

1. Paris 2024 Olympic Games

- 1.1. Planning for the Paris 2024 Test Event - Sailing is well under way. The test event will take place in Marseille, France from 7-16 July 2023.
- 1.2. The first qualification event will be at The Hague 2023 Sailing World Championships and there will then be a series of World Championship and Continental Qualification Events in the second half of 2023 and the first half of 2024.

2. 2023 Sailing World Championships

- 2.1. Progress is being made in deliver the 2023 Sailing World Championships in The Hague. Following the test events, that included the 2022 Youth Worlds and a series of Olympic Classes training / racing weeks, World Sailing has worked closely with the Organizing Committee to finalize planning for the event.
- 2.2. The qualification system will open in November allowing MNAs to confirm their priority entries and receive additional entries based on the 2022 World Championships results and 2022 World Rankings.

3. Events Committee Working Parties

3.1. Paris 2024 Policies Working Party

The Policies Working Party has worked hard to provide recommendations on key policy areas including the numbers of Support Vessels and electronics.

3.2. Quotas & Qualification Working Party

The Q&Q Working Party has finalized proposals for the Olympic Qualification Events and has been working to define the standards for those events. Final recommendations on qualification events are being finalized for approval by the Board. The Working Party is now starting work on plans for the Olympic Qualification Events for the Los Angeles 2028 Olympic Games.

3.3. Format Working Party

The Working Party has been working to finalize the details for the Paris 2024 formats, including follow up work with the key Race Officials Sub-committees.

Additionally, the Working Party is proposing new formats for the Los Angeles 2028 Olympic Games and plans to test them in 2023.

3.4. Calendar Working Party

The Working Party has worked hard to stabilize the 2021-2024 calendar is now looking to the calendar from 2025-2032.

3.5. Rankings Working Party

The Working Party has worked closely with the Executive Office to ensure the implementation of the World Rankings and look at future developments.

4. Olympic Vision

- 4.1. The draft Olympic Vision report, prepared by McKinsey and the World Sailing Executive Committee has been reviewed at the Annual Conference. The key themes of Accessibility, Marketability, Sustainability and Diversity provide a great deal of insight and data for Olympic Sailing. A final report will be finalized for approval by the Council at the 2023 Mid-Year Meeting. All stakeholders are encouraged to provide feedback on the report.

5. Youth Events Sub-committee

- 5.1. The Hague 2022 Youth Sailing World Championships were successfully completed with 431 sailors from 67 nations.

- Spain won the Nations Trophy
- Ireland won gold in both the Men's and Women's Dinghy events
- Argentina won gold in both the Men's and Women's Skiff events

The team from Ukraine was awarded the Bengt Julin Trophy for kindness and fair play, an award given to whoever the competitors believe has done the most to represent the values encouraged at the Youth Worlds.

The Youth Worlds were used as part of the test event process for the 2023 Sailing World Championships. The venue, Field of Play, race management and operational teams were all tested. It is clear that there are some significant challenges that need to be reviewed and an increased focus on the planning and delivery of the event are required.

- 5.2. Plans for the 2023, 2024 and 2025 Youth Worlds will be finalized shortly. The Youth Events Sub-committee is developing a strategy for the future development of the Youth Sailing World Championships.

6. Match Racing

- 6.1. The Match Racing Sub-committee has worked very hard to ensure that World Championships take place in 2022 and has worked hard to develop the Match Racing Rankings.
- 6.2. The 2022 Youth Match Racing World Championship took place from 17-23 July in Pornichet, France. 12 teams from 11 nations competed.
- 6.3. The Women's Match Racing World Championship will take place from 9-13 November in New Zealand and final planning is under way.

7. Team Racing

- 7.1. The Team Racing sub-committee has prepared a bid document for the Open Team Racing World Championship for 2024 and 2026. This is an excellent initiative, and the Events Committee fully supports this development. Additionally, the Sub-committee is working on plans for a Youth Mixed Team Racing Championship in 2023. Additionally, the Team Racing Sub-committee has developed an excellent rankings system for Team Racing which should be supported by World Sailing.

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