

Good start at boot 2019

Water sports enthusiasts in cheerful mood for 50th anniversary

Dense crowds in the 16 exhibition halls on the first weekend of the boot (19th to 27th January 2019) in Düsseldorf. 1,500 sailing boats and motor yachts, trendy boards in the Beach World and the latest innovations when it comes to diving in Hall 3 were meant for attracting visitors. The stunning result: More than 60,000 water sports enthusiast were “on board” boot Düsseldorf 2019 on Saturday and Sunday alone.

The trade fair crew was very enthusiastic and used the Dive Center in Hall 3 as good example to describe the reason for the cheerful mood: “The water in the diving pool seems to be boiling. The atmosphere here is simply fantastic. No wonder – scuba divers are looking forward all year long to boot as the event of their scene”, boot boss Petros Michelidakis sums up the mood. He adds: “And the biggest diving event of this year’s boot Düsseldorf is yet to come”. Wednesday, 23rd January, sees diving pioneer Hans Hass’ 100th birthday to be celebrated prominently in Hall 3. Famous diver Anna von Bötticher – who was among others the dive double of actress Yvonne Catterfeld portraying Lotte Hass for the movie “The Girl on the Ocean Floor” – as well as German naval officer and well-known diver Jens Höner will turn back the time when diving in historical equipment. Special guest Meta Hass, the diving pioneer’s daughter, will tell of her eventful life with her parents and finally Walti Guggenbühl, one of Hass closest companions, will recall some of their most exciting diving expeditions. Düsseldorf’s Aquazoo Löbbecke Museum and the Association of German Sport Divers (VDST) are supporting the Hass Day at the boot’s Dive Center.

More excitement is waiting for visitors at the other eight theme worlds of boot until Sunday, 27th January. Simply hop over to the Beach World (Hall 12) and ride on “THE WAVE”. You can win a free ride every day. Interested “riders” only have to fill out the competition coupon on site and leave their mobile number. The lucky winners are going to be notified after 3 p.m. and are able to surf “THE WAVE” from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.



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In for a quieter time? No problem – simply paddle a round in front of an impressive mountain panorama in the World of Paddling (Hall 13); sail, powered by huge wind machines, in the sailing pool of the boot sailing school (Hall 14) or simply try out a few fishing tricks in the Sportfishing Center (Hall 13). And if you want to slow down a bit at the end of the day, just drop by the UP Paddling Yoga Course stand (registrations daily at 10 a.m. at the Flatwaterpool in Beach World Hall 8a).

For all E-gamers boot Düsseldorf offers a very special and cool experience this year: the very first E-Sailing Regatta. Until Saturday, the players can qualify for the big boot E-Sailing Finals on Sunday (January 27th) at the fair. Virtual sailing takes place in the well-known Olympic sailing area of Kiel-Schilksee (Sailing Center Hall 15).

About boot Düsseldorf:

boot Düsseldorf is the biggest boat and water sports trade fair in the world and is the place where all of the industry meets in January every year. The exhibitors are presenting their interesting innovations, attractive new developments and maritime equipment from 19. to 27. January 2019. This means that the whole of the market will be coming to Düsseldorf to provide an exciting insight into the entire water sports world for the nine-day exhibition covering 220,000 square metres in 16 different halls. There is something for every water sports enthusiast, with the main focus on boats and yachts, motors and engine technology, equipment and accessories, services, canoes / kayaks / rowing, water skiing, wakeboarding, wakeskating, skimboarding, jetskiing, diving, surfing, windsurfing, kitesurfing, SUP, fishing, maritime art, marinas, water sports facilities, beach resorts and chartering. The trade fair is open from 10:00 to 18:00 every day. Admission tickets can be ordered online at www.boot.de and printed out conveniently at home. As an additional feature, they entitle ticket holders to use the Rhine-Ruhr public transport system free of charge.

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