Section leader's report on part 1 of the Naviga Section M WC, 2025

Dear Presidium of Naviga,

We held our World Championship on early July in Kromolice, Poland. This time we made the half of the event, that means, only the oval track races have been done. The cause of the division was, we got an offer to host the Worlds this split way, the oval part this year and the triangle plus M course races next year. It was a request from the community to shorten the duration of the event for years, so it was a good opportunity to try to make it in two short parts.

Organisator: Polish Federation - Liga Obrony Kraju, Gmina Pogorzela

Place: Kromolice, Poland.

Time: 2-6. July, 2025.

Head of Organising team: Rafal Nitecki

Pontoon Judges: Sarah Thiele, Adrian Stolarek, Ralf Thiele, Walter Geens, Razvan Olaianos

Limiter Judges: Cornel Portoceanu, Ralf Thiele.

Classes were done: Mini Mono, Mono1, Mono2, Mini Hydro, Hydro1, Hydro2.

The hosting village lives on agriculture, that because of the agricultural season's works, could only host our WC in the first week of July, that's why we held it roughly a month earlier than usual.

The lake is in the village, surrounded by houses, average water depth is 1.2-1.8m. The size of the lake is just optimal, though some strange wind from different directions made it sometimes wavy.

The weather was dry, hot, (really hot) with low wind rarely.

Lap counting was done with Mylaps RC4 decoder and Mylaps software. This gave the advantage of the race results could be followed online. I want to mention that the organiser introduced a video surveillance system, that made it possible to watch the races online in real time. (Not always, maybe because of the bandwidth.)

On the first race day there was some rumour about the pontoon size that was not rules conform, but after talks at the TC meeting, we rearranged the start place and the race went really smooth after that.

We could make a very good event without a single protest, that shows the high level of the pontoon judgement and technical people. The racers in general were happy with the event being split in two parts, though it was not good for all countries.

During the event a TC meeting was held, without changing any rules, because the deciding voting about rules will be made when we hold the second part of the WC. The only decision that was made was the election of the section leader. All country representants who were present in person or by power of attorney, voted unanimously in favour of the existing section leader to continue. (Protocol of the TC meeting attached.)

My personal impression about the split is that, it should be followed even if we do the whole race program in one. It has some real advantages. The racers not taking part in all classes can make their stay shorter, so cheaper, they don't have to be apart from their families for 9 or more days, the organiser don't have to change the track twice a day, that makes the race day schedule shorter. My another suggestion for the future is to change the order of classes the way, the mini classes run first in the morning and we go on to the bigger categories.

Finally, I found it a very good sign, that technical judges came from different countries, that shows some racers have realised that they can help and their work can ease the job of the organiser!

The official results attached and also have been published on Naviga Section M page.

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