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2023 MSCA Annual Class Survey INSIGHTS REPORT

International Musto Skiff Class Association

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ABOUT THE MUSTO SKIFF CLASS ASSOCIATION

The Musto Skiff Class Association (MSCA)

The Musto Skiff is a high-performance single-handed trapeze dinghy that is great fun to sail with a large community of sailors representing over 28 countries.

As a World Sailing International Class, the MSCA hosts annual World Championships in addition to supporting local class associations that host National Regattas, Open Meetings, and training events throughout the year.

The Musto Skiff Class Association (MSCA) is run by members for members.

The class benefits from long-term partnerships with international sponsors and partners, including Musto, Ovington Boats Ltd., Harken, Hyde Sails, Selden Masts, and ACO Ltd.

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**ABOUT THE 2023
MSCA ANNUAL
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The 2023 MSCA Annual Class Survey was created by the International Committee of the Musto Skiff Class Association (MSCA), in partnership with the class boat builder and partner, Ovington Boats Ltd. This is the 20th Annual Class Survey to date.

PURPOSE & OBJECTIVES

- The purpose of the MSCA Annual Class Surveys is to gather feedback from class members and the wider sailing community on all Musto Skiff activities. This includes feedback on the boat experience, training, organised events, and class marketing.
- In each survey, MSCA class members are invited to take part in an annual online International AGM. This provides an opportunity to vote for International Committee Members and Country Representatives, as well as vote on important class matters and proposals to grow and develop the class.
- In addition to direct feedback during the season from class members, the insights and feedback gathered from each survey help the International Committee understand what members want from the class association. It also helps to ensure the successful planning and delivery of future events such as National Championships and World Championships.
- For the continued improvement and growth of the class, each survey also includes a separate section to gather insights and feedback from the wider sailing community on how they view and engage with the Musto Skiff Class Association and its members.

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METHODOLOGY

- The latest survey, which is the 20th annual survey to date, was launched on the 15th of December 2023. The survey was open for six weeks, closing on 26th January 2024.
- The online survey was accessible via a survey link, which was made available via the main class social media platforms (i.e., the class Facebook Page, Facebook Groups, and the X (formerly Twitter) page), the class website, and the monthly class eNews, which includes 1,100+ subscribers. The survey link was also shared in relevant sailing media via a press release, inviting both class members and the wider sailing community to participate.
- The wider sailing community (i.e., those who are interested in the class but don't currently sail a Musto Skiff) was invited to respond to a specific set of questions with the objective of gathering their views on the class and any potential interest in joining the class. The purpose of including this survey group is to ensure we are presenting ourselves as a positive and welcoming class in the sailing community and to understand how to attract new sailors to further grow the class.
- Upon the close of the survey, all responses were collated, and the survey results were reviewed by the MSCA International Committee. Key insights and results from the 2023 MSCA Annual Class Survey are included in this report, which was published in early April 2024.
- Survey responses are always strictly confidential, and any data gathered from the survey is only reported in the aggregate. All survey information is coded and will remain confidential.

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2023 INTERNATIONAL AGM – ONLINE

- The International AGM for the Musto Skiff class is hosted online each year via this survey to ensure sailors in every country can participate and vote on important class matters. Only current class members are eligible to participate in this AGM. This year's International AGM was accessible online via a separate survey link provided at the end of the 2023 Annual Class Survey.
- This year's International AGM included a class member vote on a proposal to adopt the new smaller mainsail, which was subsequently launched in early 2024. The proposal included options to integrate the small mainsail into the existing class for a 2-year period to assess the uptake and determine how to enable those with the small mainsail to participate in the main class events. Class members could also vote on International Committee Members and Country Representatives for the 2024 season.

ACCEPTED LIMITATIONS

- Whilst the Annual Class Surveys are aimed at Musto Skiff sailors and the wider sailing community, the MSCA International Committee accepts that the survey is posted publicly and, therefore, open for anyone to respond. As such, insights and data are always considered alongside other information resources, historical trends, and information already known about the class, its members, and MSCA activities. Some survey submissions may be omitted from the final count and analysis if it is suspected that any submission is fake or a duplicate.
- With the acceptance of some limitations with this type of survey, the MSCA Annual Survey continues to be a valuable resource to guide future decisions and considerations around class events, marketing, committee activities, and the boat experience.



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2023 CLASS SURVEY: KEY HIGHLIGHTS



2023 ANNUAL CLASS SURVEY PARTICIPANT STATISTICS

2023 MAIN SURVEY PARTICIPANT STATISTICS....

11 countries are represented in the main survey

128 participated in the survey

85% completion rate at the close of the main survey

7 minutes average completion time

98% identify as male

1% identify as female

1% identify as other



81% of all respondents own and sail a Musto Skiff

19% of all respondents represent the wider sailing community and do not sail a Musto Skiff.

94% of respondents who own and sail a Musto Skiff are current MSCA members.

6% of respondents who own and sail a Musto Skiff are not current MSCA members.

2023 ANNUAL CLASS SURVEY: KEY HIGHLIGHTS

2023 SAILOR DEMOGRAPHICS – MUSTO SKIFF SAILORS AND OTHER SAILORS

Sailor Representation in the 2023 Survey:

- **Musto Skiff sailors** represent 81% of all survey participants, and 94% of this total are also MSCA class members. (In the 2022 survey, 83% of participants owned a Musto Skiff and 79% were MSCA class members.)
- **Other sailors** (i.e., those from a class outside the Musto Skiff class) represent 19% of all survey participants. This is a decrease from the 2022 survey, which reported 17% representation for ‘other sailors’. In the 2021 survey, ‘other sailors’ represented 22% of all participants, so this represents another year-on-year decrease for this group.

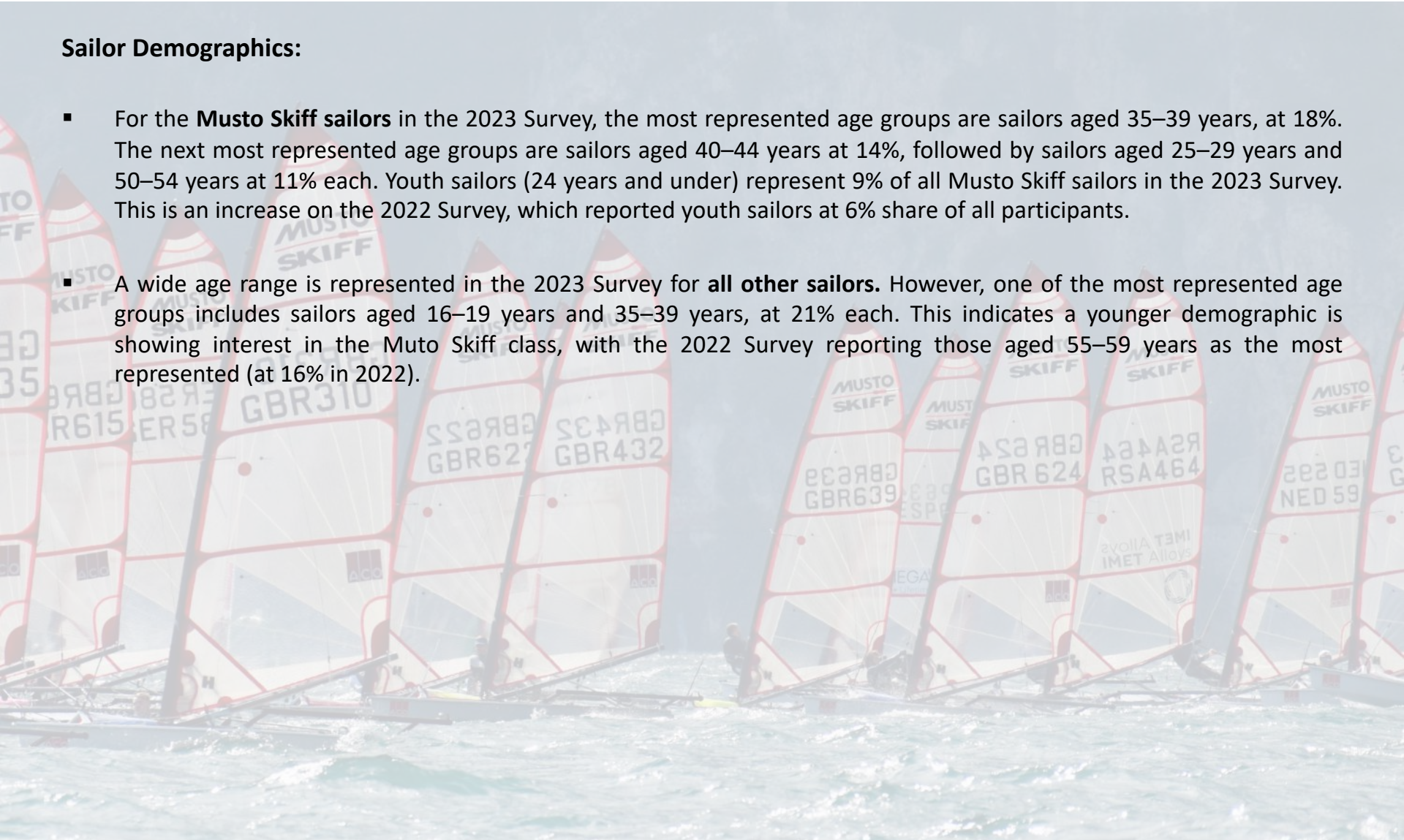
Country Representation:

- Overall, the 2023 Annual Class Survey attracted 128 responses in total, representing 11 countries. Whilst this response rate is a slight increase from the 2022 Survey, the number of countries represented is lower, with 19 countries represented in the previous 2022 Survey.
- For **Musto Skiff sailors**, the most represented country in the 2023 Survey is the UK (65%), followed by Germany (10%), and then Australia (7%). Rounding out the top five are the Netherlands (4%), and then France and Ireland (both at 3%).
- For **all other sailors**, the most represented country in the 2023 Survey is the UK (50%), followed by Australia, Denmark, France, Switzerland, and the USA, all with an equal share of 7% each.

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Sailor Demographics:

- For the **Musto Skiff sailors** in the 2023 Survey, the most represented age groups are sailors aged 35–39 years, at 18%. The next most represented age groups are sailors aged 40–44 years at 14%, followed by sailors aged 25–29 years and 50–54 years at 11% each. Youth sailors (24 years and under) represent 9% of all Musto Skiff sailors in the 2023 Survey. This is an increase on the 2022 Survey, which reported youth sailors at 6% share of all participants.
- A wide age range is represented in the 2023 Survey for **all other sailors**. However, one of the most represented age groups includes sailors aged 16–19 years and 35–39 years, at 21% each. This indicates a younger demographic is showing interest in the Muto Skiff class, with the 2022 Survey reporting those aged 55–59 years as the most represented (at 16% in 2022).



2023 ANNUAL CLASS SURVEY: KEY HIGHLIGHTS

2023 MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS – KEY INSIGHTS

Most Engaged Marketing Platform:

- The Musto Skiff International Facebook Page was the most engaged marketing platform for Musto Skiff sailors, with 63% using it always or often. This was followed closely by the Musto Skiff International Facebook groups and online sailing media (PR and event reports), with 59% of Musto Skiff sailors using these channels always or often.
- For other sailors, the International Class Facebook page was the most engaged platform to find information about the class at 32% share, followed by the International Class website at 30% share, and then the class Facebook groups at 16% share.

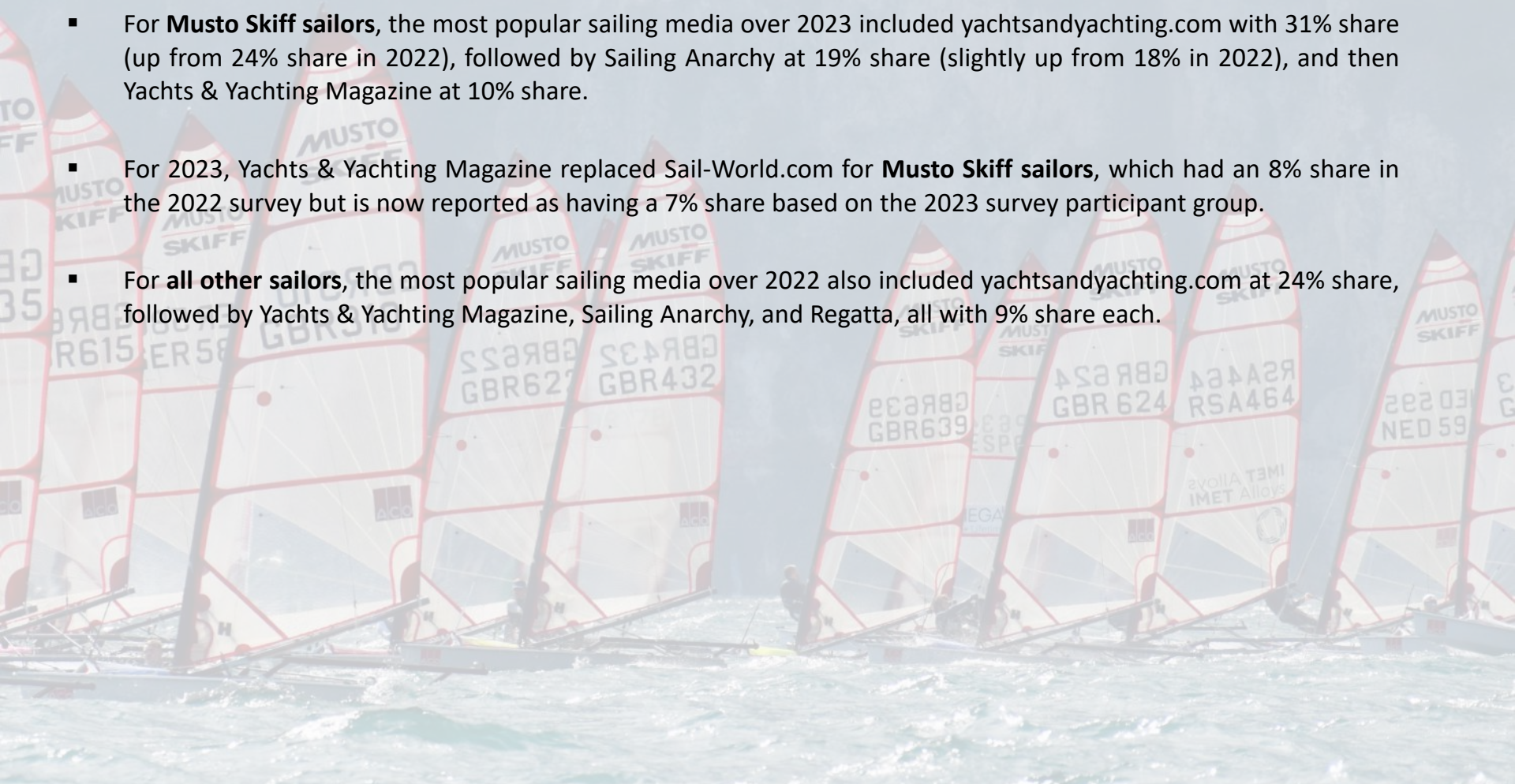
Social Media Engagement:

- Out of all the official social media channels for the class, the International Musto Skiff Class Facebook Page was the most engaged social media platform for the Musto Skiff class in 2023. This was also the most popular social media platform with all other sailors.
- Key trends for social media engagement over 2023 included a continued shift from Facebook groups to using WhatsApp local groups for community chats.
- The least engaged platform for the Musto Skiff class over 2023 was the International Musto Skiff X (formerly Twitter) page, with 95% stating that they never use it. This was also the least popular social media platform with other sailors.

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PR & Media Engagement:

- For **Musto Skiff sailors**, the most popular sailing media over 2023 included yachtsandyachting.com with 31% share (up from 24% share in 2022), followed by Sailing Anarchy at 19% share (slightly up from 18% in 2022), and then Yachts & Yachting Magazine at 10% share.
- For 2023, Yachts & Yachting Magazine replaced Sail-World.com for **Musto Skiff sailors**, which had an 8% share in the 2022 survey but is now reported as having a 7% share based on the 2023 survey participant group.
- For **all other sailors**, the most popular sailing media over 2022 also included yachtsandyachting.com at 24% share, followed by Yachts & Yachting Magazine, Sailing Anarchy, and Regatta, all with 9% share each.



2023 ANNUAL CLASS SURVEY: KEY HIGHLIGHTS

2023 ORGANISED EVENTS AND TRAINING – KEY INSIGHTS

Based on Musto Skiff sailors participating in the 2023 survey:

- 30% of Musto Skiff sailors participated in organised open meetings over 2023.
- 34% of Musto Skiff sailors participated in either organised or informal training during 2023. This was an increase from 2022, which reported that 28% of the class members participated in organised training.
- 19% of all the training that took place over 2023 was informal training arranged by sailors in the local fleets.
- 26% of Musto Skiff sailors said there was no organised training or coaching in their region over 2023. This is a decrease from the 2022 survey, which reported 31% stating that they had no organised training or coaching.
- 75% of Musto Skiff sailors would like to have more organised training in their region in 2024. This is an increase on the 2022 survey, which reported 70% wanting to have more organised training in their region.

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2023 VIEWS ON INCREASING INTEREST IN THE MUSTO SKIFF CLASS

Based on other sailors participating in the 2023 survey:

- 57% would join the Musto Skiff class. This is up from 44% in the 2022 survey.
- 21% would maybe join the Musto Skiff class. This is down from 33% in the 2022 survey.
- 25% plan to look for a boat within the next 6 months. This was no change from the 2022 survey.
- 50% plan to look for a boat within the next 6–12 months. This is up from 12% in the 2022 survey.
- 25% have no plans to get a Musto Skiff to join the 2024 season.

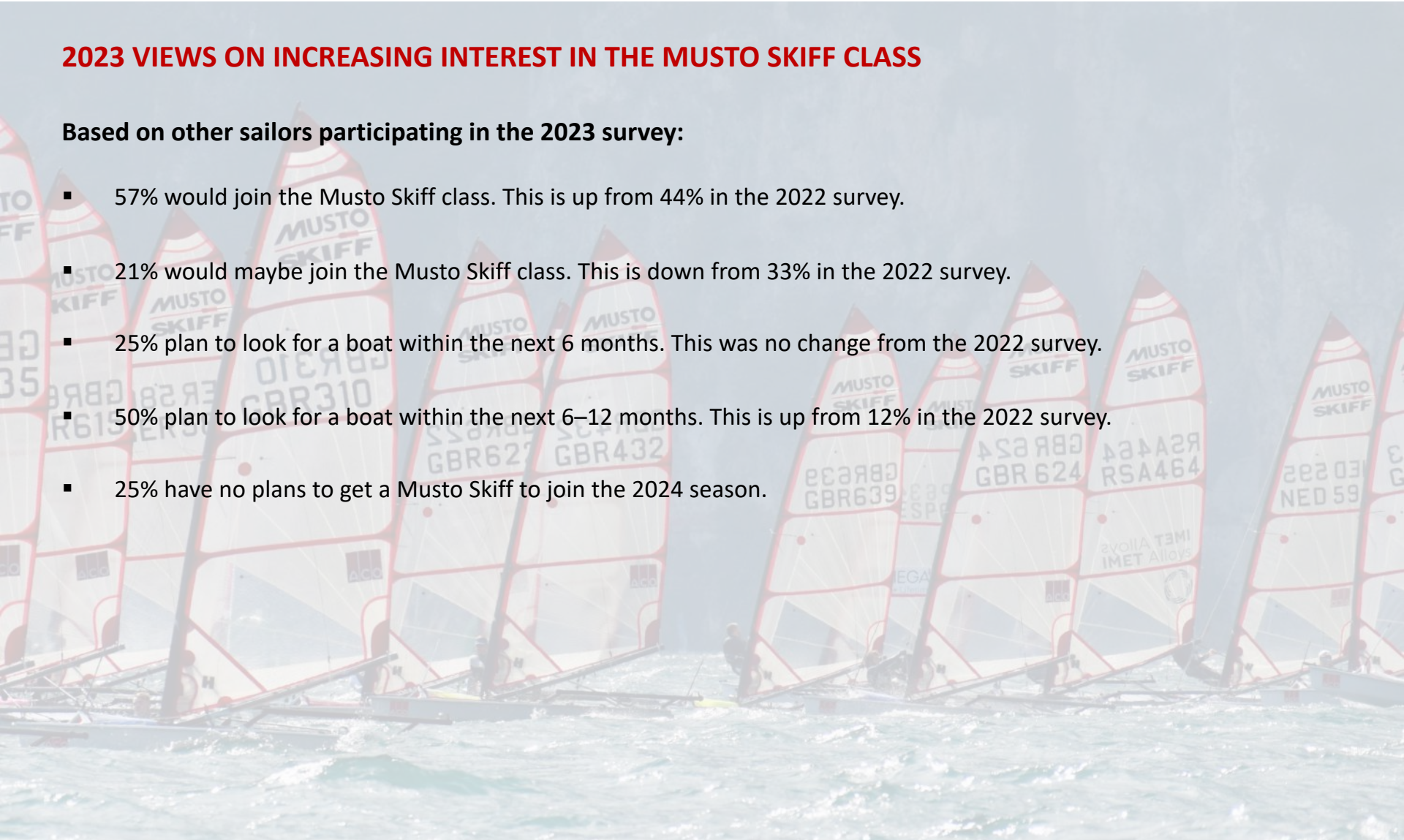




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PART 1 MAIN SURVEY RESULTS MUSTO SKIFF CLASS INSIGHTS



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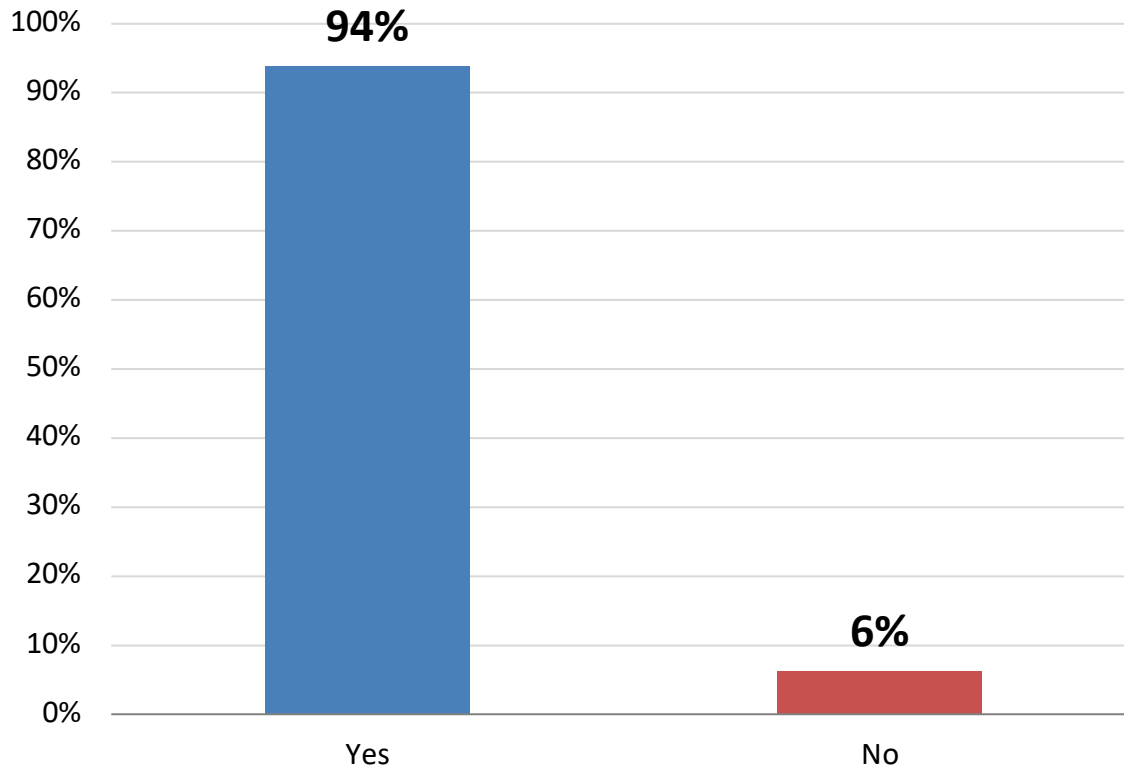
2023 SURVEY: PARTICIPANT DEMOGRAPHICS FOR MUSTO SKIFF SAILORS



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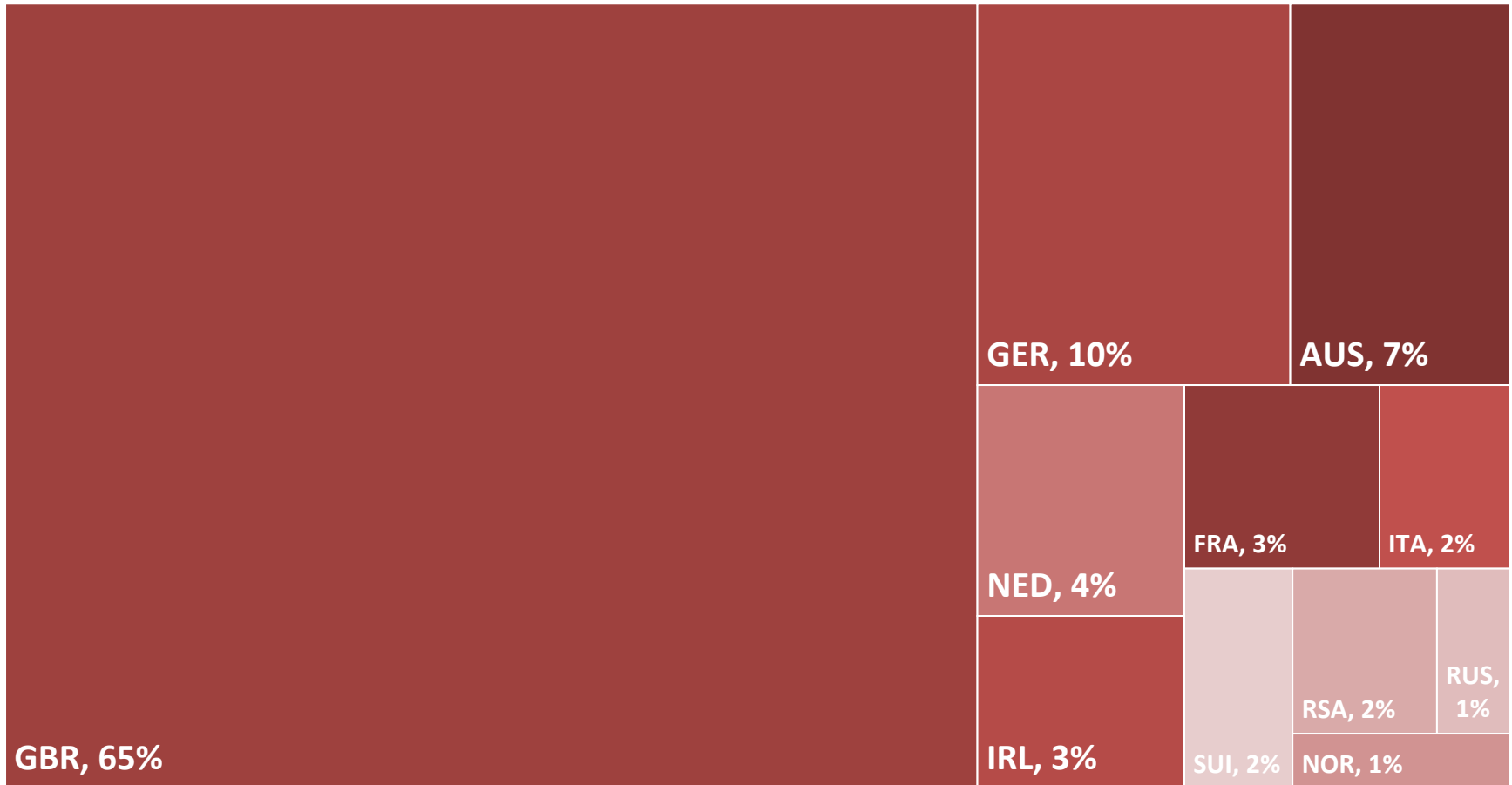
MUSTO SKIFF CLASS: MEMBERS VS NON-MEMBERS

Q: Are you a current member of the Musto Skiff Class Association?



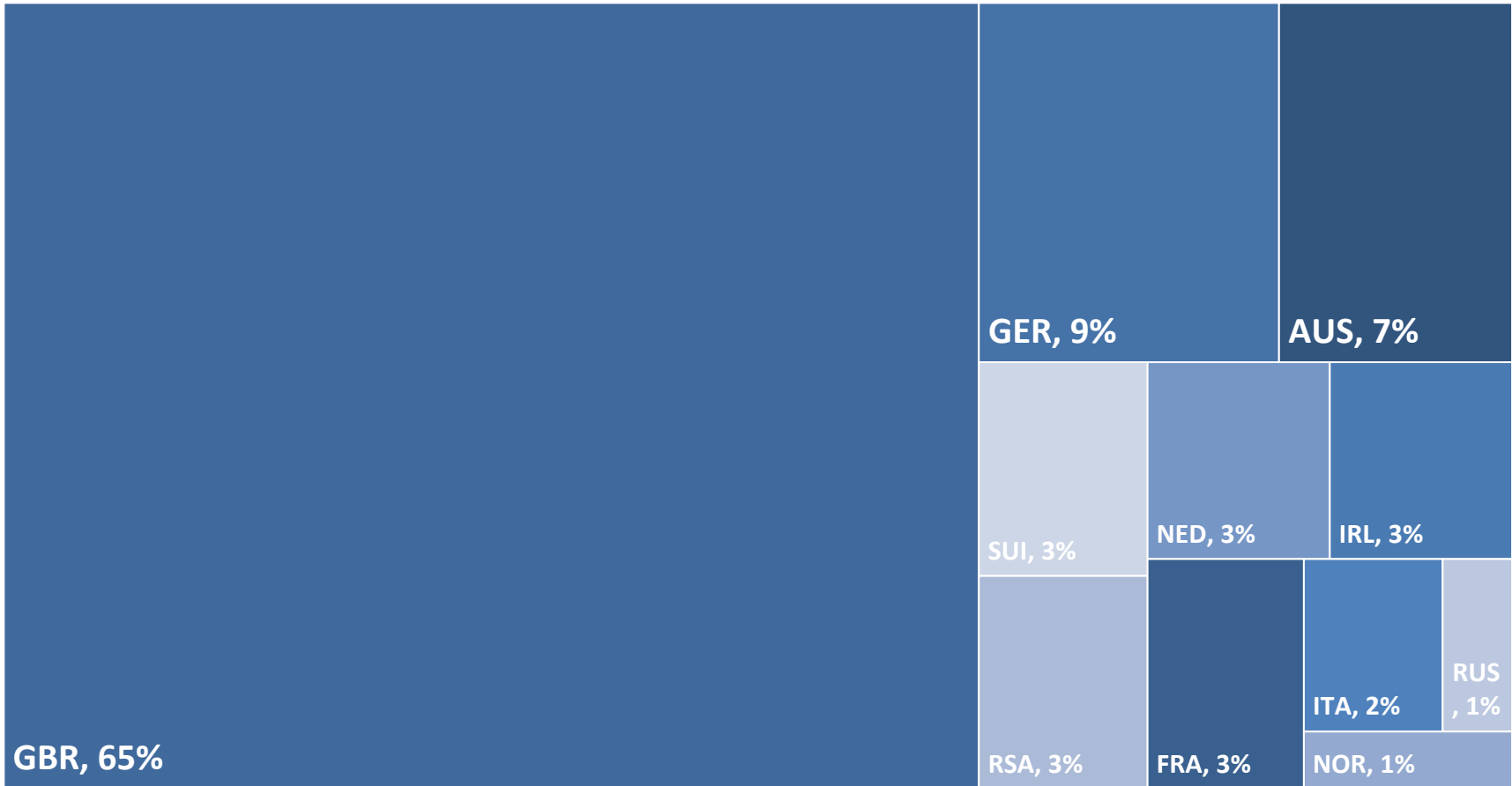
MUSTO SKIFF CLASS: COUNTRY REPRESENTATION IN SURVEY

Q: What country do you represent?



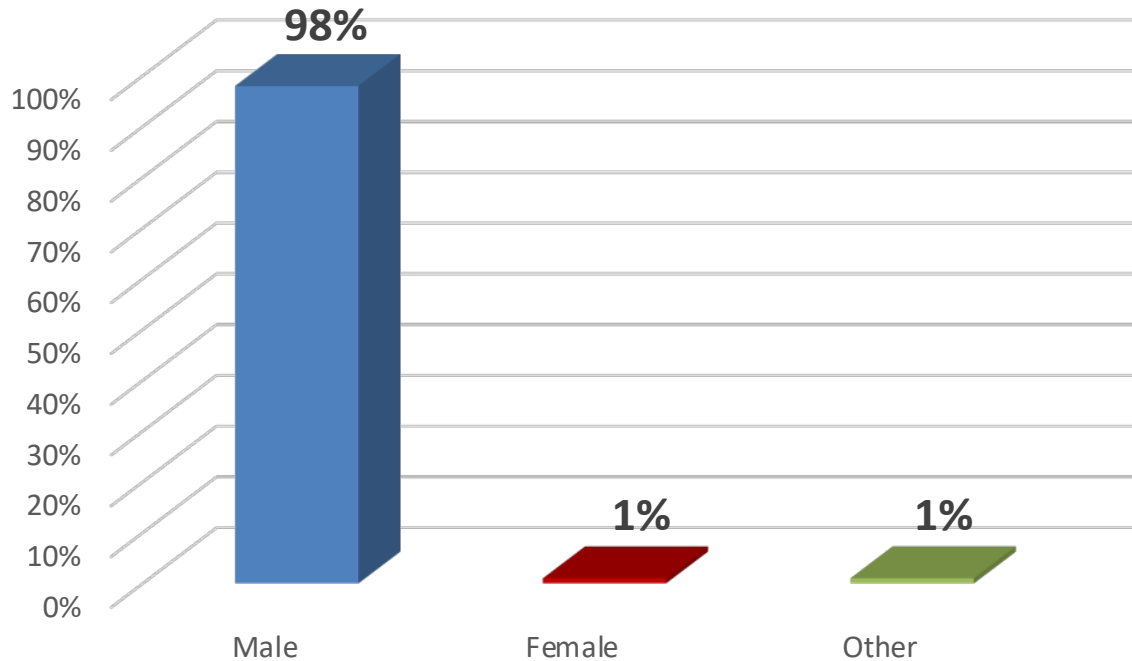
MUSTO SKIFF CLASS: WORLD SAILING REGIONS IN SURVEY

Q: Which World Sailing (previously ISAF) region do you currently represent at organised events?



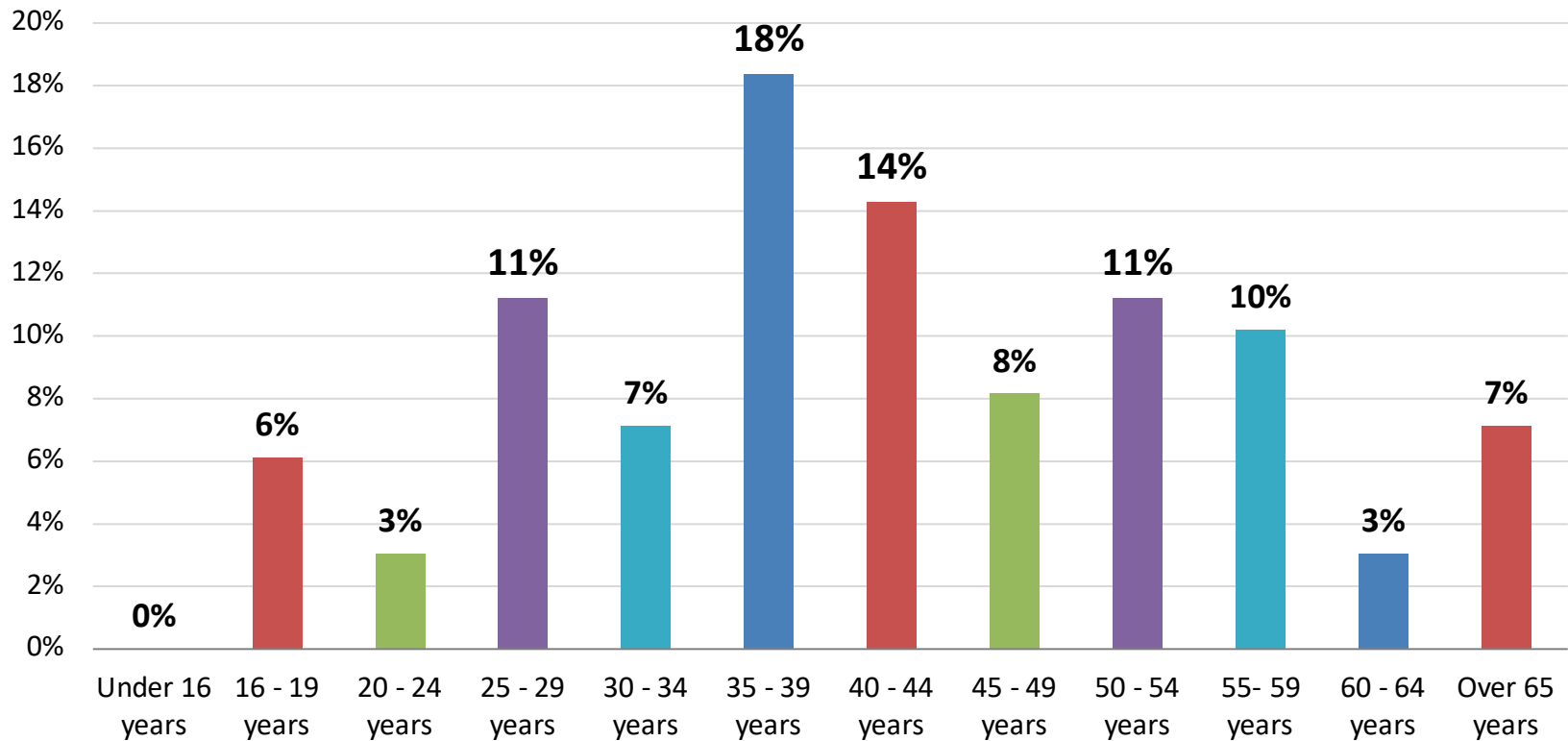
MUSTO SKIFF CLASS: GENDER REPRESENTATION IN SURVEY

Q: What gender do you identify as?



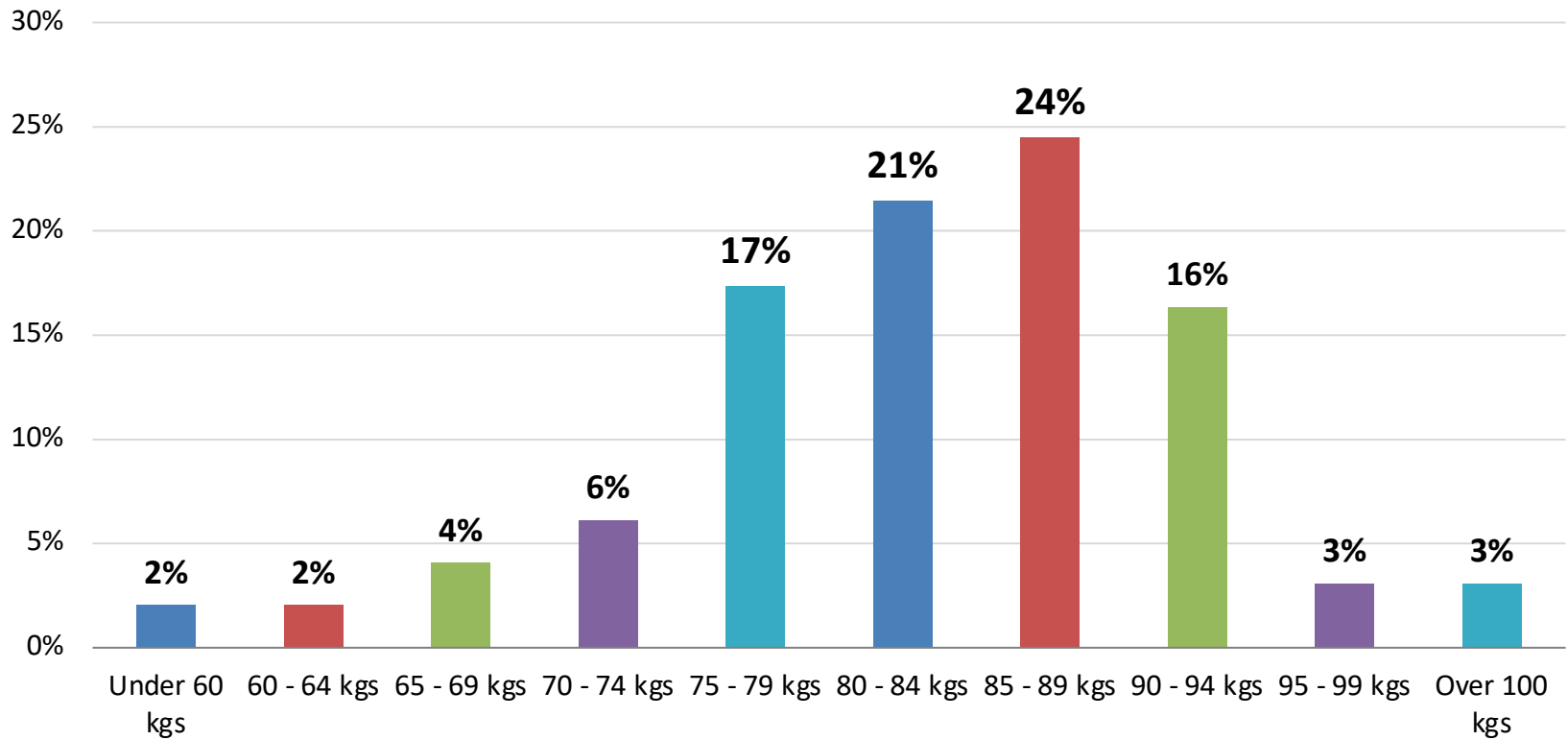
MUSTO SKIFF CLASS: AGE REPRESENTATION IN SURVEY

Q: What is your age?



MUSTO SKIFF CLASS: SAILOR WEIGHT RANGE IN SURVEY

Q: What is your current weight?





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2023 SEASON: MARKETING AND CLASS INTEREST



MUSTO SKIFF CLASS: COMMUNICATION PREFERENCES

Over 2023, the following Musto Skiff marketing channels were the most engaged by Musto Skiff sailors:

#1



International Musto Skiff
Facebook PAGE
(63% always or often)

#2



International Musto
Skiff Facebook GROUP
(59% always or often)



Online media coverage
of Musto Skiff class news
& events
(59% always or often)

#3



International Musto Skiff
Class Website
(53% always or often)

#4



International Musto Skiff
Newsletter
(46% always or often)

#5



International Musto Skiff
YouTube Channel
(32% always or often)

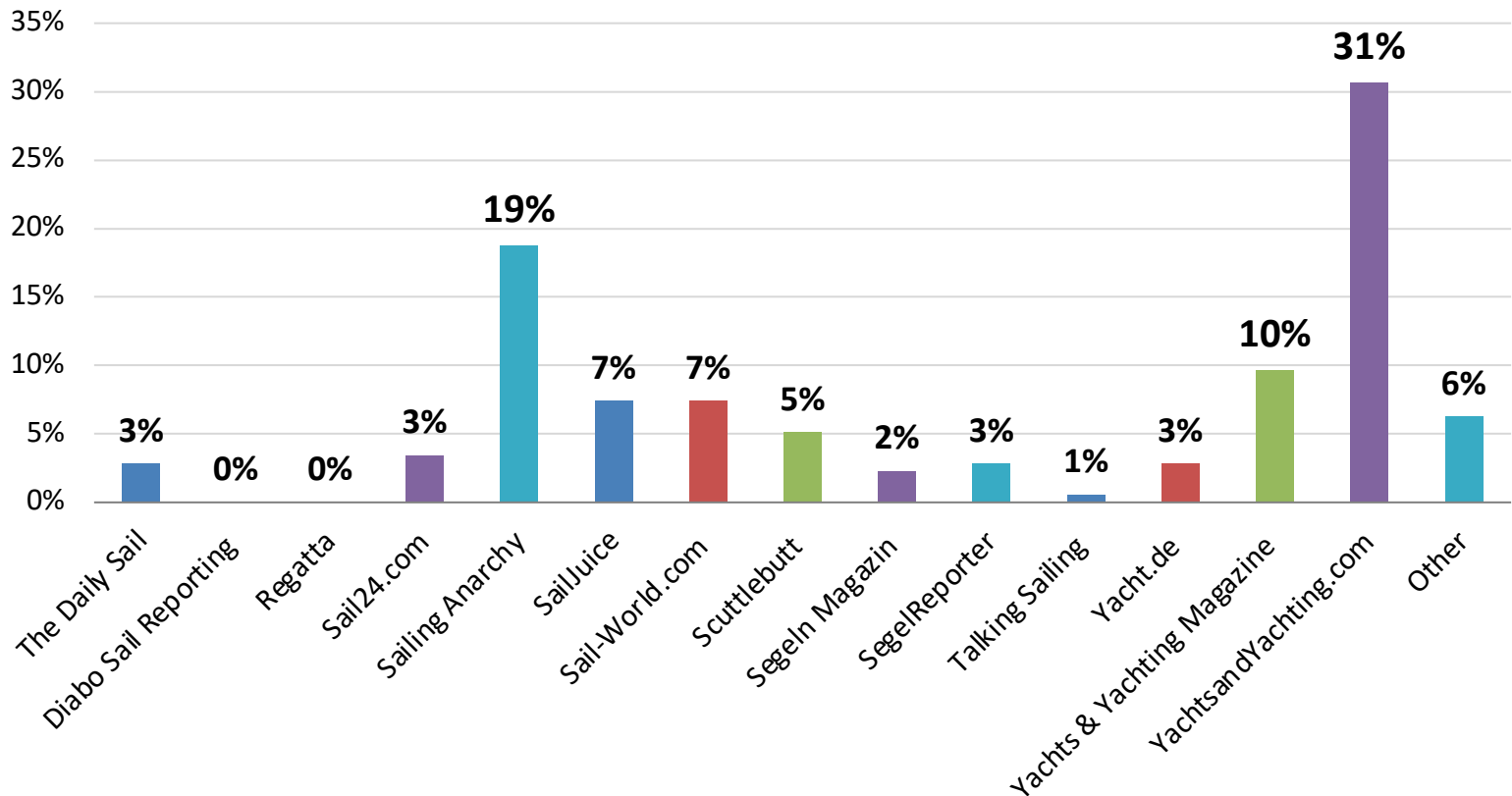
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International Musto Skiff
X (formerly Twitter) Page
(1% always or often)

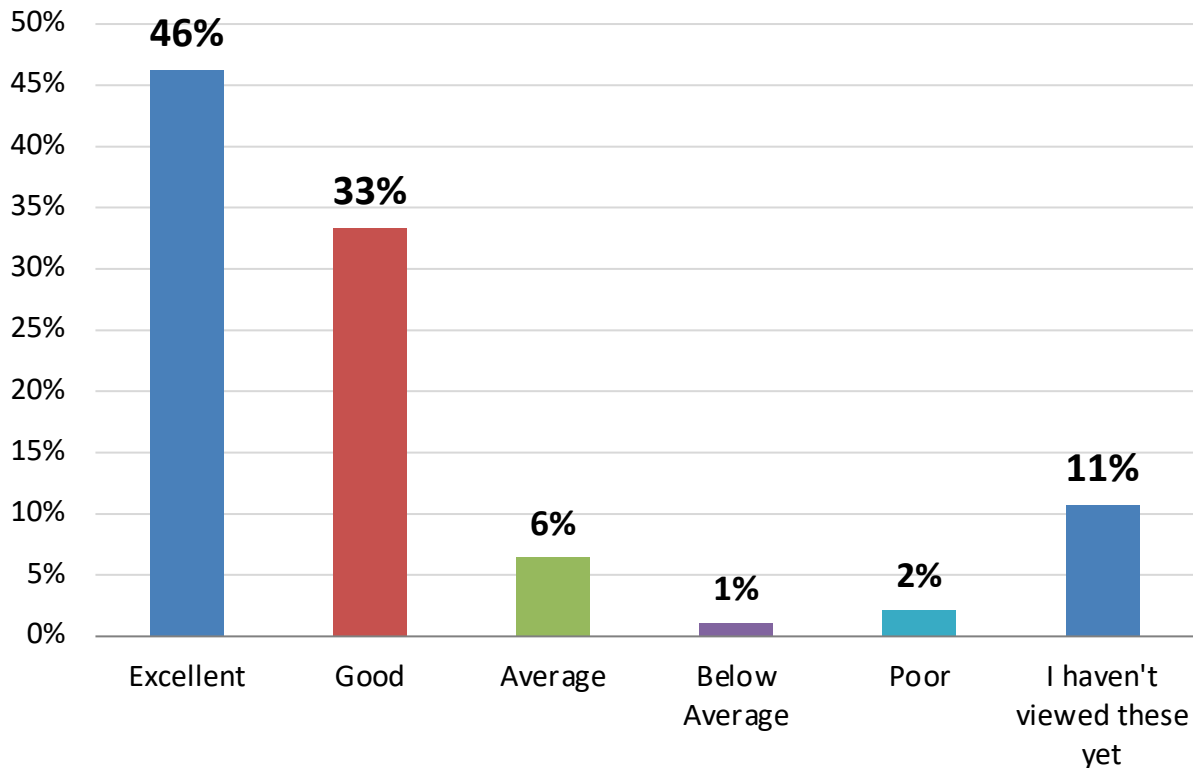
MUSTO SKIFF CLASS: ENGAGEMENT WITH PR & MEDIA

The following media titles are the most popular with Musto Skiff sailors for the latest updates and news for sailing:



MUSTO SKIFF CLASS: NEW 2023 TRAINING VIDEO FEEDBACK

Q: How do you rate the recently launched 'Musto Skiff Basics' training video series?



MUSTO SKIFF CLASS: ATTRACTING NEW SAILORS TO THE CLASS

2023 RESULTS SUMMARY:

According to Musto Skiff sailors in the survey, the top 3 reasons preventing new sailors from getting a Musto Skiff boat includes:

1. Sailors being worried it's too hard to sail (32% share of responses)
2. Sailors being worried they are too light in weight to sail a Musto Skiff (17% share of responses)
3. No fleets nearby (13% share of responses)

The 3 things that Musto Skiff sailors think the class association or boat builder can do to encourage more sailors to join the Musto Skiff fleet are:

1. Invite sailors to participate in a demo day (25% share of responses)
2. Run more on the water training events (21% share of responses)
3. Increase online sailing video content on the Musto Skiff YouTube channel (16% share of responses)





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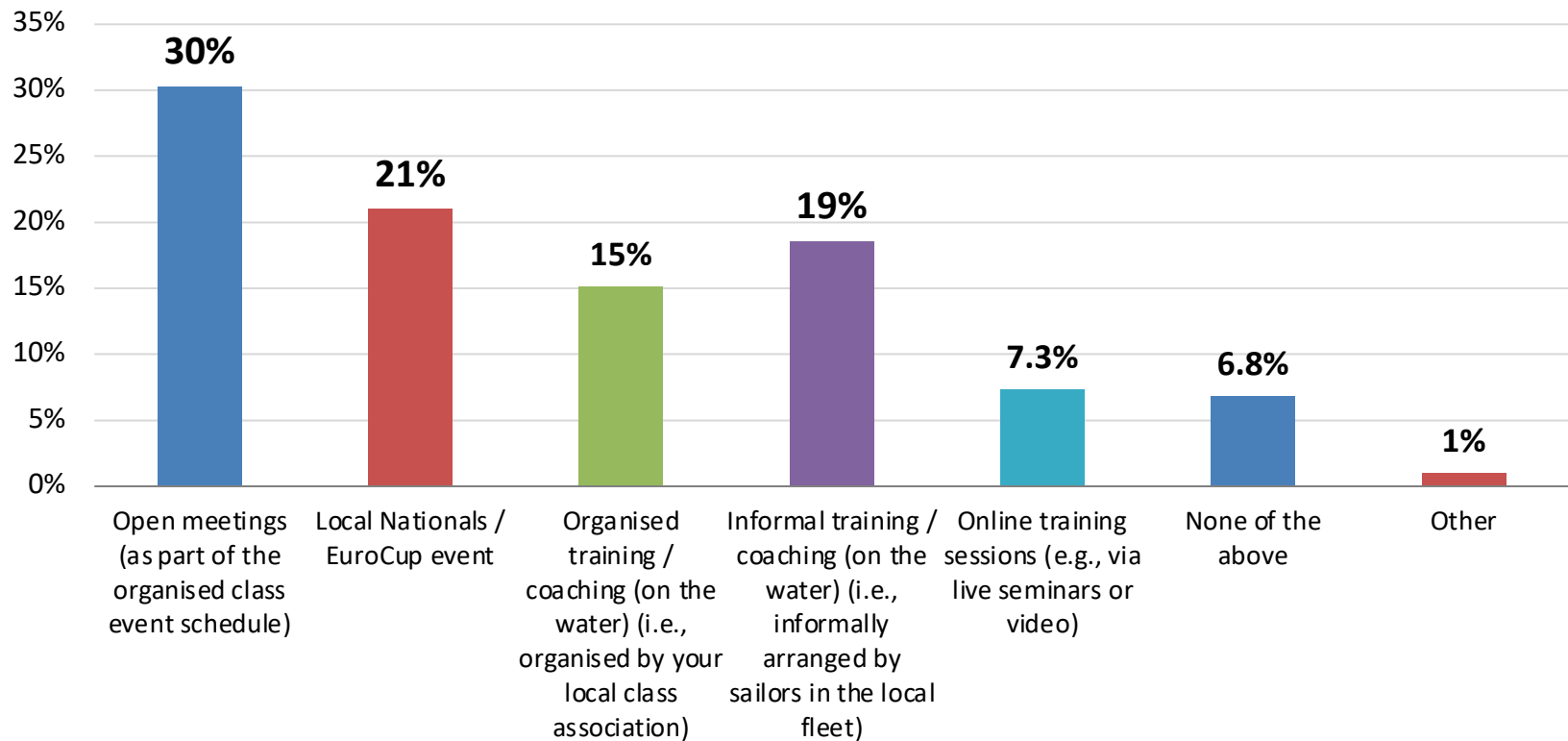
2023 SEASON: CLASS EVENTS & TRAINING



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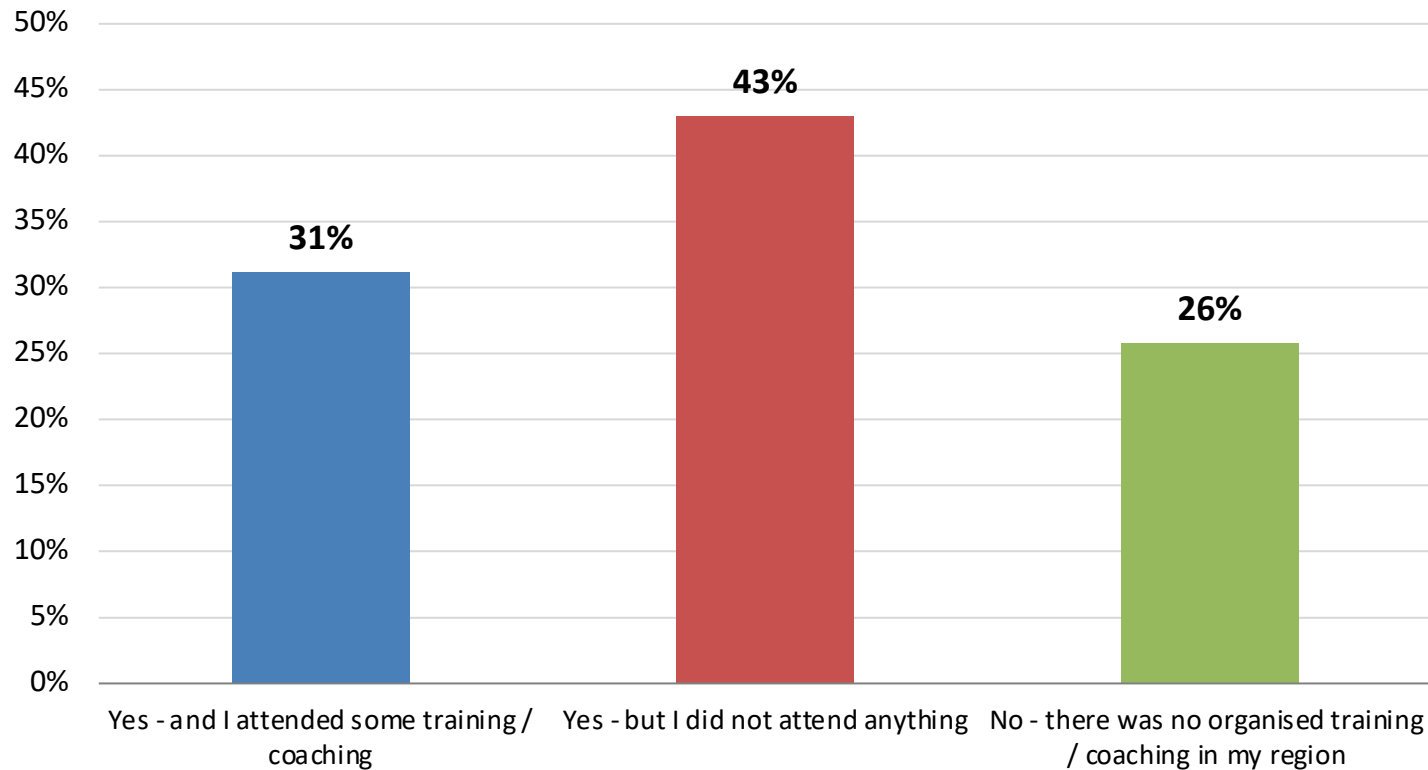
MUSTO SKIFF CLASS: CLASS EVENTS & TRAINING ATTENDANCE

Q: Over 2023, what class activities did you participate in within your local region?



MUSTO SKIFF CLASS: CLASS TRAINING / COACHING

Q: Did your local class association provide any organised Musto Skiff training / coaching sessions over 2023?



MUSTO SKIFF CLASS: CLASS TRAINING / COACHING

Q: Would you like to have more organised training sessions in your region?

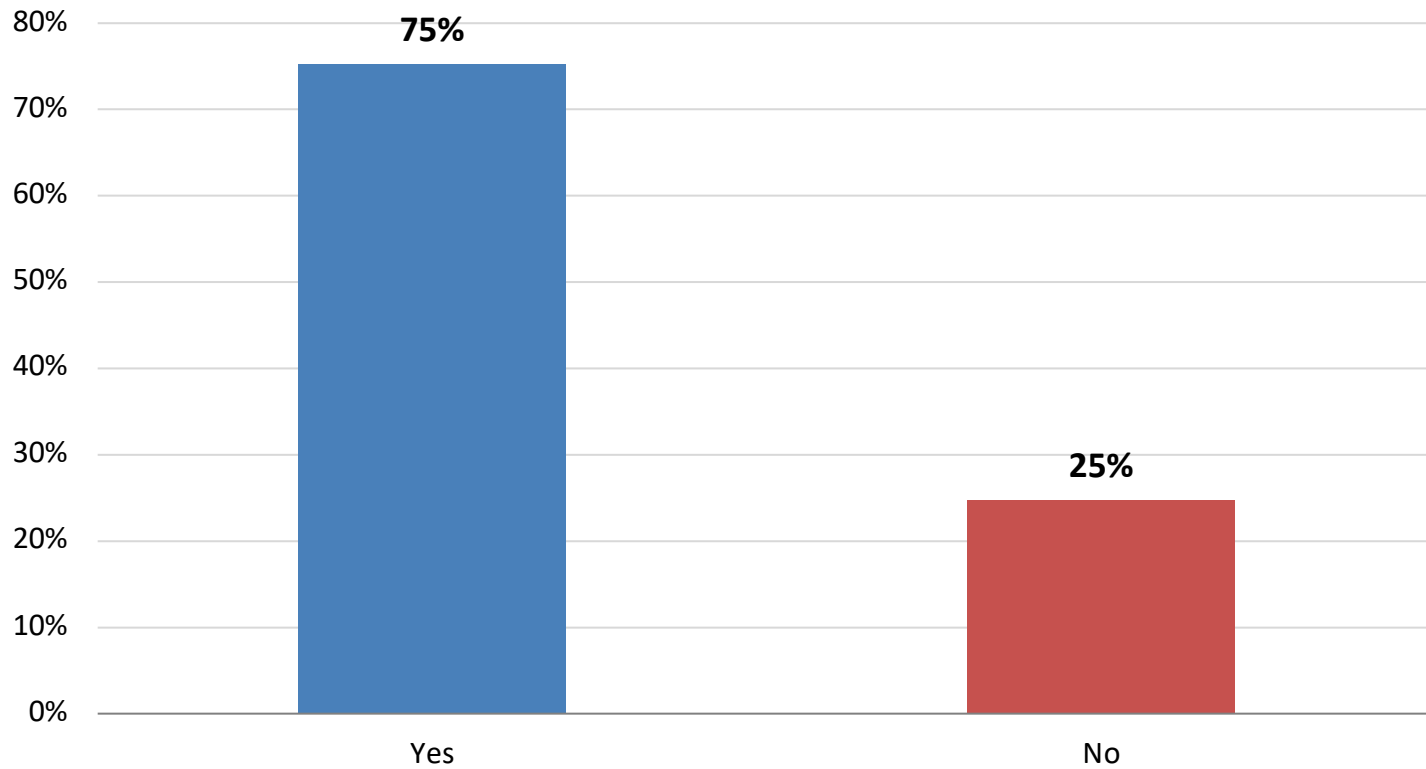




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PART 2 MAIN SURVEY RESULTS WIDER SAILING COMMUNITY INSIGHTS



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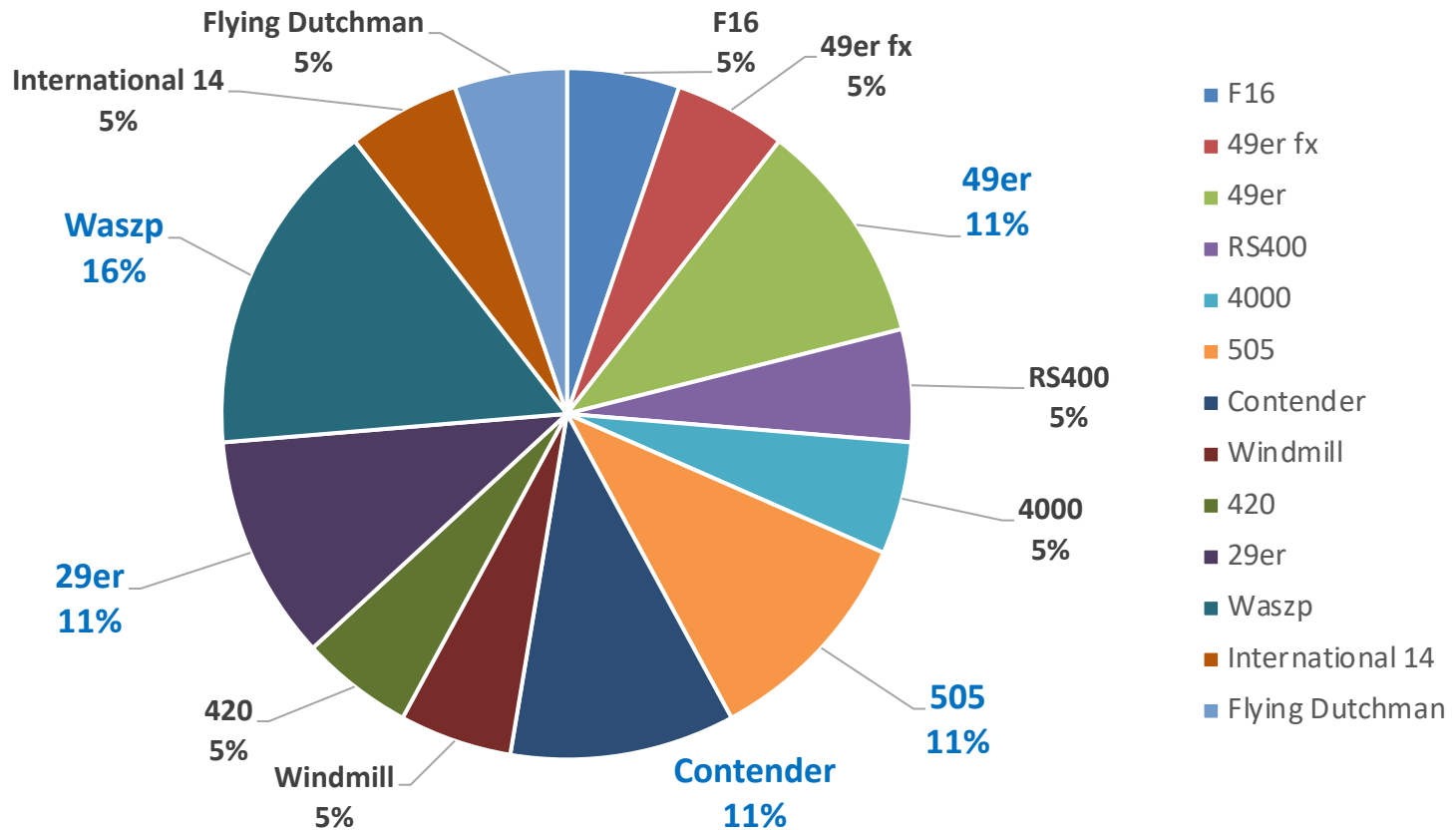
2023 SURVEY: PARTICIPANT DEMOGRAPHICS FOR OTHER SAILORS



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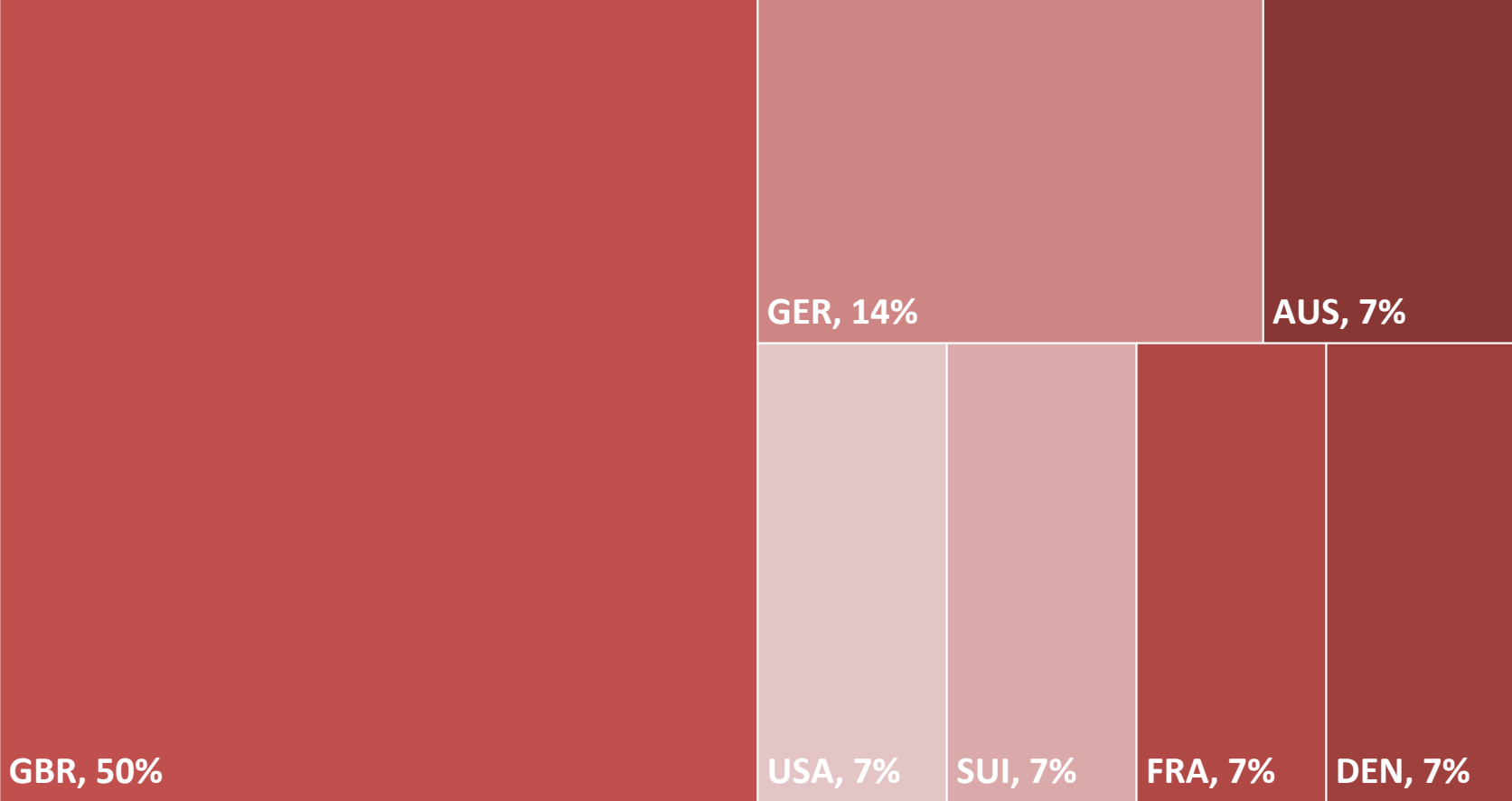
OTHER SAILORS: CLASS REPRESENTATION IN SURVEY

Q: What is your main class / boat type?



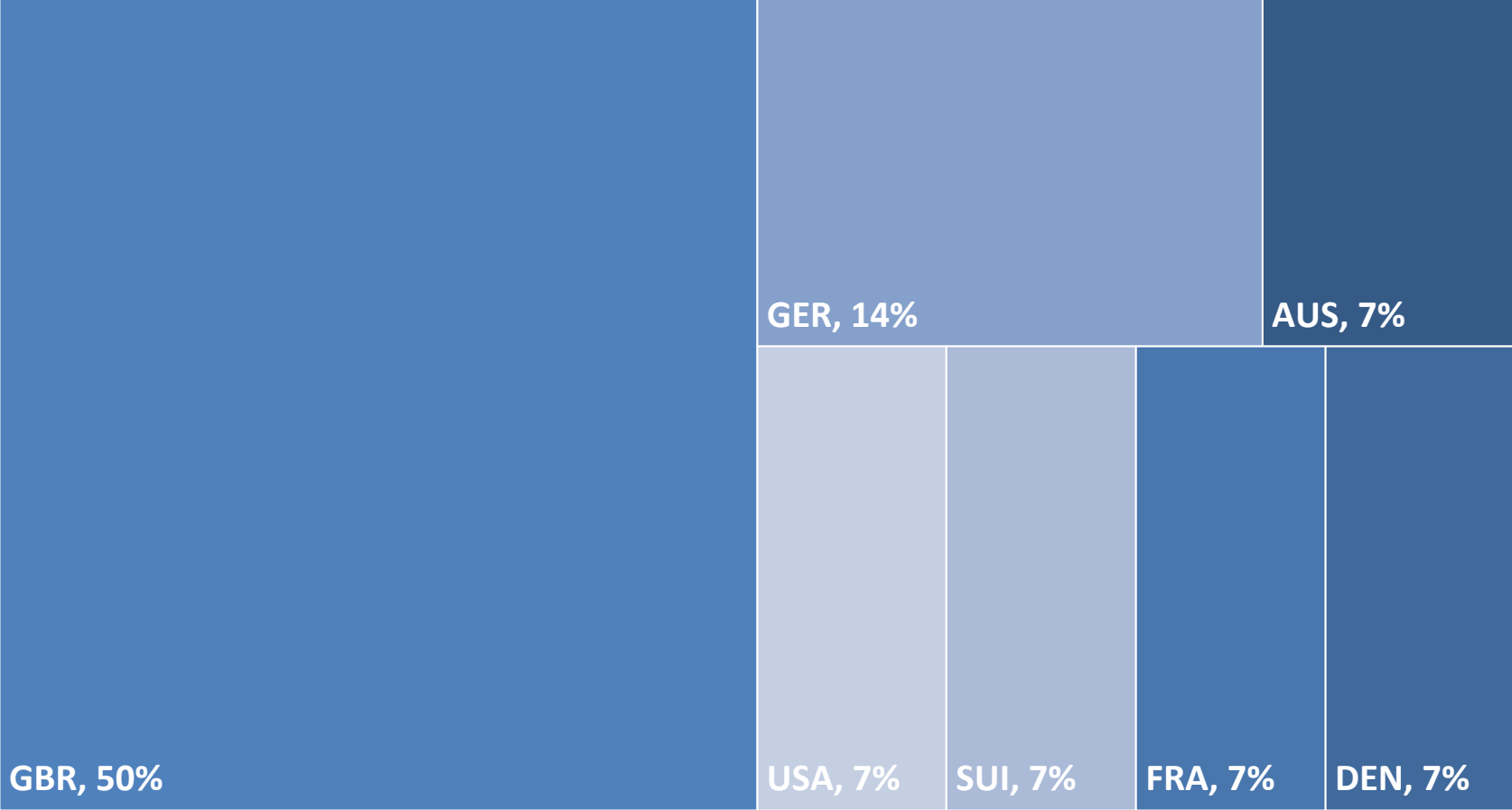
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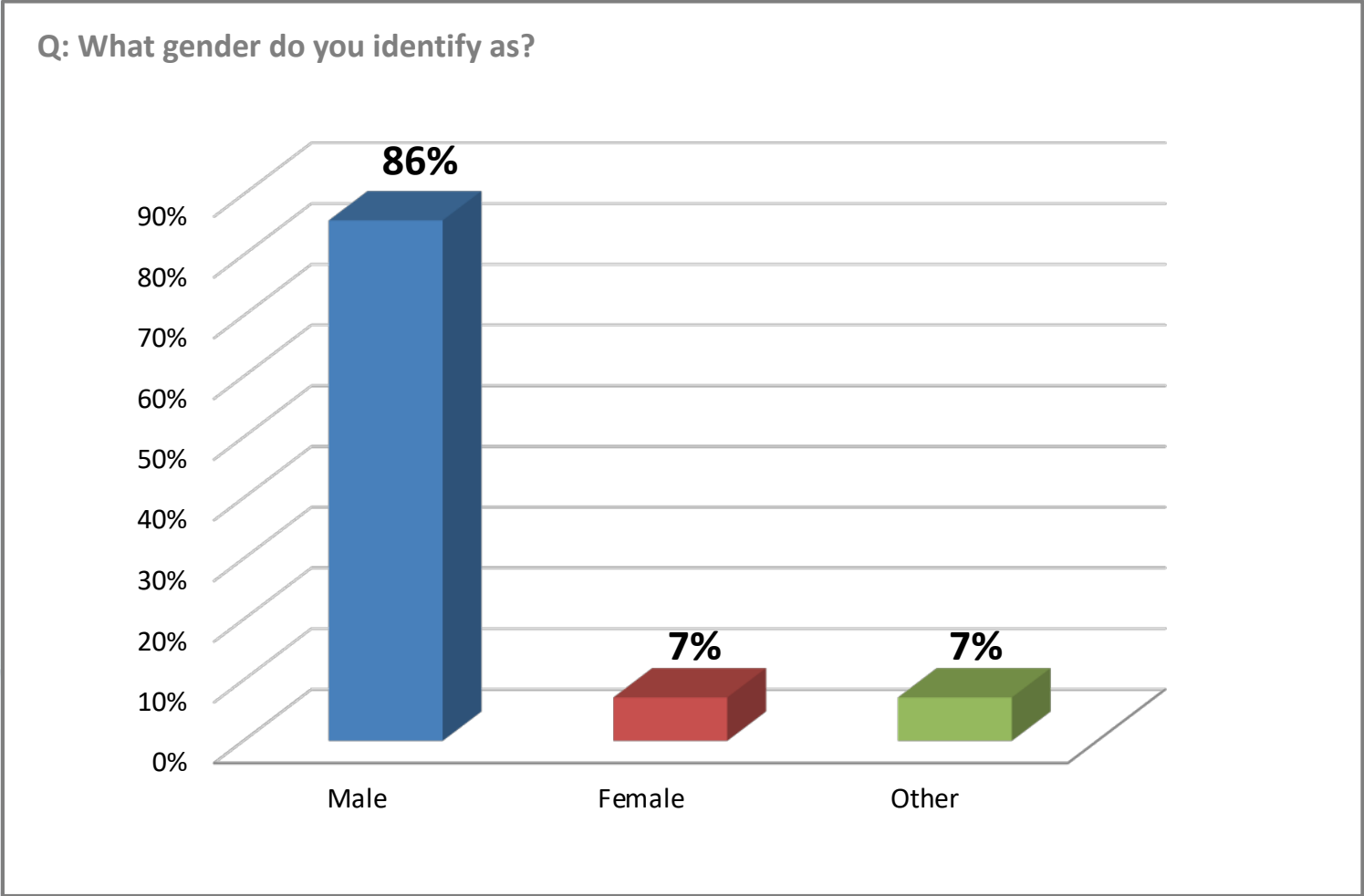


OTHER SAILORS: WORLD SAILING REGIONS IN SURVEY

Q: What World Sailing region do you represent?

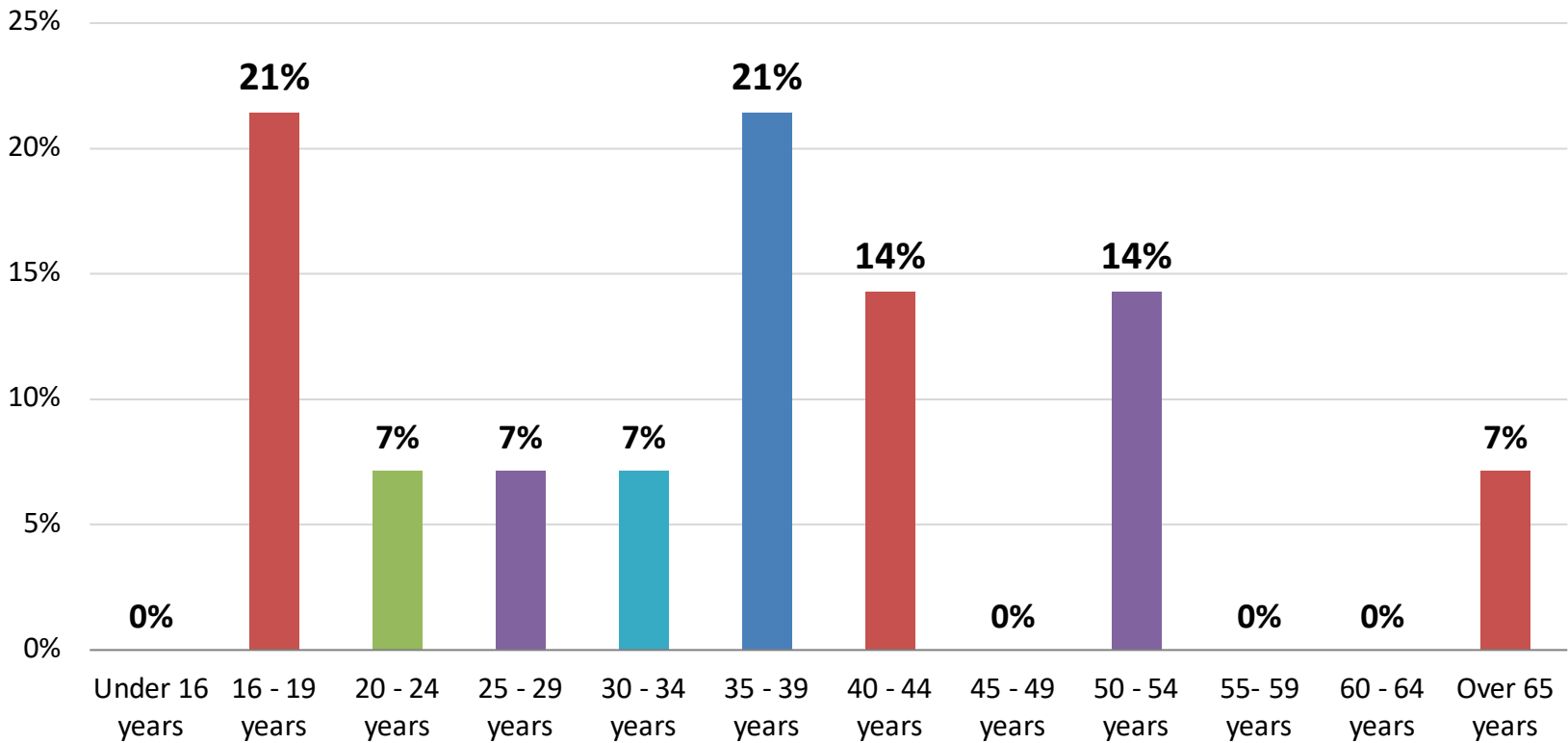


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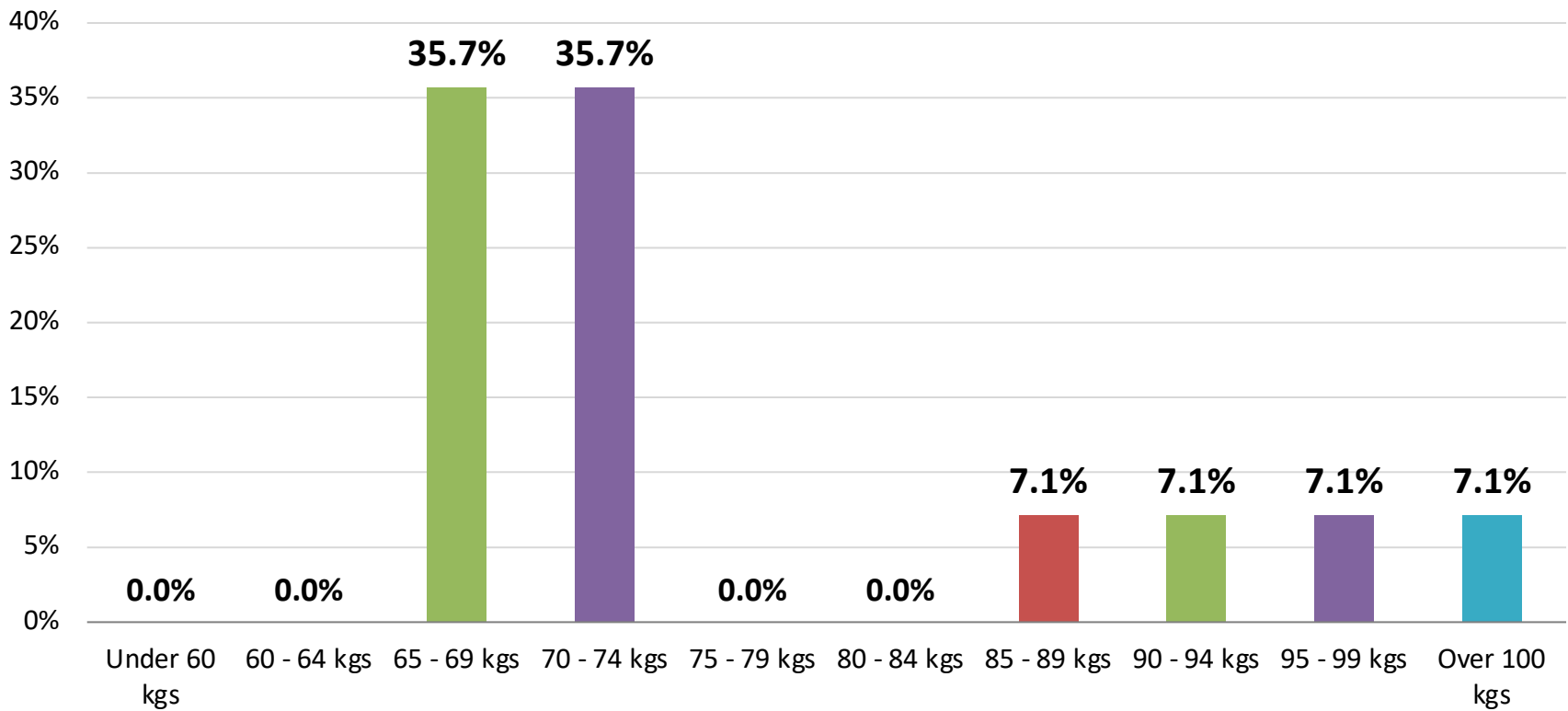
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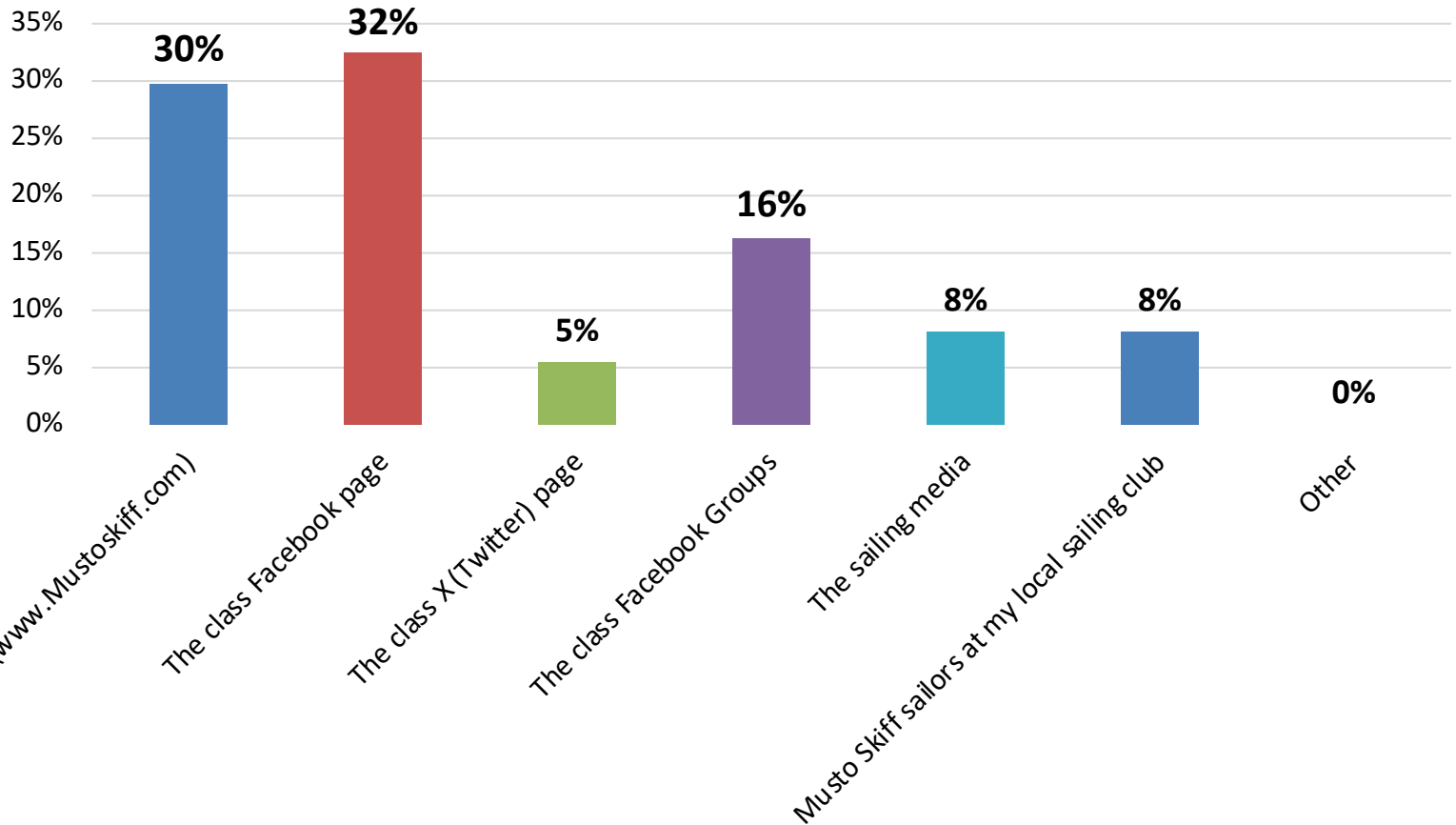
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SAILING COMMUNITY FEEDBACK: THE CLASS & CLASS ACTIVITIES



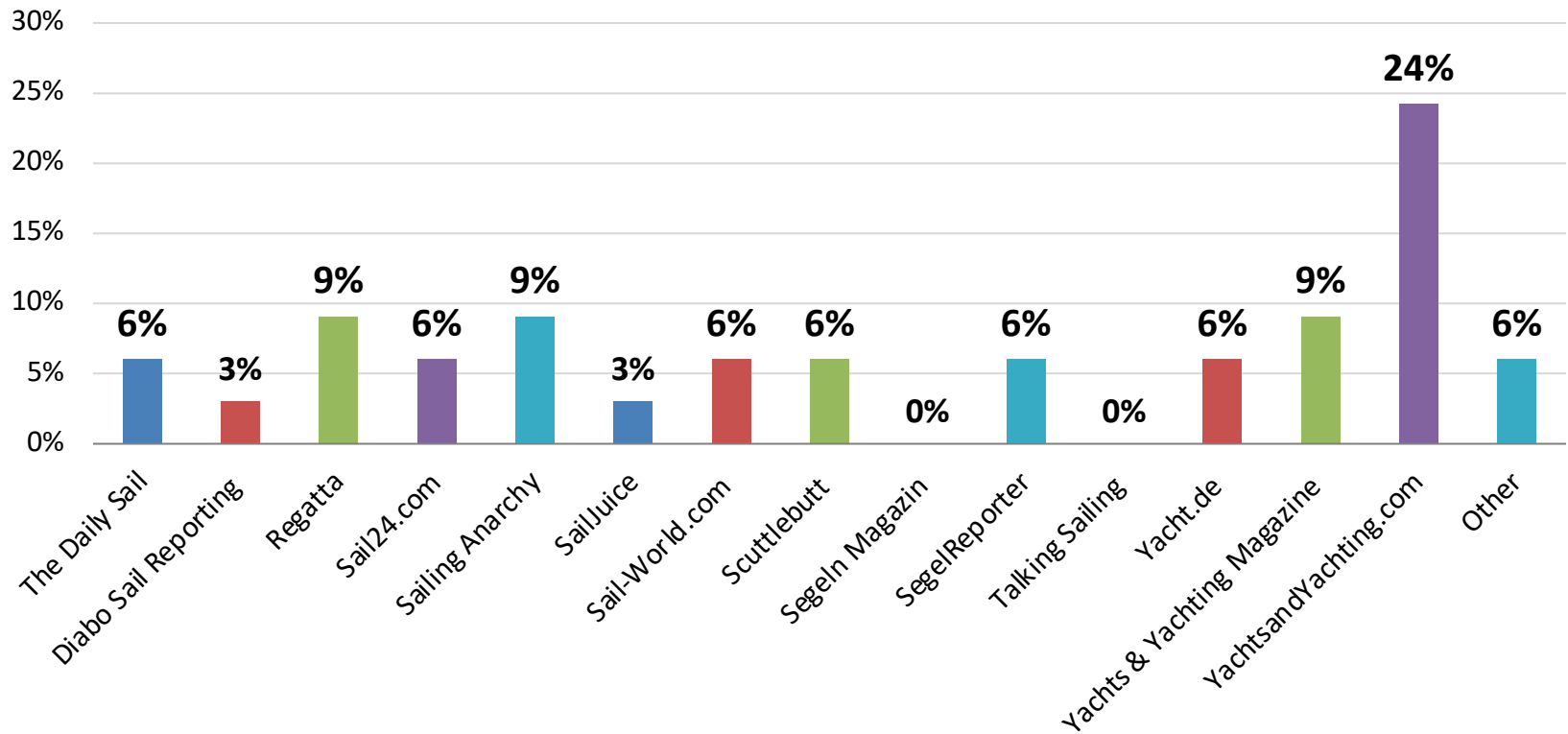
OTHER SAILORS: ENGAGEMENT WITH CLASS COMMS

Q: What class marketing channels do you use to get information about the Musto Skiff class and activities?



OTHER SAILORS: ENGAGEMENT WITH CLASS PR & MEDIA

Q: Which sailing media titles do you use most for information about the Musto Skiff class?



OTHER SAILORS: NEW 2023 TRAINING VIDEO FEEDBACK

Q: How do you rate the recently launched 'Musto Skiff Basics' training video series?

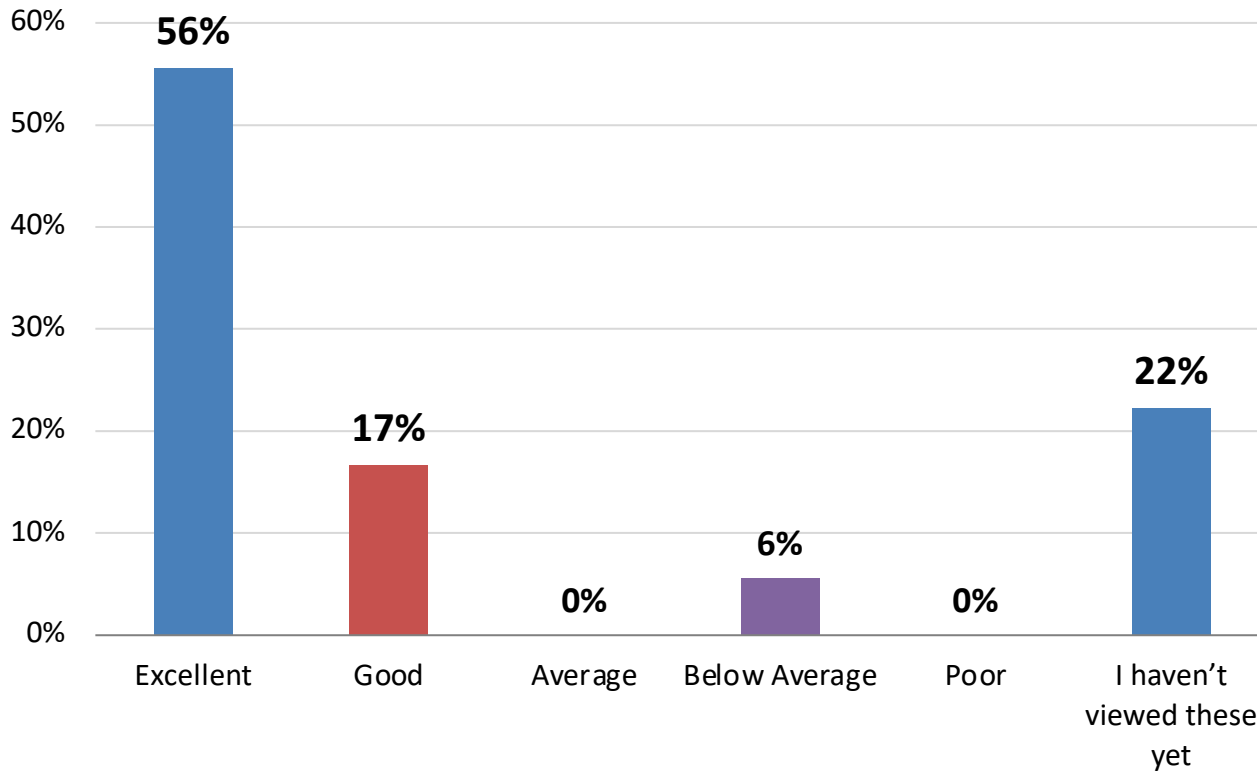




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PART 3 MUSTO SKIFF CLASS MEMBER SECTION: 2023 INTERNATIONAL AGM INSIGHTS & RESULTS



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2023 AGM / CLASS MEMBER SURVEY: KEY HIGHLIGHTS



2023 AGM ONLINE SURVEY PARTICIPANT STATISTICS

2023 SURVEY PARTICIPANT STATISTICS....

6 regional class associations are represented in the AGM (online survey)

44 participated in the AGM section of the 2023 survey

93% completion rate of the AGM section once started.

16 minutes average completion time



73% of AGM (online survey) respondents are active Musto Skiff Class Association members

27% of AGM (online survey) respondents are Life Members of the Musto Skiff Class Association

2023 AGM ONLINE SURVEY: KEY HIGHLIGHTS

2023 INTERNATIONAL AGM PARTICIPATION

- This year's online AGM included 44 participants representing six countries. This was a decrease in participants compared to the 2022 online AGM, which included 59 participants representing six countries.
- Of all the class members who participated in the 2023 online AGM, 73% are active Musto Skiff Class Association members. This is a decrease compared to the 2022 online AGM, which reported a 97% share. However, more Life Members took part in the 2023 online AGM, with 27% share in the 2023 online AGM compared to just 3% share in 2022.

2023 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS ATTENDANCE & FEEDBACK

- 30% of Musto Skiff Class members attended a National Championship event in 2023.
- 53% of Musto Skiff Class members had a Nationals event but did not attend, and 18% stated that there was no Nationals event hosted in their country over 2023.
- The quality of Nationals events was rated as 'good to excellent' overall, indicating a high quality of events on average for each country.
- The level of competition in the fleet was rated very highly overall for 2023 at 92% excellent and 8% good, with no ratings below this.

2023 AGM ONLINE SURVEY: KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- On average, information and communication during the events, club facilities, and on-shore organisation were mainly rated as good to excellent overall. Venue suitability for championships was rated particularly high overall, with a rating of 100% good to excellent.
- On average, feedback for organised evening socials was variable, but for those who had evening socials at their Nationals, the majority rated them as 42% 'good' overall.
- For those that could not attend their Nationals event, 'other commitments' was the main reason given for non-attendance at 80% share, followed by registering a place but having to miss the event due to injury or being unwell. Some of the main reasons provided for 'other' include the venue location being too far to travel to.

PLANNING FOR 2024 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 69% of class members in the 2023 online AGM intend to participate in their 2024 National Championships, with 18% stating "maybe", and 13% stating that they do not intend to participate.
- Main reasons for not attending the 2024 National Championships include the timing of the 2024 Worlds, clashing with other sailing event commitments (in other classes), a lack of holiday, and family commitments.

2023 AGM ONLINE SURVEY: KEY HIGHLIGHTS

LOOKING AHEAD TO THE 2024 WORLDS IN WEYMOUTH & PORTLAND (UK)

- 71% stated 'yes' to attending the 2024 Worlds planned for Weymouth & Portland in the UK, 13% stated 'maybe' to attending, and 15% stated 'no'.
- The main reasons for not committing to the planned 2024 Worlds include other commitments (82%), and not feeling good enough to compete in a World Championship due to being new to the class (18%).
- The main reasons for 'other' include a lack of practice and the distance to travel to the venue location.

LOOKING AHEAD TO THE 2025 WORLDS IN SYDNEY (AUSTRALIA)

- 13% stated 'yes' to attending the 2025 Worlds planned for Sydney in Australia, 44% stated 'maybe' to attending, and 44% said 'no'.
- For those who said 'no' to attending the planned 2025 Worlds, the main reasons for not committing to the event include a lack of holiday days / total time required to travel and participate, the distance to travel to the location, and anticipated high costs for shipping and travel.

2023 AGM ONLINE SURVEY: KEY HIGHLIGHTS

FEEDBACK ON FUTURE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP LOCATIONS

- The 2026 World Championship is set to be hosted in a location in Europe. Of the four locations suggested to the class members, Lake Como in Italy is the most popular, followed by Carnac in France, Barcelona in Spain, and then Palma in Spain.
- The 2027 World Championship is set to be hosted in a location outside of Europe. Of the two locations suggested to the class members, the USA (San Francisco or other cities in North America) is the most popular, followed by Langebaan in South Africa.
- The most popular alternative location suggested for a future Worlds is Denmark (Aarhus). The next most suggested locations, each with an equal number of suggestions, include England (Sunderland), Italy (Lake Garda), Portugal (Cascais or Porto), Switzerland (Silvaplana), and The Netherlands (Medemblik).

2023 AGM ONLINE SURVEY: KEY HIGHLIGHTS

RESULTS FOR THE 2023 AGM CLASS MEMBER VOTE ON THE PROPOSAL TO INTRODUCE THE SMALL MAINSAIL ON A 2-YEAR TRIAL BASIS:

- 93% voted 'YES - I support the proposal'
- 7% voted 'NO – I do not support the proposal'
- With the majority of class members voting in favour of the 'small mainsail proposal', the committee will now move forward with the proposal to enable those with a small mainsail to participate in the main events as part of a 2-year trial. This trial will be effective from the 2024 season with continued review. Any further changes or updates will be communicated with the class, as required.

RESULTS FOR THE 2023 AGM CLASS MEMBER VOTE ON COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR 2024:

- All International Committee Members stand unopposed for 2024 with a majority vote of 'YES' from the class members.
- All International Country Representatives (not already elected by local AGM voting) stand unopposed for 2024 with a majority vote of 'YES' from their local class members.



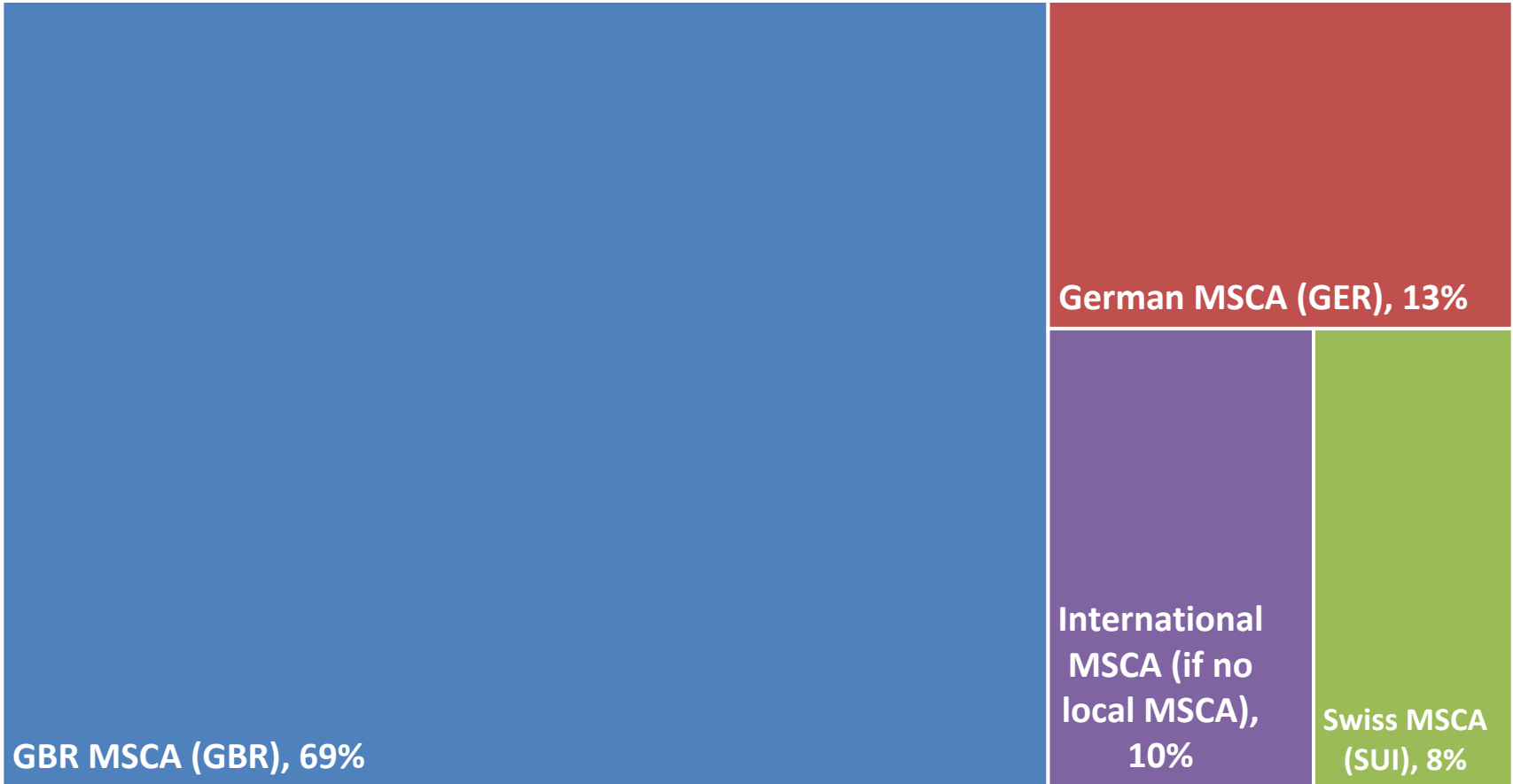
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**2023 AGM / CLASS
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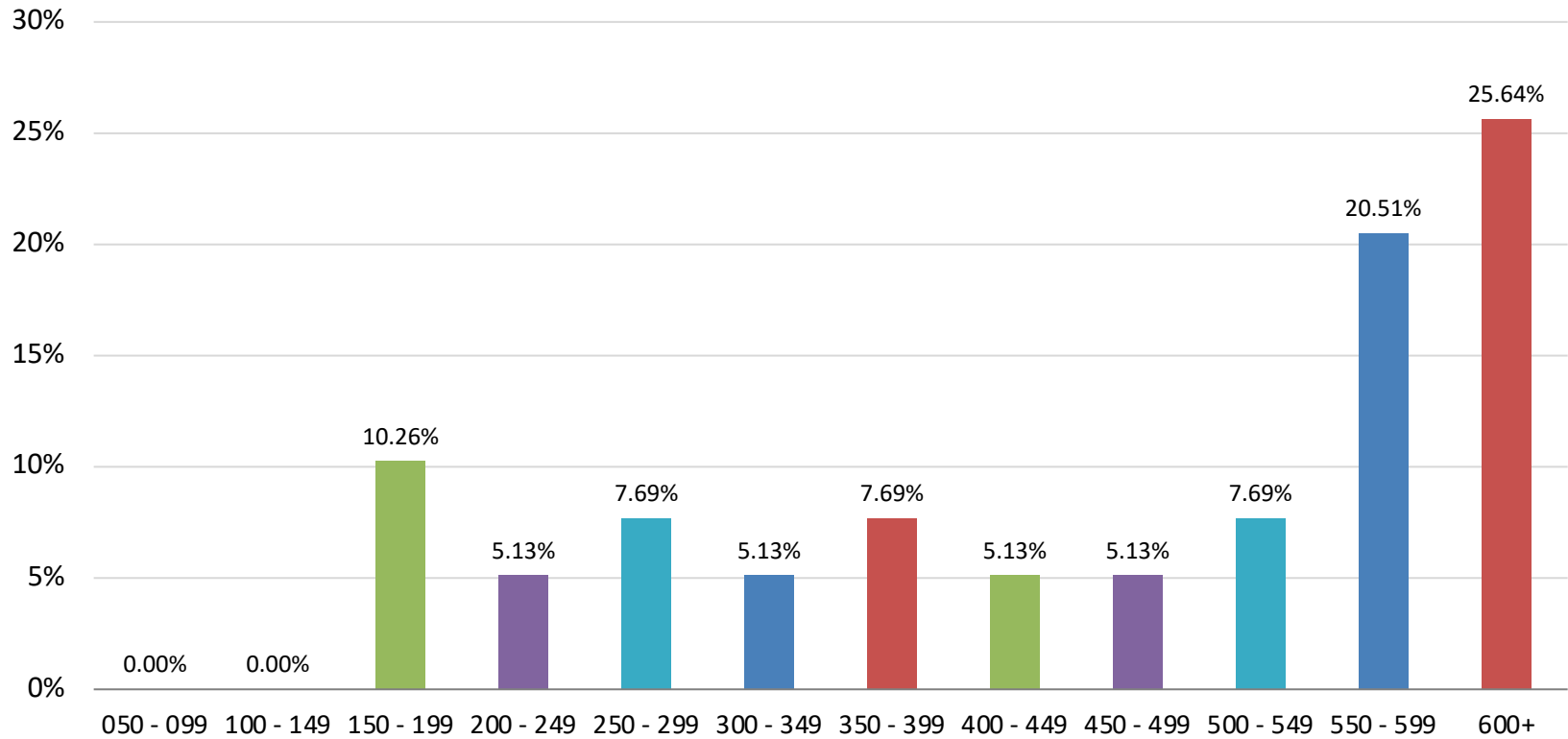
MSCA CLASS MEMBERS: REGIONAL REPRESENTATION IN SURVEY

Q: What Musto Skiff class association region do you represent?



MSCA CLASS MEMBERS: BOAT RANGES REPRESENTED IN SURVEY

Q: In what range is the sail number of your boat?





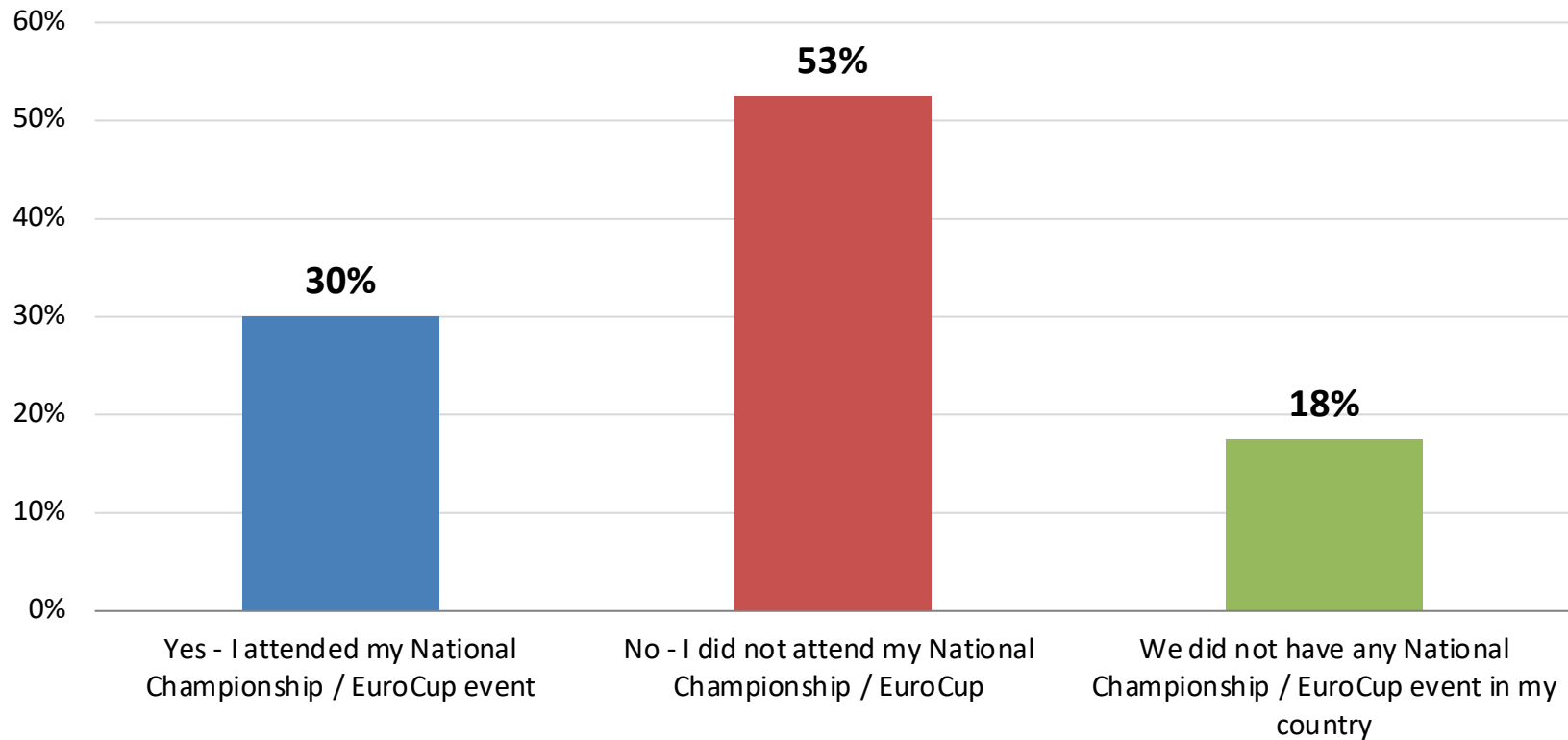
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2023 SEASON: CLASS EVENTS & NATIONALS FEEDBACK



MSCA CLASS MEMBERS: NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Q: Did you attend a National Championship event in your country over 2023?



MSCA CLASS MEMBERS: NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Those that attended a National Championship event were asked to rate their event experience on the following points:

- **Pre-event information and communication**
- **Race management**
- **Level of competition within the fleet**
- **On-shore organisation**
- **Club facilities**
- **Measurement control**
- **Venue suitability for the championships**
- **Evening social events (if held during the event)**
- **Information and communication during the event**
- **Post event communications**

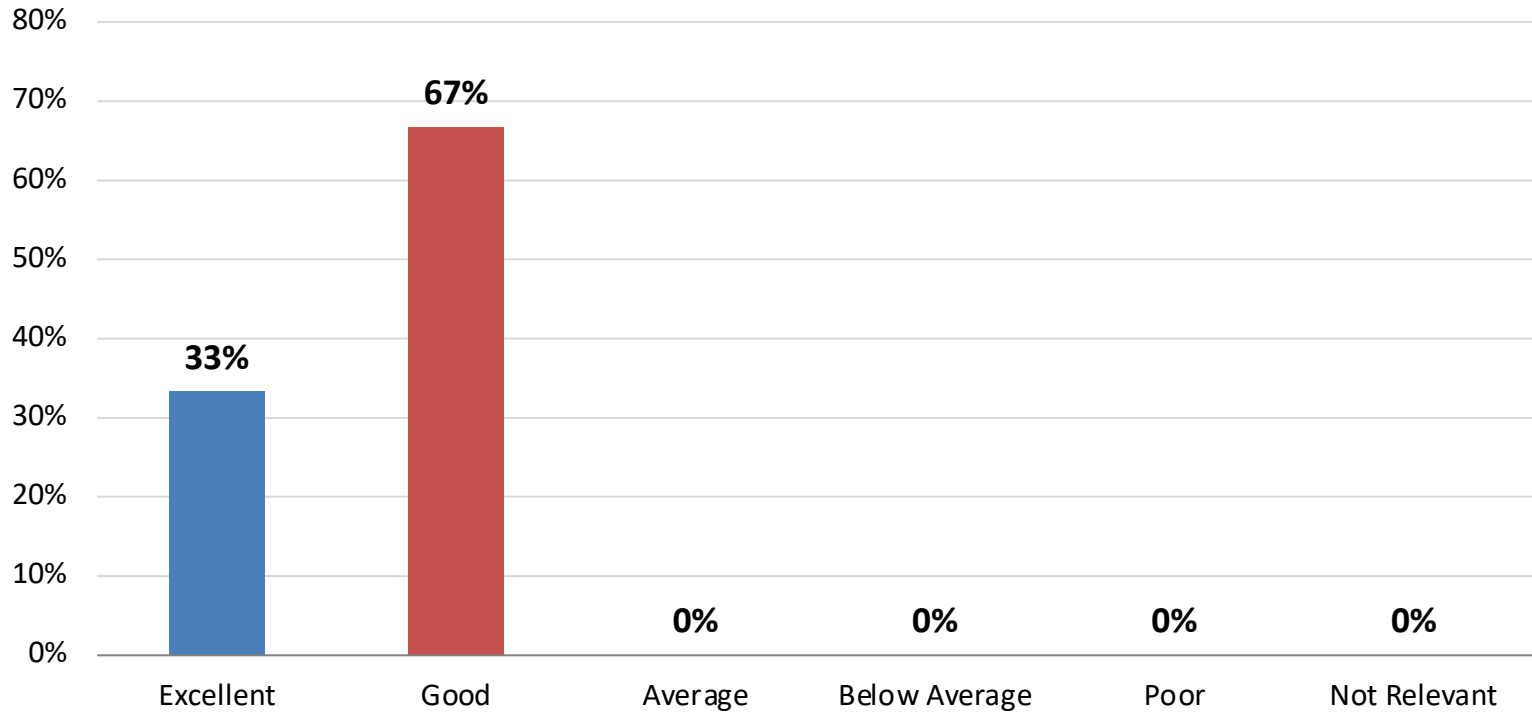
Key highlights:

- The quality of Nationals events were rated as 'good to excellent' overall, indicating a high quality of events in each country.
- The level of competition in the fleet was rated very highly overall for 2023 at 92% excellent and 8% good.
- On average, information and communication during the events, club facilities, and on-shore organisation were mainly rated as good to excellent overall.
- Venue suitability for championships was rated particularly high overall, with a rating of 100% good to excellent.
- On average, post event communications were mainly rated as 'good' overall.
- On average, post-event evening socials were variable, but the majority rated this as 'good' at 42% overall.

MSCA CLASS MEMBERS: NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Q: How do you rate your 2023 National Championship event on the following points:

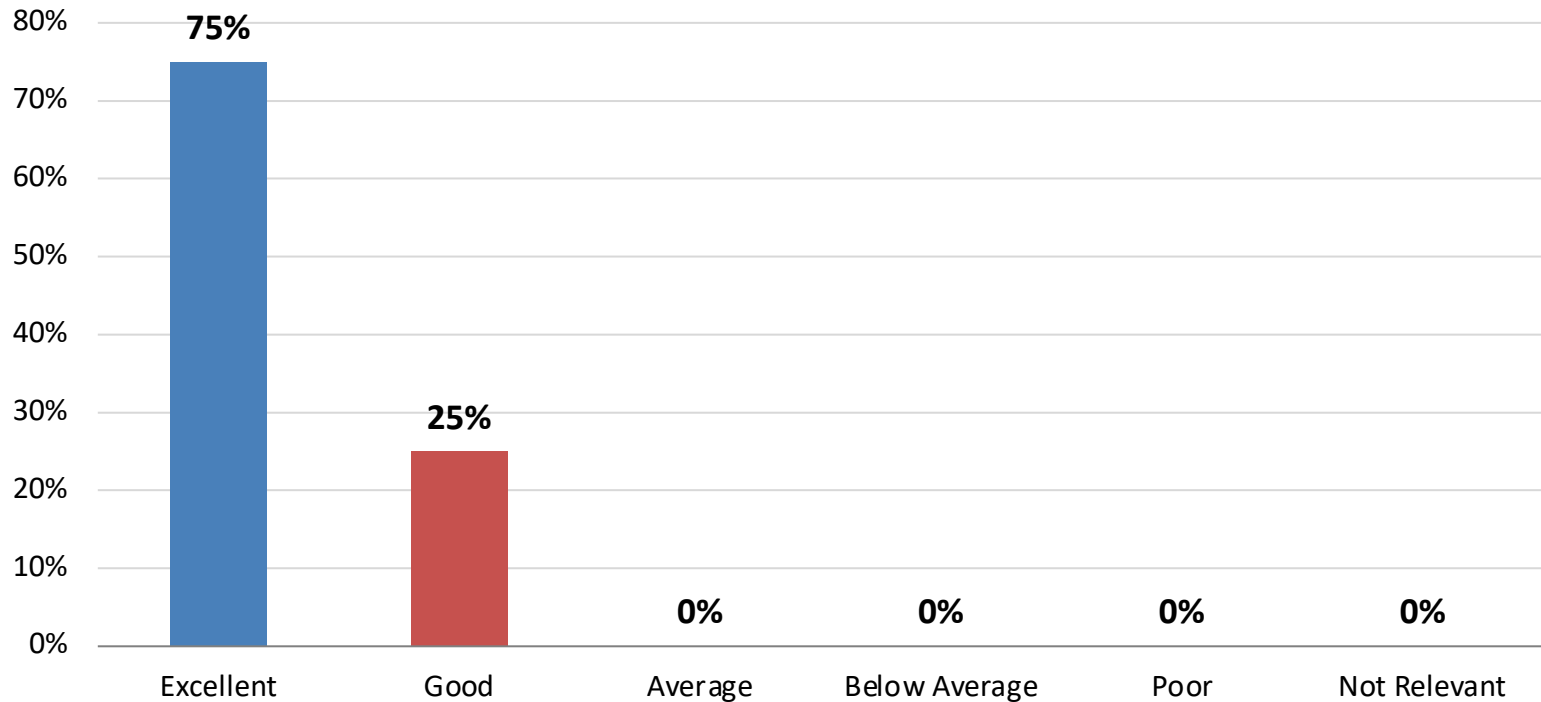
PRE-EVENT INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION



MSCA CLASS MEMBERS: NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

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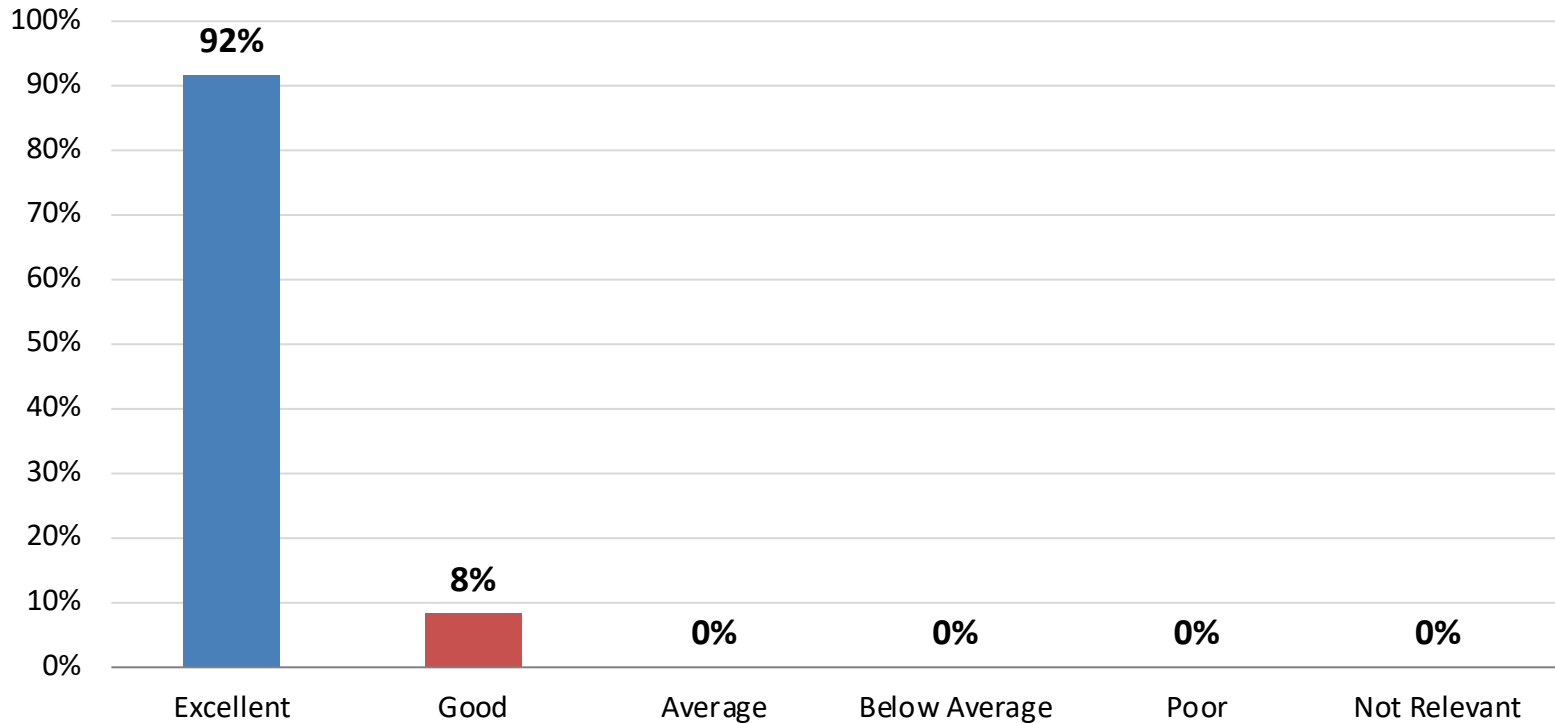
RACE MANAGEMENT



MSCA CLASS MEMBERS: NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

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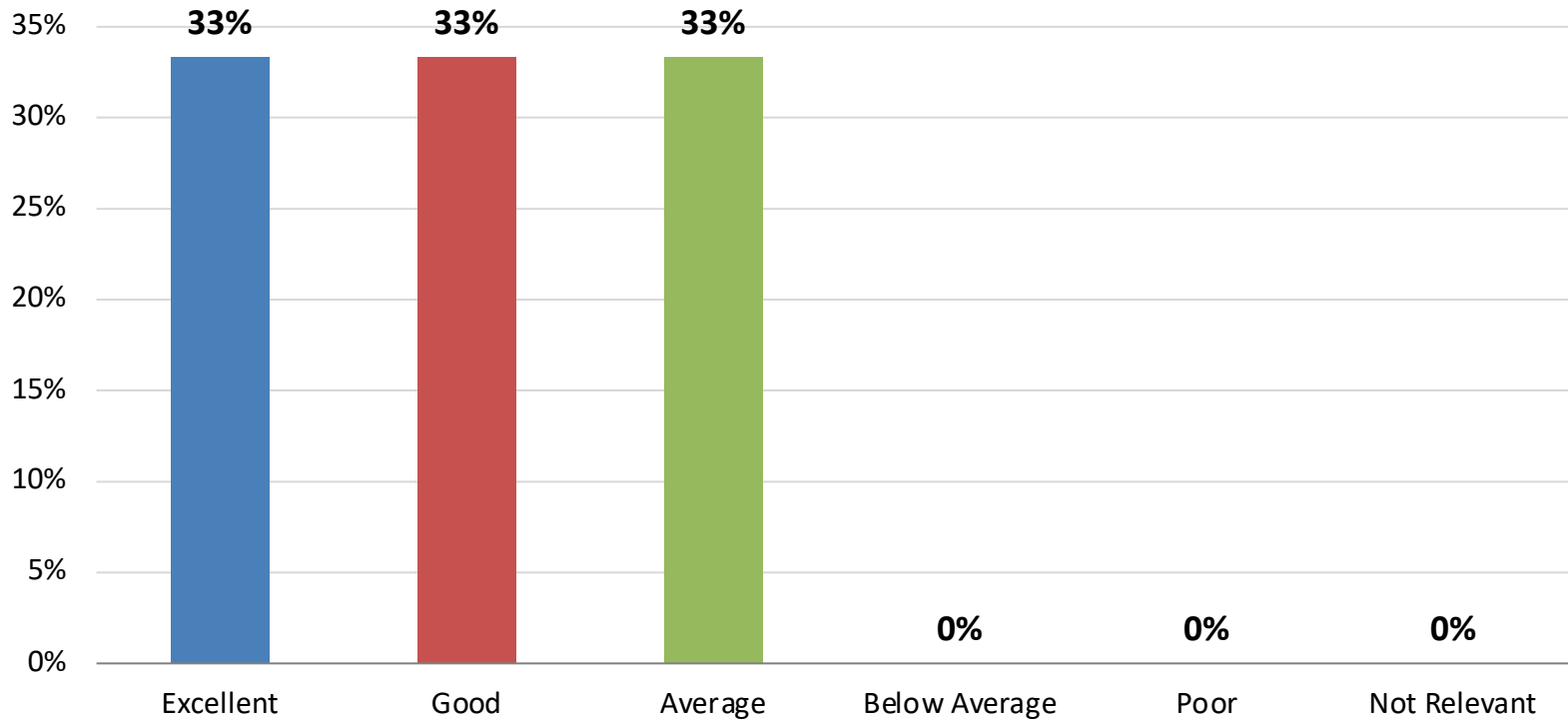
LEVEL OF COMPETITION WITHIN THE FLEET



MSCA CLASS MEMBERS: NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Q: How do you rate your 2023 National Championship event on the following points:

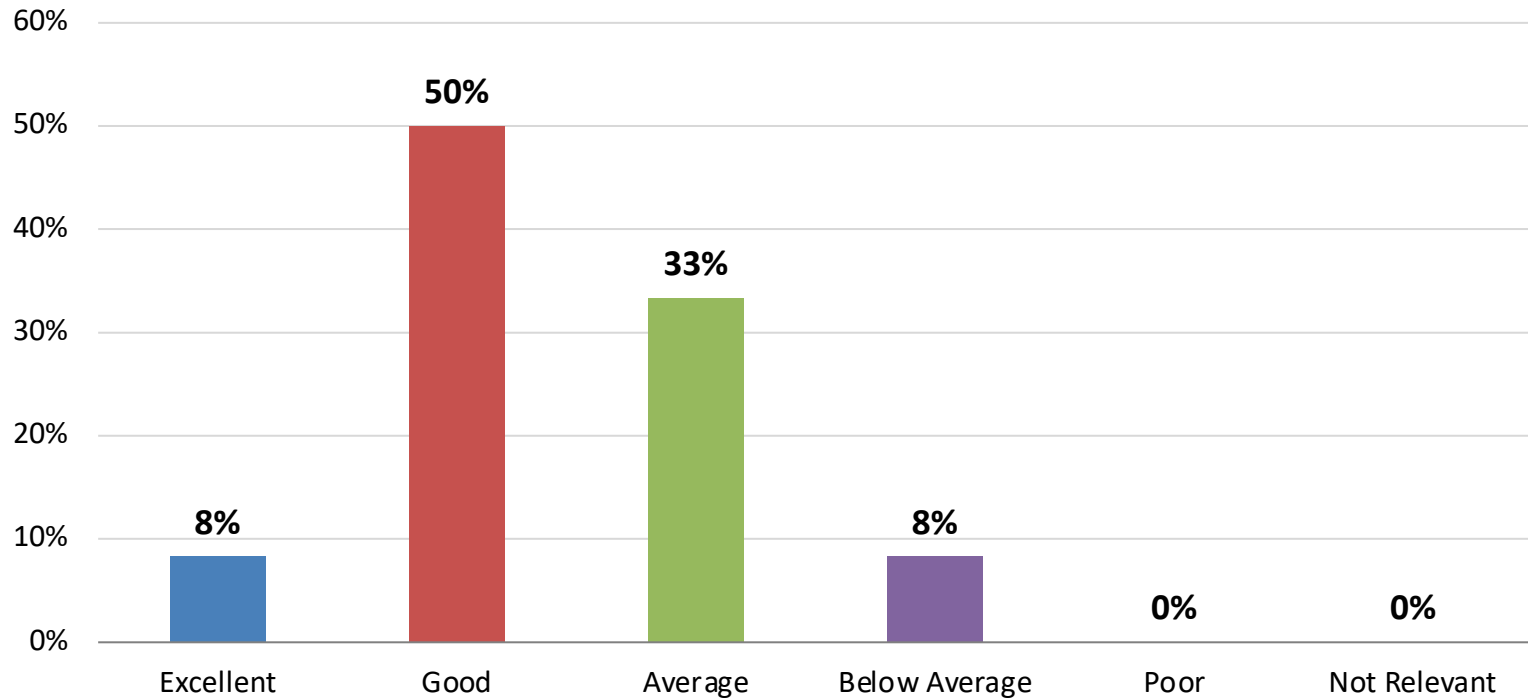
ON SHORE ORGANISATION



MSCA CLASS MEMBERS: NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

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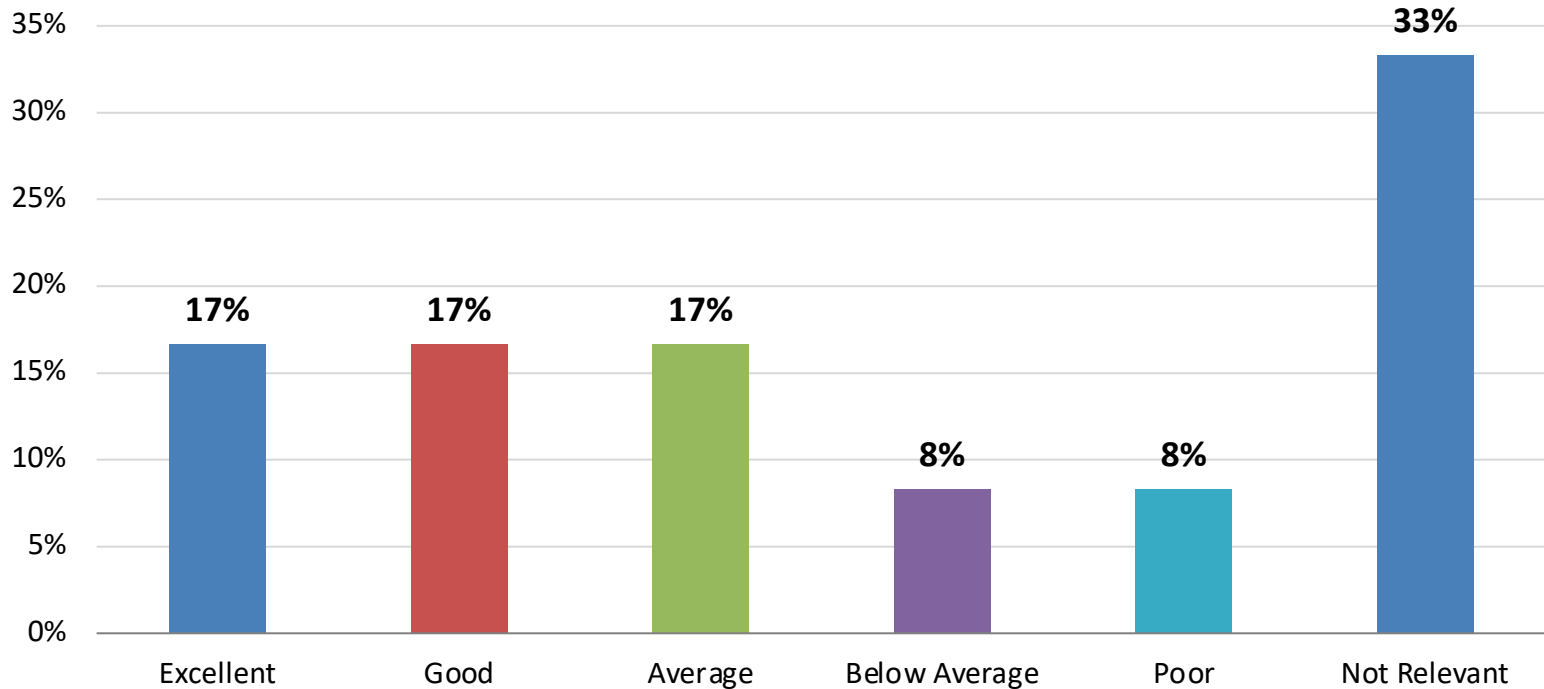
CLUB FACILITIES



MSCA CLASS MEMBERS: NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

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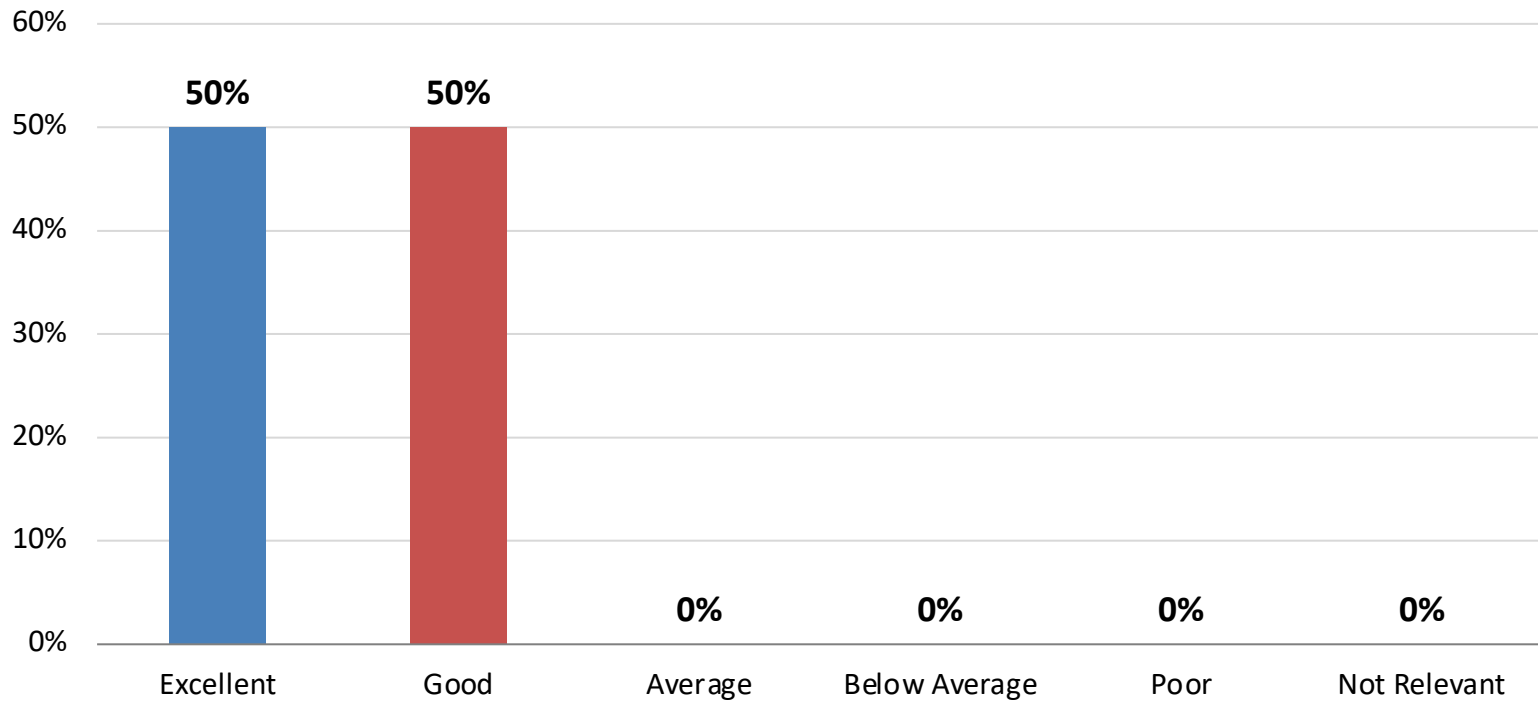
MEASUREMENT CONTROL



MSCA CLASS MEMBERS: NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Q: How do you rate your 2023 National Championship event on the following points:

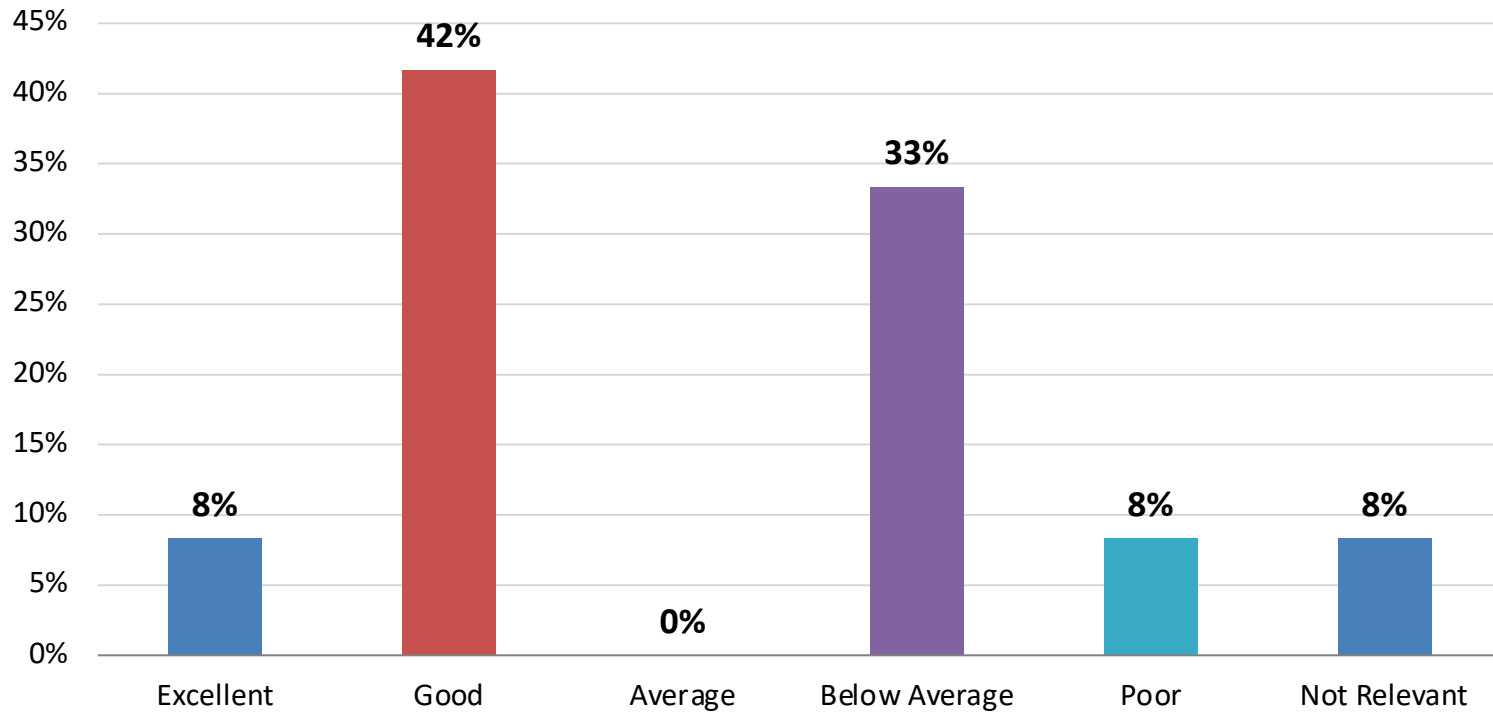
VENUE SUITABILITY FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIPS



MSCA CLASS MEMBERS: NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

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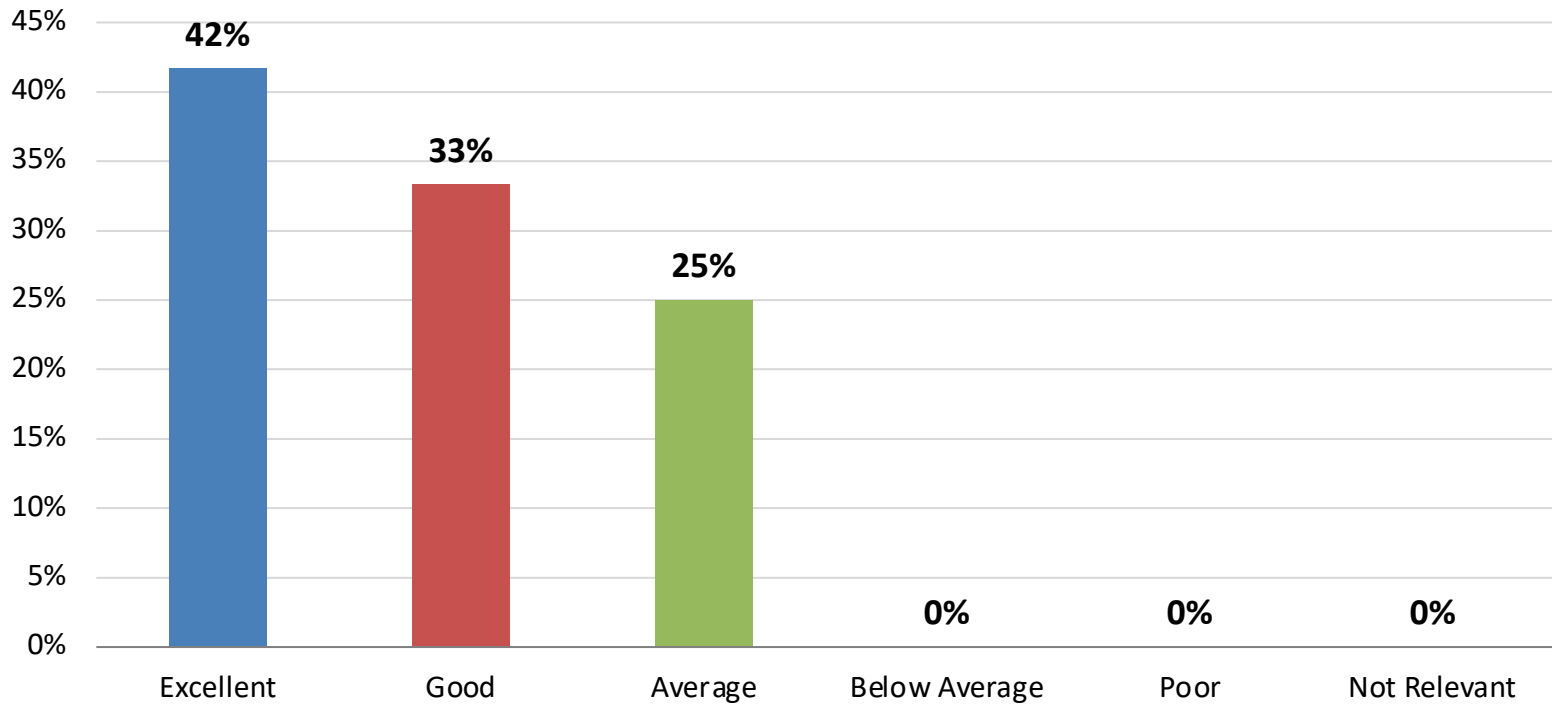
EVENING SOCIAL EVENTS (IF HELD)



MSCA CLASS MEMBERS: NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

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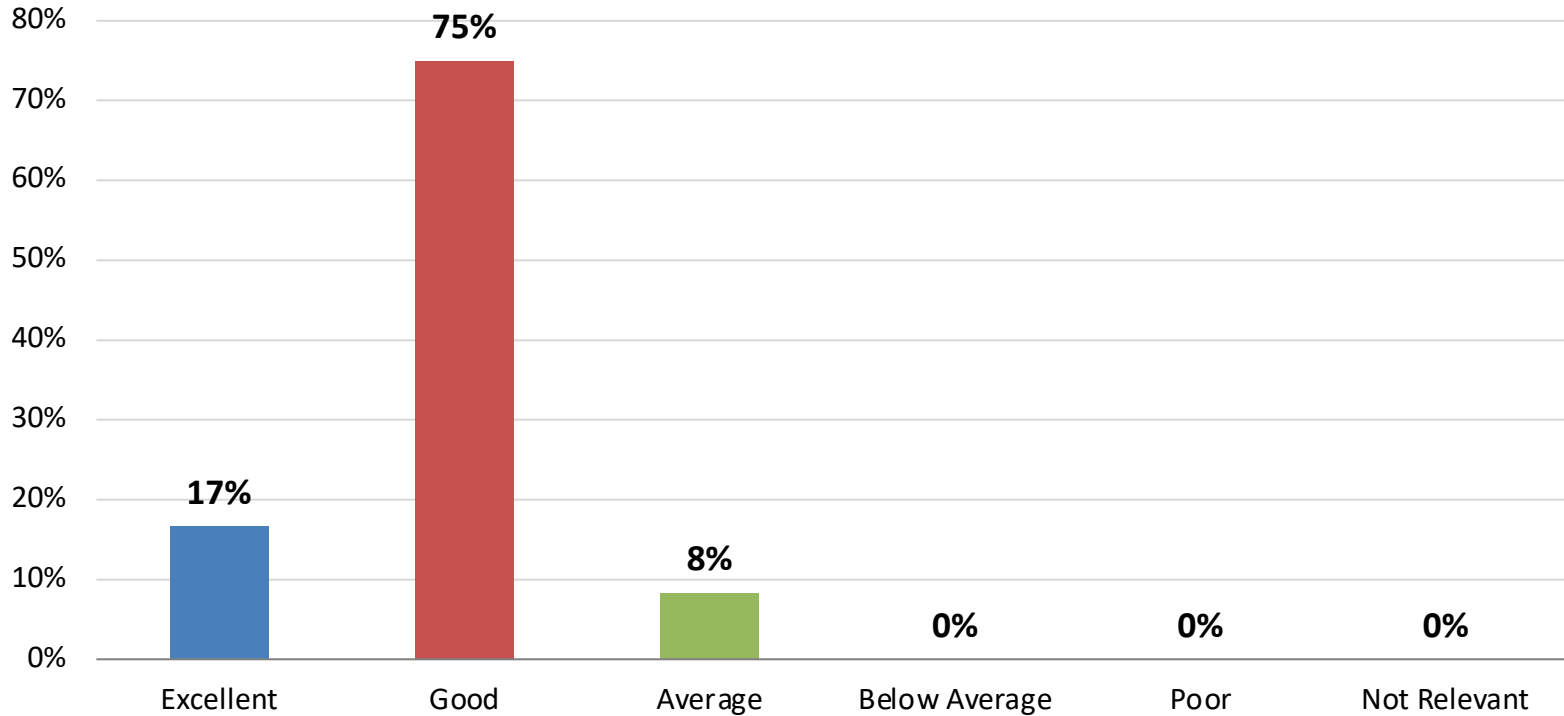
INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION DURING THE EVENT



MSCA CLASS MEMBERS: NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

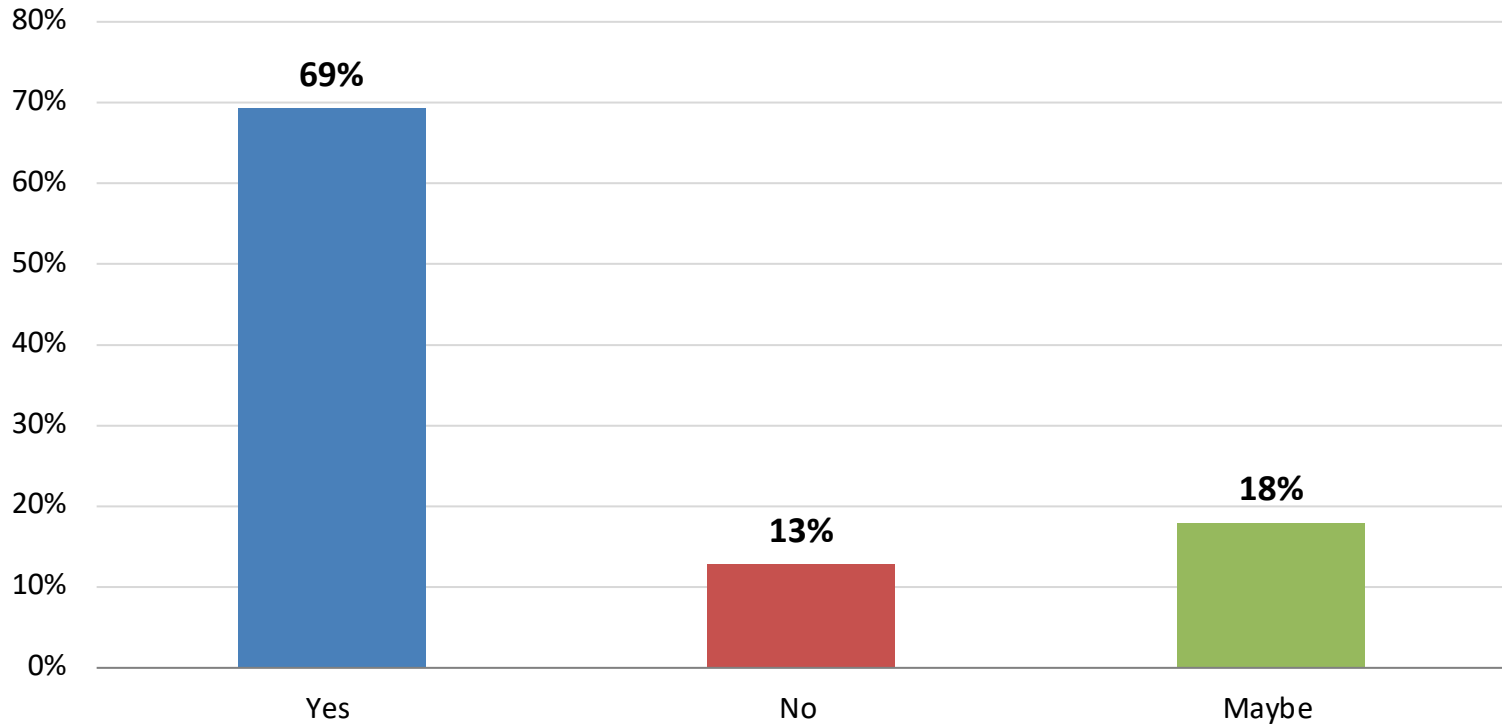
Q: How do you rate your 2023 National Championship event on the following points:

POST EVENT COMMUNICATIONS



MSCA CLASS MEMBERS: NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Q: Will you attend your 2024 National Championship if it is happening in your region?





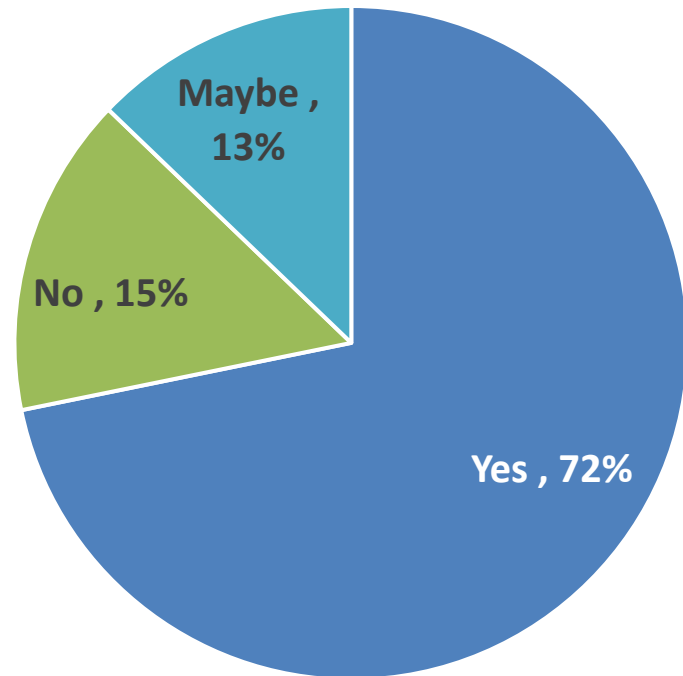
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2023 ONLINE AGM SURVEY: WORLDS FEEDBACK & PLANNING



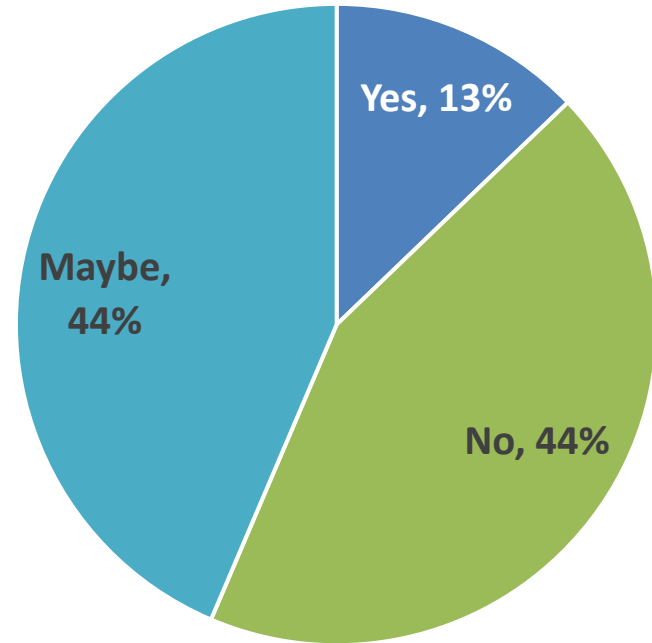
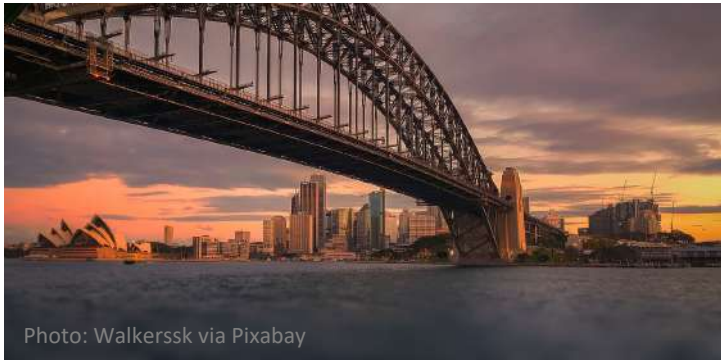
MSCA CLASS MEMBERS: WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Q: The 2024 World Championships is being planned for Weymouth & Portland in the UK over 15 to 21 July 2024. Do you intend to participate in this regatta?



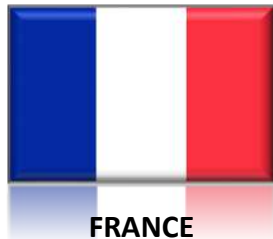
MSCA CLASS MEMBERS: WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Q: The 2025 World Championships is being planned for Sydney in Australia over 2nd – 10th January 2025. Do you intend to participate in this regatta?

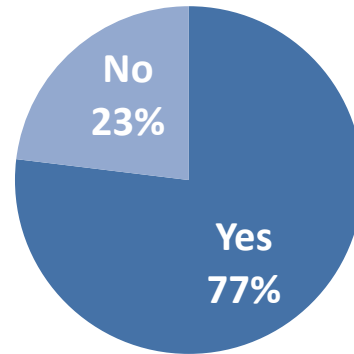


MSCA CLASS MEMBERS: WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

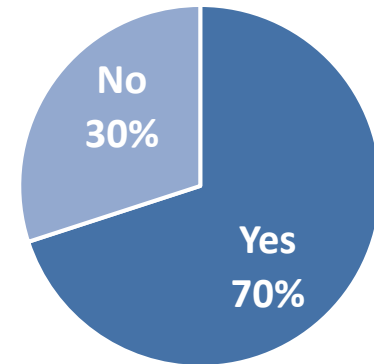
The 2026 World Championships is set to be hosted in a location in Europe. The preferred locations for the class members (in order) includes the following:



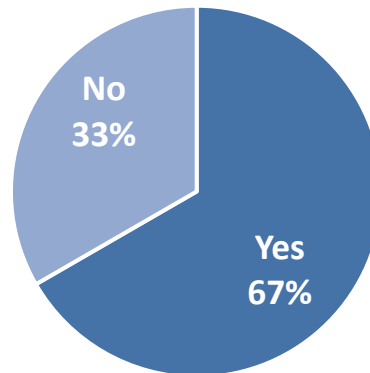
1 - LAKE COMO, ITALY



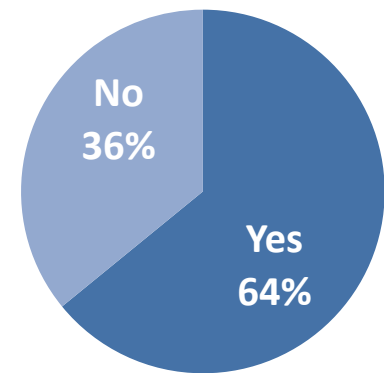
2 - CARNAC, FRANCE



3 - BARCELONA, SPAIN



4 - PALMA, SPAIN



MSCA CLASS MEMBERS: WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 2027 World Championships is set to be hosted in a location outside of Europe. The preferred locations for the class members (in order) includes the following:

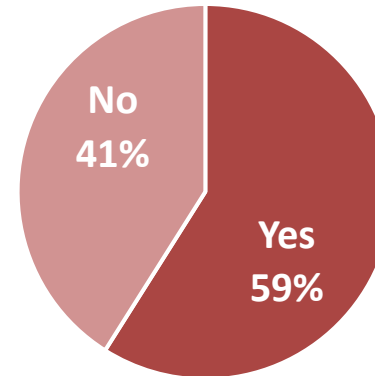


USA

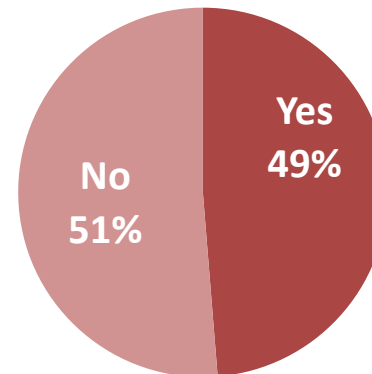


SOUTH AFRICA

1 - THE USA (SAN FRANCISCO OR OTHER CITIES IN NORTH AMERICA)



2 - LANGEBAAN, SOUTH AFRICA



MSCA CLASS MEMBERS: WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

We asked if there are any alternative locations that the class members would like to see considered for a future World Championship event.

The most popular location suggested for a future Worlds included:

- **Denmark (Aarhus).**

Each with an equal number of suggestions, other suggested locations to consider included:

- **England (Sunderland)**
- **Italy (Lake Garda)**
- **Portugal (Cascais or Porto)**
- **Switzerland (Silvaplana)**
- **The Netherlands (Medemblik)**





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CLASS SURVEY

2023 ONLINE AGM SURVEY: BOAT EXPERIENCE FEEDBACK



MSCA CLASS MEMBERS: PRODUCT EXPERIENCE – QUALITY

Q: How do you rate the quality of the components of the Musto Skiff boat?



EXCELLENT



GOOD



AVERAGE



BELOW AVERAGE



POOR

HULL

OVERALL RATING



EXCELLENT

MAST

OVERALL RATING



GOOD

DECK GEAR (FITTINGS)

OVERALL RATING



EXCELLENT

SPINNAKER / KITE

OVERALL RATING



GOOD

MAINSAIL
(New square top design)

OVERALL RATING



GOOD

TOP COVER
(Ovington supplied)

OVERALL RATING



AVERAGE

BOTTOM COVER
(Ovington supplied)

OVERALL RATING



GOOD

TROLLEY / TRAILER
(Ovington supplied)

OVERALL RATING



GOOD



2023 CLASS SURVEY

2023 ONLINE AGM SURVEY: MEMBER VOTE ON THE SMALL MAINSAIL PROPOSAL

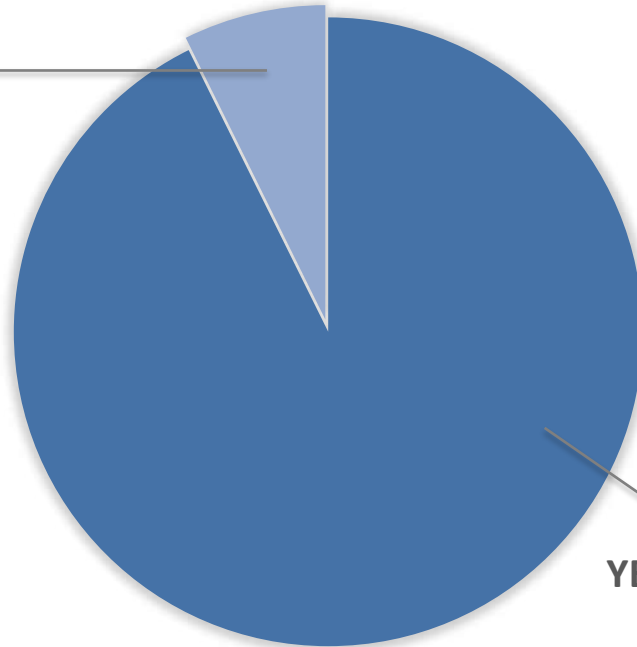


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MSCA CLASS MEMBERS: 2023 AGM VOTE ON CLASS MATTERS

Q: Do you support the proposal to introduce the small mainsail on a 2-year trial basis to enable the small mainsail to race alongside the standard mainsail, but with clear conditions - as outlined in the survey question?

**NO – I don't support the
proposal**
7.32%



**YES – I support the
proposal**
92.68%



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2023 ONLINE AGM SURVEY: MEMBER VOTE ON CLASS REPRESENTATIVES



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MSCA CLASS MEMBERS: 2023 AGM VOTE ON CLASS MATTERS

Election of Musto Skiff International Committee Members for 2024

There are currently six active Committee Members covering different roles in the core committee team. For the currently active roles, class members were asked to vote for or against re-electing the following named members to stand for 2024:

- Danny Boatman (GBR) for International Chairman
- Paul Molesworth (GBR) for International Vice Chairman
- Jamie Hilton (GBR) for International Class Treasurer
- David Rickard (AUS) for International Class Secretary
- David Annan (GBR) for Membership Secretary
- Natalie Hilton (GBR) for International Marketing & Communications

RESULTS:

All Committee Members received a majority vote of 'YES' to stand in their roles for 2024.

MSCA CLASS MEMBERS: 2023 AGM VOTE ON CLASS MATTERS

Elected Country Representatives for 2024

CORE COMMITTEE TEAM 2024

- Elected by class members via International Online AGM -



International Chairman
Danny Boatman



International Vice Chairman
Paul Molesworth (GBR)



International Class Treasurer
Jamie Hilton (GBR)



International Class Secretary
David Rickard (AUS)



International Class Marketing & Communications
Natalie Hilton (GBR)

SUPPORT COMMITTEE TEAM 2024

- Elected by International Committee Team -



International Class Membership Secretary
David Annan (GBR)



Class Website & IT Support
Andrew Whittle (GBR)



International Class Events - Major Regattas (2023)
John Outhwaite (GBR)



Builders Rep & Chair of the Technical Sub-Committee
Chris Turner (GBR)



International Youth Rep
Position Vacant

MSCA CLASS MEMBERS: 2023 AGM VOTE ON CLASS MATTERS

Election of national committee members as Country Representatives for 2024

There are currently thirteen active Committee Members covering different roles in various regions.* Class members were asked to vote for or against re-electing the following representatives for their region in 2024:

Representatives elected by online AGM:

- BEL/NED Representative - Huud Ouwehand (NED)
- FRA Representative 1 - Joann Justeau (FRA)
FRA Representative 2 - Alexandre Emanuel (FRA)
- GBR Representative - Bill Maughan (GBR)
- ITA Representative - Bruno Pari (ITA)
- NOR/SWE/DEN/FIN Representative - Geir Odmar Heldal (NOR)
- RSA Representative - Brennan Robinson (RSA)
- ARM Representative - Yaroslav Petrov (ARM)
- USA/CAN Representative - James Bane (USA)

Representatives elected by local AGMs:*

- AUS Representative - Tim Hill (AUS)
- ESP Representative - Justo Martinez (ESP)
- GER Representative - Gilbert Brietzke (GER)
- SUI Representative - Alexander Greil (SUI)

RESULTS:

All Committee Members received a majority vote of YES to stand in their roles for 2024.

Committee Members listed in blue have already been elected locally through regional class association AGMs.

*NOTE: Other Country Representatives may be elected through a local AGM, and some may not have confirmed their position at the time of the survey going live. For this reason, your locally elected Country Representative may not be showing on this list or as part of the online AGM election voting.

MSCA CLASS MEMBERS: 2023 AGM VOTE ON CLASS MATTERS

Elected Country Representatives for 2024

REGIONAL CLASS REPRESENTATIVES 2024

- Elected by class members via International Online AGM or by local AGMs -



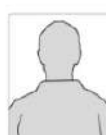
ARM Representative
Yaroslav Petrov (ARM)



AUS Representative
Tim Hill (AUS)



AUT Representative
POSITION VACANT



BEL/NED Representative
Huud Ouwehand (NED)



ESP Representative
Justo Martinez (ESP)



FRA Representative 1
Yoann Justeau (FRA)



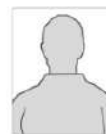
FRA Representative 2
Alexandre Emanuel (FRA)



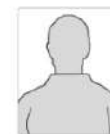
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ITA Representative
Bruno Pari (ITA)



**NOR/SWE/DEN/FIN
Representative**
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RSA Representative
Brennan Robinson (RSA)



SUI Representative
Alexander Grell (SUI)



USA & CAN Representative
James Bane (USA)



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**2023 ANNUAL
CLASS SURVEY:
LOOKING AHEAD**



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A FEW WORDS FROM THE SAILORS.....

“The spirit of the class continues to be great, thanks to great people.”

“Well organised welcoming class and looking forward to the future”

“Boat and class are great! I'm not the best sailor but proud that I sail a Musto Skiff”

“Vote yes for a smaller sail so more women will participate.”

“The fleet have welcomed me very warmly into the class this year - thank you!”

“Thanks for making this the best class to be part of!”

FEEDBACK, SUGGESTIONS, AND LOOKING AHEAD....



Proposal To Introduce The Small Mainsail On A 2-year Trial Basis:

With 93% of the class members in the online AGM voting in support of the smaller mainsail proposal, the committee has now moved forward with the proposal to enable those with a small mainsail to participate in the main events as part of a 2-year trial.

This trial was made effective from the 2024 season with continued review. Any further changes or updates will be communicated with the class as required.

FEEDBACK, SUGGESTIONS, AND LOOKING AHEAD....



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The International Committee would like to thank the class and sailors from the wider sailing community for their insightful feedback and many useful comments as part of the MSCA 2023 Annual Class Survey.

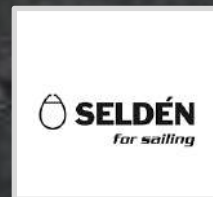
We are now working together to review feedback and progress any required actions and will respond to the class members in due course.



Thank you to everyone who participated in the
2023 MSCA Annual Class Survey.

We also want to extend our thanks to all of the Musto Skiff sailors who supported the class
in 2023 – we look forward to seeing all of you on the water again over 2024 – and beyond!

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