

X-41 “X” won the Goese Sas Trophy

During the weekend of 29/30 September some of the best Dutch and Belgium racing yachts matched up at the Goese Sas Trophy, which became one of the top events in the south-Holland and Belgium area.

Twenty boats as competition in racing class, among them two brand new carbon rigged racers, with also full carbon sail sets on board : the Grand Soleil 40 “Argenta” and the Swan 42 “Holmatro ING”. Other serious competition came from the carbon rigged Salona 37 “Clubracer”, the Sydney 39 “Allard”, the Bénéteau 34.7 “Wemeldinges, the MUM 30 “Summum” and local race winner “Zeebeer”.

X-41 “X” who won with great advance.

Eddy Verbinnen : “we really were very curious to see how the new Grand Soleil 40 with higher and carbon rig, would do. But she was nowhere against the X-41. We came in with real time leads of 7 and 9 minutes. I was impressed with the boat speed of the new Swan 42 under light conditions, but I wonder how she will do with more wind as he really carries huge amounts of sail area. I wonder if they will be able to keep her up in a serious blow. We see now more and more racing yachts which are specially made to suit the very light or the windy conditions on rating. Were the X-41 is an excellent all-round boat, very fast and competitive under all conditions. As my crew yesterday said, the X-41 is really the best boat which we ever sailed. If you put a good crew on board it must be possible to sail in the top where ever and under any conditions.”

	IRC rating	
1. “X” (X-41)	1.113	2134 pts
2. SUMMUM (Mumm 30)	1.082	1782 pts
3. ZEEBEER (Waarschip 38)	0.99	1736 pts
4. Wemeldinges (Bénéteau 34.7)	1.02	1435 pts
5. Argenta (new Grand Soleil 40)	1.07	1435 pts
6. Allard (Sydney 39)	1.107	1356 pts
7. Clubracer (Salona 37)	1.046	1046 pts
8. Weerga (IMX-40)	1.093	958 pts
9. Holmatro – ING (Swan 42)	1.174	879 pts