



Hansetown celebrates its 1000 birthday

Gdansk celebrates its 1000th birthday, and we are on the spot. 22 yachts of the TYvD followed the invitation of the Polish Yachting Association and spent the days from June 23rd through June 26th in that beautiful "old city". Following the commodore Peter Colby, the German yachts passed the Western-plate and dipping their national flag, arrived "in line" in Gdansk are tied up in the new "Marina Szafarina", in the center of town and opposite to the "Kran Tor".

During the voyage to Poland heavy weather clothing was necessary, but when the opening ceremony came closer, the sun came out of hiding and

the president of Gdansk, Tomasz Posadski and Prof. Dr. Boleslav Mazurkiewicz opened the 16th ICCY Meeting.

The following days we explored the beautiful restored old city of Gdansk, and we joined in with the happy crowds celebrating the 1000th anniversary. During the reception in the "Artushall", the mayor of Gdansk handed over to each skipper a commemorative coin and the following buffet in the cellar of the town hall was beyond reproof.

During the Gala Evening many nice speeches were held, good music kept us dancing and the evening ended in the early morning hours. It was rather difficult to get up in time for the excu-



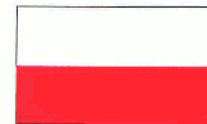
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difficult to get up in time for the excursion to the Marienburg in Elbing. The excursion on the "Oberländer Kanal" was a complete new experience for everybody and the return trip was in the category "adventurous bus driving". Without breaks we made it back to the Gdansk Marina.

During the last day, after the hauling down ceremony of the ICCY flag the flag was handed over to Kirsten Schwarz from Denmark, who will organize the next ICCY rallye. After the ceremony we all joint a wonderful concert in the Marienkirche.

After departing from Gdansk the isle of Gotland and the Swedish eastern scaregarden was the next stop for 12 yachts of the TYvD. High temperatures and constant sunshine enabled us to enjoy barbequing, swimming and long nights in the cockpits of our yachts together with friends.

Some of us had never passed the Göta-Kanal, and five yachts of the TYvD decided to go through western Sweden in the protected waters of the canal. A memorable summer trip came to an end.



Mittsommernacht in den schwedischen Schären

