



WORLDS 2012 DAY 4

**Santa Cruz Yacht Club,
California, USA
23 - 30 September 2012**

**Day 4 - 26 September 2012 -
Races 3 & 4**

FDs enjoy Santa Cruz Breeze

After a shoreside postponement due to lack of wind, boats were released from the harbour in sunshine for what proved to be a great day of racing with a good breeze for the second race

After three General Recalls, two with an I flag, the Race officer lengthened the line and pulled out the Black Flag ... the fleet had a clean start! The wind was in the 6 to 10 knot range from the SW.

At the end of the first round at the leeward mark Ralph Jambor & Jens Schreiber (GER 135) led with 2nd Dirk Loewe & Sven Hermenau (GER 35); 3rd Kay-Uwe Lüdtkke & Kai Schäfers (GER 88), 4th Matthew Mitchell & Kim MacDonald (AUS 66); 5th Paul Scoffin/Pavel Ruzicka (NZL 145); 6th Peggy Bahr/Torsten Bahr (GER 19)

At the finish, GER 135 retained their lead and GER 88 was second with NZL 145 3rd and GER 35 fourth. Szabolcs Majthényi & András Domokos - HUN 70 were fifth.

The wind increased to 14-16 knots from the SW in the starting area as the boats returned for the start of race 4. The water was choppy with a swell and although most boats were still

on clew one (on their genoa) as they were going into the first start sequence some changed to clew two and more did so as the wind built and chop increased.

The first start of the fourth race was with Flag I but a boat took the fleet over the line causing a General Recall and the next start with a Black Flag saw four boats BFD.

With the increased wind strength and crew stretched out the fleet quickly spread out. On the first reach nearly all the boats carried a spinnaker but the second reach which was tighter saw a lot of boats drop their kite after the gybe mark and a few capsize at the mark.

Enno Krammer & Ard Geelkerken - NED 26 and Szabolcs Majthényi & András Domokos - HUN 70 battled for the lead on the second reach and were well clear of the rest of the fleet. At the leeward mark after the run Kilian König & Johannes Brack (GER 113) had closed the gap.

Once ashore competitors and volunteers enjoyed a tasty snack and a glass of beer in the Regatta marquee.

Provisional Results - Subject to Protest

Race 3 - First 6 to finish

1st Ralph Jambor & Jens Schreiber - GER 135,
2nd Dirk Loewe/Sven Hermenau - GER 35,

3rd Kay-Uwe Lüdtkke/Kai Schäfers - GER 88,
4th Matthew Mitchell & Kim MacDonald - AUS 66
5th Paul Scoffin & Pavel Ruzicka - NZL 145
6th Peggy Bahr/Torsten Bahr - GER 19



Race 4 - First 6 to finish

1st Szabolcs Majthényi & András Domokos - HUN 70
2nd Enno Krammer & Ard Geelkerken - NED 26
3rd Kilian König & Johannes Brack - GER 113
4th András Süli & David Papp - HUN 13
5th Kay-Uwe Lüdtkke/Kai Schäfers - GER 88
6th Ralph Jambor & Jens Schreiber - GER 135

OVERALL

1st GER 88 - 13 pts
2nd HUN 70 - 17 pts
3rd NED 26 - 22 pts
4th GER 19 - 29 pts
5th HUN 13 - 34 pts
6th ITA 4 - 35 pts

The fifth race is scheduled for 1200hrs on Thursday 27 September. For more information and full provisional results see www.fdworlids2012.org