

EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

1966 After four years of DNs in Europe, the first European (EC) was held at the Union Yacht Club in Neusiedl, Austria. The conditions were excellent and it was the first (and last) time a long distance race around the lake was part of the EC.

1967 The races were held in the centre of Stockholm, Sweden on softening spring ice. Conditions were unfamiliar to the Dutch, who had a long night of changing their angle runners after day one and finishing ahead of the pack the next few days.

1968 The sailors returned to the Union Yacht Club on the Neusiedler See. After the first race there was a storm that blew the ice out and racing continued further south on the lake for one more day.

1969 The regatta was organised by the Baltische Segler Verein, on a smooth and wet Steinhuder Meer. The BSV is a combination club of the pre-war German iceboaters from Estonia and Riga that were displaced by the Molotov-Ribbentrop pact in 1939 and the ones from East Prussia that were chased out by the Red Army in 1944.

1971 Wim van Acker set the date for this EC in Monnickendam a year before. The ice appeared three days before the event. It was a once per century event just north of Amsterdam on glass ice.

1972 The regatta was sailed in a small fleet in Gottskär, Sweden

1973 Sailing conditions were excellent in Gizycko, Poland.

1976 The EC was sailed on ice covered in wet snow on one windy day in Stockholm. and without Estonian competitors by decision from Moscow bureaucrats.

1977 The regatta was held on a new area for the first time in Krynica Morska, Poland. Ice conditions were not so good, with a lot of shell ice, giving a premium to very strong DNs.

1978 The EC was sailed in Krynica Morska again, very popular at that time. The ice was soft, leading to the sailing being done before 9 in the morning on all days, before the ice got too soft.

1979 The EC was sailed at the Union Yacht Club, Neusiedl for the third time on rough ice in light wind conditions. In a fleet of 46, Robert Ettl was unbeatable, he won all four races.

1980 The EC was sailed over two days on snow covered ice near Västerås on which the Estonian and Polish sailors had 9 in the top 10.

1981 The EC was sailed on Lake Detttern, near Vänersborg, Sweden on snow covered rough ice. In medium to high winds the Eastern Europeans were once again unbeatable.

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1982 The regatta was sailed on the Kleine Wittensee, northern Germany. Three races were sailed the first day, on smooth ice in a stiff breeze. The next two days gave no wind followed by heavy rain, leading to an end for the regatta.

1983 For the third time in the centre of Stockholm, the EC was sailed over two days on smooth ice with a thin snow cover .

1984 It was the third turn for Krynica Morska, Poland where only three races could be sailed over three days despite perfect ice conditions, because of light winds.

1985 It was the first time the EC could be sailed on Lake Vänern, the big lake we always drive past in Sweden. The smooth hard ice had snow drifts, making sailing difficult in the light conditions

1986 The conditions deteriorated on Lake Neusiedl, forcing a move to the Schlei, northern Germany where all competitors had to wait in pouring rain conditions before the first start, but the ice deteriorated over the next few days forcing a cancellation and a move to Denmark, all to no avail.

1987 The German organisers rescued the event by moving to Kungsbacka, near Gothenburg, Sweden where the regatta was sailed on smooth ice with a thin, hard snow cover that needed enough wind, which was lacking most days.

1988 The regatta was sailed from Strelna, near Leningrad, in the Russian part of the USSR the only time ever. Conditions were hard, with deep snow on soft ice.

1989 The championship was sailed from Vasa, Finland. Conditions were miserable, with lots of rain and soft wet snow. Many hotel rooms were ruined by wet equipment and sharpening in the rooms.

1990 The Polish organisers were forced north, to Lake Storsjön, Årsunda, Sweden where the regatta was sailed on the roughest ice in history. The ice was best described as paving stones and caused many breakages.

1991 The championship was held in Estonia, in the middle of its struggle for independence, in Haapsalu.

1992 The regatta was sailed in Årsunda, Sweden again. On day one, no sailing was possible because of snow and no wind. On day two, many people left because of the deep snow. Miraculously, most of the snow had been blown away for the last day. Sailing was dangerous because of snow, but things went well.

1993 The EC was sailed on Lake Mälaren, on the south coast from Sundbyholm, near Eskilstuna, Sweden from the site of Sunbyholm castle. There was snow on the ice and light winds prevented racing until Thursday, when four races were sailed. More snow and no racing after that.

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1994 After a Worlds week on Lake Zegrze, Nieporet, Poland with light winds and snow there was only one day left for the EC. More snow and no wind prevented sailing.

1995 The EC was held in Västerås, Sweden in good conditions, but with the ice deteriorating later in the week because of rain.

1996 After being snowed out of the worlds in Podersdorf, Austria, the fleet moved to the small Wallersee, near Salzburg for the EC. Luckily there were smaller numbers of competitors, making reduced fleets possible on the glass ice.

1997 After a first race on soft ice on the Baltic Sea from Kalmar, Sweden, we woke up on day 2 to the ice sheet having drifted off. The regatta was finished at Väksjö, Sweden.

1998 Both the Worlds and EC were sailed on Lake Pyhajarvi in Finland. Conditions for the EC had totally changed from the Worlds before with deep, wet snow drifts on day one and dangerous shell ice on day two.

1999 The event was held at a new site on on Sniardwy, the biggest lake in Poland, at Mikolajki with smooth ice as far as the eye could see. This year was a preview to future times, with the small, overextended Swiss organising group hiring the local ice boat club to do the on the ice race organising.

2000 In Fiskeboda, Sweden, there was a thin layer of snow on the smooth ice that hid some cracks, one of which ruined Tomas Lindgrens chances in race 4, on the way to his fourth race win.

2001 A difficult season that saw us end up on Lake Lipno, Czech Republic. Known for fickle winds, we sailed on the widest area, from the ferry ramp at Dolni Vltavice, south of Cerna. Conditions were difficult, with snow, but just low enough to make sailing possible.

2002 It was an experimental year, with only one event counting as both the Worlds and EC with more races planned. We sailed from Haapsalu, Estonia, but storms and windless days kept us from sailing more than normal.

2003 We all travelled to Paldiski, a former naval base town for the Soviet army in Estonia. It had just too much hard snow, and we moved across the Baltic Sea to Björkvik, south of Stockholm. The smooth ice there made for good racing.

2004 The EC was sailed on Lake Balaton, Hungary. Initially at Balatonfüred, where the conditions worsened so we moved to the southwest end of the lake where we had smooth ice at Keszthely

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2005 Was another big moving year, with a start very far up north at Bergvik, near Söderhamn, Sweden. Where snow and appearance of a crack during qualifiers forced a move all the way to Pyhajarvi, Finland. After a few days of no wind and snow the EC was finally completed.

2006 The EC got under time pressure after the worlds were moved from Germany to Motala, Sweden and the primary ice sheet there blew away. But a valiant effort was made that resulted in cancellation after one race in the closing hour.

2007 The EC was sailed on a big thick sheet of ice in Haapsalu, without a second below zero all week. The top layer became softer all day every day, and firmed back up overnight. The wind conditions made for difficult races as well, but the first event organised by an experienced Polish Race Committee was a big succes.

2008 The Austrian ice scouts this year travelled all over Europe to find a suitable site, to find it 100 kilometers from home in the end, at Lake Lipno in the Czech Republic. There was good wind, but the hills around made for a one-sided course. Dangerous!

2009 This year marked a return to Saint Petersburg, formerly Leningrad, in Russia, formerly Soviet Union. There was a tight organisation, making use of the best conditions early in the day.

2010 The EC was sailed at the extreme south end of Lake Neusiedl, Austria with the starting area across the border in Hungary few times. Hard smooth ice made for excellent racing.

2011 The EC was sailed from Kuressaare on the Island of Saaremaa, Estonia. The racing area was a few miles out on the Baltic Sea, towards Riga on a giant sheet of ice.

2012 After the worlds in Örebro, Sweden, the snow came, forcing a move for the EC. Despite forecasts for more snow everybody packed up and moved to Mariestad, where more snow was falling so the EC was cancelled without getting a sail.

2013 The EC this year was sailed from the iceboating city of Gizycko, Poland with a move to Lake Siemianowka on the Belarussian border after getting snowed out for a last race.

2014 The EC was sailed over two days in Haapsalu, Estonia. Good conditions out on the course, but there were holes in the ice on the way out, causing some trouble.

2015 The EC was on Lake Võrtsjärv, central Estonia. A new lake for the DN EC leading to underestimation of ice deterioration after enough races were sailed to have a valid event, leading to racing getting cancelled on the last day.

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2016 After a week of high temperatures during the Worlds on Lake Glan in Norrköping, Sweden, the EC was sailed on the last morning, unexpectedly to some, which made it possible actually; Smaller groups made it possible to get enough races in before the forecasted storm hit.

2017 It was a difficult winter with a constant stream of weather depressions alternately ruining all our usual lakes except the extreme south lake Balaton in Hungary where a high pressure area formed over it from mid December until almost March. The massive ice was used for a good EC at Balatonfüred, until the last possible day on that ice.

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Year	Winner	Home	Regatta Site
1966	Kees Kortenoever	Holland	Neusiedler See, Austria
1967	Bouw van Wijk	Holland	Stora Värtan, Sweden
1968	Bouw van Wijk	Holland	Neusiedler See, Austria
1969	Jan Eindhoven	Holland	Steinhuder Meer, W. Germany
1970	(No Race - too much snow)		
1971	Endel Vooremaa	Estonia, USSR	Monnickendam, Holland
1972	Endel Vooremaa	Estonia, USSR	Gottskär, Sweden
1973	Endel Vooremaa	Estonia, USSR	Gizycko, Poland
1974	(No race—too much snow)		
1975	(No race—too much snow)		
1976	Olle Blomquist	Sweden	Stora Värtan, Sweden
1977	Piotr Burczyński	Poland	Krynica Morska, Poland
1978	Vello Kuusk	Estonia, USSR	Krynica Morska, Poland
1979	Robert Ettl	West Germany	Neusiedler See, Austria
1980	Bogdan Kramer	Poland	Lake Mälaren, Västerås, Sweden
1981	Bogdan Kramer	Poland	Dettern, Sweden
1982	Matti Kuulmann	Estonia, USSR	Kleine Wittensee, Germany
1983	Vaiko Voorema	Estonia, USSR	Stora Värtan, Sweden
1984	Bogdan Kramer	Poland	Krynica Morska, Poland
1985	Vaiko Vooremaa	Estonia, USSR	Gränna, Sweden
1986	(No race)		
1987	Wladyslaw Stefanowicz	Poland	Kungsbacka, Sweden
1988	Piotr Burczyński	Poland	Leningrad, USSR
1989	Piotr Burczyński	Poland	Vasa, Finland
1990	Sören Snäckerström	Sweden	Arsunda, Sweden
1991	Matti Kuulmann	Estonia,	Haapsalu, Estonia
1992	Karol Jabłoński	Germany	Arsunda, Sweden
1993	Stan Macur	Poland	Sundbyholm Mälaren, Sweden
1994	(No race, snowed out.)		
1995	Vaiko Voorema	Estonia	Västerås Mälaren, Sweden

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1996	Thomas Karlsson	Sweden	Wallersee, Austria
1997	Thomas Karlsson	Sweden	Kalmar & Växjö, Sweden
1998	Thomas Karlsson	Sweden	Lake Pyhäjärvi, Lomasakyla, Finland
1999	Tomas Lindgren	Sweden	Lake Sniardwy, Poland
2000	Bernd Zeiger	Germany	Lake Hjälmarén, Fiskeboda, Sweden
2001	Karol Jabłoński	Poland	Lake Lipno, Czech Republic
2002	Ron Sherry	USA	Haapsalu, Estonia
2003	Thomas Karlsson	Sweden	Björkvik, Sweden
2004	Michał Burczyński	Poland	Lake Balaton, Hungary
2005	Michał Burczyński	Poland	Lake Pyhäjärvi, Lomasakyla, Finland
2006	No Regatta		
2007	Andreas Bock	Germany	Haapsalu, Estonia
2008	Matt Struble	USA	Lake Lipno, Czech Republic
2009	Vaiko Vooremaa	Estonia	St. Petersburg, Russia
2010	Bernd Zeiger	Germany	Neusiedler See, Austria
2011	Karol Jabłoński	Poland	Kuressaare, Saaremaa, Estonia
2012	(No Race)		
2013	Karol Jabłoński	Poland	Lake Niegocin & Lake Siemianowka, Poland
2014	Karol Jabłoński	Poland	Haapsalu, Estonia
2015	Karol Jabłoński	Poland	Lake Võrtsjärv, Estonia
2016	Ron Sherry	USA	Lake Glan, Norrköping, Sweden
2017	Karol Jabłoński	Poland	Lake Balaton, Hungary

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Year	Winner	Home	Regatta Site
1966	Jan Dick Wevers	Holland	Neusiedler See, Austria
1967	Wim van Acker	Holland	Stora Värtan, Sweden
1968	Dieter Handl	Austria	Neusiedler See, Austria
1969	Heinrich Reiter	Austria	Steinhuder Meer, W. Germany
1970	(No Race - too much snow)		
1971	Helge Rodén	Sweden	Monnickendam, Holland
1972	Jan Gougeon	USA	Gottskär, Sweden
1973	Helmuth Leppik	Estonia, USSR	Gizycko, Poland
1974	(No race—too much snow)		
1975	(No race— too much snow)		
1976	Hans Molter	West Germany	Stora Värtan, Sweden
1977	Endel Vooremaa	Estonia, USSR	Krynica Morska, Poland
1978	Bogdan Kramer	Poland	Krynica Morska, Poland
1979	Peter Koppány	West Germany	Neusiedler See, Austria
1980	Matti Kuulmann	Estonia, USSR	Lake Mälaren, Västerås, Sweden
1981	Matti Kuulmann	Estonia, USSR	Dettern, Sweden
1982	Piotr Burczyński	Poland	Kleine Wittensee, Germany
1983	Piotr Burczyński	Poland	Stora Värtan, Sweden
1984	Tiit Haagma	Estonia, USSR	Krynica Morska, Poland
1985	Karol Jabłoński	Poland	Gränna, Sweden
1986	(No race)		
1987	Piotr Burczyński	Poland	Kungsbacka, Sweden
1988	Andrzej Dalecki	Poland	Leningrad, USSR
1989	Andreas Bock	West Germany	Vasa, Finland
1990	Władysław Stefanowicz	Poland	Arsunda, Sweden
1991	Rein Veider	Estonia	Haapsalu, Estonia
1992	Andrzej Dalecki	Poland	Arsunda, Sweden
1993	Rein Veider	Estonia	Sundbyholm Mälaren, Sweden
1994	(No race, snowed out.)		
1995	Ake Luks	Sweden	Västerås Mälaren, Sweden

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1996	Karol Jabłoński	Poland	Wallersee, Austria
1997	Karol Jabłoński	Poland	Kalmar & Växjö, Sweden
1998	Bernd Zeiger	Germany	Lake Pyhäjärvi, Lomasakyla, Finland
1999	Karol Jabłoński	Poland	Lake Sniardwy, Poland
2000	Thomas Karlsson	Sweden	Lake Hjälmarén, Fiskeboda, Sweden
2001	Michał Burczyński	Poland	Lake Lipno, Czech Republic
2002	Karol Jabłoński	Poland	Haapsalu, Estonia
2003	Bernd Zeiger	Germany	Björkvik, Sweden
2004	Ron Sherry	USA	Lake Balaton, Hungary
2005	Vaiko Vooremaa	Estonia	Lake Pyhäjärvi, Lomasakyla, Finland
2006	No Regatta		
2007	Michał Burczyński	Poland	Haapsalu, Estonia
2008	Ron Sherry	USA	Lake Lipno, Czech Republic
2009	Łukasz Zakrzewski	Poland	St. Petersburg, Russia
2010	Michał Burczyński	Poland	Neusiedler See, Austria
2011	Łukasz, Zakrzewski	Poland	Kuressaare, Saaremaa, Estonia
2012	No Regatta		
2013	Tomasz, Zakrzewski	Poland	Lake Niegocin & Lake Siemianowka, Poland
2014	Vaiko Vooremaa	Estonia	Haapsalu, Estonia
2015	Michał Burczyński	Poland	Lake Võrtsjärv, Estonia
2016	Michał Burczyński	Poland	Lake Glan, Norrköping, Sweden
2017	Michał Burczyński	Poland	Lake Balaton, Hungary

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Year	Winner	Home	Regatta Site
1966	Hans Bergkvist	Sweden	Neusiedler See, Austria
1967	Sune Lind	Sweden	Stora Värtan, Sweden
1968	Jan Eindhoven	Holland	Neusiedler See, Austria
1969	Frits Meeuwissen	Holland	Steinhuder Meer, W. Germany
1970	(No race - too much snow)		
1971	Helmuth Leppik	Estonia, USSR	Monnickendam, Holland
1972	Helmuth Leppik	Estonia, USSR	Gottskär, Sweden
1973	Vello Jürjo	Estonia, USSR	Gizycko, Poland
1974	(No race—too much snow)		
1975	(No race— too much snow)		
1976	Rolf Andersson	Sweden	Stora Värtan, Sweden
1977	Rolands Berdash	Latvia, USSR	Krynica Morska, Poland
1978	Jüri Šaraškin	Estonia, USSR	Krynica Morska, Poland
1979	Bogdan Kramer	Poland	Neusiedler See, Austria
1980	Ain Vilde	Estonia, USSR	Lake Mälaren, Västerås, Sweden
1981	Stanislaw Macur	Poland	Dettern, Sweden
1982	Göran Tell	Sweden	Kleine Wittensee, Germany
1983	Bogdan Kramer	Poland	Stora Värtan, Sweden
1984	Piotr Burczyński	Poland	Krynica Morska, Poland
1985	Piotr Burczyński	Poland	Gränna, Sweden
1986	(No race)		
1987	Peter Koppány	West Germany	Kungsbacka, Sweden
1988	Andreas Bock	West Germany	Leningrad, USSR
1989	Stanislaw Macur	Poland	Vasa, Finland
1990	Matti Kuulmann	Estonia, USSR	Arsunda, Sweden
1991	Vaiko Vooremaa	Estonia	Haapsalu, Estonia
1992	Władysław Stefanowicz	Poland	Arsunda, Sweden
1993	Matti Kuulmann	Estonia	Sundbyholm Mälaren, Sweden
1994	(No race, snowed out.)		
1995	Stefan Jarrudd	Sweden	Västerås Mälaren, Sweden

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1996	Vaiko Vooremaa	Estonia	Wallersee, Austria
1997	Tomas Lindgren	Sweden	Kalmar & Väckjö, Sweden
1998	Karol Jabłoński	Poland	Lake Pyhäjärvi, Lomasakyla, Finland
1999	Bernd Zeiger	Germany	Lake Sniardwy, Poland
2000	Karol Jabłoński	Poland	Lake Hjälmarén, Fiskeboda, Sweden
2001	Daan Schutte	Holland	Lake Lipno, Czech Republic
2002	Michał Burczyński	Poland	Haapsalu, Estonia
2003	Ron Sherry	USA	Björkvik, Sweden
2004	Fredrik Lönegren	Sweden	Lake Balaton, Hungary
2005	Ron Sherry	USA	Lake Pyhäjärvi, Lomasakyla, Finland
2006	No Regatta		
2007	Vaiko Vooremaa	Estonia	Haapsalu, Estonia
2008	Michał Burczyński	Poland	Lake Lipno, Czech Republic
2009	Michał Burczyński	Poland	St. Petersburg, Russia
2010	Ron Sherry	USA	Neusiedler See, Austria
2011	Robert Graczyk	Poland	Kuressaare, Saaremaa, Estonia
2012	No Regatta		
2013	Peter Hamrak	Hungary	Lake Niegocin & Lake Siemianowka, Poland
2014	Ron Sherry	USA	Haapsalu, Estonia
2015	Łukasz Zakrzewski	Poland	Lake Võrtsjärv, Estonia
2016	Madars Alvikis	Latvia	Lake Glan, Norrköping, Sweden
2017	Łukasz Zakrzewski	Poland	Lake Balaton, Hungary