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Fews weeks before Olympic Games

Despite to the fog this morning, the 11 crews embarked on this second day of qualifications.

The organisers and the skippers were forced to adapt themselves to this poor weather where light wind blews. **Tamara Echegoyen**, ESP, injured, was not able to run the league and she is being replaced by Sofia TORO and Morgane GAUTIER (former team mate of Claire LEROY) completed the crew.

After this first Robin Round (qualifications consisting of 2 Robin Rounds), the teams headed the competition this evening are:

At the first place with only one game lost, **Ekatarina Skudina (Russia)** and **Sylvia Rocca Mata (Spain)** is second on the ranking list. Indeed, the gap between the followers is very thin.

The match is still going on and as the Spanish coach said: "They can be pound to be at the second place but it can change, the finals are not played yet"











Below are the impressions we gathered today:

Renée GROENEVELD, HOL: "It was amazing, the wind was playing with us as a" flipper» and we made more mistakes. No matter, it is

certainly good practice for the big events to come"

Sylvia Mata ROCA, ESP: "It was a good day. We are gradually stepping towards the finals but it will not be easy".

Angela and Sofia (Tamara team mates), ESP: "We are very pleased to be on the water. We are better at sailing than at being on a zodiac! We made good starts and tried our best. It was a little bit difficult for Sofia as in three year's time it is her first Match Racing. Usually she competes in Laser events»

Ekatarina SKUDINA, RUS: "the wind conditions were unfavorable but familiar. As in Moscow, we were used to this kind of weather and having made less errors today, this was a real opportunity to target the first place. We all hope to sail in better weather conditions tomorrow!"



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Full Provisory Résults after 1 Round Robin :

- 1- Skudina RUS
- 2- Rocca Mata ESP
- 3- Hazard NZL
- 4- Groeneveld HOL
- 5- Tulloch USA
- 6- Gonçalves POR
- 7- Leroy FRA
- 8- Price AUS
- 9- Kjellberg SWE
- 10- Bossard FRA
- 11- Etchegoyen ESP

More information:

On the event website, you will find a 3D live tracking, live results match after match. http://www.ffvoile.fr/ffv/web/evenement/2012/MR_StQuay/communiques/home.asp

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