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ANDRE BUDZIEN BECOMES NEW OK DINGHY WORLD CHAMPION

It was exciting until the final race. Andre Budzien (Germany), Frederik Lööf (Sweden) and Jan Kurfeld (Germany) delivered a head to head race during the six days of the World Championship which was part of Warnemünder Woche from 9 to 14 July 2018. Only one point separated the leading trio from each other. An OCS in the last race of Jan Kurfeld brought the decision and awarded Budzien the third World Champion title in this class.

For the 81st edition of the Warnemünder Woche, the list of favourites among the 142 OK Dinghies who took part in the World Championships was long. Bo Petersen (Denmark), the world's first and multiple European OK Dinghy Champion, left the competition with a sixth place. Jim Hunt (United Kingdom), who became World Champion in this class in 2016, finished 37th after two OCS. Greg Wilcox (New Zealand), the 2002 World Champion, only came eighth this year. Martin von Zimmermann secured the sixth place of the current world ranking list of the class outperforming Kurfeld and Budzien.