



**Swiss Championship 2016 of the 6 Metre JI-Yachts
in Brunnen:
Yacht stranded in storm during training session**

Brunnen, 11th of Juli 2016 – The thunderstorm which hit the lake of Lucerne Monday afternoon caused distress for a British competitor. The „Valhalla“ and its crew left the harbor of the Fallenbach Marina in good weather - together with many others - for a last training session before the start of the Swiss Championship on Tuesday. However only shortly after the weather changed for the worse: Within a few minutes a heavy thunderstorm moved in from the west with violent wind speeds of up to 11 BF (110km/h). The boat lost its maneuverability and was stranded on the shores of Brunnen where luckily only parts of the keel was damaged. The crew was saved by a rescue team and was brought ashore unharmed. After the storm tailed off, the damaged boat could be towed into the Fallenbach Marina, where the owner now tries to have the keel fixed as quickly as possible. The crew will miss out on the Swiss Championship but hope to have the ship ready for the Europeans, which starts this Saturday.

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