



Fleet report 2018

Another year has gone by and our fleet has grown with 1 more boat. With 9-11 boats normally on the starting line in our races it is all getting more exiting. The positions on the finish line are not as predictable as they use to be, and that is great. Almost Half of our start are together with other boat types, and that gives us other difficulties on the starting line. Our sailing club are attracting both experienced sailor as well as beginners and that is of course fantastic. It can create some trouble sometimes as the knowledge of rules and regulations are at different levels, but we all contribute with instructions and tolerance for that. There are of course several reasons for that our fleet is growing, but it would never be what it is today if it weren't for Lars and Thordis love of the boat. The hard thing is to attract the young sailors.

With almost 30 starts planed this year the IOD is probably the most raced boat class in Sweden, that is something we think attracts sailor, and hopefully makes us better and more experienced sailors. But most important more fun sailing.

This year has also been a very busy year with planning the Worlds, it involves a lot more people in different tasks. We are very happy that we are involved in organising the Pater Noster race every year, it is giving us the experience and routine we need to pull thru an event like this, not just the racing. The social activities, housing and much more are important issues.

The social activities do we always think as an important ingredient. The social activities are not to be underestimated in sailing. The gatherings after the race discussing what went well, what didn't, what someone else did, etc. is always important.

Best regards
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