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IFCA JYM Worlds Torbole Draws to a Close

There was no chance of running a third complete round for the masters. Winner of round 2, **Andrea Rosati** (ITA 0) becomes **2012 Masters Slalom Champion** because "... if a tie still remains between two or more boards, they shall be ranked in order of their scores in the last race" (WCR). Round 1 winner, Andrea Cucchi (ITA 1) had to settle for second place. Thomas Fauster (ITA 106) took third overall and **Robert Hofmann** (ITA11) fourth overall is **1st grandmaster**.

An early start for the youngsters on the final day of the championship with a skippers meeting at 07.00 but, as the day before, they had to wait for the light north wind to give way to wind starting to blow from the south. Eventually heat 1 for the youths was away in 13 knots and, after their four heats, the juniors got started. Both fleets were able to complete the second slalom round and, with the wind still blowing, optimistically began slalom round 3. The race committee were able to validate up to heat 6 for the youths but this made no difference to the podium places at the end of the day.

Under the same ruling that applied to the masters, **Jacquier Benoit** (FRA 23), second in round 1 and winner of round 2, takes the **youth** title over Jordy Vonk (NED 69) winner of round 1, second in round 2. Jacek Piasecki (POL 013) took third place. **First youth girl** was **Alizee de Souza** (FRA 813).

Ethan Westera (ARU 4) was the undisputed **winner** of the **Junior** Fleet with two firsts. Sadly round 3 didn't happen for them. Coen Swijnenburg (NED 262) was second and Simon Jacquier (FRA 32) was third. **Emily Hall** (GBR 714) was **first Junior Girl**.

In the **girls alone fleet**, **Lisa El Mouahidine** (FRA 931) came out **top** with two bullets, Emilie Lallement (FRA 494) was second, taking a bullet in the second round. Andrea Vanhoorne (BEL 26) was third.

Thanks go to the Race Team who did their best to provide good championship racing in tricky conditions and Circolo Surf Torbole for their great hospitality.

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IFCA JYM Slalom Worlds - Masters Slalom 2 Complete

It was an early start for the Masters on **Day 4** of the IFCA JYM Slalom Worlds in Torbole with the skippers meeting at 0700, first possible start at 0800. Alas the wind failed to show until early afternoon when it slowly started to build from the south. Heat 3 got under way but had to be abandoned because the wind was teasing, patchy. By heat six 16 knots was on offer but still not steady so another re-start. However, the race team did well to complete the full slalom round for the masters.



Winner of round 2 was Andrea Rosati (ITA 0) beating round 1 winner, Andrea Cucchi (ITA 1) into second place. They now have equal points at the top of the masters leaderboard. Thomas Fauster (ITA 106) third, is now third overall. Austria's Markus Poltenstein, who was third overall, won his first heat but failed to make it through his second and has dropped down to 11th overall.

Diego Domenianni (USA 05) was fourth over the line in this round. Robert Hofmann (ITA11) also gets four points after redress as Philipp Mueller (GER 100) was DSQ'd. Robert is fourth overall and 1st grandmaster.

The youths were eager and ready to go as the masters finished their exciting round but the wind gods decided they had had enough for the day and packed up early. Youths and juniors have an early start on the final day of the championships with a skippers meeting at 0700.

[Results at the end of Day 4](#) / [Masters heat sheet](#) / [Facebook Gallery](#)



Fickle Winds at IFCA JYM Slalom Worlds

After skippers meeting the wind was slow to build on Thursday, **Day 3** of the championship. The girls were able to complete their round. Emilie Lallement (FRA 494) is now at the top of the leaderboard, Andrea Vanhoorne (BEL 26) second and Lisa El Mouahidine (FRA 931) third.

Sadly, the wind dropped below 11 knots during heat 4 for the Masters so it was abandoned. Teasing winds kept the masters on standby on the water but eventually AP over A meant no more races for the day.

Day 2 IFCA JYM Slalom Worlds - First Slalom Round Complete

Skippers meeting was at 10.00 am sharp. AP was up but the wind promised to be good by 1.00 pm. With 12-15 knots, conditions were perfect for the start of the first masters heat, although the course had to be set far from the beach. With 32 heats to get through, starts were fired off every five minutes. By heat 12 the wind was 15-20 knots and a shifting mark caused the heat to be recalled.



An exciting afternoon's racing sees Andrea Cucci (ITA 1) at the top of the masters leaderboard, followed by Andrea Rosato (ITA 0) second, Markus Poltenstein (AUT 30) third, Thomas Fauster (ITA 106) fourth and in fifth Marco Begalli (ITA 415).

Jordy Vonk (NED 69) was the winner of the Youth round. It is going to be tough to beat him - 7th over the starting line in the final, he finished first with a big lead. Benoit Jacquier (FRA 23) is second, Jacek Piasecki (POL 013) third, Tristan Algret (FRA 44) fourth and Tomas van Zelst (NED 28) is fifth.

Ethan Westera (ARU 4) heads up the junior fleet with Coen Swijnenburg (NED 262) in second, Justin Denel (FRA 541) third, Simon Jacquier (FRA 32) fourth and Sebastian Verhagen (ITA 997) in fifth place.

And in the girls fleet, Lisa El Mouahidine (FRA 931) leads with Emille Lallement (FRA 494) in second and Andrea Vanhoorne (BEL 26) in third place.

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At close of registration a [record number competitors](#): 147 from 23 countries and 3 continents at the IFCA Junior Youth and Masters Slalom Worlds in Lake Garda, Circolo Surf Torbole.

After an opening party and tasting of local products on Monday evening, the serious business of competition should have started on Tuesday morning but thunderstorms killed the wind! However, as temperatures soar, the forecast is looking promising!

[Day One photo gallery](#)

