





# **Contender European Championship 2012**

Gottskär, Sweden

#### Venue

Gottskär, a small harbour village located on the Onsala peninsula some 40 km south of Göteborg, has an interesting history of shipping and trading dating back to the 13<sup>th</sup> century. Today it serves as a haven for motor boats and yachts and is a popular place to visit, especially during the summer. Restaurant, pub, kiosk, café, bakery and grocery are located within the harbour area.

Whereas the west coast of the peninsula is exposed to the sea, storms and waves, the sheltered *Kungsbacka Fiord* provides an excellent yet challenging venue for sailing. The distance to any racing area is never more than a nautical mile and the venue offers a number of suitable areas for spectators to watch from land.

# Accommodation and parking

A wide range of accommodation is available within 10 km from Gottskär and includes hotels, bed & breakfast, private cottages as well as a camping site. <a href="Parking">Parking</a> areas for cars, trailers, rib-boats and campers are within a short walking distance from the venue. Camping sites are at Rörviks camping: <a href="https://www.rorvikscamping-onsala.se">www.rorvikscamping-onsala.se</a>

Closed by to Gottskär you can stay at the Gottskär Hotel, <u>www.gottskarhotell.se</u> If you like a nice place, close to the harbour, don't hesitate to make your reservation early at the Gottskär Hotel. It is only about 9 minutes walk to the harbour.

If you care for B & B or castle or any other kind of living, please visit tourist information at: <a href="https://www.vastsverige.com/kungsbacka">www.vastsverige.com/kungsbacka</a> - this site is available in English and German.

#### **Activities**

Along the coastline and varied landscape comprising forests and lakes there are opportunities for outdoor activities such as golf, cycling, hiking, fishing, bathing, kayaking and scuba diving.







#### Places to visit

## Nidingen

Sweden's first lighthouse, the oldest double lighthouse in the world is situated to the south-west of Gottskär with boats departing from the harbour throughout the week. Nidingen is an end moraine formed by inland glaciers. It is surrounded by treacherous reefs and although the lighthouse has been in place for hundreds of years, over 600 shipwrecks have been located in its vicinity.

## Tjolöholm

Tjolöholm Castle is Sweden's leading Art and Crafts property situated on a peninsular in Kungsbacka fiord. Numerous footpaths lead through the surrounding English style parkland, oak forests and the coastal landscape. The castle was built between 1898 and 1904, and is a mixture of 16th century English architecture combined with all the "modern" comforts from the turn of the century.

## Kungsbacka

In the nearby town of Kungsbacka visitors experience the contrasts of the traditional and the ultramodern. Markets have been held in the town square for approximately 600 years and the cosy small shops of the old town centre are a complement to the modern shopping centres such as the **Freeport** Designer Outlet Village and the Kungsmässan Shopping Centre which in 2008 won the Retail Award for "Shopping Centre of the Year".

#### Göteborg

Just only 40 kilometres north from Gottskär, you can visit Sweden's second largest town. Except from shopping and nice tourist tours, you can amuse yourself in one of the largest amusement parks namely Liseberg. <a href="www.liseberg.se">www.liseberg.se</a> also in English.

The lay-out of Göteborg was once formed by the Dutch with many canals.

Read more about this nice city. www.goteborg.com







## **Program**

Contender Europeans 2012 is to be held between Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> July and Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> August (following *Travemünder Woche*). The final program will be notified following further discussions with the Contender International Class Association.

28 July Measure

29 July Measure and Practice race

30 July Race 1-2 31 July Race 3-4 1 August Race 5-6

2 August Race 7-8 afterward around 18.00 Regatta dinner

3 August Race 9-10

Prize-giving ceremony to be held as soon as possible after the last race After-sail every day after racing

# Segelsällskapet Kaparen

The Kaparen Yacht Club was formed in 1931 and has hosted many national and international championships. In 2007 the club was a awarded the prestigious prize Organizer of the Year by the Swedish Sailing Federation, for *successfully organizing both local and international regattas over the years, and in particular the 29er European Championships in 2007.* 

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We feel proud to welcome you to Gottskär and the Contender Europeans 2012.

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