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2008 Youth Promotion!

The C fleet is going to take on the challenge of competing for our younger sailors with a bold initiative - **FREE REGATTAS for 2008!** If you are a Youth skipper (25 years old and younger) you will not pay for regatta registration in the C fleet next year.

The logistics of this promotion are still being worked out, but the news was too big not to announce now. The NCSSA and the ILYA Raffle Fund will cover the majority of the costs, but we will be seeking donations from the fleet as well. This is a great chance for those of us who've raced C's for a long time to help capture the next generation of C-boaters into the fleet.

Stay tuned for more details and your chance to help!

Melges - Builder's Report

Melges Performance Sailboats continues to invest in the growth of the C-scow class. Plans for 2008 are well underway. Melges VP Andy Burdick submitted the following report:

2008 is shaping up to be a very exciting season for Melges. Our team has been working on a new hull mold since the beginning of August. This will be complete very soon and our first 2008 C boat will be delivered in early November. The shape is the same, just new tooling so the quality of the new hulls will be extremely high. This has created a positive buzz and we have seen a nice flow of orders on new boats for the '08 racing season. Our production goal for '08 is 25 new Melges C Scows. We are working hard at this.

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Also new for 2008 will be the introduction of Maffioli line. This line is awesome! All of our new boats will be outfitted with Maffioli. The controls will work easier, the lines are much nicer on your hands and they look sexy so the overall appearance of the '08 boats will be sharp. With these new updates, the strong appearance of the Black Spars and new anodized Black boards and rudder - you are talking about a very modern and sharp looking C scow!

Melges will continue their support on the regatta circuit starting off with the Midwinter Championship in Eustis, Florida. Expect to see a representative at the majority of mainstream C scow events!

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ILYA Board Meeting - C-Fleet Report

The ILYA Board held their annual fall meeting this past weekend. The C fleet Committee to that Board is working hard to make sure the class needs and wants are being met. Some highlights of the initiatives being worked on:

- The class is moving to Time-Based Race Management. This is a change from the previous 7 mile minimum distance requirement. Target times for races will be worked out over the winter. To learn more read [CWO V1-116](#).
- Future ILYA Regattas - 2008 Inland will be at Okoboji, and the Invitational will be at Okauchee. 2009 Inland will be at Green, and the Invitational will be at Minnetonka. 2010 Inland is still TBD, but the Invitational will be at Beulah.
- Anodized Boards/Rudder - A scantling change was approved modifying 84.4g and 84.5h - They now read *Bilge boards / rudder may be anodized. Type III anodizing, or hard-coating, is not allowed*. This topic came up at the National annual meeting in Augusta. If the fleet is going to continue to expand in the SE portion of the country the boats need to adapt to saltwater conditions. For those of us in the Midwest it means never having to sand your boards again.

Anodized boards are already legal in class A, E and MC.

Please contact members of the C-fleet Committee if you have any questions or suggestions, or if your interested in joining the group.

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