



IFDS Worlds 2013

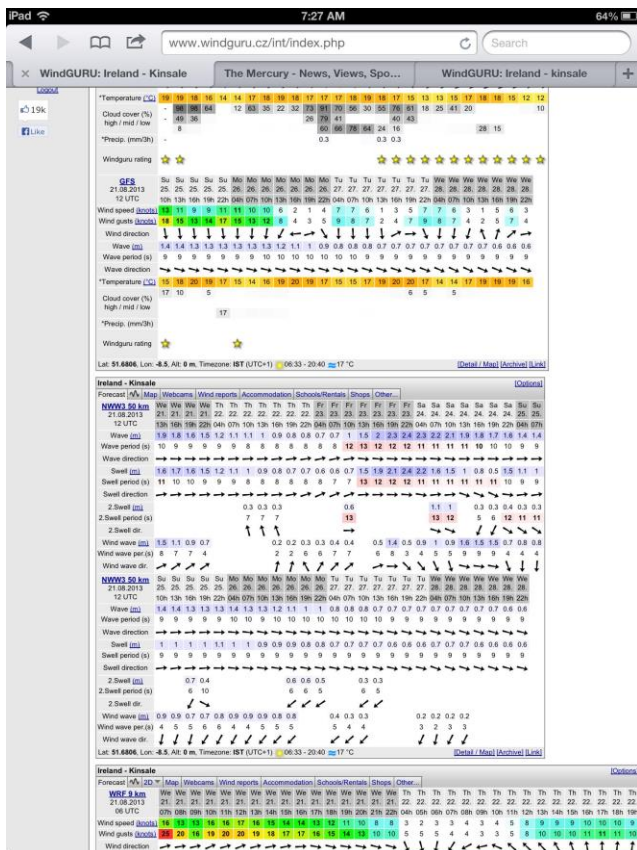
26 August - 30 August 2013, Kinsale, Ireland
Australian Sailing Team Report by Craig Heydon



Practice Race today. Matt was first to the Top and lead the race until the last few boat lengths coming 2nd across the line, however he was OCS. Mark and Neil had a great start to their first international regatta with Mark 38th and Neil 28th



2.4mRs lined up for measurement (photo: Richard Scarr)



Looking a bit soft for the event, and a bit of joggle.
Hope no one gets sea sick.



Mark Durnan



Matt Bugg (photos: Richard Scarr)



Neil Patterson (photos: Richard Scarr)



Racing in the 2.4mR in Ireland (photo: Michael Sweeney)

Monday, 26 August 2013

Australia's Paralympic class sailors will begin the long road to the Rio 2016 Paralympic Games later today when the 2013 IFDS World Championships begin in Kinsale, Ireland.

Four Australian crews will be in action in two classes, including a number of sailors who competed at last year's London 2012 Paralympic Games.

Matt Bugg will contest his first major international event in the 2.4mR class since finishing seventh at London 2012, with the Tasmanian sailor having spent the last week in Kinsale preparing for racing.

"I'm feeling great ahead of the Worlds, it's a great place and we've had a really good preparation in the venue over the last week," said Bugg. "The conditions have been great with lots of wind and big waves, which I love, but the forecast for the Worlds is looking very light. Though coming from winter in Hobart I'm well practiced in light air.

"I just competed at the British 2.4mR Championship and finished a close second which I was happy with," he said. "The British Championship was held in Poole which is the venue for next month's 2.4mR open World Championship so it was good to do some training and racing there to get a good feel for the wind and crazy tides.

"The IFDS World Championship will be my first major international event since the Paralympics, I've done a lot of work in the last year and am hoping for a really good result here," said Bugg.

Bugg will be joined in the 2.4mR fleet by two other Australians, Neil Patterson and Mark Durnan, who are both competing at their first IFDS World Championship.

Patterson and Durnan are both relative newcomers to the 2.4mR class, with Sunday's practice race the first time that Patterson had raced a 2.4mR, but both sailors have been training extensively back home in Australia and have a background racing in the Access Dinghy class.

Australian 2.4mR coach Richard Scarr said that the class is developing well in Australia.

"2.4mR sailing in Australia is building and since last year's Paralympics we've set about creating a new group of 2.4mR sailors," said Scarr. "We've been running training camps in the ACT, New South Wales and Tasmania with disabled and able bodied sailors taking part. There's now a strong base of sailors with a few new ones coming into the class.

"Since London Matt Bugg has been working hard on developments on the boat," he said. "Matt's been working a lot on skill development to take that next step within the class, with his result at the British Championship showing that the things we've been doing are working. The next week will be a great indication on how he's progressing."

Tuesday, 27 August 2013

In Ireland a complete lack of breeze led to the cancellation of the first day of the 2013 IFDS World Championship.

Wednesday, 28 August 2013

Light winds have made for a slow day of racing at the IFDS World Championships in Ireland. After losing the opening day due to a lack of breeze the Paralympic classes finally got racing at the IFDS World Championships with two Australian crews making a strong start.

In the 2.4mR class Matt Bugg also made a good start and is currently third overall after two races. Bugg began the event with a third before finishing eighth in race two.

"After a day without racing yesterday we got our first two races in today in five to 10 knots and I finished with a third and an eighth," said Bugg. "I'm happy with how I started the regatta with my boat feeling fast and I was happy with the decisions that I made.

"Tomorrow looks like the same conditions as today so I'm planning on building on my opening day's performance and putting in two more keepers," he said.

Neil Patterson and Mark Durnan are both contesting their first IFDS World Championship in the 2.4mR fleet with Patterson ending the day in 25th position following a 19th and a 33rd. Durnan is currently 40th after finishing with a 36th and a 41st.

Thursday, 29 August 2013

A lack of wind has led to the cancellation of day three of racing at the IFDS World Championships in Ireland. Crews spent the day waiting for the breeze to arrive before racing was eventually cancelled without a boat leaving the shore.

Matt Bugg is the leading Australian in the 2.4mR class, currently third overall after two races. Neil Patterson is 25th and Mark Durnan is 40th.

Friday, 30 August 2013

Australia's Paralympic class sailors are set to race for medals on the final day of the 2013 IFDS World Championships following another solid day on the water in Kinsale, Ireland. Heading into the final day of racing After losing a day of racing due to a lack of wind on Wednesday the sailors were greeted by 10 to 15 knots of breeze in Kinsale yesterday, allowing three races to be completed in each class.

Matt Bugg started the day in third position in the 2.4mR fleet, with three consistent results keeping him on the final step of the podium with a day of racing remaining. Bugg was seventh, third and sixth from the day's three races, leaving him three points off second and a further six off the leader.

"Today was a big day of racing with three long races in medium strength breeze," said Bugg. "It was basically perfect conditions for sailing a 2.4, I loved it. I ended up with a seventh, a third and a sixth which means I'm still sitting third overall but it's really tight between the first eight or so sailors.

"I've been really happy with my starts this week which is good because we've been doing a lot of work on my starting over the last six months," he said. "I'm happy with my results today but still feel like I can sail better. I made plenty of basic mistakes today so I'm pumped for the last day of racing to try and make a few less and end up with a good overall result."

Fellow Australians Neil Patterson and Mark Durnan are 29th and 41st respectively in the 2.4mR fleet.

Saturday, 31 August 2013

Australian Matt Bugg finished fourth in the 2.4mR class, his best result at an IFDS World Championship.














































In moderate breeze in Kinsale Bugg began the day with a seventh, before finishing sixth in the last race of the regatta to be fourth overall. Racing was tight all week in the 45 boat 2.4mR fleet with Bugg now set to race in the class open World Championship in England, beginning at the end of next week.

Neil Patterson and Mark Durnan finished 28th and 41st respectively at their first IFDS World Championship, with both sailors new to the 2.4mR class.

Press release

The seventh and final race for the 2.4mR class this afternoon was thrilling. Heiko Kroger from Germany and Guus Bijlard from the Netherlands were tied on equal points at the top of the 45 boat fleet and only four points behind them was Damien Seguin from France. The prestigious world Paralympic title came down to this final race. The three sailors were neck and neck, chasing each other ferociously around the course. But ultimately it was Guus Bijlard who just pipped Heiko Kroger to the finish line and to the title. Damien Seguin sailed in behind for a third in the race and also in the championship.

IFDS Worlds 2013 Results

	Series Place	Sail No	Helm	Club	Series Points	Race 1	Race 2	Race 3	Race 4	Race 5	Race 6	Race 7
	1	NED111	Bijlard Guus	Delta Lloyd Kernploeg	18	2	1	2	6	6	46	1
	2	GER1	Heiko Kroger	Norddeutscher Regatta Verein	19	9	5	1	1	7	3	2
	3	FRA13	Damien Seguin	SNO Nantes	24	11	4	3	46	2	1	3
	4	AUS36	Matt Bugg	Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania	31	3	8	7	3	5	7	6
	5	NED1	Barend Kol	hZV	35	1	13	4	7	46	5	5
	6	NOR1	Bjornar Erikstad	Tonsberg Seilforening	40	8	18	5	13	8	2	4
	7	CAN39	Bruce Millar	Royal Vancouver Yacht Club	40	16	6	8	8	3	8	7
	8	GBR98	Megan Pascoe	Weymouth SC	40	4	14	6	46	4	4	8
	9	GBR100	Helena Lucas	Royal Southampton YC	53	6	21	10	2	1	13	46
	10	GER44	Lasse Kloetzing	PYC/PST	53	10	3	17	4	10	46	9
	11	PUR1	Julio Reguero		57	5	2	9	15	46	11	15
	12	GBR3	Will Street	Pevensy Bay Sailing Club	63	7	7	13	14	12	10	46
	13	ITA104	Antonio Squizzato	Societa Canottieri Garda Salo	69	14	46	12	9	18	6	10
	14	FRA5	Kevin Cantin	CVGV	77	12	22	18	5	9	21	12
	15	AUT1	Sven Reiger	BYC	81	13	11	14	16	28	14	13
	16	USA165	Daniel Evans	Team Paradise	86	15	19	11	46	14	9	18
	17	ESP09	Rafael Andarias Buigues	C.N. Javea	99	20	12	26	18	19	19	11
	18	RUS4	Nikolay Ulyashev	SDYSSHOR/Voronej	102	18	9	24	34	11	16	24
	19	CZE7	Daniel Bina	Jachtklub Machova Jezera Stare Splayv	102	17	23	19	11	27	12	20
	20	BRA01	Mario Czaschke	CBVA	122	30	10	20	23	26	27	16
	21	GER50	Werner Soeren	YBC	123	29	30	28	10	16	26	14
	22	ESP29	Francisco Javier Pineiro Aspera	Club Dep. De Vela Escota	123	26	26	46	19	13	22	17
	23	GBR68	Carol Dugdale	Norfolk Broads Yacht Club	127.5	25	16	30	20	24	20	22.5
	24	USA118	Tim Ripley	Nyack Boat Club	129	22	24	21	24	20	18	46
	25	ESP7	Antonio Maestre Hernandez	CAR Infanta Cristina	130	23	17	15	12	17	46	46
	26	FRA56	Daniel Gachignard	SRVannes	141	24	20	27	32	15	30	25
	27	USA142	Charles Rosenfield	Sail Newport	142	46	15	22	21	21	17	46
	28	AUS32	Neil Patterson	Middle Harbour Yacht Club	155	19	33	46	17	23	28	35
	29	ESP12	Javier Contreras	Real Club Mediterraneo De Malaga	157	21	27	25	26	29	31	29
	30	MAS33	Al Mustakim Matrin	NSC of Malaysia	159	34	32	29	31	30	15	22
	31	ESP21	Francisco (Paco) Llobet Balcells	Club Nautic Arenys De Mar	161	27	37	16	22	46	33	26
	32	ESP15	Arturo Montes Vorcy	RCMT Punta Umbria	161	28	25	32	29	31	29	19
	33	MAS55	Azmi Ani	NSC of Malaysia	168	46	29	37	30	25	24	23
	34	MAS22	Mustafah Junell	NSC of Malaysia	183	33	34	38	35	37	23	21
	35	ITA83	Cristian Tarasco	Circolo Nautico Andora	183	38	35	23	46	34	25	28
	36	ESP17	Jordi Cargol Ramon	Club Nautic La Escala	184	37	40	31	25	22	36	33
	37	GBR113	John Brooker	Frensham Pond Sailing Club	197	39	36	35	27	35	34	30
	38	ESP16	Borja Melgarejo	RCMT Punta Umbria	203	31	28	33	33	46	32	46
	39	JPN1	Masakazu Suto	Japanese Association for Disabled Sailing	203	32	42	36	28	32	41	34
	40	RUS8	Dmitrii Khonich	Seven feet/ Vladivostok	208	35	31	40	36	36	39	31
	41	AUS25	Mark Durnan	YMCA of Canberra Sailing	210	36	41	34	37	33	38	32
	42	RUS2	Alexandr Pavlov	CSP Khebnikovo/Moscow	215	40	38	39	38	38	35	27
	43	GBR57	Isabella Walsh	Rutland Sailing Club	237	43	43	41	40	40	37	36
	44	RUS7	Elena Belodedova	CSP Khebnikovo/Moscow	240	41	39	42	39	39	40	46
	45	JPN2	Shinya Yamamoto	Japanese Association for Disabled Sailing	257	42	44	43	41	41	46	46