





HOMERUS Match Race Open National Championship for visually impaired sailors B1 & B2 categories

Bogliaco 2016, June 16th – 19th

NOTICE OF RACE

1 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

HOMERUS ASSOCIAZIONE ONLUS - VIA PROVINCIALE 84 25079 VOBARNO (BS) - ITALY

2 VENUE

Bogliaco di Gargnano, Lake of Garda, Italy

3 EVENT GRADING

The event has applied for WORLD SAILING MR Grade 5.

This grading is subject to review by the WS Match Race Rankings Sub Committee. The event may be re-graded when there is clear reason to do so.

4 PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

- 4.1 The provisional program of the event s the following:
 - a) Race office open on June 16th at 10.30 am.
 - b) Registration on June 16th within 12 am.
 - c) Possible ophthalmologic examination on June 16th from 10.30 am;
 - d) Opening Ceremony on June 16th at 12 am.
 - e) First briefing on June 16th at 1pm; first meeting with umpires to follow;
 - f) Racing days from 16th until June 19th
 - g) Time of the first race on June 6th at 2 pm;
 - h) Prize giving on June 19th at 3 pm.
- 4.2 Unless excused by the Organizing Authority, attendance at the following is mandatory:
 - a) Initial briefing for skippers.
 - b) Daily briefing, for skippers.
 - c) Prize giving for all competitors.

5 ELIGIBILITY

- 5.1 The event is open to crews of two vision-impaired sailors, for both Categories B1 and B2.
- The national champion title on each category is reserved to a crew with an Italian skipper, and it will be awarded if at least four crews will enter in a category where the majority of the skippers is Italian.
- 5.3 Changing the rules 3.4 of Appendix 1 Blind Sailing Rules of Race Management to the Para World Sailing Race Management (PWSRMM), in order to compete in category:
 - a) B1, all the crew members shall be classified B1.
 - b) B2 each crew member shall be classified in a category not exceeding B2.
- 5.4 Any totally blindfolded crew member must be considered as category B1.
- 5.5 All competitors:
 - a) Shall be IBSA classified, provable by Blindness Grading Form completed and signed by an accredited Ophthalmologist issued not before 1st October 2015;
 - b) Meet the eligibility requirements of World Sailing regulation 19.2.
 - c) shall be member of an World Sailing Recognized National Authority;
 - d) shall have an World Sailing ID Sailor

- e) shall be at least 16 years old at the date of the first race;
- f) shall be current member of Homerus
- 5.6 While racing any alteration of the prescribed blindfolding system and/or the use of devices increasing the view capacity is forbidden.
- 5.7 Each crew must register in writing (fax or e-mail are accepted) by 6th May 2016;

6 ENTRIES

- No more than 10 crews of two people may be entered in this event for each Category 1 and 2, regardless of gender; Italian crews will have the priority.
- 6.2 At registration, each competitors shall demonstrate to meet all the eligibility requirements;.
- 6.3 The receipt for payment of the entry-fee must be attached to the entry form
- 6.4 Each competitors shall be entered on completion of registration and the payment of all fees and deposits;
- 6.5 Each crew may enter a reserve member.

7 ENTRY FEE

- 7.1 The Entry Fee per two-person Team is 200 EUR.
- 7.2 Competitors not current members of the Homerus Association will pay a 50 Euro amount as 2016 membership fee.
- 7.3 All payments shall be made in EURO, not later than 6th May 2016, in cash or by bank transfer to Homerus on BANCA PROSSIMA, IBAN: IT84I033590160010000003401

8 DAMAGE DEPOSIT

- An initial damage deposit of 500 EUR per team shall be paid at registration. This deposit is the maximum payable by the team as a result of any one incident.
- In the event of a deduction from the damage deposit, the deposit shall be restored to its original amount before the team will be permitted to continue in the event.
- 8.3 Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded within the end of the event.

9 RULES

- 9.1 a) The event will be governed by the Rules as defined in the RRS, including Appendix CBS 2016 and the Para World Sailing Race Management Manual, including it's Appendix 1 Blind Sailing Rules of Race Management, as changed by notice 5.3.
 - b) The rules for the handling of boats will apply, which also apply to any practice sailing. Class rules will not apply.
 - c) Any prescriptions of the national authority that will apply will be posted on the official notice board.

9.2 Major Alterations to the RRS

- **Under RRS 86.3 this event will test a package of test rules proposed for match racing, adapted for Blind Match Racing. See detailed wording for these rule changes in NoR Addendum X.
- 9.3 International Blind Sports Federation (IBSA) Medical and Protest Procedures will be adopted for this event with the following changes:
 - (a) Classifiers are not required to be accredited IBSA International Classifiers.
 - (b) Classifiers may classify a competitor from their own country.

10 BOATS, SAILS AND EQUIPMENT

- 10.1 The event will be sailed in Meteor keelboats, provided by the OA.
- 10.2 The following will be provided for each boat:
 - a) Mainsail, Genoa, Jib;
 - b) Acoustic Tack Recognizing Device;
 - c) Set of entry-side identification flags;
 - d) Set of signal fags to umpires
- 10.3 In addition to the usual equipment, without limiting the provision of the rule 4.2 (c) of Part 4 of RMM, will be provided each boat a radio transceiver useful for communication from/to the race committee and the umpires.
- 10.4 Boats will be allocated by the Race Committee.





11 CREW

- 11.1 The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be 2, with any combination of gender (male/female).
- 11.2 RC could ask the B1 helmsmen to race blindfolded;
- 11.3 Each team may register a reserve crew;
- 11.4 The registered crew shall sail all races and the registered helmsman shall steer the boat while racing, except in emergency;
- When a registered helmsman or crewmember is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorise a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment, always of the same category.
- 11.6 Competitors may be subject to ophthalmological examinations at any time during the event. Competitors shall cooperate with the classification staff as requested;

12 EVENT FORMAT

The event will consist of the following stages:

- Qualifying round robin
- Semi Final
- Final;

The Organizing Authority may change the format, when conditions do not permit the completion of the intended format.

13 COURSE

- 13.1 The course will be windward/leeward with starboard rounding, finishing downwind.
- 13.2 The intended course area will be approximately the water in front of the Club

14 ADVERTISING

- 14.1 As boats and equipment will be supplied by the Organizing Authority, WS regulation 20.3.2 App.1 will apply.
- 14.2 Each boat may be required to display advertising as supplied by the OA;
- 14.3 Competitors may be permitted to display their own advertising ashore at the venue, but this is subject to individual negotiation with the OA.
- 14.4 Boats shall not be permitted the right to protest for breaches of any rules regarding advertising (this amends RRS 60.1).

15 PRIZES

- (a) The winner crew of each category will be awarded.
- (b) The first classified Italian crew on each category will be awarded the title of National MR for blinds Champion of his category.
- (c) The National Italian Champion of **B1** Category will be awarded the **Homerus Perpetual Trophy**.

16 MEDIA, IMAGES AND SOUNDS

The OA may require that television personnel and equipment could be carried on board while racing, and may ask the competitors to wear microphones during racing and be available for interviews. The Organizing Authority shall have the right to use any images and sound recorded during the event free of any charge and without specific permission.

17 COACH BOATS

- 17.1 Coach boats shall conspicuously display identification of the team being coached, and stay downwind to the starting line
- 17.2 The OA will provide berths for coach boats.
- 17.3 Any interference by a coach boat with the racing or event organization may result in a penalty applied at the discretion of the Protest Committee to the appropriate skipper or team

18 DISCLAIMER

All those taking part in the event do so at their own risk as by RRS 4. The Organizing Authority, its associates and appointees accept no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury or inconvenience incurred, howsoever caused.





FURTHER INFORMATION



AIRPORTS

Airport "G.D'Annunzio" of Montichiari (50 km) – www.aeroportobrescia.it Airport "Valerio Catullo" of Verona (90 km) – www.aeroportoverona.it Airport "Orio al Serio" of Bergamo (100 km) – www.aeroportodibergamo.com Airport of Milano-Linate (150 km) – www.sea-aeroportimilano.it Airport "Marco Polo" di Venezia (215 km) . www.veniceairport.it

How to reach Gargnano

By car:

Brennero highway: exit Rovereto - direction; firstly to Riva del Garda and then to Brescia/Salò. From the exit of the highway to Gargnano: about 70 minutes.

Highway A4 (Milano - Venezia) arriving from Milano: exit Brescia est – direction to Salò, and then to Gargnano for about 50 minutes.

Highway A4 (Venezia - Milano) arriving from Venezia: exit Desenzano del Garda – direction Salò, and then to Gargnano for about 1 hour.

By train: www.trenitalia.it

By bus departing from the following train-stations:

From the station of Desenzano del Garda (about 1 hou) - www.trasportibrescia.it
From the station of Brescia (about 1 hour and 30 minutes) - www.sia-autoservizi.it

ENTRY FORM - MODULO DI ISCRIZIONE

Data - *Date*: ____ / ___ / 2

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COMPILARE E SPEDIRE VIA FAX A: PLEASE FILL IN AND SEND BY FAX TO:

Firma - Signature:

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