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## BARCOLANA DAY 2 – THE ENERGY OF THE 220 PARTICIPANTS OF THE BARCOLANA YOUNG: TWO RACES HELD

MELGES 24 @BARCOLANA: AFTER SIX REGATTAS, MELGINA IN THE LEAD

## PORTOPICCOLO MAXI RACE 2021 @BARCOLANA: THE SECOND BARCOLANA WARM-UP STILL SEES ARCA IN FIRST POSITION

BARCOLANA FUN SIRAM VEOLIA: ARRIVAL OF THE WASZPS

Trieste, October 2<sup>nd</sup> 2021 – The first Barcolana weekend, practically a summer's day with light breezes, saw a total of almost 250 crews at sea, competing in the three regattas that opened the event, while the first yachts began to moor along the Rive – starting with the super maxi Arca – and the Villaggio Barcolana was already animated by the celebrations.

BARCOLANA YOUNG - Light western wind and two races marked the opening day of the Barcolana Young dedicated to the athletes born between 2006 and 2012. Organised with the support of the Fondazione CRTrieste, Barcolana Young keeps its spirit between celebration and competition, with many gadgets and opportunities for entertainment, and it is also the event that many young athletes will remember as their first ever regatta: the yacht clubs, in fact, consider it a formative transition from the summer activities of the sailing schools, which have only recently concluded, to the beginning of competitive sailing. Today 220 athletes, representing five different countries, were out at sea: after the briefing - held online and followed by the athletes from their respective sailing clubs, except for the teams from outside Trieste who were hosted in Molo IV - with a soft wind they began the first regatta, divided into three batteries (two for the Juniors, one for the Cadets). It wasn't until the late afternoon that they managed to do the second race, after the wind had tried to turn northward: only when it had returned westward did the race committee, chaired by Giancarlo Crevani, give the go-ahead for the second regatta of the day. Among the Juniors the battle is open: in the lead is the "lady of the house" of the SVBG, Lisa Vucetti, with two first places, but the second place is to be decided among three sailors: Aurora Ambroz (CVDM) today the first and third of her battery, Enrico Coslovich (CVDM), who can boast two second places as can Giuseppe Montesano (Sirena). Among the Cadets in the lead are Cristian Castellan (CVDM) with two first places, followed by Giovanni Montesano of Sirena (3;3) and by the Slovakian Simon Hruska (2;8). Giulio Bolletti (SVOC) from Monfalcone was placed fourth and fourteenth, whereas the first female is sixth in position, and she is Ajda Gulic Bandelj of Jadro Koper. Tomorrow the first start is scheduled for 10.30am in order to make the most of the southern wind.

MELGES 24 @BARCOLANA – Yesterday the final and decisive stretch of the circuit took place, organised by the Società Triestina Sport del Mare as part of the Barcolana events. After the first three races on Friday, today three more regattas took place, with a gentle western wind. Two victories today for the British Black Seal of Richard Thompson, who on-board depends on two Englishmen and three locals (Stefano Cherin, Andrea Tesej and Sara Zuppin) whereas the first of the three races had the other British entry, Gill Race Tea of James Peter in the lead. Melgina of Paolo Brescia (Simon Sivitz Kosuta, Jas Farneti, Riccardo Tonini, Jan Bassi) maintains the first place in the provisional ranking thanks to a third and fourth with a discarded fifth, and still has a vantage point to be













administered on the second, Black seal. Tomorrow, starting at 10.30am the last three regattas left to end the stretch and the entire seasonal circuit will be held.

**PORTOPICCOLO MAXI RACE 2021 @BARCOLANA** – A day of light breezes in Sistiana, where the second race of the Portopiccolo Maxi Race was an opportunity to prepare for the Barcolana and experience a day dedicated to yachting in Portopiccolo.

The regatta course was a triangle to be completed twice: Wild Thing Arca of Furio Benussi maintained the first position completing his second solo. Second place once again went to Anywave Safilens of Alberto Leghissa, who recouped in the last stretch of the course compared to Clean Sport One, who then came third, followed by Anemos II Allianz, Pegaso, Brava and E...Vai. The provisional ranking after two races sees Wild Thing in the lead, followed by Anywave Safilens and Anemos II.

Tomorrow the Maxis will take part in the 50th edition of the Bernetti regatta, organized by the Società Nautica Pietas Julia. The award ceremony of the Portopiccolo Maxi Race is scheduled for tomorrow at 4.30pm, in the little square in Portopiccolo where the "Vento e Vele" exhibition by Carlo Borlenghi will be open to the public.

**BARCOLANA FUN SIRAM VEOLIA** – The Società Velica di Barcola e Grignano has witnessed, in the meantime, the arrival of the Waszps, the foil "entry level" class, the best in order to learn from scratch how to navigate on boats that glide on the water.

There will be, from today to next Friday, five boats at the disposal of those sailors who'd like to learn about foil sailing: by booking at the SVBG it will then be possible to go out into the Gulf supported by technicians of the class, and have the chance to learn the new navigating techniques. Barcolana FUN is supported by Siram Veolia which every year partners with the energy events of the Barcolana. The Waszp was designed in Australia by Andrew McDougall; it is subject to rigid monotyping, and it is considered to be the simplest boat to learn Foiling on: it is 3.35 metres long, 2.25 metres wide and weighs 48 kg. Click here for information regarding the registration for the trial sessions.

**ON LAND** – The on land Barcolana celebrations continue with the Villaggio, whose central part will be open today from 10am to 10.30pm and tomorrow from 10am to 9.30pm.

BARCOLANA SEA SUMMIT – The registrations for the Barcolana Sea Summit are now open: the event will take place at the TCC (Trieste Convention Center). All the necessary information to book one's free seat and to consult the program can be found online at the following websites: www.seasummit.it and www.barcolana.it. The event will also be broadcast live on the Youtube channel of the Barcolana.

**APPOINTMENTS FOR TOMORROW, SUNDAY OCTOBER 3rd** – A full day of events at sea: a decisive day for the Melges 24 and the Barcolana Young regattas. With the results the Maxis will obtain from the Bernetti regatta, the classification of the Portopiccolo Maxi Race 2021 @Barcolana will also conclude. In the meantime the Rive and in particular the Scala Reale will host Barcolana Nuota, the swimming competition in open waters organized in partnership with the Triestina Nuoto, with 283 athletes participating and live coverage by Luca Giustolisi.

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