

SMG 50 Plus



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'Number One' at the finishing line at the Kornati Cup 2009

Facts & Figures

1. Kornati Cup participation 2009

1. Place with 'Number One'

Yardstick 94

1h 36min advance in total to 2. place

SMG 50plus new definition:

"Performance Comfort Cruiser"

sail the difference!

The surprise

First race participation of the SMG 50plus

There are many characteristics that may influence a purchase of a sailing yacht: Safety, easy handling, comfort, impressive appearance, attractive price, economical fuel consumption, just to name a few of them. But there is one characteristic that appeals the emotions the most. That is speed.

As we always wanted to test and compare the extraordinary sailing performance of the SMG 50plus with other yachts, we decided to attend on a race that allows catamarans to take part as well. The popular Kornati Cup in the Mediteranian Sea with around 100 participants offered the perfect option therefore and it is also the home estuary of the SMG 50plus named „Number One“.

The big question for us was: How will the SMG 50plus with its comparatively small sail space and its not existing dagger board hold up with performance cruisers on upwind course? Besides that, the 'Number One' is equipped with dishwasher, micro wave and wine cooler etc. as it was never ambition to sail races with the SMG 50plus. Still the SMG team wanted to know and test the sailing performance compared to other yachts on this race in Croatia.

The SMG 50plus has never attended a race before, so we had to provide the organisers of the race with detail information that they can calculate a yardstick (handicap). This was pretty wired at the beginning. One

question for example was concerning the tacking angle. We understated with wise foresight and said "110°". The reaction of the race officer was: "110°? No cruising catamaran can do that!" Now imaging what he would have said if we told him our several times measured 90°?

Extracts of the daily published 'Kornati Cup Revue' are summarized in the additional newsletter (page 2).

The SMG 50plus and it's team enjoyed fully success at the race. In spite of a very low yardstick of 94, the 'Number One' won the catamaran class with a total advance of 1h and 36min in 3 races compared to the catamaran on second place.

That we leave Fountaine Pajot and Co. far behind was no surprise for us. But to hold up with fast Salonas with top-class crew on board, on close hauled course, and even overtake some of them - this was the biggest pleasure for the team of SMG Multihull and a surprise for the whole racing attendees.

With this confirmation we have proof of the extraordinary SMG 50plus design. SMG achieves and offers now a new level of sailing: 'Performance Comfort Cruising'.

Best regards from Cape Town!

Yours, Gerhard Schein