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4th BPER BANCA CROTONE OPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL CARNIVAL RACE

March 2nd– 5th 2019

NOTICE OF RACE

Club Velico Crotona is proud of host the IV BPER BANCA CROTONE OPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL CARNIVAL RACE.

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The regatta will be organized by Club Velico Crotona according to the Italian Sailing Federation (FIV) and the Italian Optimist Class Association (AICO).

1. Date and Venue

The Race will be held from March 2nd to the 5th, 2019. The venue will be located in Crotona's Ancient Harbour, situated in the heart of the city, adjacent to the Club Velico Crotona.

2. Rules

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the "rules" as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (rules) and the current International Optimist Class Rules.
- 2.2 RRS Appendix P, *Special Procedures for Rule 42*, will apply.
- 2.3 The Italian Sailing Federation Prescriptions will apply.
- 2.4 If there is any conflict between the Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions will take precedence (modifies RRS 63.7).
- 2.5 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

3. Advertising and bow numbers

- 3.1 Sailor advertising is permitted on the hull as per World Sailing Regulation 20.3.2 but as restricted by class rule 2.8.
- 3.2 Boats may be required to display bow numbers and advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

4. Eligibility

- 4.1 Competitors are required to be current members of the Optimist organizing authority for the country of their residence and have been born on or after January 1, 2010. They, according to the rules of the Italian Sailing Federation, will be divided in two categories: Cadets (born in 2010, 2009, 2008,) and Juniores (born in 2007, 2006, 2005, 2004).
- 4.2 The regatta will be open to a **maximum number of 300 participants have been reached altogether**. Entries will be accepted by the first come – first served principle.
- 4.3 All entries shall meet the requirements of W.S. Regulation 19 - Eligibility Code.

5. Entries and Fees

- 5.1 Entries for competitors shall be done online via the official regatta page on the event website www.clubvelicocrotone.it. Each sailor will have to pay an entry fee for the event. Online entry opens on 8th October 2018.
- 5.2 **Entries including payment must be received no later than February the 23th 2019 at 8 p.m.** The competitors will be able to make a “last minute registration” for the regata at the Registration Office of Club Velico Crotona on the 28th of February from 9 am to 6 pm and on the 1st of March from 9 am to 6 pm paying a penalty of €15,00.
- 5.3 Competitors shall provide a signed and completed Parental/legal Guardian consent and declaration form at registration. The forms are available for download on the event website www.clubvelicocrotone.it.
- 5.4 The regatta **entry fee will be €50,00 for the sailors**.
- 5.5 Payments will be done by credit card as established on the regatta web page or cash – in case of “last minute registration” - at the Registration Office of Club Velico Crotona on the 28th of February from 9 am to 6 pm and on the 1st of March from 9 am to 6 pm (entry deadline) paying a penalty of €15,00.
- 5.6 The Organizing Committee has the right to accept entries received after the entry deadline.
- 5.7 There won't be any entry fee refund from the 28th February.

6. Registration of Competitors and Coaches

- 6.1 Each competitor shall sign the registration form at the Registration Office of Club

Velico Crotone on the 28th of February from 9 am to 6 pm and on the 1st of March from 9 am to 6 pm.

6.2 Coaches and team support personnel shall register at the Registration Office of Club Velico Crotone.

7.Format of the Regatta

7.1 The event will consist of a qualifying series and a final series.

7.2 Qualifying series: entries may be divided into fleet as far as possible with the same number of boats. Initial allocation into fleet will be done by the Race Committee on the 1st of March with the list of competitors already registered by the time of the allocation. Competitors registering later will be added at the bottom of the sorted list in the order of registration.

7.3 If minimum 5 races have been completed until the end of the second scheduled racing day in the qualifying series, the following days will be final series.

7.4 If minimum 5 races have not been completed until the end of the second scheduled racing day, the following day(s) will be sailed in the qualifying series until the minimum 5 races have been completed. If so, the other day(s) will be final series.

7.5 A qualifying series race will not count until all fleets in the qualifying series have completed the same number of races.

7.6 Final series: the competitors will be divided into final fleets according to the final scores of the qualifying series. There will be the same number of fleets as in the qualifying series. The fleets will have approximately the same number of competitors in each. The Gold fleet will consist of the first part of the final scores of the qualifying series, Silver fleet of the second part, and so on with Bronze and Emerald fleet (if needed).

8. Schedule

8.1

Thursday, February 28th 9 am - 6 pm	Early Arrival and “Last minute competitors registration” and signing online registration forms. Coaches registration.
Friday, March 1st 9 am - 6 pm	Official Arrival Day and Registration. “Last minute competitors registration” and signing online registration forms. Coaches registration.
Saturday, March 2nd	9 a.m. Mandatory coaches meeting 11.00 a.m. Warning signal for 1st race of the day
Sunday, March 3th	9 a.m. Mandatory coaches meeting Races

Monday, March 4th	9 a.m. Mandatory coaches meeting Races
Tuesday, March 5th	9 a.m. Mandatory coaches meeting Races - No warning signal will be made after 3 pm Closing and Prize Giving Ceremony.

8.2 12 races are scheduled with a maximum of three races per day.

9. Racing Area and Course

9.1 The attachment 1 and Sailing Instructions will show the exact location of the racing area, however located in the gulf of Crotona, and will also describe it.

9.2 The course will be an outer-loop trapezoid with the finish line at the end of the second windward leg.

10. Scoring

10.1 The Low-Point Scoring System, Appendix A, will be used-

10.2 When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

10.3 When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

10.4 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

11. Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be available upon registration at the Registration Office of the Club Velico Crotona.

12. Safety

12.1 Each competitor must wear a personal flotation device (PFD) in accordance with CR 4.2 (a), properly secured at all times, from dock to dock except when temporarily adding or removing clothing. Wet suits, dry suits and inflatable Personal Flotation Devices do not constitute adequate personal buoyancy.

12.2 All coaches and supporting personnel will be requested to be equipped with and use the life jacket and to carry with them a VHF radio out on the water.

13. Designated Adult

13.1 Parents not personally attending any part of the event must ensure that another adult is authorized and designated.

13.2 The designated adult will accept full responsibility for all actions of the competitor during any activity related to the event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the regatta.

14. Support boats

- 14.1 All support boats shall register and shall prominently fly a National flag or a white flag with the three letter national code of the countries it supports, from a staff, at all times while in the water. All support boats may be required to display an identification number supplied on bail by the Organising Authority.
No other flags shall be displayed by support boats.
- 14.2 All other boats must stay outside the course area at all times. It is the intention of this provision that each sailor shall have a support boat on the course.

15. Measurement

- 15.1 Each boat shall produce a valid Registration Book and each sail shall be accompanied by the corresponding Sail Measurement Certificate (CR 2.5.6 and 6.1.4).
- 15.2 Competitors are allowed to use only one hull, dagger board, rudder (with tiller and extension), mast, boom, sprit and sail during the regatta.
- 15.3 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved in writing by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 15.4 There may be measurement on the water following each race. A number of boats may be spot checked after finishing the race.
- 15.5 All equipment may be subject to a safety check.

16. Prizes

Prizes will be awarded at least to:

- Categories Cadets: - the five best-placed sailors regardless of gender
 - the five best-placed female sailors
- Categories Juniores: - the five best-placed sailors regardless of gender
 - the five best-placed female sailors
- Club Team: - The first best-placed team Cadets composed of the first
 three competitors of the same club with the lower points
 - The first best-placed team Juniores composed of the first
 three competitors of the same club with the lower points

The Organizing Committee may decide to award extra prizes.

17. Disclaimer of liability.

- 17.1 Competitors take part in all races at their own risk. The Club Velico Crotono or any of their officials or representatives or the sponsors or their officials or representatives is not responsible, under any circumstances, for any damage, loss or injury either ashore or on the water either to persons or equipment, which may result.
- 17.2 Participation in this event, supporting events and in each race in them is at the

sole discretion of the sailor and at his/her own risk. Notice is drawn to RRS 4.

18. Insurance

18.1 Each participant boat must hold third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of at least 1.500.000,00 euros (or equivalent) per incident. All competitor at the registration are required to produce evidence of such insurance written in Italian or English and clearly indicating the name of the sailor(s) or the sailing number(s) or the Class registry number(s) of the insured boat(s), including the starting date and ending date of the insurance and the euro amount of the insurance.

18.2 If an insurance is issued to a sail number/Class registration number, the competitor shall present a valid measurement certificate and will not be allowed to sail with a sail number different from the one printed on the measurement certificate.

19. Additional information

For additional information contact: Club Velico Crotona, e-mail: segreteria@clubvelicocrotona.it; tel. +39 393 93 85 772 - +39 0962 20852.

20. Charter Boats and Coach Boats

Charter boats: €50,00 per day; coach boats: €100,00 per day. Coach boats are free of charge for the duration of the training day before the race. Contact: segreteria@clubvelicocrotona.it;

21. Clinic

Club Velico Crotona has organized a 2 day international clinic with international coaches from the 28th of February to the 1st of March 2019. The Price per person is €150,00 and doesn't include food and accommodation. Charter boats are free of charge and also coach boats are free of charge for the trainers who will want to participate in the clinic.

22. Transfers

The competitors or the teams can book transfers to/from the Lamezia Terme Airport (110 km from the city) - the price is €20,00 per person per way - or to/from Crotona Airport - the price is €20,00 per person per way - by E-mail writing to segreteria@clubvelicocrotona.it.

23. Accommodation and restaurants

A low cost choice of hotel and b&b as are restaurant and eateries with fixed arrangements (for a total price of roughly €50,00 including accommodation, breakfast, packed lunch and dinner) are listed on the official regatta page on event website www.clubvelicocrotona.it.

ATTACHMENT 1: RACING AREA

