



The hanseboot Award



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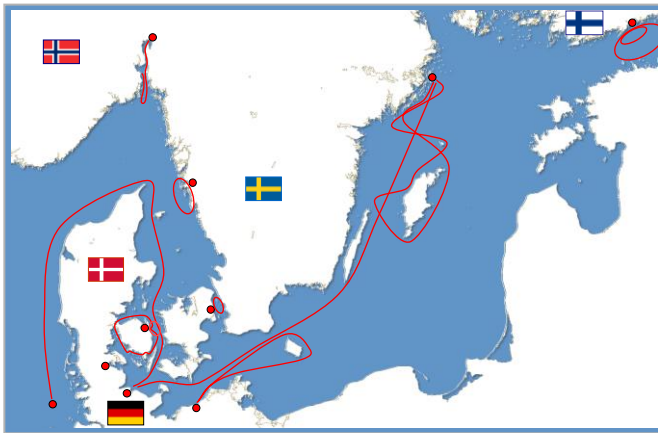
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The new international racing series in 2010 in Baltic and North Sea

At the initiative of German Offshore Owners Association, in cooperation with Kerteminde Sejlklub and the members of offshore racing organizations from Denmark, Sweden, Finland and Norway a completely new racing series is launched in 2010:

The hanseboot Baltic IRC Open



This race series is based on the collective international scoring of established classical offshore races in the Baltic and North Sea.

A total of two to three established offshore races per country will be incorporated in the calculation according to the international IRC handicap system.

The goal of the organizers is to promote the competition of international offshore sailors in the Baltic and motivate them to increasingly compete in races of neighbouring countries.

Therefore, the two best results will be assessed for each yacht, taking into account the size of the participating field.

Furthermore, extra points will be awarded for crews who participate in races of at least two different countries.

The Scoring System

How does the hanseboot Award Scoring work?

Shortly after the idea of the Baltic IRC Circuit was born, the basic principles of evaluating a scoring system had been defined. These are the following:

- Competitors must not compete in every Baltic IRC Circuit event.
- The two best results of each boat will be used for ranking
- Additional points will be given for racing abroad

One of the ideas behind is to motivate sailors to race also abroad. Therefore additional points will be given.

And finally a method has to be defined to rate the differences between the circuits races.

The solution came up in a nice little formula:

$$\text{Points} = \left(2 - \frac{\text{Result}}{\text{TotalNo}} \right)^2 \cdot 10$$

This formula provides a point range from:

10 points for ending up at last place in a race

Up to a maximum of

40 points for ending up at first place in a race with a infinite number of competitors

In other words:

A fleet of 1000 boats must not be 10 times "better" than a fleet of 100 boats. That's the basic idea behind it.

The Races

	Race	Start	End
1	BBC - Big Boat Challenge	21.05.	23.05.
2	Pantaenius Rund Skagen	24.05.	28.05.
3	Fyn Rundt	04.06.	06.06.
4	Faedern Race	11.06.	13.06.
5	Baltic Sea Challenge	25.06.	27.06.
6	Hanseboot Offshore Open/Rund Bornholm	05.07.	08.07.
7	Feeder Race Kiel - Sandhamn	02.07.	
8	Eurocard Gotland Rundt	07.07.	10.07.
9	Gothenburg Offshore Race	13.08.	15.08.
10	IRC Championship Finland	26.08.	31.08.
11	Gulf of Finland Race	July 2010	
12	Flensburg	16.09.	18.09.
13	KDY Autumn Regatta	09.10.	10.10.

The Clubs and Associations

