

It has been another successful year of activity for the Formula Windsurfing Class despite the effects of the financial crisis.

Membership of the Formula Class was up (by 2) on 2010, with 32 countries represented by national associations from 5 continents. However, these memberships do not reflect the complete activity within countries around the world – where over 50 countries have recorded activity in national events.

Activity within some NWA has been reduced, but in many NWA it has been maintained, and others even increased eg Australia, Croatia, Greece, Latvia.

The Formula Ranking scheme and accompanying international calendar continues to generate interest in the class and encourage, and reward, national event organisers. There were 35 international events on the 2011 Ranking calendar, an increase on 2010, including a Formula Worlds, and 4 Continental Championships.

Regional championships included the – Balkan, Baltic, Central European, Nordic and Iberian.

Championships

The World Championships were hosted by the Puerto Rico Windsurfing and Kitesurfing Association, in July. It was a truly memorable event, that attracted huge audiences during the week, and a full series of races in windy conditions !

2011 World Champions are Antoine Albeau (FRA) and Marion Lepert (USA).

Continental Championships were held in AUS, USA, LAT, and the South Americans will be in BRA later in November.

The Formula World Festival, inc. Formula Youth & Masters World Championships, was held in Skive, DEN, in late August – it was a great success.

2011 Youth World Champion – Sebastian Kornum (DEN)

2011 Masters World Champion – Andrea Cucchi (ITA)

For **2010/11** seasons there was increased investment from manufacturers, with four brands registering production formula boards with ISAF for the first time, giving a total of 11 new boards from 9 brands.

For 2012/13 period 10 new boards have been registered.

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