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Sailors like the edition of tenth anniversary of regatta Palermo- Montecarlo. Circolo della Vela Sicilia is the organising authority for the most important leg of offshore sailing Italian Championship FIV in conjunction with Yacht Club de Monaco and Yacht Club Costa Smeralda. The competition will start on 21st August 2014. There are 25 registered participants and many yachts that would like participate but they are not registered yet.

The fleet is composed of Maxi, multihulls and many medium size boats which show special performances in the last year's corrected time results.

List of registered participants with MAXI, SWAN, MULTIHULLS AND "for 2" ranking Between participants, as well as two maxi Nimrod, 80 feet (24,50 metres) DESIGN Judel Vrolijk, skipper Marco Stevenazzi, and Wohpe, 19 metres by Roberto Lauro, who run with flag of Yacht Club de Monaco, Freyja, Elan 40 owned by Bernard Cordeau, just protagonist of Rolex Middle Sea Race, and Music, a beautiful Swan 53 of 2012 of Royal Cape Yacht Club of Cape Town.

In evidence also the Sly 47 Neveralone owned by Paolo Orlandi, the First 36.7 Bluone by Leonardo Servi that will have on board Ciccio Manzoli, and the 16 mt catamaran by Marco Negri.

Organisers are waiting for confirmation from boats and sailors, who were protagonists during last editions. They just announced their presence this year, too.

PALERMIO-MONTECARLO x 2

There is great interest for the news of the tenth anniversary, the open of regatta to the crew x 2, with Palermo Montecarlo x 2. Already registered is Prospettica, Comet 41 by Giacomo Gonzi of Club Nautico Scarlino, actually on top of the Offshore Italian Championship ranking in the category x 2. Lunatika by Stefano Chiarotti, and Lung'ta, Sun Fast 3200 by Jean Philippe Bismuth, also are registered in the category x 2 of regatta.

Here the complete list with other participants

S.h.a.d.o., Oceanis of 16 metres by Antonino Adamo; Scheggia, Sun Fast 3200 by French Jean Luis Damble; Quattrogatti Making Waves by Andrea Casini; Cattiva Compagnia by Sandro Soldaini; Pita Maha by Renzo Grottesi; Ephemeris by Bartolo Messina; Rosata

Bahia II by Giulio Bizzoni; Duffy by Enrico Calvi; Made In Love by French Patier; Heimat II by Filippo Canu; Obi Wan, fleet by Velaclub Palermo; Black Pearl by Stefan Jentzch; Wireless by Ugo Salmeri; Garuda, X Yachts by ship-owner Konstantin Zhuravlev; Mago Blu, Elan by Fulvio Palumbo Cardella for Lega Italiana Navale section of Center Palermo; WB Five, X41 skippered by Piero Majolino that will be the boat of Circolo della Vela Sicilia.

Beyond these 25 boats, organizers confirm other contacts from ship-owners and crews. Adalberto Miani, Sailing responsible for of Yacht Club de Monaco, will be at the start with a YC's hull. We are also waiting for registration of J111 Black Bull by Piero Platone (with Pietro D'Alì on board) and Swan 42 Mandolino, between leaders of list of offshore Italian Championship.

Giorgio Martin, always present during last years, is preparing a boat, and the navigator Andrea Fantini should be at start with its Class 40. Circolo della Vela Sicilia believes that this year it will be possible to exceed the record of participants to the Regatta.

THE COURSE AND THE DATES

Almost 500 miles are considered to be the most beautiful Regatta. The course will start from Golfo di Mondello, in a Caribbean setting and will arrive between skyscrapers of Principato of Monaco.

There will be many strategies, for example the passage of Bocche di Bonifacio or the course to the North leaving Corsica to the left. As last year, the course provide for a "gate" with a buoy outside from the Golfo di Porto Cervo with a separated list for this passage.

The tenth Palermo-Montecarlo 2014 will start on 21st of August, but on 19th august boats will participate in a warm-up ragatta in Mondello. *The arrival at Montecarlo will also be very important with the new site of Yacht Club de Monaco, just opened.* It will be the perfect setting of Palermo-Montecarlo Reagatta's award. The pricegiving ceremony will be at the Yacht Club de Monaco on 26th of August.

Trophys

in honour of the Thinker of Regatta and President of Circolo della Vela Sicilia from 1992 to 2008, **Angelo Randazzo Trophy**. It will be for yacht that will be the winner in corrected time in the most numerous category (ORC o IRC); and **Giuseppe Tasca d'Almerita Trophy**, created in honour of founder of Circolo della Vela Sicilia, destinated to the first yacht in real time on finish line in Montecarlo.

EVENT in the EVENT: new building of YACHT CLUB de MONACO

The new site of Yacht Club de Monaco will host coming yachts, media, sponsors and the evening of the pricegiving ceremony of 10th Palermo-Montecarlo. A true cathedral of yachting, designed by Sir Norman Foster.

Historic Sponsors confirmed

Many sponsors and partners, will guarantee traditional organization standards: Luxottica with its brand Oakley, Optissimo, Intesa Sanpaolo and Tasca d'Almerita. Much appreciated logistic assistance provide forwarding of luggages and other rig taking from onboard and sent to the crews right to the quay in Montecarlo.

INTERMATICA

The new partner Intermatica, satellite telecommunications' brand leader, will provide Geomat system and its Web Tracking Solution which will allow to verify the course and the position of boats and to receive support for emergency. Fans could follow boats in real time during all of the ragatta on web site www.geomat.it.

Intermatica will also give a latest model satellite system to one of the boats, with which it will be possible to send pictures from board (video and photos) to enrich the materials to follow regatta. The organizer Club will choose the boat.

REGATTA ON WEB

All infos on the Regata's are published and updated on the official web site: www.palermo-montecarlo.it, for ship-owners, media, sailors and fans who want to follow regatta live. It is also possible to find on line Notice of Race and Registration form, list of entries. One section is dedicated to long history of ten years of regatta, with pictures and videos of past editions.

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