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New season, new outlook for Melges IC37

The 2021 sailing season brings with it a new outlook for the Melges IC37.

This mid-sized racer, designed by Mark Mills, is the perfect blend of modern performance and styling, but with enough substance to give owners real confidence at the wheel.

Aside from the double handed arena, there are very few options on the market that cater for serious sailors wanting a fun, fast boat that can be raced competitively under IRC, whilst also affording the option to participate in RORC offshore races.

At 37ft, the Melges IC37 is a truly capable yacht that is as equally at home in the confines of the Solent during Cowes Week as she is in more open water racing across the Channel or further afield.

With the relaxation of any class rules, the IC37 now allows owners more freedom when it comes to crew make-up and fettling of on-board systems, which with this size of boat has always been appealing to owners.

Previously, this has been done on the heavy displacement lead mines, but with so much time away from the water due to the restrictions brought by Covid-19, it finally feels like there is an appetite for change.

“As the sailing fraternity finally awakes from the depth of Covid-19 hibernation, the yacht racing future looks bright in both the short and long term,” says Sam Pearson, from Ancasta Race Boats. “Owners and crews have all taken stock whilst away from their racing campaigns and are now looking for a yacht that is not only exciting to sail but cost effective and very competitive under IRC. The Melges IC37 fits the bill perfectly.”

Rear Commodore of Yachting at the Royal Yacht Squadron, Robert “Bertie” Bicket is a prime example of an experienced sailor knowing just how much the IC37 has to offer, having competed on *Fargo* his new IC37 for the first-time recently at the IRC nationals.

With *Fargo* joining Ian Atkins’ *ICY*, the season is now underway with two IC37s being campaigned in the Solent, and with the crews made up of both older and younger sailors its clear to see that these boats cater for a broad market segment.

Any teams looking for a new boat to enjoy should revisit the Melges IC37 and find out what makes these quality boats the boat of choice of such renowned veteran sailors.

Find more information on the IC37, test sails and funding options, contact Sam Pearson via IC37@ancasta.com or call + 44 (0) 7759 424900.

Find more information on the Melges IC37 Class visit www.melgesic37class.com or <https://ancasta.com/boats-for-sale/new-boats/melges/ic/ic37/>

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