

A-CAT WORLDCHAMPIONSHIP 2011



Welcome **2011**
to Scharbeutz 

Northern Germany



Moin, moin ...

This is the way northern Germans greet each other and how we would like to welcome all A-Cat sailors at the world-championship in 2011 in Scharbeutz. Here, in the far north of Germany, we enjoy life between the North and the Baltic Sea. The village of Scharbeutz is part of the Lübeck Bay, which is located in the southern part of the Baltic sea. Ideal weather conditions from spring to late autumn make Scharbeutz a perfect spot for sailing and other water sports.



From overseas to northern Germany

By air: The international airport of Hamburg is about 100 km away from Scharbeutz and the easiest way to reach it. On the motor way A1 it only takes an hours time to reach Scharbeutz from Hamburg airport. All major airlines have Hamburg as a list destination.

Motor way: The A1 runs 732 km through Germany - from Heiligenhafen in the very north to Saarbrücken in the south of the country. To reach Scharbeutz, you need to leave the motorway A1 at Scharbeutz-Pönitz. From here you are only 1,5 km away from the beach.

Northern Germany (destination in km to Scharbeutz)

- Schleswig-Holstein: Kiel (61,2 km)
- Hamburg: Free Hanseatic City of Hamburg (85,7 km)
- Bremen: Free Hanseatic City of Bremen (199 km)
- Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania: Schwerin (105 km)
- Lower Saxony: Hannover (243 km)

Major overseas ports

Germany: Port of Hamburg (85,7 km), Bremerhaven (256 km)
Netherlands: Rotterdam (Netherlands 580 km), Antwerp (Belgium 633 km)



The sailing conditions



The Bay of Lübeck

The south-western part of the Bay of Mecklenburg is called the Bay of Lübeck. Sailors enjoy the wind that blows across the flat back-country and the open sea as well as the easy and material-friendly landing on the fine sandy beach of Scharbeutz. There are no stones or other obstacles that could spoil the sailor's fun.

Water/ current/ wind

Water level: In the Bay of Lübeck tides only play a minor role. The tidal range comes to around 30 cm and is of little notice. Only during strong and stormy winds tidal ranges can vary between half a metre and up to one metre.

Current: Currents in the Bay of Lübeck are weak and usually follow the direction of the wind. Even during strong winds and storms they barely account for more than 1 sm/h. Only at hooks such as Pelzerhaken, stronger currents can appear occasionally.

Wind: Predominant wind directions are either consistent easterly (on-shore) or slightly gusty, westerly (off-shore).

Sailing highlights in the Bay of Lübeck

The Bay of Lübeck is a well-known estuary for ambitious regatta sailors and venue for national and international races. The Bay of Lübeck is home of the second biggest sailing event world-wide: The Travemünder Woche. A sailing venue that has been taking place here since 1889.

Additionally, the Bay of Lübeck is the chosen racing spot for the Volvo Champion Race, the Rolex Baltic Week, The Baltic-Cup and of course for many F-18, A-Cat, Tornado and TopCat races. To us, the A-Cat world-championship 2011 would be the icing on the cake!



Schleswig-Holstein



Land between two seas

Schleswig-Holstein's unique position between the North and the Baltic sea, its green and precious landscape, fine sandy beaches, idyllic bays and windy sailing spots make it to one of the most chosen holiday destinations during summer time. Tourists and locals enjoy a walk along one of the many beach promenades or piers, fresh sea food, the active beach life, the pretty back-country as well as historic towns and cities. Schleswig-Holstein offers a great variety of leisure and sports activities for the whole family.



The geographic location of Schleswig-Holstein

Schleswig-Holstein forms the southern part of the Jütland peninsula and the northern part of the northern German lowlands. In the west Schleswig-Holstein is bordered by the North Sea, in the east by the Baltic Sea and Mecklenburg Pomerania. In the north, Schleswig-Holstein borders Denmark and in the south Hamburg and Lower Saxony. The coastline of Schleswig-Holstein accounts for 3.2% of the total European coastline.



Country facts

Language: German, Low German, Frisian and Danish

Capital: Kiel

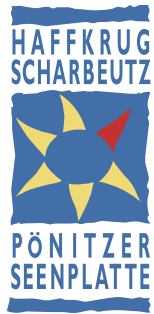
Currency: Euro

Surface area: 15.769 km²

Population: 2.837.810

Population density: 179,6 Inhabitans per km²

Welcome to Scharbeutz



Scharbeutz is located at the heart of the Bay of Lübeck right up to the beach. The tourism community of Scharbeutz comprises the actual villages of Scharbeutz and Haffkrug, the villages of the Pönitzer lake district and the hinterland of Scharbeutz.

The neighbouring villages include the famous spa-village Timmendorfer Strand and Sierksdorf, which is well-known because for its theme amusement park. Scharbeutz is marked through its 6 km long white sandy beach.



Especially young families enjoy the beach life of Scharbeutz where the water is shallow and very clean. Accommodation can be found in any price category – from family-run bed and breakfast up to luxury hotels. In total Scharbeutz can host around 7,000 guests and the village has an annual average of 800,000 overnight stays. But not only tourists enjoy spending time in Scharbeutz. The village is highly attractive to many people who live in the region and who like to spend a joyful day at the beach.

The region of Scharbeutz belongs to the most beautiful landscapes of Germany: yellow rapeseed fields and the bright blue sea, thatched farm houses, romantic lake districts and friendly locals that have been hosting international guests for many years now. Leisure time can be spent in the Baltic Spa, at Hansapark, a sealife centre or at the only off-shore waterski centre at the Baltic Sea.

For further information, please go to:

www.scharbeutz.de



Yachtclub Scharbeutz / Ostsee e.V. YCSO



Seit 1965



In 1965 sailors from Hamburg and Lübeck founded the YCSO. They acknowledge the ideal conditions of the spot that the Bay of Lübeck offers: excellent wind conditions, protection and safety. In 2001 the club house was adapted and today the YCSO counts as one of the biggest catamaran clubs in Europe with more than 300 members and 134 catamarans.



Social life at the YCSO

YCSO members value the great location of the club, the modern and comfortable facilities of the club house and naturally the small talk among each other. Every second weekend the YCSO offers an internal regatta which allows members to combine their training with fun and competition.

And even the youngest members benefit from the club's own boats which include optimists, lasers and one childrens catamaran. Besides traditional sailing courses, members are happy to get real insider-tips from internationally successful sailors such as Helge and Christian Sach (F18 and Tornado) or Donald Beike (A-Cat).

Watch the races

In 2007, Scharbeutz was fitted with a brand new promenade and the first sailors tribune along the Bay of Lübeck. From here, spectators can watch races from very close while relaxing. All YCSO races, no matter of which boat class, enjoy great popularity among sailors and non-sailors and have been very successful. Fun, team spirit and good preparation have made every event a unique experience. A list of all venues that took place, can be found on the following page and in the TopCat supplement.

For further information, please go to:

www.ycso.de





The location of the YSCO club:

The YSCO is located not far from the motor way exit A1 Pönitz-Scharbeutz. From here it is only 1.5km to the club's site. Parking areas can be found directly opposite of the club along the Pönitzer Chaussee. To reach the sea from the site, sailors only need to cross the promenade to find a slipping area leading the way to a beach area reserved for boats. Starting and landing areas are marked through buoys. Lifeguards are stationed along the beaches to guarantee safety. All regattas are supported by club-owned motor boats from where members watch and monitor the race.

- European championship 1995, Nacra, 68 Catamarans
- European championship 2002, Dart 18, 105 Catamarans
- European championship 2006, Topcat, 96 Catamarans
- Identification of the best (Germany) 1995, Hobie 16
- Identification of the best (Germany) 1996, A-Cat
- Identification of the best (Germany) 1999, Formula 18

- Identification of the best (Germany) 1995, 2000, Dart 18
- Baltic cup, 41 times (ranking list race) each time approx. 100 catamarans
- Nordlichtpokal, 41 times, (ranking list race) each time approx. 100 catamarans
- Reisswolf Trophy (long distance) approx. 37sm, 11 times each time 100-130 Boats

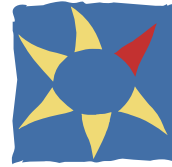


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