boys and Girls Windsurfing event. Qualification System -

[http://www.sailing.org/tools/documents/Nanjing2014v.201205QualificationSystemSAFEng-\[13442\].pdf](http://www.sailing.org/tools/documents/Nanjing2014v.201205QualificationSystemSAFEng-[13442].pdf)

Future developments

There is a marked increase in the number of competitors 17 years of age and older – many are opting to continue racing on the T293 with 7.8 sail/rig. However the class and Bic Sport are promoting the development of T293 Plus – the same one-design board, but with a bigger fin and the Bic OD 8.5 sail/rig.

**Ezio Ferin,
Chairman**

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