



NORDIC FOLKBOAT (IF-boat): GOLD CUP 2019

Gold Cup is an IF-boat World Championship. It is held every year, and in 2019 it will be held in Aarhus organized/held by Sejlklubben Bugten and Sailing Aarhus from Wednesday the 6th to/until Sunday the 10th of August.

The event is characterized by hard-core and determined competition on the racing track. It is the first time the Gold Cup World Championship is being held in Aarhus as a Sailing Aarhus Event and with Sejlklubben Bugten as the running sailing club. But is not the first time the IF-boats compete in Aarhus there have previously been held both Danish Championships and Jyske Championships in Aarhus.

A POPULAR AND INVINCIBLE BOAT

The Nordic Folkboat is the largest boat class in Denmark with over 1100 registered boats. In Sweden, there are 1500, in Finland 450 and in Germany 800. There are more than 200 sailing boats in the United States in Los Angeles and San Francisco.

In comparison with many other racing boats, the folk boat is a fairly simple construction with a simple rig with relatively few trim options. It does not lead to a spinner, it is long-cooled, and then it can also be used as a boat for the sailing family, which does not require the three S's: the sea toilet, sea lantern and standing straight in the cabin.



A WORLD CLASS CHAMPIONSHIP WITH CULT STATUS

The IF-boats are still very popular and have gained almost cult status. Obviously, there is a requirement for a good physique for the crew, but almost everyone can participate and even age should not be an obstacle. A lot elite yawl sailors has changed to an IF-boat and kept staying ambitious.

INCREDIBLE SAILING, AMAZING VIEW AND A FESTIVE EVENT

Approximately 60 IF-boats with 180 participants will join the Gold Cup 2019. They will be sailing in a triangle track in the area located in the north of Aarhus Marina. The Gold Cup battle will be visible from shore, but if you want to follow the battle on close hand you have to get into a boat and have a look there. We promise an amazing sight both from the marina and from the boat.

The participants are known to be very serious and ambitious sailors when the Gold Cup starts. But they are also known to be a festive crowd when they go ashore. So if you look for adventure, rubbery, suspicious incidents and piracy stories from the sea, the harbour quay is worth a visit.

