THE VENUE

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THE VENUE

The venue for the 2006 International 470 Class World Championships is the offshore sea area of Wanpingkou in Rizhao with two 3000 m diameter race areas 500 m from the beach, the Wanpingkou square and the ultramodern Rizhao International Water Sports Base. Water depth is 10 m.

Rizhao, meaning "the sun shines", got its name in year 1087, a beautiful oriental coastal city with civilisation dating back 5000 years with its blue sky, jade sea and 60 km golden sand beaches looks forward to welcoming with open arms and warm heart and hospitality the Europe Class sailing family from all around the world to the opening up China.

THE MARINA

The Marina After careful studies amongst other in Spain, Italy, Korea and Cyprus and design by world known planners the Water Sports Base took 11 months to build.

Land area is 820000 sq.m. with Yacht Club 7340 sq.m, Race Control Center 6540 sq.m., Boathouse 1830 sq.m, Measurement Hall 800 sq.m, Sailboat Square 25000 sq.m., Container Yard 15000 sq.m., grassland 350000 sq.m. as well as 1500 m of running path, landscape fountain, 78 flagpoles, 25 workboats, outside basketball and tennis grounds.

Water area is 400000 sq.m with 190000 sq.m. boat mooring quay 9 m high and 560 m long and a slipway of $50 \times 150 \text{ m}$, floating jetties with 320 berths and up to 450 m wavebreakers.



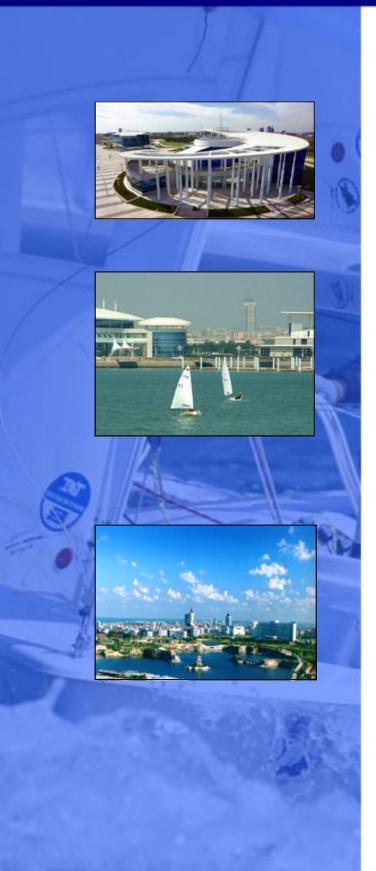


LOCAL CONDITIONS

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Meteorology Race Area August-September

Mean maximum air temperature is 25.5 C, mean minimum 18.1 C and mean 21.8 C. Mean wind speed is 4.3 m/s, maximum 23 m/s and prevailing direction North. Mean water temperature to 0.5 m depth is 24.3 C. Maximum spring tide flow velocity is 71 cm/s, maximum ebb tide flow 70 cm/s. Mean spring and ebb tided flows are both less than 50 cm/s. The weather and sea information is declared every hour during the Championship and a forecast given for 1, 3 and 5 days.

The time in Rizhao is GMT + 8 hours

Los Angeles -7 GMT New York -4 GMT Rio de Janeiro -3 GMT London +1 GMT Moscow + 3 GMT Beijing +8 GMT Sydney +10 GMT



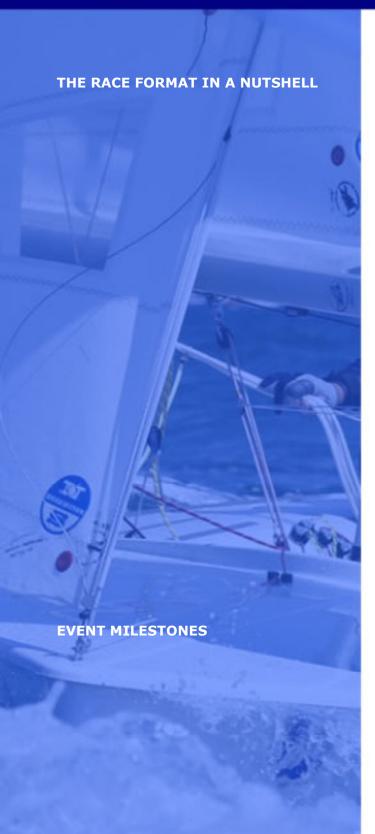


THE FORMAT

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The 470 Worlds Men & Women are strictly two separate Championship events. Both the Men and Ladies Fleet will race on separate courses to make sure that racing will not be influenced by each others presence.

The race format for each Fleet is the same.

Each Fleet (Men & Women) will be split up into groups, as close to the number of 35 per group. The allocation of teams to the each groups is done by a committee of specialists chaired by the Secretary General of 470 Internationale, and based on the World Ranking List and results of past major events.

All groups will race six qualifying races during three days, with two races a day on the schedule.

The groups will be changed each day based on a formula.

After three days of qualifiers the best 35 teams of each Fleet will proceed the event in the so called Gold Fleet, the remaining boats in a second Silver Fleet and third Bronze Fleet if applicable. All teams will have seven races in the finals.

On the last day, the top ten of each Gold Fleets Men & Women will decide the World Championship in the highlight of the event: The Medal Race.

7 Sept. First day racing 12am

9 Sept End of Qualifying series

10 sept. Start of Final series 12am

13 sept. Medal Race t.b.a.





PARTICIPATION

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PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES

AUSTRALIA AUSTRIA BRAZIL CANADA **CHILE CHINA CROATIA CZECH REPUBLIC DENMARK SPAIN FRANCE GREAT BRITTAIN GERMANY GREECE INDIA IRELAND**

ISRAEL TALY JAPAN KOREA MYANMAR NETHERLANDS NEW ZEALAND POLAND PORTUGAL RUSSIA SINGAPORE **SLOVENIA SWITZERLAND** SWEDEN UKRAIN **UNITED STATES**

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470 MEN: 87 entries 470 WOMEN: 60 entries

A total of 147 teams from 33 countries will participate in the event.

The high number of participating teams and the number of participating countries, form a new record for 470 World Championship events taking place outside Europe.

Through a series of 13 Races over 7 days the Men's and Women's World Titles for 2006 will be decided.

Countries around the World have sent their best double handed dinghy sailors.

Just two years after the Athens Olympics and sailors dreams have already tuned to Beijing 2008. With the retirement of both Men's and Women's 2004 Gold Medallists, teams will be out to mark their authority.





INTRODUCTION

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470 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP OFFICIAL WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP **OLYMPIC STATUS WORLD RANKING LIST**

From the 4th till the 13th of September, The World Championships Men & Women will be held in the International 470 Class at Rizhao, China.

The winners in resp. the Men's and Women's Fleet will become:

470 World Champion Men

470 World Champion Women

Both the 470 World Championships Men & Women are officially recognized by the International Sailing Federation, (ISAF)

The event has the ISAF Grade W status

The 470 Class has the Olympic status and forfills the doublehanded centreboard sailing discipline at the Beijing 2008 Olympic Games.

Like other sports, the sailing sport knows a World Ranking List.

The International Sailing Federation (ISAF) maintains the official list based on the performance of the athletes at International Championship and major Graded events throughout the World.

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OLYMPIC SAILING

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OLYMPIC SAILING DISCIPLINES

OLYMPIC TEST EVENTS

ISAF WORLDS OLYMPIC CLASSES

COUNTRY QUALIFICATIONS

SAILING AT THE OLYMPIC GAMES

At the Olympic games in Beijing 2008, eleven disciplines will represent the sailing Sport.

Heavyweight Dinghy - Finn
Women's One Person Dinghy - Laser Radial
Men's One Person Dinghy - Laser
Men's Two Person Dinghy - 470
Women's Two Person Dinghy - 470
Skiff - 49er
Men's Keelboat - Star
Women's Keelboat - Yngling
Multihull - Tornado
Men's & Women's Windsurfer - NeilPryde RS:X

A test event at the Olympic Venue during an Olympiad is carried out annually for all Olympic Classes, starting two years prior to the Games. This year the first test event took place as the "Qingdao International Regatta", from 18 to 31 August.

The event gives the athletes the opportunity to get acquainted with the local elements like wind, temperature, waves and current but also physical and mental elements like nutrition and social atmosphere.

One year prior to the Olympic Games, all Olympic Classes have their World Championships at one venue at the same time under the direct authority of the International Sailing Federation.

Taking place from 2-13 July in Cascais in Portugal, the ISAF Worlds will be the pinnacle event for the Olympic Classes in 2007. 75% of all the national places for the Olympic Games will be decided in Cascais, with the remaining 25% left to the respective Class World Championships in 2008. The 470 Worlds 2008 will take place in Melbourne.

For more information about Olympic sailing, visit the web site of the International Sailing Federation.

www.sailing.org/olympics2008/





THE BOAT

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The 470 was designed in 1963 by Andre CORNU (FRA) as a modern fibreglass planing dinghy with trapeze and spinnaker.

In 1969 the class was given international status and has been on the Olympic programme since 1976, sailing initially as an open event.

The 470 was the first dinghy of the modern Olympic era, could accommodate light and medium weight crews and be sailed as effectively by men as women.

In 1984, Cathy FOSTER (GBR) became not only the first woman to helm a boat in an open event at the modern Games, but the first women in history to win a race at the Olympics.

In 1988, the IYRU (now ISAF) created the first women's only event and selected the 470. In parallel a men's double-handed dinghy event was created, also using the 470. A technical and tactical boat, the 470 is popular around the world. World and contintental championships take place annually.

Source: ISAF—www.sailing.org

Length Overall: 4.70 m. Length Waterline: 4.44 m.

Beam: 1.68 m. Draft: 0.15 m.

Draft Centreboard Down: 1.05 m. Weight: all up (Minimum): 120 Kg. Barehull Weight (Minimum): 93 Kg.

Mast: 6.78 m. Boom: 2.65 m.

Spinnaker Pole (Maximum): 1.90 m.

Mailsail: 9.12 sq/m. Jib: 3.58 sq/m.

Spinnaker: 13.00 sq/m.

The 470 class is represented by National Associations in 75 countries around the world.







THE TITLE DEFENDERS

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REIGNING WORLD CHAMPIONS



470 MEN

HELM **Nathan Wilmot**CREW **Malcom Page**

Country Australia
Sailnumber AUS 311

470 WOMEN

Helm Marcelien de Koning

Crew Lobke Berkhout

Country The Netherlands

Sailnumber **NED 11**





PRESS KIT

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	Rank	Country
470 MEN	1	AUS
	2	GBR
	3	FRA
470 WOMEN	1	NED
	2	GBR
	3	FRA

2005

Helm

	Rank	Country
470 MEN	1	GBR
	2	KOR
	3	GBR
470 WOMEN	1	SWE
	2	FRA
	3	GER

Qingdao International Regatta

August 2005

Crew

Nathan WILMOT Malcolm PAGE
Nick Rogers Joe Glanfield
Philippe GILDAS Nicholas LEBERRE

Marcelien DE KONING Lobke BERKHOUT
Christina BASSADONE Saskia CLARK
Ingrid PETITJEAN Nadege DOUROUX

2006 August 2006

Helm Crew

Nick ROGERS Joe GLANFIELD

Daeyoung KIM Sungahn JUNG

Nick ASHER Elliot WILLIS

Therese THORGERSSON Vendela ZACHRISSON Ingrid PETITJEAN Nadege DOUROUX Stefanie ROTHWEILER Vivien KUSSATZ





WORLD RANKINGS

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	Rank	Country	Helm	Crew
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ISAF WORLD RANKING TOP 20	1.	ITA	Gabrio ZANDONA	Andrea TRANI
10P 20	2.	ISR	Gidi KLIGER Matthias SCHMID	Udi GAL Florien REICHSTAETTER
470 MEN	3	AUT FRA		Romain BONNAUD
470 MEN	4 5		Benjamin BONNAUD	
	6	ESP	Alvaro MARINHO	Miguel NUNES Nick BEHRENS
	7	AUS NED	Mathew BELCHER	Kalle COSTER
		RUS	Sven COSTER	Alexandre ZYBIN
	8 9	GBR	Dmitri BEREZKIN Nick ASHER	Elliott WILLIS
	10 11	USA ARG	Michael ANDERSON MITTERLING	David HUGHES
	12	FRA	Matias BUHLER Nicolas CHARBONNIER	Marcos LAMAS Olivier BAUSSET
	13	JPN	Kazuto SEKI	
	14	IRL	Gerald OWENS	Yanagawa SHOICHI Sam HUNT
	15	CRO	Sime FANTELA	
	16	FRA	Pierre LEBOUCHER	Igor MARENIC Vincent GAROS
	17	GER	Lucas ZELLMER	Heiko SEELIG
	18	CRO	Ante CESIC	Ante KUJUNDZIC
Source: ISAF	19	SLO	Tomaz COPI	Aljaz JADEK
Issue: August 2, 2006	20	USA	Stuart MCNAY	Graham BIEHL
www.sailing.org/rankings	20	USA	Stuart MENAT	Granani Dilil
	Rank	Country	Helm	Crew
ISAF WORLD RANKING	1	GBR	Christina BASSADONE	Saskia CLARK
TOP 20	2	FRA	Ingrid PETITJEAN	Nadege DOUROUX
	3	AUT	Sylvia VOGL	Carolina FLATSCHER
470 WOMEN	4	CAN	Jennifer PROVAN	Carol LUTTMER
	5	NED	Marcelien DE KONING	Lobke BERKHOUT
	6	GBR	Pippa WILSON	Sheena CRAIG
	7	USA	Amanda CLARK	Sara MERGENTHALER
	8	DEN	Henrietta KOCH	Lene SOMMER
	9	CZE	Lenka SMIDOVA	Elizabeth KRATZIG
	10	SWE	Therese TORGERSSON	Vendela ZACHRISSON
	11	AUS	Elsie RECHICHI	Tessa PARKINSON
	12	POL	Katarzyna TYLINSKA	Marta KASZALOWICZ
	13	AUS	Lauren JEFFERIES	Rike ZIEGELMAYER
10.31	14	SLO	Teja CERNE	Alja CERNE
	15	GER	Stefanie ROTHWEILER	Vivien KUSSATZ
	16	GER	Kathrin KADELBACH	Saskia SCHROEDER
	17	ESP	Natalia VIA DUFRESNE	Laia TUTZO
Source: ISAF	18	POL	Marta PETRASZ	Alena NAUROTSKAYA
Issue: August 2, 2006	19	ISR	Nike KORNECKI	Kanonich RAVID
www.sailing.org/rankings	20	ESP	Marina GALLEGO	Laia TUTZO





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