

European Championship
Jyväskylä - Fleet 328
Jyväskylä, Finland
7/13–16, 2006

Pos	Boat	Sail#	Helm	Crew	Club	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	Nett
1		GRE 15077	Panagiotis Verginadis	Timos Vlachos, Theodoros Poulakos	YCG	2	(6)	3	2	6	1	1	6	1	22
2	Meltemi	SUI 13790	Urs Wyler	Walter Dürr, Gilbert Dürr	SCM	1	4	2	1	2	4	8	1	(9)	23
3	Krinis	GRE 14334	Christos Atzemian	Faidon Kounas, Themis Parousis	YCG	3	3	1	3	4	5	7	(34 DSQ)	6	32
4	Huihai	BRA 14894	Thomas Sumner	Felipe Brito, Fillipe Gil	SPYC	6	1	4	6	9	2	10	4	(14)	42
5		GRE 13801	Manolis Stoumpos	Antonios Mpourdos, Aliko Dima	PSC	4	11	10	(12)	8	3	3	7	2	48
6		GRE 15244	Yannis Manolakis	Sotiris Tsamis, Manolis Papagrigorakis	YCG	8	15	9	8	5	(34 OCS)	2	3	3	53
7		GRE 14211	Yannis Giannopoulos	Dimitris Telios, Marios Petrogonas	YCG	5	7	11	9	(19)	12	5	9	4	62
8	Masi VII	FIN 15281	Kimmo Aromaa	Mika Aromaa, Juha Aromaa	M	10	(16)	14	11	1	7	12	2	11	68
9		GRE 14361	George Magouras	Marios Paraskeuas, Michel Papatheoharis		17	12	15	4	(34 DSQ)	6	9	8	10	81
10	Gamma	FIN 14638	Matti Leppänen	Kalle Ahola, MariLeppänen	TP	13	9	5	(24)	16	9	6	18	12	88
11	Renata	GRE 11811	Papoutsogiou Alexios	Mesiskli Maria, Moghaddam-Gholipuor Kourus-Sokratis	PSC	7	2	(34 DSQ)	7	15	8	34 OCS	10	5	88
12		GRE 14264	Georgia Chimona	Elena Politi, Vasilis Papadakis	YRCG	14	5	6	5	14	20	14	(23)	16	94
13	Ayolos	FIN 14018	Niko Lappalainen	Pasi Hannila, Kari Kanerva	TP	20	8	12	15	12	10	(34 OCS)	12	13	102
14		GRE 14377	Alexandros Bellos	Manthos Sikiniotis, Gerasimos Asvestaris	YCG	9	21	20	16	18	(34 DSQ)	11	5	7	107
15		GRE 13402	Argyris Kampitsis	Dimitrios Alevizakis, Zoi Karamatsou	PSC	21	14	17	18	7	13	4	14	(34 DNF)	108
16		FIN 14494	Matti Bruun	Markku Kallio, Juha Savela	KuoPS	15	13	8	21	11	14	(34 OCS)	11	23	116
17	Pohjan-Akka	FIN 12995	Aulis Näykki	Heikki Ulen, Erkki Puuperä	KPS	12	(23)	23	14	10	11	15	16	20	121
18	Elf	FIN 12258	Henry Elfving	Esa Pukki , Ralf Sundberg	LPS	18	17	21	17	3	18	(24)	15	17	126
19	Nikea	FIN 14364	Samppa J Salminen	Tero Kotimäki, Keijo Tulomäki	JVS	(34 OCS)	22	7	10	26	15	13	20	15	128
20	Lola	FIN 12908	Timo Järvinen	Vesa Karhusaari, Antti Kanninen	JVS	11	10	19	20	20	(34 DNF)	23	17	8	128
21	Kikka	FIN 14269	Markku Paloma	Heidi Paloma, Ari Raappana	OPS	16	18	13	19	17	16	17	(25)	19	135
22	Shark	FIN 14331	Pekka Bollström	Sakari Pesola, Liisa Hasunen	TP	24	(26)	16	22	13	17	18	21	18	149
23	Forte	FIN 14534	Esko Aalto	Sari Aalto, Pasi Kivimäki	TP	19	19	22	13	21	(28)	25	19	21	159
24	Snow White	FIN 14535	Kaarlo Jaskari	Antero Punttila, Jenni Punttila	TP	23	29	18	23	23	21	16	13	(30)	166
25	Amarillo	FIN 14406	Pertti Pyy	Laura Suolahti, Walteri Karhusaari	TP	22	20	24	26	24	25	20	(27)	27	188
26	Old Lady	FIN 6838	Esko Lehtinen	Pekka Lehtinen, Jukka Lehtinen	JVS	22 RDG	25	26	28	(30)	24	19	24	24	192
27	Masi III	FIN 13130	Eppu Pötry	Anna Henderson, Petri Mäkinen	TP	28	28	(31)	25	29	19	21	29	22	201
28	Muje	FIN 11359	Ilkka Lilja	Anssi Lilja, Kari Elivuo	JVS	(32)	27	25	31	22	22	27	22	31	207
29	Sini	FIN 14352	Gerhard Sternberger	Jukka Pötry, Riitta Kangas	TP	(30)	24	27	30	27	27	22	28	26	211
30	Mafalda	FIN 12918	Vesa Purokuru	Petri Sallinen, Pekko Sallinen		27	31	28	(32)	25	26	28	26	28	219
31	Tuula	FIN 14351	Hannu Kolehmainen	Janne Ahonen, Juhani Ahonen	JVS	26	30	29	27	31	(34 DNF)	26	32	25	226
32	Kristiina	FIN 12996	Vili-Pekko Pukari	Heikki Tulomäki, Johannes Geiss	JVS	29	(33)	32	29	28	23	29	30	29	229
33	Red Snapper	FIN 14761	Olli Kanerva	Lasse Lammi, Alex Kanerva	TP	31	32	30	(34 DNF)	DNC	DNC	30	31	32	254

The Greeks and Swiss in the lead of the Lightning Class European Championships in Jyväskylä

The European Championship of Lightning class sailing began in Jyväskylä with Greek domination. After the three races of the first day, only one Finn, one Swiss and one Brazilian boat are in the top ten.

After the three races are over, the experienced Swiss team lead by Urs Wyler in "Meltemi" along with crew members Walter Dürr and Gilbert Dürr is in the lead. Wyler has already sailed 30 years in the Lightning class world elite. In second place are the young Greeks in "Krinis", captained by Christos Atzemian and crewed by Faidon Kounas and Themis Parousis.

The Brazilians, Thomas Sumner, Felipe Brito and Felipe Gil, slipped into third place. They are also the current Youth World Champions. They are competing in the Open European Championships, but cannot win the actual title of European Champion.

Out of the Finnish teams, the most succesful was Matti Leppänen in "Gamma" on the first race day. This team, representing Tuusulanjärven Purjehtijat, is ninth in the competition. Kalle Ahola and Mari Leppänen are the crew.

The last day of the Lightning Europeans start with Meltemi and Krinis in the lead

An experienced Swiss crew is still in the lead, with young Greeks in second place. Kimmo Aromaa and his crew are the best Finns holding seventh place.

The hosts themselves started to get a feel of the winds of lake Päijänne on the second race day in Jyväskylä. Kimmo Aromaa and his crew, sailing on "Masi VI", won Saturday's second race and rose to seventh place as the best Finnish team. However, in the gusts and shifts of lake Päijänne, the top two from the previous day were the best.

The third and last race day starts with the experienced Urs Wyler, sailing on "Meltemi", in the lead, and right behind them – only four points away – follows young Christos Atzemian's "Krinis". After Atzemian comes Panagiotis Verginadis, also from Greece, holding fourth place with equal amount of points. Five points behind them are the governing Youth World Champions from Brazil, with Thomas Sumner. Otherwise the top ten contains the Greek sailors. The next best Finnish boat, Matti Leppänen's Gamma, is in eleventh place.

The Lightning Class European Championship ends on Sunday in Säynätsalo. There are three races during that day starting at 11 a.m. The fleet returns to the harbour between 3 p.m. and 4 p.m. The prize giving ceremony starts at 6 p.m. at Juurikkasaari race harbour in Säynätsalo. Sailing events continue on Monday with the Lightning Class Youth Worlds.

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33 participants.

The preliminary results after the second race day (6 races), boat name, country, crew, points

1. Meltemi, SUI, Urs Wyler, Walter Dürr, Gilbert Dür, 10.0
2. Krinis, GRE, Christos Atzemian, Faidon Kounas, Themis Parousis, 14.0
3. -, GRE, Panagiotis Verginadis, Timos Vlachos, Theodoros Poulakos 14.0
4. -,BRA Thomas Sumner, Felipe Brito, Fillipe Gil 19.0
5. -, GRE, Manolis Stoumpos, Antonios Mpourdos, Aliko Dima 36.0
6. Renata, GRE, Papoutsogiou Alexios, Mesiskli Maria, Moghaddam-Gholipuor Kourus-Sokratis, 39.0
7. Masi VII, FIN, Kimmo Aromaa, Mika Aromaa, Juha, Aromaa, 43.0
8. -, GRE, Yannis Giannopoulos, Dimitris Telios, Marios Petrogonas, 44.0
9. -, GRE, Georgia Chimona, Elena Politi, Vasilis Papadakis, 44.0
10. -, GRE, Yannis Manolakis, Sotiris Tsamis, Manolis Papagrigorakis, 45.0

The young Greeks took the European title

Magnificent last day for Panagiotis Verginadis and his grew

The last day was sunny but winds keep shifting. Panagiotis Verginadis with his crew Timos Vlachos and Theodoros Poulakos governed those difficult circumstances best and took two number ones. That was sufficient enough to take them to the top of the results with just one point ahead of the Swiss skipper Urs Wyler. Urs Wyler, sailing on "Meltemi" with crew Walter Dürr and Gilbert Dürr achieved yet another trophy position in an international regatta but leading the regatta for two days, it must have been a disappointment.

"Krinis" with skipper Christos Atzemian and crew Faidon Kounas and Themis Parousis was third in a very exciting regatta. All the Greek teams showed competitive seamanship, two out of three top places is not bad at all.

The Brazilians with skipper Thomas Sumner sailed well and finished fourth. Everybody knows that Brazil has a great football team, now it is obvious that Brazil has a great Lightning sailing team too.

Sailing events continue on Monday with the Lightning Class Youth Worlds. Monday will be the registration day, teams from Brazil, Finland, Greece and the United States starts racing on Tuesday.