



2008 annual report of International Formula Windsurfing Class

It has been another successful year of activity for the Formula Windsurfing Class.

Membership of the Formula Class has remained steady, with 37 countries, from 5 continents, represented (28 national associations and 9 by individual memberships).

Activity within many NWA has been maintained, but has increased in some continents (South America and Oceania) and some regions (Baltic states.)

The Formula Ranking scheme and accompanying international calendar continues to generate interest in the class and encourage/ reward national event organisers.

There were 26 international events on the 2008 Ranking calendar: including Formula Worlds, and 4 Continental Championships.

The new Grand Prix world tour included stops: POR, POL (2) and BRA.

The Baltic Cup –LTU; LAT; FIN; and EST maintains its popularity.

Championships.

The World Championships were hosted by Overpower in Portimao, Portugal, in Sept.

2008 World Champions are Wojtek Brozowski (POL) and Allison Shreeve (AUS)

Continental Championships were held in AUS; USA; POL; and BRA.

The Formula Festival, inc. Formula Youth & Masters World Championships, will once again combine with the Formula Experience World Championship- to be held in Paracas, Peru, in December.

A European Formula Festival was held in Bandol, France in August.

The **2008 AGM** was held in Portugal during the World Championships.

Key decisions made at the last AGM have proved popular with the membership.

a)- 2 year registration period for boards (ie. only boards registered with ISAF by 30th September 2007 were eligible to compete in international competition during 2008/2009)

– more boards than ever were registered : 8 boards from 6 brands.

b)- 2012- the agm supported a change of olympic equipment for 2012, which could include a “formula one-design” concept.

The 2008 AGM received a report on the progress of the FOD proposal and unanimously supported the campaign.

Ceri Williams –Chairman.