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DAY 3, THE THRILL OF THE OPEN WATER SWIM OF BARCOLANA NUOTA BY DOLOMIA, WITH ALMOST 300 SWIMMERS AT THE START LINE.

SVBG WINS THE UNDER 19 ITALIAN CLUB TEAM SAILING CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE ITALIAN SAILING LEAGUE BARCOLANA FUN BY SIRAM BY VEOLIA.

A BARCOLANA YOUNG WITH NO WIND, BUT LOTS OF FUN FOR 500 OPTIMIST SAILORS

TWO THOUSAND FLUTES PIAZZA UNITÀ PLAY THE BARCOLANA ANTHEM IN PERFECT UNISON

THE BUILD-UP: 1400 ENTRIES, CQS TEMPUS FUGIT REACHES THE SEAFRONT, SPIRIT OF PORTO PICCOLO WINS THE BERNETTI RACE

TOMORROW THE TALL SHIP VESPUCCI WILL IN TRIESTE

Trieste, 7 October 2018—A spectacular open water swim Barcolana Nuota by Dolomia, an exceptional performance by 2000 flutes in Piazza Unità, the Village fun activities, the sea games played by the Barcolana Young competitors, the slow motion Sailing League regattas of Barcolana FUN by Siram by Veolia. The only thing that was missing on Day 3 of Barcolana50 was the wind, but other than that Trieste is ready for its great festival. On this unforgettable day the missing magical ingredient is turned into music by 2000 flutes playing for the first time the “Marinaresca”, a piece that will become Barcolana’s anthem.

AT SEA – The young sailors of Barcolana Young, organized with Fondazione CRTrieste and Alma Pallacanestro Trieste, have spent the day waiting for the wind, but unfortunately no race was competed. Ahead of the prize-giving ceremony SVBG chairman Mitja Gialuz said: *“I wish to thank all the Clubs, the trainers, and the families that have decided to be here with their athletes in Trieste, at the heart of sailing, to celebrate Barcolana 50. We have reached a record number of entries to this great event and despite the lack of wind it has been a wonderful day of sea, games around the buoys – a great opportunity for the kids to live the spirit of Barcolana and admire the vessels that will race next week. The world of sailing is all gathered here in Trieste today”*. Once the 466 junior sailors are back on land and the dinghies are loaded on the trailers, the prize draw begins. This is the highlight of every stage of the Optimist Trophy Italia Kinder + Sport and of Barcolana Young: the prizes include an Optimist dinghy, 20 Olympic sails and much more. At the end of the draw the young sailors wished good luck to Trieste’s basketball team Alma Pallacanestro Trieste that tonight debuts as home team in the A1 series league, taking great basketball back home after 14 years.

The Under 19s of the Barcolana FUN by Siram by Veolia (the Italian Club Team Sailing Championship of the Italian Sailing League) managed to race thanks to light south-westerly wind

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gusts. The first race, competed with 5-knot south-westerly winds, was won by Crotone, followed by SVBG and then Yacht Club Sanremo; the second race, competed with even less wind just within the time limit, was won by Circolo Velico 3V, followed by Yacht Club Adriaco and SVBG. The winning competitor after the combination of both scores was Società Velica di Barcola e Grignano.

BARCOLANA NUOTA – A spectacular open water swim Barcolana Nuota by Dolomia has seen 276 swimmers (out of 292 registrations) at the start line. An event organized by SVBG with Unione Sportiva Triestina Nuoto which has seen a rise in the number of participants over the years. Swimmers from Italy, Austria and Slovenia have raced in the 1000 metre swim from Molo IV to Scala Reale, opposite Piazza dell'Unità. It has been a great celebration of sport and selfless competition, determination to test one's limits. It was a neck-and-neck race won by the Triestina Nuoto masters swimmer Enrico Cardinale, who won at home a few centiseconds ahead of the new European champion Marco Urbani who won three golds a month ago (400 mt free style M30 category, 3km Open Water and 5Km Open Water) at the European championships in Bled. Third position went to 1968 masters swimmer Dino Schorn who finished the race in an exceptional time. The first three swimmers crossed the line in 14 minutes. The first woman in the absolute ranking (in eighth position) is the promising young Open Water swimmer from Padoa, Giulia Grasso, who won bronze at the 2018 Italian Championships in the 200m and 400m free style. Second place went to Marzia Di Giovanni and third was Gaia Peracca. It was a great event enjoyed by all swimmers who were cheered by a large crowd along the seafront. Celebrations were superb at sea and also on land with the prize-giving ceremony in Piazzetta Barcolana (with a large prize draw) and athletes were awarded liquid medals made by Acqua Dolomia. Like every year, Barcolana Nuota has been amazing thanks to the variety of participants. A whole family, the Boniventos from Venice, have taken part: mother, father and 2 kids aged 6 and 9 – Nevena being the youngest of the competition. The oldest swimmer was Gianpaolo Donaggio aged 78. Other swimmers were the Commander of the Trieste Port Authority Luca Sancilio, the athlete Elisa Mammi (absolute 28th), the rescue swimmers Antonio Pepoli and Michele Di Benedetto representing the various Corps divisions.

2000 FLUTES FILL UP THE SQUARE – A unique, heart-warming concert by 2000 transverse flutes for 2000 sails playing in the main square. The largest world concert of this kind, conceived by Trieste Flute Association for Barcolana50.

Professional flautists, students and beginners from Italy and abroad have performed for the first time original pieces by Maestro Sivilotti, inspired by Trieste and the Barcolana regatta, in a wonderful combination of sounds evoking the wind that fills the sails.

This unique and extraordinary event has brought together many young musicians from middle schools and high schools, from music schools and the Conservatory of Music. One of the most awaited moment was the performance of the original piece "Barcolana 2018" that had never been played before and was written for this special occasion by Maestro Sivilotti for such a heterogeneous group. The orchestra of professional flautists on stage was directed by 7 conductors, while in the square the young players were directed by six other conductors in front of a very quiet audience amazed by this unforgettable music.

UPDATES ON DEFENDER AND CHALLENGERS – Today Spirit of Portopiccino warmed up its sails by winning the Bernetti regatta, despite the dead calm. Organized by Società Nautica Pietas Julia,

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In the afternoon CQS - Tempus Fugit left Monfalcone and reached Trieste in the afternoon while the Barcolana anthem was being played. *"The last two days have been days of preparations and improvements – stated the owner of Tempus Fugit, Antonio Masoli – We are now ready to train and we couldn't wait to come and show our yacht to Trieste.* Before reaching Bacino San Giusto, the crew paid homage to SVBG taking onboard commander Sandro Chersi. SVBG chairman, Mitja Gialuz, welcomed the yacht on the Seafront, throwing the mooring line, as tradition has it.

TALL SHIP VESPUCCI – The Tall ship Vespucci will moor at the quay Molo Bersaglieri tomorrow. The ship will be presented tomorrow (Monday 8 October) at 11 am at a press conference onboard the ship. Many events will be held on board throughout the week.

BARCOLANA A MELARA: A REGATTA OF PEOPLE

6.30 pm- Salone degli Incanti
BJÖRN LARSSON IN BARCOLANA: HIS SEA, HIS WORLD

7.15 pm - Salone degli Incanti
WE ARE ALL ON THE SAME PLANET

9.30 pm – Gulf of Trieste (starting point Salone degli Incanti)
“USCIMMO A RIVEDER LE STELLE”
GUIDED TOUR OF THE SKY ABOVE TRIESTE

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