

**HOMERUS  
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LA VELA AUTONOMA PER NON VEDENTI ®



**INTERNATIONAL HOMERUS  
MATCH RACING CHAMPIONSHIP FOR BLINDS  
CLASSE METEOR**

*La Spezia, 11 – 14 June 2014*



**DRAFT  
NOTICE OF RACE**

The official version is in Italian  
Translation into English



**XXVII TROFEO MARIPERMAN**



## 1 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

- C.S.S.N. together with Sezione Velica della Marina Militare La Spezia Phone +390187784698

In conjunction with

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## 2 VENUE

Gulf of La Spezia

## 3 EVENT GRADING

- 3.1 The event has applied for IFDS MR Grade 2 event, as the Appendix to the IFDS Rules of Race Management for Blind and Vision Impaired Sailing.  
This grading is subject to review by the IFDS Technical Committee. The event may be re-graded when there is clear reason to do so.
- 3.2 The event has applied for ISAF MR Grade 4.  
This grading is subject to review by the ISAF Match Race Rankings Sub Committee. The event may be re-graded when there is clear reason to do so.

## 4 PROGRAM

The provisional program of the event, embedded within the event “**XXVII Trofeo Mariperman**”, is the following:

### Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June:

- a) Arrival to the harbour village at 11 am;
- b) Registration from 11 am to 12 am;
- c) Logistic accommodation at CEA of Portovenere at 3pm;

### Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> June:

- a) Transfer-service from Portovenere to La Spezia at 8.15 am;
- b) Opening ceremony at 9.30 am;
- c) First briefing next the opening ceremony at about 10 am;

### From 11<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> June:

Racing days

### Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> June:

Prize giving at 6.30 pm

- 4.1 Unless excused by the OA, attendance the following is mandatory:
- a) Initial briefing
  - b) Daily briefing
  - c) Prize giving
- 4.2 Each team, consisting of 2 sailors and 1 coach, is entitled to:
- a) Free Board as follows:
    - Breakfast at CEA in Portovenere;
    - Lunch-packet in the days of the race;
    - Dinner as per **Addendum A** (free evenings free by invitation and / or evenings free)
  - b) Each team (3 persons) is offered the possibility to stay at the C.E.A. in the charming town of Portovenere from 10 to 15 June (5 nights) at the special price of Euro 250,00 to be paid with bank transfer to:  
COMITATO DEI CIRCOLI VELICI DEL GOLFO DELLA SPEZIA  
c/o CARISPEZIA Crèdit Agricole AG.“I” CODICE IBAN: IT30B0603010742000046243508



## 5 TEAMS ELIGIBILITY

- a) The regatta is limited to not more than 8 teams, among those invited by OA. If you wish to be invited please ask for invitation to [info@homerus.it](mailto:info@homerus.it);
- b) The Hosting Nation only may enter more than one team each category;
- c) To remain eligible a team shall confirm acceptance of invitation in writing within 10<sup>th</sup> May 2014 (fax or e-mail is acceptable), and shall pay the entry-fee within 15<sup>th</sup> May 2014;

Also all competitors shall:

1. Be IBSA classified, provable by Blindness Grading Form completed and signed by an ophthalmologist issued not before 1 October 2013;
2. Be affiliated to an IFDS Recognised National Authority and to an ISAF Recognised National Authority;
3. have an ISAF Sailor ID code;
4. be at least fourteen years old at the date of the first race;
5. be current member of Homerus

## 6 ENTRIES

- a) Pre-registration must be made exclusively directed towards Homerus Associazione Onlus (tel. +39 0365 599656 -Fax +39 0365 599129 – e-mail: [info@homerus.it](mailto:info@homerus.it)) within May 2014.
- b) At registration, each competitor shall demonstrate to meet all the eligibility requirements. Each competitor shall be entered on completion of registration presenting proof of payment of all the fees.

## 7 ENTRY FEE

- a) The entry-fee per two-person team is 200EUR (not refundable), and it will be entirely devolved to “St. Lucy” School for Blind of Egoji- Meru, Kenya;
- b) Competitors not current members of Homerus association must pay 50 EUR as 2014 membership fee;
- c) All payments shall be made in EURO, not later than 15<sup>th</sup> May 2014, in cash or by bank transfer to Homerus on BANCA PROSSIMA, IBAN: IT84I0335901600100000003401

## 8 DAMAGE DEPOSIT

- a) 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.
- b) 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.
- c) Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded within the end of the event.

## 9 RULES

The event will be governed by the following rules:

- a) ISAF RRS 2013-2016, included the New Appendix CBS, as published on ISAF site 2013-2016,
- b) IFDS Race Management Manual Part 4;
- c) Match shall be sailed without any “Observer” on the boats; this changes the Appendix CBS preamble. Observer will be placed on ribs in the wake of each boat until the signal of the 7 minutes to go. Then they will carry out the tasks assigned to them (see specific point in the Sailing Instructions).

## 10 BOATS, SAILS AND EQUIPMENT

- a) The event will be sailed in Meteor keelboats
- b) Boats will be provided by OA
- c) Boats will be assigned by Race Committee
- d) The following sails will be provided for each boat:
  - 1) mainsail
  - 2) jib
  - 3) genoa
- e) In addition to the usual equipment, the following equipment will be provided for each boat:
  - Acoustic Tack Recognizing Device;



- Blue and Yellow flags;
  - Flags set to umpires signalling.
- f) In addition to the usual equipment, without limiting the provision of the rule 4.2 (c) of Part 4 of RMM, the following equipment may be provided for each boat:
- A fixed compass with indicating the course with limited functions;
  - A radio receiver that will receive the signals of the Race Committee and the instructions of umpires and/or observer.
- g) The only allowed personal devices will be count-down watch and the radio transceiver, as long as tuned to the official channel of the RC .

## 11 CREW

- a) The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be 2, with any combination of gender;
- b) A maximum of 2 IBSA points shall be assigned to each crew competing in cath. B1, as by rule 3.4(c) i) of Part 4 of RMM, and a maximum of 4 IBSA points for crew competing in cath. B2/B3;
- c) Each team may register a reserve crew;
- d) The registered crew shall sail all races and the registered helmsman shall steer the boat while racing, except in emergency;
- e) 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 with a maximum IBSA points indicated at point b);
- f) Competitors may be subject to ophthalmological examinations at any time during the event. Competitors shall cooperate with the classification staff as requested;
- g) Each team is requested to provide it's national flag approximately 40 X 60 cm, to be displayed from the backstay of the boat while racing or to displayed during official ceremonies

## 12 EVENT FORMAT

- a) The event will consist of the following stages:
- Qualifying round robin
  - Semi Final
  - Final ;
  - Possible knock-out matches
- b) II The Organizing Authority may change the format, when conditions do not permit the completion of the intended format.

## 13 COURSE

- (a) The course will be windward/leeward (to sail as best defined in SI) with starboard rounding, finishing downwind;
- (b) The intended course area will be the gulf of La Spezia.

## 14 ADVERTISING

- (a) As boats and equipment will be supplied by the Organizing Authority, ISAF regulation 20.4 Each boat may be required to display advertising as supplied by the OA;
- (b) Competitors may be permitted to display their own advertising ashore at the venue, but this is subject to individual negotiation with the OA.
- (c) 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 of each category will be awarded an important trophy and the title of 2014 International Champion;
- (b) Prizes will be awarded to the second, third and fourth team;
- (c) Prizes shall be awarded for all teams at discretion of the OA.

## 16 MEDIA, IMAGES AND SOUNDS

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

- (a) Coach boats shall conspicuously display identification of the team being coached, and stay downwind of the starting line
- (b) The OA will provide berths for coach boats.
- (c) Coach boats will not have to cross the course for a line of 50 mt. below the starting line while the boats are competing in a match.
- (d) 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

## VENUE

### By car

Highway A12 Genova-Livorno; exit La Spezia.

### Airports

The nearest airports are those of Pisa and Genova, both connected with La Spezia by train.

### By train

The nearest station is La Spezia

Information: Ferrovie dello Stato – [www.trenitalia.it](http://www.trenitalia.it)

**Meeting point at La Spezia: Molo Italia – Harbor village**



**ENTRY FORM - MODULO DI ISCRIZIONE**

Timoniere: <i>Helmsman-Skipper:</i>		Nato <i>Birth date:</i>		il: Nazione: <i>Country:</i>	
Indirizzo: <i>Address:</i>			CAP: <i>Post Code:</i>		Città: <i>City:</i>
Telefono: <i>Telephone:</i>		Fax:		e-mail:	
Circolo velico: <i>Sailing club:</i>			Tessera FIV: <i>SNA Card:</i>		
IBSA: <input type="checkbox"/> B1 <input type="checkbox"/> B2 <input type="checkbox"/> B3		Punti: <i>Points:</i> _____		Tessera HOMERUS: <i>Homerus Card:</i>	

**LISTA EQUIPAGGIO**

**CREW LIST**

Cognome e nome <i>Full name</i>	Nato il <i>Birth date</i>	Naz. <i>Nat.</i>	IBSA - <b>POINTS</b>	Tessere FIV- Homerus <i>SNA - Homerus cards</i>
Prodiere: <i>Crew:</i>	_/_/_		<b>B</b>	
Riserva: <i>Reserve:</i>	_/_/_		<b>B</b>	

Tot. punti - *points:* \_\_\_\_\_

<p><b>DICHIARAZIONE DI RESPONSABILITÀ</b>  <b>Accetto</b> di sottopormi al Regolamento di Regata ISAF, all'avviso di manifestazione ed alle Istruzioni di regata.  <b>Dichiaro</b> di assumere personalmente la responsabilità per quanto riguarda le qualità marine della mia barca, l'equipaggiamento, l'efficienza dell'equipaggio, le dotazioni di sicurezza e lo <b>stato di salute dell'equipaggio</b>.  <b>Dichiaro</b> esplicitamente di assumere qualsiasi responsabilità per danni causati a persone o a cose di terzi, a me stesso o alle mie cose, sia in terra che in acqua in conseguenza della partecipazione alla Regata, sollevando da ogni responsabilità il Centro Nautico organizzatore ed Homerus, e tutti coloro che concorrono alla organizzazione a qualsiasi titolo.  <b>Sono a conoscenza</b> delle Regole fondamentali ISAF 1 (Sicurezza), 2 (Corretto navigare), 3 (Accettazione delle regole), 4 (Decisione di partecipare alla regata) e 5 (Sostanze stupefacenti).</p>	<p><b>DISCLAIMER</b>  <b>I agree</b> to be bound by the rules of the ISAF, by the Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race.  <b>I declare</b> to take on myself any personal responsibility on the nautical qualities of my boat, rigging, crews capacity, security equipment and the crew condition.  <b>I declare</b> to take responsibility for damages caused to third persons and to their things or myself and my personal things, at sea or ashore, in consequence of my taking part in the regatta, relieving from any responsibility the C.N.C., Homerus and all persons who contribute in the organisation under whatever qualification.  <b>I am acquainted</b> with the ISAF fundamental rules 1(Safety), 2 (Fair sailing), 3 (Acceptance of the Rules), 4 (Decision to Race) and 5 (Drugs).</p>
Data - <i>Date:</i> ___ / ___ / 2	Firma - <i>Signature:</i> _____

**COMPILARE E SPEDIRE VIA FAX A: PLEASE FILL IN AND SEND BY FAX TO:**  
**HOMERUS** Associazione Onlus - Via Provinciale 84, 25079 Vobarno (BS) ITALY  
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Provisional Program			
<b>10th June</b>	11.00	Arrival at La Spezia	Harbor Village
	11.00 -12.00	Registration	Sailing Club
	12:00	Parking Place	Italian Navy Sailing Section
	12:30	Lunch	Italian Navy
	15:00	Accommodation at CEA	Portovenere
		Inauguration of the Botanical Gardens	Isola Palmaria
		Dinner	Portovenere (tbd)
	<b>11th June</b>	08:15	Transfer Portovenere - La Spezia
09:30		Opening Ceremony	Harbor Village
10:00		Briefing	
12:00		Match Racing	
		Dinner	tbd
<b>12th June</b>	09:00	Briefing	
	12:00	Match Racing	
		Dinner offered by Lions Club	tbd
<b>13th June</b>	09:00	Briefing	
	12:00	Match Racing	
		Dinner	Sailing Club
		Night Match Racing	
<b>14th June</b>	09:00	Briefing	
	12:00	Match Racing	
	17:30	Prize Giving	Vessel "Palinuro"
	20:30	Dinner	Italian Navy
<b>15th June</b>		Departures	

