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My very warm greetings to the yachting fraternity. It gives me immense pleasure to share with you the ongoing and future activities of Yachting Association of India.

You would be glad to note that this year has seen a significant increase in sailors' participation in various events in India. We have also added close to 75 new boats in the Country and I believe this trend will continue as we open up new Sailing centres and enhance

communication amongst the fraternity, thereby reaching out to new sailing enthusiasts.

Promoting sailing and associated activities at the grass root level has been one of the primary aims of the Yachting Association of India. Towards this, a number of initiatives have been undertaken in the recent past which include opening new clubs, initiation of sail training schemes and introduction of taking sailing to schools programme. I would also like to acknowledge the efforts of the YAI Council, who have put in a lot of time and effort to make the YAI a vibrant National Sports Federation.

I would urge that if you have any ideas or concerns about the YAI, please do contact me or other members of the Council. We'll be happy to hear your constructive suggestions and feedback.

Happy Sailing!



(RK Dhowan)  
Admiral  
Chief of Naval Staff &  
President, YAI

## YAI Council Meeting at New Delhi

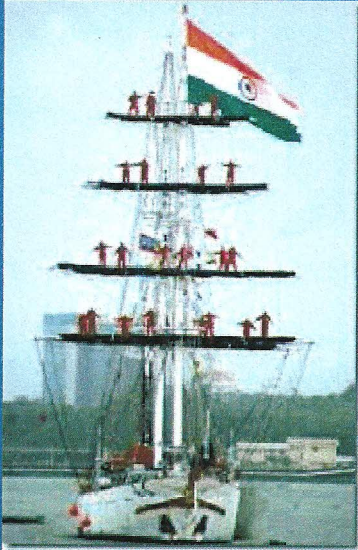


The YAI Council Meeting 01/2015 was held at New Delhi on 07 Aug 15. Many important issues which have a bearing on the future of the sport were discussed. Amongst these, the Council approved affiliation of six new clubs. It also approved renaming of the 29er Class Association to 9er Class which shall be responsible for governing and coordinating all activities of the 49er, 49erFX and the 29er Classes.

A few other important aspects such as convening of the Annual General Meeting and strengthening the current Committees and Sub Committees were also discussed. The Council Members were unanimous in their opinion that there was a need to reinvigorate some of the Sub Committees and Committees of YAI which had hitherto remained ineffective. Members of the yachting community who are interested in the Committees / Sub Committees may volunteer for them to bring in synergy at all level of the sport. The Council also deliberated that the sailing clubs should effectively communicate and reach out to their members and seek feedback.

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## Laser Sailing Championship at Hyderabad

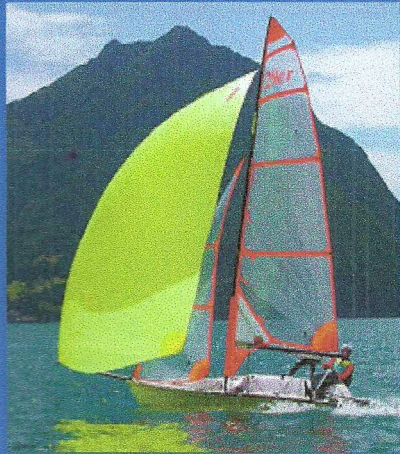


The 30th Laser Sailing Championship was organised at Hyderabad from 15 to 19 Jul 2015. This annual event was hosted jointly by EME Sailing Association & Secunderabad Sailing Club. Shri E Rajender, Minister of Finance, Telangana was the Chief Guest during Opening Ceremony.



The event saw more than 153 competitors across three different classes (Laser 4.7, Laser Radial and Laser Standard) competing for honours. 'Big Swells and Strong Winds' dominated the scenic Secunderabad Lake which made the competition challenging & thrilling.

At a glittering Prize distribution ceremony, organised by the Laser Class Association, Shri T Padma Rao Gaud, Hon'ble Minister for Sports & Youth Affairs Govt. of Telangana gave away the prizes to the winners.



Name	Gold Medal
B Mohapatra	Laser Std (Open)
Deelip Kumar	Laser Radial (Open)
Tanu Bisen	Laser Radial (Woman)
Dheer Singhi	Laser 4.7 (Open) & (Boys)
S Jayalakshmi	Laser 4.7 (Girls)
Abhimanyu Panwar	Laser Std (Under 21)
Shikhar Garg	Laser Radial (Under 17)
Ramjas Yadav	Laser Radial Master
Rishab Nayar	Laser 4.7 (Boys Under 16)
Ananya Chouhan	Laser 4.7 (Girls Under 16)
M Murali Kanuri	Grand Master Sailor
M Rajesh Nayak	Youngest sailor

## 49er European Championship at Portugal



The 49er European Championship was held in Porto, Portugal from 07 to 12 Jul 2015. Porto is a coastal city in northwest Portugal known for its stately bridges. It is also Portugal's second-largest metropolis after Lisbon. Sometimes called

Oporto, it's an age-old city and today is a UNESCO World Heritage Site.



Ganapthy and Varun represented India in the 49er Class at this majestic city and finished 52 amongst 79 competitors.

Varsha & Aishwarya represented India in the 49er FX Class and finished 36 amongst 39 competitors. We are confident that such exposures will greatly benefit our budding yachterspersons.

## International Youngsters Regatta 2015 at Germany



Five young Optimist sailors represented India at the International Youngsters Regatta at Augsburg, Germany from 23 to 31 Jul 15.

The young sailors performed well and majority of them

finished in the top half of the fleet which reaffirms our faith that we are heading in the right direction.

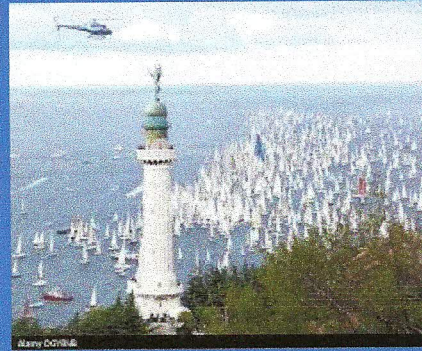
Name	Position
Ramy Saravanan	68 / 212
Vivin Vinil	74 / 212
Chitresh Thatta	79 / 212
Navyn Prabhakar	131 / 212
Harshita Tomar	188 / 212

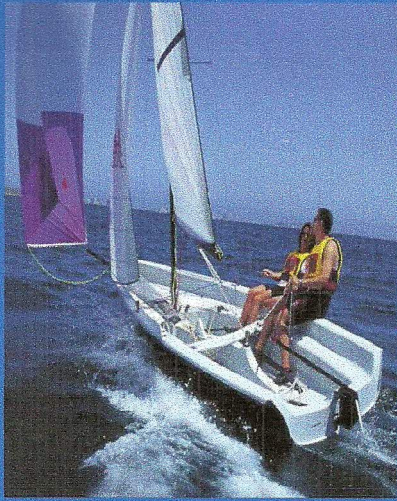
## LOKAYAN 2015

Indian Naval Sail Training Ship Tarangini is presently on its inspiring eight-month long voyage christened Lokayan-15. INS Tarangini, began the journey from Indian shores on 04 May 15 to participate in the Annual 'Tall Ship Races' in Europe.

The ship would be participating in various sailing events in Europe, being organised under Sail Training International. About 300 sail ships of various sizes from all over the world are participating in this year's events.

"The ship is expected to travel approximately 17,000





nautical miles under sails and touch 17 ports in 14 nations during the course of its voyage. A blog is being maintained by the ship about its activities at sea and the link has been provided on the YAI website. It would be interesting for the Yachting community to track the activities of this majestic ship.



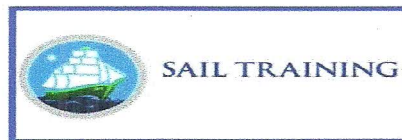
Tarangini has an illustrious history when it comes to long voyages and was the first Indian Naval Ship to circumnavigate the globe in 2003-04. Since then, she has sailed to 'The Great Lakes' in Canada for races and

has also participated in the European Tall Ship Races. Tarangini won The Royal Thames Yacht Club Challenge Trophy in 2005 at Europe and stood third in Youth Sailing Division in 2007 at USA.

The ship sails extensively across the Indian Ocean Region for the purpose of providing sail training experience to the Officer Cadets of the Navy. The Navy has also provided opportunity to NCC, Sea Cadet Corps and other Yachtspersons to gain valuable Ocean sailing experience on board Tarangini and its sister ship Sudarshini whenever these ships have visited various ports. YAI affiliated clubs may encourage their members for a sailing opportunity onboard these ships during their visit to various ports.

Training onboard these ships is the best method of instilling among the trainees the indefatigable spirit of adventure and respect for elements of nature, which are inseparable from safe and successful seafaring. Sail training also serves to impart the time-tested values of courage, camaraderie, endurance and esprit-de-corps among the budding naval officers.

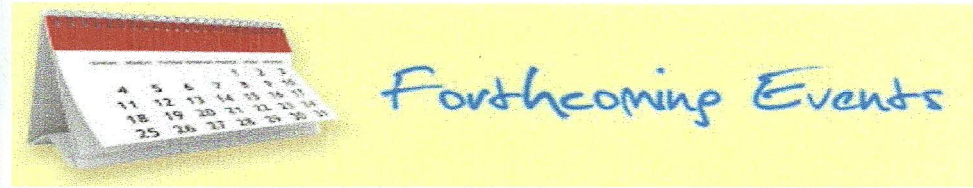
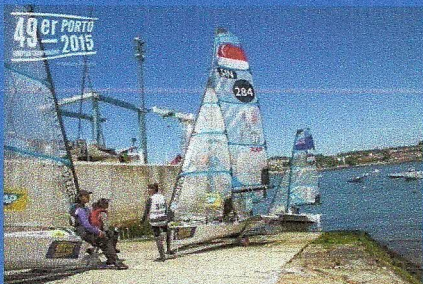
## Sail Training Schemes



The Indian Navy has institutionalised Sail Training Schemes at Naval Academy, Ezhimala and INWTC Mumbai. This is aimed at facilitating sail training in a systemic manner following a carefully developed syllabus through professional instructors. Dinghy Instructors courses are

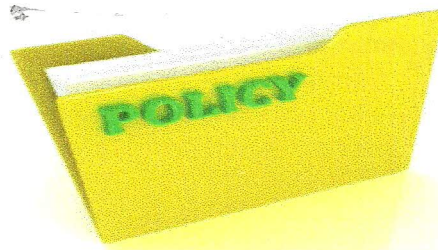
following a carefully developed syllabus through professional instructors. Dinghy Instructors courses are

being conducted regularly at INWTC Mumbai. Sailing clubs may like to avail this opportunity and encourage their members to undergo such courses to train instructors who in turn would train young yachtspersons to broaden our base at grass root level. Capt T Jaiswal, the Director (Trg) of YAI may be contacted on 09869928762 for details.



- Seminar on Anti Doping Rules by NADA at New Delhi - 16 Sep 15.
- YAI Senior National Championship at Mumbai - 18 to 23 Oct 15
- YAI Annual General Body Meeting 18 Nov 2015 at New Delhi
- ASAF Youth Sailing Cup 2015-16, 7<sup>th</sup> India International Regatta 2015 and YAI Youth National Championship at Chennai - 25 to 29 Nov 15

## MYAS News



The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports has promulgated guidelines to all National Sports Federations to follow the principles of good governance and transparency while conducting its activities including procurement of goods and services.

The detailed guidelines on the subject may be downloaded from the MYAS website.

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