

2016 SOL CHAMPIONSHIPS Comments on Racing and Results

SUPERSOLER CHAMPIONSHIP

The official results for this Championship have been posted and the PRIZES announced here:

http://www.sailonline.org/board/thread/14761/2016-championships-final-results-and-p/?page=1#post-14761

It is the beginning of a new SOL year, and it is the right time to decide if you want to run for the 2017 Supersoler Challenge. Would you like to know what it takes?OK ...here it is:

- You need to give yourself that GOALNOWnot laterand you need to stick to it for twelve long months.
- You need to make sure that you can attend ALL the Supersoler scheduled events, without fail, and crossing your fingers that IRL does not interfere......for at least twelve months.
- Good news: you do not need to win any of the races (38 this year).....BUT ...you need to concentrate enough for twelve long months to be sure that in every race you finish "well" (top 10, or a few times top 20, but the fewer possible number of times.
- You need to continue to postpone your discards, acting as if you had none available. The moment you decide that you can have a rest and discard one race is the moment you will be in need of one more discard later on.
- You need to decide which boats are your competition for the SUPERSOLER, and keep track of their results as well as their discard prospects profile. You do not do this and all of a sudden seven months down the line you realize that you have done all this for nothing. The server does not tell you the true net results of any boat until the end of the series.
- You need to plan your family time and more importantly your vacations around the SOL Calendar.
 Forget to be able to do the other way around. This means that you need VERY strong support by your loved ones as to your SOL Goals.
- If you plan to "try" and see how it goes mid-way down the run, forget about it. It will not pay. If you decide that whatever will come will be good, great !! ... You will do very well, and even top 10 may be but you will NOT win the SUPERSOLER Cup.
- The name of the game is: TWELVE MONTHS OF CONSISTENCY!;)

In 2016 some 44 races belonged to the SUPERSOLER Circuit:

The 8 Ocean races of OCCH
The 20 Sprint Races of SPRCH
The 12 Timed races of TRCH
The 4 COGC races.
Six discards were allowed.

WINSTON_4 of Italy has been the SUPERSOLER Cup winner of 2016, with 191 points, or a net average of 5, 02 points for each of the 38 valid races. When the series finished he still had two # 17 results to discard if need be.

The major opponent has been throughout the year **rumskib of Germany**, who closed in second position with 343 points. **Longreacher of Canada**, with a constant good performance in all the Championships conquered the third spot on Podium with 582 points. **SCARABOCCHIO of Italy** got fourth again, like in SPRCH just outside Podium with only 24 points more than #3.

The other Iron_Solers of 2016 in the ranking order were:

Bonknhoot of Switzerland Rafa of Peru MustangMark of G.Britain Neuroman of Italy (Supersoler 2015) Bimmer of Denmark Brandystrega of Italy

Hat off to all of them and congratulations for having set up a giant twelve months long fight for the best possible spot.

Happy Super-soling in 2017

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