

PRESS-INFORMATION



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Haikutter-Regatta: Finish on the high sea

There was a force 3-4 wind in Nysted/Denmark at the start of the 2nd Haikutter-Regatta. The thirteen fishing vessels, as well as the spontaneously participating post-yacht HIORTEN, started off under sails to cover the distance of 32 sea miles to Rostock. However, the wind ceased on the high sea. After a long time of a very slow progress, the chief of the regatta Finn Hermanssen reacted on this circumstance. The fireboat and the ELBE 1 set up a finishing line on the high sea about 12 sea miles away from Warnemünde. The first cutter to cross the provisional mark was the CARMELAN (Ger) at 5.30 p.m.. With a couple of minutes of distance, the German HANSINE and the Swedish BJÖRNSUND came home. After the calm, squalls with wind 9 forces were forecasted, wherefore the ships started their engines immediately. They are expected around 8 p.m. in Warnemünde, and around 9 p.m. in Rostock's port.

The Haikutter-Regatta represents traditional sail-shipping at a high rate. The vessels have been lavishly reconstructed and preserved by club members and private persons. It is estimated that more than 8,000 of these former vessels have been built at the end of the 19th and the beginning of the 20th century. They have been superior to their rivals because of their speed and because of a constructional finesse, which could speed up fishing technologies. Ships from Germany, Sweden, and Denmark took part in the prelude-event of the Hanse Sail.

Press-Contacts

The office is situated in the foyer of the "Theater im Stadthafen". Opening hours from August 4 to August 8 will be 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Breakfast for the press will be offered daily with interesting conversational partners starting at 9.30 a.m. We will provide you with press-material, help you out with interview- and photo-enquiries and a good deal more.

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