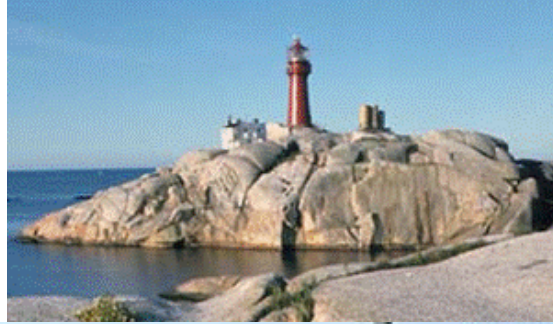


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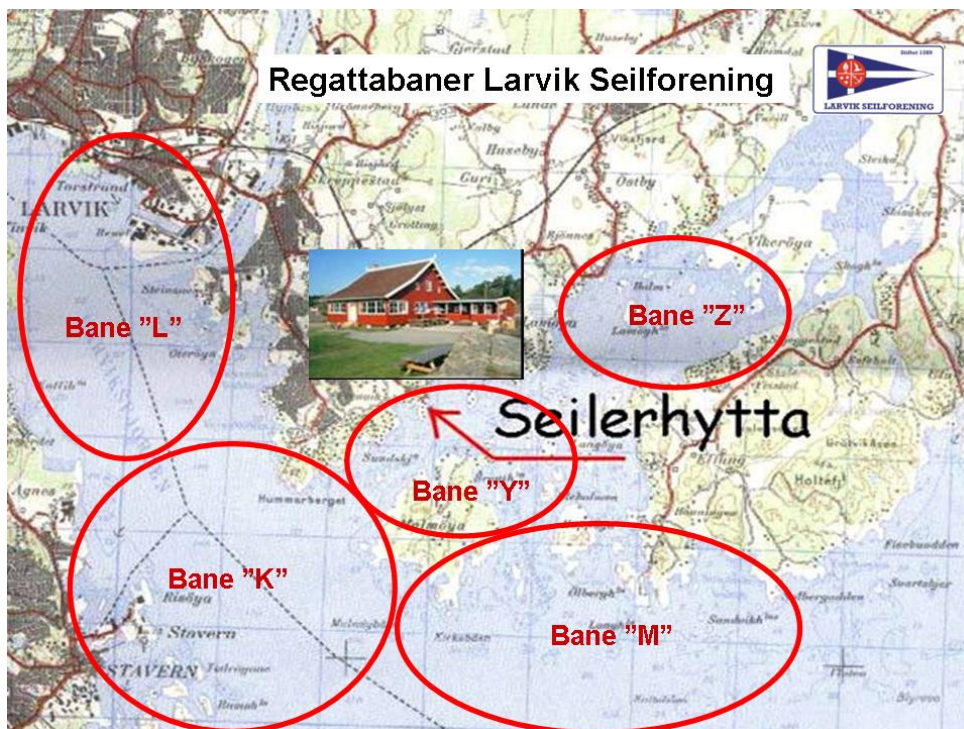
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INVITATION

Larvik Yachtclub cordially invites the International H-Boat Association to WorldsChampionship in 2010 in Larvik on the south coast of Norway.



We can offer one of the best yacht racing venues in Scandinavia, with race courses in sheltered waters as well as open ocean, with good wind statistics, and our beautiful Club House "Seilerhytta" in Viksfjord as base for the event.



Larvik - destination with yachting traditions:

Larvik, located 130km sw of Oslo on E18, is a primary port of entry for car tourists to Norway, and has quick ferry connections to Hirtshals in Denmark and Strömstad in Sweden (ColorLine) as well as Kiel in Germany (via Oslo). Participants will be offered special discounts on these ferry connections. Nearby Torp Airport in Sandefjord has direct flights to London, Amsterdam and Copenhagen.



Larvik has a proud maritime history dating back to the Viking age, when Norway's first trading settlement was established in Kaupang around 800 AD, near our Club House. Already at that time we traded across the ocean with sea voyages in Viking ships spanning Europe to the Mediterranean as well as across the Atlantic ocean to New Foundland as the first Europeans in North America.

In modern times Larvik has fostered the famous naval architect Colin Archer who constructed Amundsen's and Nansen's polar expedition vessels, and the explorer Thor Heyerdahl with his famous Kon Tiki expedition from Peru to Polynesia. (All of these vessels are on display in museums in Oslo – which can be visited in connection with the event).



Colin Archer founded Larvik Yacht Club in 1889, and ever since we have been venue for local as well as international yacht racing events.

Larvik also hosts the Open Norwegian Championship 2010:

During the weekend 6-8 august (just preceding the World Championship) Larvik Yacht Club will host the Open Norwegian H-Boat Championship. **We invite the participants in the H-Boat Worlds to also enter the Open Norwegian Championship.** It will even be possible to qualify to the Worlds in the last minute – as we will open “wild-card” slots for the best “not-yet-qualified” boats based on their results in the Open Norwegian Championship (see NoR for details).

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Our Club House in Viksfjord will be our main base for both the H-Boat Worlds and the Open Norwegian H-Boat Championship. Here we have a private marina with sufficient berths and buoys for all participating boats as well as facilities for the Race Committee and Jury. Near the Yacht Club we have accommodations in hostels as well as private campgrounds for tents and campers.

The Marina is equipped with a crane for service lifts, rigging and technical controls. Liveaboard boats can also be moored at the Yacht Club.

Our Club House has a casual restaurant/bar with all amenities where sailors and spectators can get their meals and refreshments at favourable prices in connection with the races.



We plan a Championship Dinner with a huge party & live band at the Yacht Club.

Housing and hotels:

We propose the brand new Farris Bad spa-hotel as primary event hotel. We will also offer camping in tents and campers on our private campgrounds close to the Yacht Club.



We can also offer reasonable priced rooms to racers at “Feriehjemmet” hostel on nearby Malmøya island and in a “Sportell” close to the Yacht Club – in addition to berths for liveaboard boats in the marina and camping cars or tenting at our local campground.

Craning and Rigging - Technical Controls:

We will have sufficient crane capacity to lift boats in and out of the water at our marina by the Yacht Club. Trailers will be parked at a separate parking facility during the event.

Sail measurement, weighing of crews and technical will be conducted at the Yacht Club. We will use the big tents on the lawn (set up for social events) for measurement of sails.

Technical controls of boats will also be conducted during the event as advised by the Championship Officials.

Preliminary Schedule:

Friday 6. aug	16.00-20.00	Arrivals & Craning possible
Sat 7. aug.	11.00-20.00	Registration & Measurement
Sun 8. aug.	11.00-20.00	Registration & Measurement
Mon 9. aug	11.00-13.00	Catch-Up Registration
	13.00-	Tune-Up Race
	19.00	Opening Ceremony
Tue 10. aug	09.00	Skippers meeting
	10.55	Race 1-3
Wed 11. aug	10.55	Race 4-5
	19.00	Barbeque Dinner Party
Thu 12. aug	10.55	Race 6-8
Friday 13- aug	10.55	Race 9-10
	ca 18.00	Price Giving Ceremony
Sat 14. aug		Reserve Day

Venue of Opening Ceremony will be at the Yacht Club with a Viking Theme. The “Kaupang” archeological site near our yacht club was the first town settlement in Norway in the Viking age .



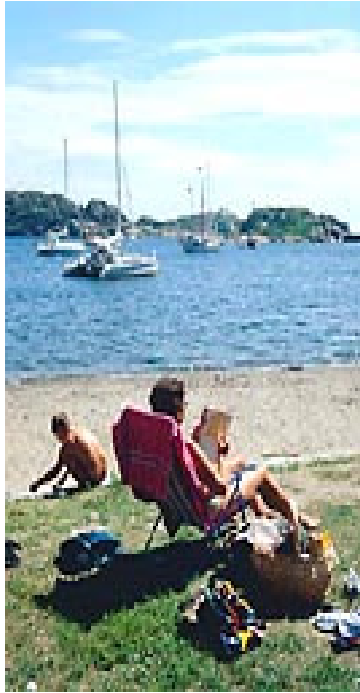
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Larvik & Stavern as Tourist Destination:

Larvik is a primary port of entry to Norway – thru its convenient ferry connections with Denmark (and Sweden). The Larvik area is also a favourite vacation spot for Norwegians, and is often mentioned as the “Norwegian Riviera” due to its large concentration of beaches, hotels and campgrounds. It is also a favourite cruising area for Scandinavian sailors – and is also often visited by Dutch and German boats.



The river Lågen enters the Ocean at Larvik, and this is one of Norway’s richest salmon rivers, and represents a mecca for sportsfishermen. In the restaurants of the area you can sample other local seafood delicacies as lobster, shrimp and crab.



Larvik is a good starting point whether you want to explore Norway by car, train or plane – and if you want to stay in the neighbourhood you can easily sample the mountain scenery by taking a spectacular boat trip on the Telemark Canal – an inland waterway with multiple lock systems thru massive mountains, forests and lakes.



Larvik Yacht Club and Event Organization

Established in 1889, Larvik Yachtclub is one of Norway's oldest yacht clubs and have been the venue for many local and international sailing events throughout the years – ever since Colin Archer organized some of the first events for pleasure yachts in Norway. We hosted the Open Norwegian Championship for H-Boats in 2005 – with great success. At that time we secured the ferry operator Colorline as main sponsor – and was able to offer transportation for participants at very favourable prices. We trust that we will be able to achieve the same in connection with the World Championship in 2010.

Today the club has more than 750 members, and more than 150 boats in its registers, including 7 H-Boats. In order to secure continuity of the organizing committee beyond the current Board's reign, we have established a organizing committee where some of the lead members are::

Mr. Pål K. Fevang, Boardmember of Larvik Yacht Club
Boardmember of Norwegian Sailing Federation (NSF)

Mr. Thor Morten Hem, Boardmember of Larvik Yacht Club
NSF Authorized Race Officer III

Mr. Tore Hansen, Boardmember of Larvik Yacht Club
Honorary Consul to the Netherlands
NSF Authorized Race Judge III

The International Jury will be headed by:

Mr. Jens Villumsen ISAF International Race Judge from Denmark

Measurement & Technical controls will be overseen by:

Mr. Jurgen Tiemann ISAF International Measurer from Germany

Please visit our website at www.lyc.com for more information on the 2010 H-Boat Worlds.