



2.4mR World Championships 2015

Rauma Yacht Club, Finland, August 2015

2015 World Championships is over... and the winner is: Stellan Berlin once more.

For a lot of us the 2015 World Championships hosted by Rauman Purjehdusseura in Finland is a memory that will stay in our minds for a long time. The beautiful weather together with good racing on a tricky race course made the event one of the greatest in years. The organiser's land crew was the best and most efficient that we had ever experienced, a big thank you to the land crew for all the fantastic help they handed out during the regatta.

Stellan Berlin from Sweden was the winner and runner up was Björn Erikstad from Norway, in third place was Heiko Kröger from Germany. Here under you can read the report from one of the fellow competitors about the Worlds 2015:



Stellan again! by Rikard Bjurström FIN 184




















































The World Championships in Rauma, Finland has been sailed in beautiful weather and with great arrangements from the Rauma Yacht Club. 102 boats showed up on the starting line from 19 different countries. In Tampere, Finland in 1998 where the biggest event ever was held, there were 104 boats from 15 countries. 11 races were sailed according to schedule and there was no doubt about the winner. Stellan Berlin SWE sailed very steadily with no bigger mistakes. The same you could see also in the two other medalists sailing. Very secure and with very few mistakes, Björn Erikstad NOR had a second throw out as good as 11th and Heiko Kröger GER a 14th, places that most of the sailors would like to achieve at least once. In 4th place was the first Finn, Jan Forsblom, who has not been attending many Worlds before but has always been one of the top sailors in the Worlds that he has attended. Once more the girls Helena Lucas and Megan Pascoe from GBR showed that they are pros and ready to beat any guy. In 7th place we had a rookie, Dee Smith, from USA that we can expect to be one of the top sailors in the future in 2.4mR. Dee has a long history in sailing bigger boats in super high competitions and is ready to start developing 2.4mR boats to an even higher level than they are today. Martin Pascoe GBR, usually called Megan's father, and Fabian Björndahl FIN, usually called Tom Björndahls (World Champion in 1999) son, did a great job finishing 17th and 28th.

During a week of racing many things can happen and here a few of them:



















































- 102 boats had perfect berths in a small club without extra jetties (good)
- Warm food was waiting for you when you come ashore as well as free beer (good)
- Boats were touching the windward mark very often and no-one reacted (bad)
- The Jury started to protest on mark touching and one resulted in a DNE (good)
- One sailor was OCS, did not come back but got his finishing position (bad)
- The recreation boats were very efficiently kept out of the racing area (good)
- Esa Harjulahti won a new Charger 2.4 mR on the lottery (good for him)
- In night time when the cafeteria was closed, it was self service (good)
- A shallow area was on the race course but well marked and no problems (good)
- Boats were exactly on the line even with black flags, thanks to almost all having GPS (good/bad)
- On lay day Norwegians cooked a great fish soup for all (good)
- GPS tracking made it possible to follow the race from ashore (good)
- Everybody, organizers and sailors had a great time (good)

Thanks to the organizers, to the Rauma Yacht Club and to all sailors for a great week and hope to see you soon on the race course again!

Overall results

Rank	BowNumber	Nat	SailNo	HelmName	Club	Boat	Class	HelmSex	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R10	R11	Total	Nett
1st	102		379	Stellan Berlin	KSSS		2.4 mR	Male	5.0	1.0	3.0	(26.0)	1.0	1.0	7.0	1.0	6.0	4.0	(103.0 DNF)	158.0	29.0
2nd	72		1	Björnar Erikstad	Tönsberg seilforening		2.4 mR	Male	4.0	7.0	4.0	7.0	6.0	3.0	3.0	(11.0)	(103.0 OCS)	5.0	3.0	156.0	42.0
3rd	85		1	Heiko Kröger	Norddeutscher Regatta-Verein	OD	2.4 mR	Male	6.0	9.0	(14.0)	3.0	12.0	10.0	4.0	(103.0 BFD)	1.0	8.0	2.0	172.0	55.0
4th	34		133	Jan Forsbom	Naantali Sailing Club		2.4 mR	Male	1.0	3.0	15.0	(18.0)	15.0	(30.0)	2.0	5.0	8.0	7.0	6.0	110.0	62.0
5th	53		75	Helena Lucas	RSYC	OD?	2.4 mR	Female	13.0	16.0	5.0	2.0	(23.0)	2.0	(23.0)	2.0	16.0	2.0	16.0	120.0	74.0
6th	31		141	Megan Pascoe	Weymouth Sailing Club		2.4 mR	Female	2.0	4.0	6.0	8.0	(32.0)	(29.0)	8.0	12.0	27.0	1.0	19.0	148.0	87.0
7th	77		7	Dee Smith	Stc. Ggyc	OD	2.4 mR	Male	3.0	24.0	2.0	11.0	11.0	13.0	20.0	7.0	(29.0)	3.0	(34.0)	157.0	94.0
8th	61		364	Peter Andersson	SSW		2.4 mR	Male	16.0	2.0	(47.0)	20.0	(31.0)	19.0	5.0	16.0	13.0	9.0	1.0	179.0	101.0
9th	73		44	Lasse Klötzing	Potsdamer Yacht Club e.V.	OD	2.4 mR	Male	34.0	10.0	(35.0)	5.0	7.0	7.0	9.0	9.0	7.0	19.0	(39.0)	181.0	107.0
10th	19		179	Rikard Bjurström	Näsijärvi Sailing Club		2.4 mR	Male	(55.0)	(36.0)	21.0	6.0	18.0	5.0	19.0	3.0	10.0	14.0	23.0	210.0	119.0
11th	29		131	Janne Laine	Naantali Sailing Club	OD	2.4 mR	Male	14.0	5.0	19.0	4.0	8.0	22.0	28.0	24.0	4.0	(36.0)	(40.0)	204.0	128.0
12th	51		175	Marko Dahlberg	Näsijärvi Sailing Club		2.4 mR	Male	21.0	(35.0)	8.0	21.0	(34.0)	16.5	1.0	22.0	3.0	12.0	29.0	202.5	133.5
13th	64		423	Lennart Heselius	Gefle Segel Sällskap		2.4 mR	Male	10.0	8.0	24.0	(30.0)	29.0	15.0	6.0	4.0	(41.0)	29.0	17.0	213.0	142.0
14th	60		441	Hans Åsklund	Westerviks SS	OD	2.4 mR	Male	12.0	11.0	(103.0 OCS)	1.0	4.0	(103.0 DSQ)	16.0	6.0	14.0	78.0	4.0	352.0	146.0
15th	23		166	Pauli Immonen	Naantali Sailing Club		2.4 mR	Male	18.0	(43.0)	9.0	14.0	2.0	4.0	24.0	20.0	32.0	(43.0)	43.0	252.0	166.0
16th	100		55	Peter Lumme	Naantali Sailing Club		2.4 mR	Male	23.0	47.0	7.0	31.0	3.0	6.0	42.0	19.0	(59.0)	22.0	(103.0 DNF)	362.0	200.0
17th	32		121	Martin Pascoe	Weir Wood Sailing Club	OD	2.4 mR	Male	33.0	12.0	49.0	(54.0)	20.0	25.0	45.0	(103.0 BFD)	12.0	6.0	10.0	369.0	212.0
18th	90		3	Will Street	Pevensey Bay Sailing Club		2.4 mR	Male	56.0	29.0	(103.0 DNF)	10.0	9.0	8.0	15.0	(103.0 BFD)	43.0	10.0	36.0	422.0	216.0
19th	37		378	Per Åhrbom	KSSS	OD	2.4 mR	Male	39.0	21.0	33.0	15.0	(66.0)	12.0	44.0	41.0	5.0	(103.0 RET)	9.0	388.0	219.0
20th	71		442	Hans Ekholm	Sundsvalls Segelsällskap		2.4 mR	Male	19.0	22.0	12.0	34.0	39.0	16.0	33.0	31.0	(60.0)	18.0	(67.0)	351.0	224.0 229.0
21st	6		114	Harald Rølfnes	Røyken Seilforening		2.4 mR	Male	9.0	26.0	(60.0)	33.0	25.0	46.0	37.0	(103.0 BFD)	11.0	17.0	27.0	396.0	233.0
22nd	43		91	Bob Casen	Kokkola Sailing Club		2.4 mR	Male	51.0	15.0	(66.0)	36.0	19.0	23.0	18.0	17.0	(58.0)	26.0	32.0	361.0	237.0
23rd 24th	92		144	Kaj Panttilä	Tampere Sailing Club		2.4 mR	Male	(103.0 OCS)	50.0	23.0	38.0	22.0	18.0	12.0	15.0	51.0	11.0	(68.0)	411.0	240.0 245.0
24th 23rd	46		88	Martin Whittingham-Jones	West Kirby Sailing Club		2.4 mR	Male	(103.0 OCS)	32.0	30.0	50.0	(55.0)	36.0	30.0	25.0	20.0	13.0	5.0	399.0	241.0
25th	96		105	Paul Francis	Takapuna Boating Club		2.4 mR	Male	24.0	18.0	17.0	13.0	56.0	(103.0 DNF)	17.0	(103.0 BFD)	9.0	38.0	60.0	458.0	252.0
26th	22		331	Bo Hedensjö	KSSS		2.4 mR	Male	17.0	(48.0)	40.0	32.0	16.0	(64.0)	21.0	37.0	18.0	32.0	47.0	372.0	260.0
27th	52		116	Esa Harjulahti	Naantali Sailing Club		2.4 mR	Male	36.0	30.0	22.0	41.0	43.0	21.0	29.0	(45.0)	17.0	24.0	(69.0)	377.0	263.0
28th 32nd	94		12	Fabian Björndahl	GSF		2.4 mR	Male	(53.0)	39.0	37.0	53.0	28.0	9.0	25.0	18.0	21.0	(63.0)	42.0	388.0	272.0 277.0
29th 28th	39		111	Antti Kakkala	Rauma Yacht Club		2.4 mR	Male	31.0	14.0	28.0	12.0	5.0	11.0	(49.0)	103.0 DNE	44.0	(67.0)	25.0	389.0	273.0
30th 29th	103		28	Peter Russell	YMCASC	OD	2.4 mR	Male	11.0	40.0	(66.0)	28.0	49.0	(66.0)	52.0	21.0	47.0	20.0	7.0	427.0	275.0
31st 30th	3		173	Niko Salomaa	Turku Sailing Club		2.4 mR	Male	25.0	37.0	41.0	43.0	48.0	(69.0)	14.0	13.0	(50.0)	34.0	20.0	394.0	275.0
32nd 31st	2		172	Veikko Martin	Näsijärvi Sailing Club		2.4 mR	Male	20.0	58.0	10.0	(103.0 OCS)	14.0	20.0	61.0	50.0	(72.0)	25.0	18.0	451.0	276.0
33rd	82		18	Ulli Libor	N.R.V.	OD	2.4 mR	Male	(103.0 OCS)	20.0	18.0	19.0	(77.0)	47.0	64.0	63.0	25.0	16.0	22.0	474.0	294.0
34th	41		425	Pekka Seitola	Gefle Segel Sällskap	OD	2.4 mR	Male	(103.0 OCS)	45.0	54.0	23.0	36.0	33.0	38.0	26.0	(57.0)	35.0	11.0	461.0	301.0
35th	93		391	Jonas Palm	GKSS		2.4 mR	Male	37.0	27.0	31.0	(61.0)	53.0	27.0	54.0	29.0	31.0	(103.0 RET)	15.0	468.0	304.0
36th	45		152	Simo Lehtinen	Pon Sailing Club		2.4 mR	Male	22.0	55.0	(65.0)	39.0	24.0	56.0	(63.0)	36.0	15.0	31.0	28.0	434.0	306.0
37th	81		176	Roope Heikkilä	Naantali Sailing Club		2.4 mR	Male	(103.0 OCS)	(103.0 OCS)	36.0	16.0	21.0	62.0	79.0	8.0	42.0	23.0	26.0	519.0	313.0
38th	109		8	Dmitri Khonich	SHVSM - Vladivostok	OD	2.4 mR	Male	26.0	19.0	26.0	51.0	40.0	53.0	26.0	(103.0 BFD)	36.0	(77.0)	41.0	496.0	318.0
39th	49		145	Timo Lankinen	Naantali Sailing Club		2.4 mR	Male	(54.0)	(103.0 OCS)	45.0	48.0	35.0	31.0	36.0	38.0	22.0	47.0	21.0	481.0	324.0
40th	11		420	Henrik Johnsson	VhSS	OD	2.4 mR	Male	29.0	13.0	1.0	9.0	13.0	(103.0 DNF)	53.0	(103.0 BFD)	2.0	103.0 DNC	103.0 DNS	532.0	326.0
41st	87		1	Sven Reiger	BYC	OD	2.4 mR	Male	48.0	42.0	50.0	44.0	57.0	14.0	13.0	14.0	(103.0 DSQ)	44.0	(59.0)	488.0	326.0
42nd	99		90	Sami Ekblad	Naantali Sailing Club	OD	2.4 mR	Male	62.0	(103.0 OCS)	20.0	22.0	38.0	35.0	40.0	30.0	55.0	39.0	(65.0)	509.0	341.0
43rd	36		116	Iain Stowe	Rutland Sailing Club	OD	2.4 mR	Male	7.0	(103.0 OCS)	32.0	37.0	59.0	42.0	39.0	(65.0)	46.0	60.0	35.0	515.0	347.0
44th	55		450	Berndt Svensson	Westerviks SS		2.4 mR	Male	8.0	(78.0)	29.0	49.0	(72.0)	72.0	62.0	54.0	30.0	30.0	13.0	497.0	347.0
45th	35		419	Mats Milbom	Halmstads Segelsällskap		2.4 mR	Male	32.0	63.0	(103.0 OCS)	25.0	65.0	28.0	22.0	43.0	34.0	37.0	(103.0 DNF)	555.0	349.0
46th	42		43	Stephen McCullum	Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania	OD	2.4 mR	Male	(103.0 OCS)	25.0	11.0	55.0	50.0	44.0	(103.0 BFD)	10.0	70.0	62.0	24.0	557.0	351.0
47th	50		5	Kevin Cantin	CVGV		2.4 mR	Male	57.0	23.0	(103.0 OCS)	42.0	42.0	36.0	34.0	27.0	66.0	(84.0)	31.0	548.0	361.0
48th	101		4	Jürgen Freiheit	Verein Berliner Segler	OD	2.4 mR	Male	27.0	53.0	39.0	40.0	103.0 DNE	40.0	10.0	(103.0 BFD)	24.0	27.0	(77.0)	543.0	363.0
49th	89		15	Dagault Xavier	SRSP		2.4 mR	Male	46.0	34.0	(82.0)	27.0	17.0	43.0	35.0	(103.0 BFD)	37.0	54.0	71.0	549.0	364.0
50th	17		95	Frank Huth	Seilforening 1928		2.4 mR	Male	45.0	17.0	13.0	58.0	54.0	70.0	43.0	(103.0 BFD)	19.0	48.0	(103.0 DNS)	573.0	367.0
51st	30		431	Jan Nordin	FvBK		2.4 mR	Male	30.0	44.0	34.0	24.0	10.0	(85.0)	60.0	56.0	52.0	60.0	(75.0)	530.0	370.0
52nd	44		165	Daniel Evans	TeamParadise	OD	2.4 mR	Male	69.0	6.0	(74.0)	17.0	37.0	59.0	11.0	(103.0 BFD)	61.0	49.0	64.0	550.0	373.0

Overall results (continued)

53rd	88		2	Ryszard Szumowski	AZSAWFISGdansk	2.4 mR	Male	42.0	57.0	38.0	(80.0)	26.0	48.0	50.0	38.0	53.0	(76.0)	44.0	552.0	396.0
54th	106		100	Mikael Ahlström	Nyländska Jakt Klubb	2.4 mR	Male	64.0	31.0	53.0	56.0	52.0	(79.0)	46.0	23.0	(103.0 OCS)	45.0	30.0	582.0	400.0
55th	26		127	Ove Rönvik	Ålesund Seilforening	2.4 mR	Male	35.0	65.0	27.0	(83.0)	51.0	41.0	47.0	46.0	33.0	(75.0)	56.0	559.0	401.0
56th	38		28	Dirk Jan Broerjes	WV De Koenen	2.4 mR	Male	80.0	33.0	57.0	52.0	45.0	(91.0)	31.0	34.0	(85.0)	40.0	53.0	561.0	405.0
57th	62		7	Mathieu Laperche	Société Nautique Trinité sur mer	2.4 mR	Male	15.0	(83.0)	43.0	(73.0)	67.0	45.0	55.0	53.0	23.0	56.0	50.0	563.0	407.0
58th	28		177	Anna-Liisa Oxy	Naantali Sailing Club	OD	Female	28.0	59.0	(67.0)	(67.0)	27.0	37.0	67.0	60.0	48.0	33.0	52.0	545.0	411.0
59th	97		373	Klas Andersson	SSVätt	2.4 mR	Male	(103.0 OCS)	54.0	42.0	63.0	47.0	(78.0)	32.0	52.0	26.0	59.0	37.0	593.0	412.0
60th	80		401	Anders Kjellberg	VhSS	2.4 mR	Male	40.0	(81.0)	55.0	60.0	33.0	24.0	77.0	35.0	(83.0)	15.0	76.0	579.0	415.0
61st	107		181	Ingmar Björndahl	Kokkola Sailing Club	OD	Male	50.0	46.0	16.0	(69.0)	46.0	65.0	59.0	33.0	56.0	46.0	(103.0 DNF)	589.0	417.0
62nd	63		437	Claes Bengtzon	Gefle Segel Sällskap	2.4 mR	Male	38.0	38.0	(77.0)	47.0	(68.0)	26.0	65.0	40.0	103.0 DNE	21.0	66.0	589.0	444.0
63rd-64th	1		183	Petteri Grönroos	Näsijärvi Sailing Club	2.4 mR	Male	63.0	26.0	25.0	59.0	61.0	54.0	(72.0)	67.0	(103.0 DSQ)	57.0	38.0	625.0	460.0
64th-65th	108		4	Nikolai Uliashov	CSP - Voronezh	OD	Male	41.0	49.0	51.0	62.0	(103.0 DNF)	38.0	41.0	28.0	(103.0 OCS)	68.0	74.0	658.0	452.0
65th	59		180	Pelle Strömman	Vaasa Sailing Club	2.4 mR	Male	52.0	68.0	69.0	29.0	30.0	61.0	56.0	49.0	(76.0)	(103.0 RET)	48.0	641.0	462.0
66th	48		46	Michael Leydon	YMCASC	OD	Male	43.0	41.0	75.0	35.0	(95.0)	51.0	48.0	59.0	74.0	41.0	(80.0)	642.0	467.0
67th	12		132	Ola Herje jr.	Ålesund Seilforening	2.4 mR	Male	(72.0)	67.0	(88.0)	65.0	58.0	68.0	27.0	47.0	40.0	51.0	51.0	614.0	474.0
68th	7		131	Björn Ole Gullichsen-Larsen	Karmøy Seilforening	OD	Male	47.0	66.0	(81.0)	46.0	41.0	34.0	68.0	61.0	39.0	72.0	(103.0 DNS)	658.0	474.0
69th	105		36	Henk van Heuvelin	VWDTP	2.4 mR	Male	58.0	64.0	56.0	(82.0)	70.0	67.0	(75.0)	55.0	38.0	64.0	12.0	641.0	484.0
70th	33		400	Bertil Grandinson	KSSS	OD	Male	(87.0)	62.0	(83.0)	45.0	64.0	71.0	78.0	42.0	49.0	28.0	79.0	688.0	518.0
71st	18		426	Sven Asklund	Nortälje Segling Sällskap	2.4 mR	Male	(103.0 OCS)	60.0	46.0	70.0	79.0	32.0	57.0	(103.0 BFD)	54.0	62.0	73.0	729.0	523.0
72nd	75		80	Pekka Lehmuskallio	Rauma Yacht Club	2.4 mR	Male	67.0	52.0	(89.0)	57.0	76.0	52.0	74.0	32.0	69.0	(85.0)	63.0	716.0	542.0
73rd	56		447	Patrik Karlsson	Gefle Segel Sällskap	2.4 mR	Male	(103.0 OCS)	75.0	62.0	66.0	69.0	58.0	73.0	72.0	35.0	(87.0)	33.0	733.0	543.0
74th	91		146	Hamu Nurmo	Tampere Sailing Club	2.4 mR	Male	65.0	76.0	44.0	75.0	73.0	49.0	(89.0)	76.0	45.0	42.0	(88.0)	722.0	545.0
75th	74		63	Stefan Klötzing	Potsdamer Yacht Club e.V.	OD	Male	61.0	51.0	(91.0)	(78.0)	74.0	57.0	76.0	57.0	68.0	55.0	46.0	714.0	545.0
76th	15		182	Nisse West	Vaasa Sailing Club	2.4 mR	Male	66.0	(73.0)	72.0	71.0	63.0	50.0	51.0	51.0	(103.0 OCS)	69.0	55.0	724.0	548.0
77th	9		128	Atle Ottesen	Stord Seilforening	2.4 mR	Male	80.0	70.0	(90.0)	72.0	44.0	55.0	70.0	68.0	64.0	70.0	(103.0 DNS)	786.0	563.0
78th	5		1	Anre Nomme	Saaremaa Merisport Selts	2.4 mR	Male	70.0	84.0	87.0	85.0	80.0	(94.0)	(97.0)	64.0	67.0	53.0	14.0	795.0	604.0
79th	70		139	Göran Antila	Vaasa Sailing Club	2.4 mR	Male	59.0	74.0	73.0	(87.0)	75.0	82.0	82.0	82.0	79.0	(83.0)	8.0	784.0	614.0
80th	69		34	Lutz-Christian Shoröder	PHL	OD	Male	68.0	69.0	78.0	(103.0 DSQ)	60.0	76.0	66.0	(85.0)	80.0	61.0	57.0	803.0	615.0
81st	54		453	Osten Pettersson	Westerviks SS	OD	Male	44.0	56.0	58.0	89.0	(91.0)	(90.0)	80.0	73.0	75.0	89.0	58.0	803.0	622.0
82nd	21		135	Jussi Mattila	Helsinki Sailing Club	2.4 mR	Male	83.0	82.0	64.0	(86.0)	81.0	63.0	81.0	44.0	63.0	(93.0)	61.0	801.0	622.0
83rd	13		118	Pål Kragset	Ålesund Seilforening	2.4 mR	Male	77.0	85.0	70.0	64.0	71.0	60.0	(91.0)	84.0	77.0	(103.0 DSQ)	45.0	827.0	633.0
84th	14		129	Ronny Tollaksen	Karmøy Seilforening	2.4 mR	Male	71.0	80.0	63.0	74.0	62.0	77.0	71.0	66.0	73.0	(86.0)	(103.0 DNS)	826.0	637.0
85th	86		108	Sauli Ylitalo	HeiPS	2.4 mR	Male	74.0	(89.0)	80.0	81.0	78.0	(84.0)	83.0	71.0	28.0	74.0	72.0	814.0	641.0
86th	84		129	Lauri Virkkunen	SuPS	2.4 mR	Male	76.0	72.0	71.0	68.0	(84.0)	80.0	58.0	(103.0 DNS)	62.0	73.0	84.0	831.0	644.0
87th	27		103	Timo Syrén	Näsijärvi Sailing Club	2.4 mR	Male	(103.0 OCS)	71.0	85.0	(103.0 OCS)	86.0	81.0	87.0	62.0	82.0	65.0	54.0	879.0	673.0
88th	47		22	Wieta Jonker	KWS	2.4 mR	Female	88.0	91.0	52.0	90.0	89.0	(95.0)	(100.0)	70.0	89.0	58.0	49.0	871.0	676.0
89th	4		157	Evert Aartsen	Kokkola Sailing Club	OD	Male	85.0	(92.0)	48.0	76.0	83.0	87.0	(92.0)	48.0	71.0	92.0	92.0	866.0	682.0
90th	78		10	Virgile Bertrand	RHKYC	OD	Male	49.0	77.0	84.0	79.0	87.0	74.0	(88.0)	75.0	67.0	71.0	(89.0)	860.0	683.0
91st	83		130	Kalle Virkkunen	Helsinki Sailing Club	2.4 mR	Male	81.0	61.0	(92.0)	88.0	82.0	83.0	(94.0)	58.0	81.0	79.0	90.0	889.0	703.0
92nd	67		7	Chi Yeung Puk	Sailability Hong Kong	OD	Male	89.0	90.0	61.0	91.0	(93.0)	(88.5)	85.0	79.0	85.0	66.0	62.0	899.5	708.0
93rd	8		130	Sigurd Utbjøe	Stord Seilforening	OD	Male	84.0	(93.0)	59.0	84.0	90.0	89.0	69.0	80.0	78.0	81.0	(103.0 DNS)	910.0	714.0
94th	24		133	Anthony Hayers	Ålesund Seilforening	2.4 mR	Male	79.0	79.0	(96.0)	77.0	(94.0)	75.0	84.0	69.0	93.0	82.0	87.0	915.0	725.0
95th	20		122	Inge Almås	Ålesund Seilforening	2.4 mR	Male	75.0	(103.0 OCS)	76.0	98.5	85.0	73.0	(99.0)	77.0	91.0	80.0	91.0	948.5	746.5
96th	58		118	Salla-Riikka Sadinmaa	Naantali Sailing Club	2.4 mR	Female	90.0	(96.0)	79.0	92.0	92.0	86.0	86.0	78.0	(95.0)	88.0	83.0	965.0	774.0
97th	57		268	Håkan Karlsson	Segelsällskapet Gövaln	2.4 mR	Male	78.0	87.0	(95.0)	93.0	(99.0)	88.0	93.0	81.0	92.0	94.0	70.0	970.0	776.0
98th	66		2	Yuen Wai Foo	Sailability Hong Kong	OD	Male	73.0	86.0	88.0	(96.0)	96.0	(97.0)	95.0	83.0	88.0	90.0	85.0	977.0	784.0
99th	104		99	Kimmo Pasanen	Naantali Sailing Club	OD	Male	82.0	94.0	93.0	(97.0)	97.0	96.0	(98.0)	74.0	84.0	95.0	81.0	991.0	796.0
100th	65		5	Kin Wah Lam	Sailability Hong Kong	OD	Male	86.0	88.0	(98.0)	94.0	(103.0 BFD)	93.0	96.0	86.0	90.0	91.0	86.0	1,011.0	810.0
101st	25		104	Mona Grete Storli	Tønsberg Seilforening	2.4 mR	Female	91.0	95.0	97.0	98.0	98.0	(98.5)	(101.0)	87.0	88.0	97.0	78.0	1,026.5	827.0
102nd	95		156	Kalle Saarinen	Rauma Yacht Club	2.4 mR	Male	(103.0 OCS)	97.0	94.0	95.0	88.0	92.0	90.0	(103.0 BFD)	94.0	96.0	82.0	1,034.0	828.0

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04.08.15 Rauma

- Arrive Helsinki Airport for drive to Rauma, Finland with Stephen McCullum in the tiny blue VW up! that was transport for 12 Days, green trees and red buildings landscape meets the coast of rocky islands
- Rauma Yacht Club is the island of Kuuskari, held first race in 1872, clubhouse built 1983
- Meet Michael, Tish and Evert – boat 789 is Peter's charter boat – mast to be delivered tomorrow so just some initial rigging
- A walk through Old Rauma as the sun shines through the night



05.08.15 Rauma

- An Old Rauma walk as we wait for masts to be delivered
- Rauma Library, Lahdelma, 2003 – beautiful civic jewel on Rauma canal – light dances through picture windows to the rhythm of timber and warm yellow
- Rickard arrives early – up with masts adjust the rigging and a first sail (area A) – black sails look good, break the sidestay fixing, the seat floats and the jib sheets are a pain but otherwise good
- Dinner Mr Jones traditional home food Lapskoussi (mashed meat, vegetables and potato) with a Mississippi steam beer (made for the Rauma Blues festival)

THE BEAUTIFUL TOWN OF RAUMA

The town of Rauma in western Finland's Satakunta region was founded in 1442, making it the third oldest town in the country. It is especially known for its colourful regional dialect, its long tradition in bobbin lace-making and the well-preserved wooden buildings of Old Rauma.

Old Rauma, one of UNESCO's World Heritage Sites, is the largest unified wooden town in the Nordic countries. Approximately 600 people live in the 70-acre area, which contains 600 buildings. Walking around Old Rauma is like stepping into a fairy tale: the colourful wooden houses, decorative gates, cobble stone streets and beautiful public buildings create an atmosphere of the long-forgotten past.

06.08.15 Rauma

- Hotel Raumanlinna breakfast a routine is established with fruit and yoghurt topped with cereal, meats and cheeses on different breads followed by pastries accompanied with sailing chat
- Check boats – a few repairs – bolt the sidestays, new Velcro for the seat, adjust the sidestay tension and off for another sail (area A) – black sails – jib is too flat; speed and height is good but starting to sail the boat with more low depth in the jib and tighter main leech to achieve height in the light slop. Good racing with German Team COMFORTABLE – CHARTER IS OK!



07.08.15 Rauma

- Check boats and off for another sail (area A) – white sails but mainsail is too flat – all systems now working so ready to race! Good racing again with the German Team. Boat out of water ready for measurement day.



08.08.15 Rauma

- **09:00-20:00 Registration**
- AUS 43 is 9.20am and AUS 28 is 9.40am, the measurement requires masts out for band check so a long process, both boats OK except 2kg correctors removed as overweight, AUS 46 follows OK.
- NO SAILING so off to the Rauma Maritime Museum with Stephen McCullum – former Maritime School built 1900 - a story of sailors and ship building in Rauma – interesting maritime objects and interactive displays - fun with navigation simulator “steering” MS Jenny into New York harbour



09.08.15 Rauma

- 09:00-20:00 Registration
- Back in the water for a cruise to area B past Rauma port with shipping lanes to port and starboard. Sailors from 18 countries converge on Rauma – hello to Lennart Heselius (Rabbit 1), Per Ahrbom, Martin and Megan Pascoe
- 16:00 Annual General Meeting discourse on constitution, rules and the future of Paralympic sailing, ride back to Rauma with Ian & Jean Stowe



10.08.15 Rauma

- 13:00 Practice race
- 19:00 Opening ceremony
- PRACTICE RACE – a long sail to race area B (all other races were area A) – a shock – I couldn't get through the wall of boats to the start line – the top mark was impossible – clear lanes were hard to find – finished 40th
- Sailors lunch enjoyed by all in the regatta tent
- Opening ceremony in few words at the Party Arena



11.08.15 Rauma

- 11:55, 1st Warning signal of the day, target 3 races
- RACE 1 - clear start, lifted on starboard to favoured left side, tack to port and lifted to mark with left veer, 8th at top mark, overrun by champions in variable winds to finish 11th – great start to championship, good start, good speed, good strategy
- RACE 2 – poor start, heavy traffic on left side, finished 40th – just didn't make clear lanes
- RACE 3 – rolled at start, heavy traffic on left side, up to 30s near top mark but drifted below top mark under starboard tackers so try again, in middle on run but went left and missed pressure to right on second beat, finished 86th – BAD RACE!!! poor start, poor strategy
- A long day in light variable winds followed by sailors lunch at the regatta tent watching racing by GPS - the air full of lost opportunity



12.08.15 Rauma

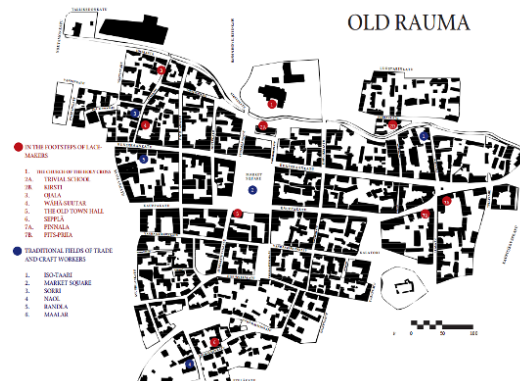
- 11:55, 1st Warning signal of the day, target 3 races
- RACE 4 – rolled at start but picked lanes to finish 28th – learn to accelerate off line
- RACE 5 – poor start, lost space to leeward, just in the middle all race, finished 49th – protect your starting position
- RACE 6 - poor start, pushed down line into luffing boat, up to 20s near top mark but drifted below top mark under starboard tackers so try again at back of fleet, finished 66th – keep speed at top mark to give options



- Sailor lunch at the regatta tent then off to the Party Arena for Sailor's Night - Stephen McCullum third last in the boat draw - so close! Lottery Winners - Charger Composites 2.4mR boat: Esa Harjulahti, Ursuit dry suit: Hans Asklund

13.08.15 Rauma

- Reserve day**
- Walk Old Rauma (UNESCO World Heritage)
Rauma City Hall, 1776 – lace story museum
Church of the Holy Cross, 1512 (with Per)
Rauma Art Museum - Retrospective exhibition of silversmith and sculptor Eila Minkkinen
Kirsty – C18th sailor's home museum
Marela – C19th shipowner's home museum
- Walk to **Poroholma** campsite, home port of Galleass Marita and Schooner Kathrina
- Dinner at Goto for the Aussies and top Swedes - Stellan, Lennart, Henrick – Gulf of Bothnia whitefish



14.08.15 Rauma

- 11:55, 1st Warning signal of the day, target 3 races**
- RACE 7 - rolled at start, hit top mark (3600 penalty), in traffic to finish 52nd – learn to accelerate off line; tack under starboard tackers at 5 boats from mark, 10 boats is too far to carry momentum
- RACE 8 - clear start, 21st at top mark, pick up to 16th on runs but back to 21st in variable conditions – need to keep clear lanes but don't get too close to laylines
- RACE 9 – rolled at start, scraped past top mark under starboard tackers to find 300 wind shift to left meant that I couldn't lay the clearance mark - two attempts to tack and make the mark to loud screams of starboard! – worked up fleet to finish 47th - NOT GOOD!!! - if you are in the middle you have limited options to make good so get the start right



15.08.15 Rauma

- 10:55, 1st Warning signal of the day, target 2 races**
- 19:00 Prize giving ceremony and party**
- RACE 10 - clear start and picked up pressure on left, 15th at top mark, Megan port tacked at the pin and won, good second beat to 12th but missed right pressure on final beat and dropped to finish 20th – *just didn't see wind pressure on right in last beat*
- RACE 11 - clear start and picked up big lift on left (FIN 133 chat *good lift*), 5th at top mark, run with GER 1 and followed the shifts but lost two places to NOR 1 and FIN 133 to finish 7th – **TOP TEN!!! a brilliant finish to a challenging championship with difficult starts (short line yachts x 2) and top marks (15 minute beat) but when you get it right it is EASY!!!**
- Undo the magic and pack the boat for Evert
- Prize giving at the Party Arena with dinner Pyttipannu and Finnish pop band Eppu Normaali encore, a sad good-by to friends from around the world
- 1st Stellan Berlin SWE 29 pts**
- 2nd Bjornar Erikstad NOR 42 pts**
- 3rd Heiko Kroger GER 55 pts**
- 29th Peter Russell AUS 275 pts**
- 46th Stephen McCullum AUS 351 pts**
- 66th Michael Leydon AUS 472 pts**

