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## Programme Onshore: Start of EM and IDM

The last ship of the hanseboot Rund Bornholm already crossed the finishing line on Thursday morning at 7.49. "The yachts have never been home so early", comments Uwe Wenzel, Race Manager of the sea regattas. The number 13 obviously brought luck to the OSPA team members as they were awarded with 4 medals. They broke the 2001 record by 2,5 minutes. The finishing moment of team speedsailing has never been more exciting. During the award ceremony on the stage near the light house, the winners were greeted by the audience. Special thanks went to the crew of the yacht "Madame" which was the first team to help the yacht "grautvornix" that ran aground on Monday. Uwe Wenzel is also pleased about the many young sailors on board of the SY "Germania" (1963) which took good care of the "old lady" from Kiel.

Today, the starting point for the International German Championship in Sea Sailing was the start for the long distance races with 45 participating yachts. These ships are expected to return tonight. In the coming days different Up & Down Races are following and will be part of the overall standings.

## European Championship of the Fives Starts with Eleven Nations

The meeting of the skippers in the Yachthafen Mittelmole marked the start of the European Championship of the 505er. Thomas Gillard and Harry Briddon from England had not much time to enjoy the welcome greetings of the race manager and the officer of the boats class association. "In order to ensure a good performance of the ship, we have to adapt our trim to the light wind", says Briddon. The bowman participates in Warnemuende for the second time. Three years ago he sailed the EC on a Finn Dinghy. "The sea area is simply great. The wind as well as the waves are more stable than at home." Thorsten Pösch (Braunschweig) states enthusiastically, "we are a great team and support ourselves with tips. There are no secrets between us." Together with Malte Fiedler he sails the 505er class only for two years and is looking forward to return home with new experiences and acquaintances. Among the eleven nations of the 92 starting ships, the ten starters from Sweden and the nine groups from the UK marked the biggest represented international class. After two light wind races Lutz Stengel and Frank Feller (Rostock) came forth. Jorgen and Jacob Bojsen-Moller (Denmark) ranked first and thus fulfilled their expectations as favourites. The Danish brothers counted among the favourites who arrived in Rostock as winners of the KIEL WEEK and Champions of the FD Boat Class.





### Beach Tennis with a Premiere

Handball or Volleyball, Football or Baseball at the Beach are all doable at the beach. However, what about Beach Tennis? For the first time, the 80<sup>th</sup> edition of the WARNEMUENDE WEEK proved that Beach Tennis is a doable activity in the Sport & Beach Arena from the 6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> of July. Slightly modified – without contact of the ground – Beach Tennis looks more like “Volley Tennis” and has arrived as a trend sport in Warnemuende. The TMV Beach Tennis Cup 2017 will be held on the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> of July. The DTB Pro Circuit is scheduled for the 9<sup>th</sup> of July. Around 70 participants from Germany will demonstrate how spectacular tennis at the beach can be. Women and men play in double as well as in mixed teams. Beach Tennis is played only very recently in Germany, but is already seen as a booming trend sport in Italy, Brazil and Russia. Sarah Bolsmann – who usually works as a primary school teacher – is now part of the national team and joins the top-class competition in Moscow in the middle of July. She started to play tennis at the age of 9 and thinks of Beach Tennis as an ideal version of sport to try out new possibilities. Thomas Oberwalder (Tennis Club Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania) supports the new trend sport and hopes that the number of visitors of the Sport & Beach Arena will increase in the future. “This sports attraction will spread”, promises the organiser.

### All winners of the hanseboot Rundbornholm Regatta at a glance:

group	name of the boat	helmsman	origin
ORC1	OSPA	Oliver Schmidt-Rybandt	Rostock
ORC2	IMAGINE	Holger Streckenbach	Greifswald
ORC3	X-WING	Ulrich Prochaska	Berlin
ORC4	Geronimo	Falk Einecke	Berlin
Yardstick1	Phoenix II	Thomas Kaul	Seedorf
Yardstick2	Lisa	Frank Eckhardt	Berlin
Yardstick3	Playmate	Steffen Bock	Warnemünde

### All special awards for the hanseboot Rundbornholm Regatta at a glance:

special awards	Name of the boat	helmsman	origin
Kyria trophy for the winning yacht of the Yardstick group after a calculated time	OSPA	Oliver Schmidt-Rybandt	Rostock
Knurrhahn trophy for the winning yacht of the ORC group after a calculated time	OSPA	Oliver Schmidt-Rybandt	Rostock
Blue band for the fastest time ever sailed	OSPA	Oliver Schmidt-Rybandt	Rostock
hanseboot trophy for the fastest sailed time this year	OSPA	Oliver Schmidt-Rybandt	Rostock
Special award for the best Rostock boat	OSPA	Oliver Schmidt-Rybandt	Rostock
Special award for the best double hand team	Lisa	Frank Eckhardt	Berlin





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Special award for the best youth team	Carlotta	Ansgar Gross	Schwerin
Special award for the best charter boat	Janis	Sven Ucke	Rostock
Special award for the oldest team	Lucky Star	Walfried Luksch	Emden

### PHOTOS

*PM\_3482*

Photographer: Pepe Hartmann

Caption: The IDM took off with a start of the masses for the long-distance regatta.

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Caption: 92 Fivers are fighting for the EC title.

*PM\_Helferbild\_3231*

Photographer: Pepe Hartmann

Caption: A traditional shoot: Photos of all supporters of the 80<sup>th</sup> edition of the WARNEMUENDE WEEK

*PM\_3703*

Photographer: Pepe Hartmann

Caption: "X Day" with Skipper Max Gurgel, triple German Champion, counts among the favourites

*PM\_Beach-Tennis-3367*

Photographer: Pepe Hartmann

Caption: A trend sport on the move: Beach Tennis in Warnmuende

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Photographer: Klaus-Dieter Block

Caption: Together with the OSPA, the team speedsailing wins for the first time the Kyria Trophy.

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