



OUR WELCOME

A warm salute to orienteers from all over the world! READ MORE ON **page 2**



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WELCOME BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE ITALIAN FEDERATION AND THE ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE



I am pleased and honored to present the 2014 World Orienteering Championships, which for the first time will be held in Italy, precisely in the Trentino and Veneto regions, considered our national orienteering's cradles.

I am sure that the Venice's canals, that will host the sprint competition, city center of Trento, where the Relay Team will make its debut, the beautiful forests of Lavarone and Asiago, where other big world events have already taken place, will give all these great athletes an indelible mem-

ory of Italy after long trainings and sacrifices to fulfil their world dream. During the week, the orienteers and their supporters will enjoy not only woods and landscapes, but also the famous Italian hospitality, the food, the artistic heritage and the towns, rich of history and culture like not many others in the world. An excellent job has been done by the local technical staff, who is preparing an appointment full of commitments. In the name of the Italian Orienteering Federation, I would like to thank all departments of the Veneto and Trentino regions, the local administrations, the Tourist boards, the event's partners and sponsors, all the involved associations and thanks to the volunteers for their support, so precious to realize this great sport event. See you soon in Italy!

Mauro Gazzerro President of Italian Orienteering Federation

Janos Manarin, Event director woc 2014



Ny name is Janos Manarin and I have almost 49 years old (my birthday will be durng the WOC). I work as a entrepreneur with a furniture ndustry and I am President of Orienteering Miane'87 for

I became national coach in 1990 and I have also organized various competitions as national and international level, about the Italian Cup in 1988 to the Italian sprint championships in 2011. I am IOF Adviser and I am part in the federal council FISO with the role of Vice Pres-

Can you explain what is the role of Event Dire

The Event Director, basically follows the technical / organizational area of the WOC 2014. My main role is to make sure that the tracks are technically adapted to a WOC: highlighting the spectacle that characterizes our sport. Icoordinate all the "actors" involved in the organization of the WOC 2014: TV on which we will have live coverage for most of the races, the press, the timekeepers, all part of the Information Technologies ie GPS and electronic control systems. Many people with different roles needs to be coordinated.

Can you give us a quick overview of the different type: of areas selected for WOC 2014?

The territories are basically of two types: the city and the forest. For sprint races in the city we have chosen Burano and Venice. Trent was chosen for the race of the Sprint Relay. We have selected places of absolute spectacle, to make sure that the athletes and spectators can remember these locations and to make the best with live TV. For races in the woods instead we have chosen the more technical and spectacular areas in the Highlands of Lavarone and Asiago: the arenas are likely to eive an absolute value in this WOC 2014.

How much do you think the WOC 2014 will be useful for more learning about the orienteering culture in a country like Italy?

Television broadcasts will be able to give us prominence. Only with the constant presence in the media will be able to get closer to the great mass for our sport. In the highlands areas of race we are doing also great promotion in local schools and authorities with side events before the big event.

We know that you are part of the orienteering since 1985 or. That shows a great passion for the sport. What do you feel you are plaing the role of Event Director of WOC 2014?

It's a big satisfaction for me that the organizing committee has chosen me for this role. The work is not easy and requires great care and time, but I am very proud to be the "first" event director of the "first" World Orienteering Championchips in Italy.

ROBERTA FALDA, EVENT DIRECTOR WTOC 2014



As a child I began to pract orienteering race in 1983,

Berici Hills near Vicenza, my native country. I started thi adventure with the orienteer ing dub CSI Barbarano; jus mediately fell in low with this sport that has given to both in personal experience and results. I wor rist Veneto championship at age of 13, in 1985. Due to both in personal experience and results. I wor rist Veneto championship at age of 13, in 1985. Due to to work at the secretariat of the Italian Feder n FISO. It has been my job for many years, with a k of four years in the FISI - Winter Sports. I have a member of various committees in FISO, such as comm. Technical Educational, the comm. TrailO, the In International Relations. Since 2009 Jam a mem also of the International Commission of TrailO IOF in possession of almost all technical Federal roles ell as Senior Advisor to the IOF Event. I received

Athletic Value. Can you explain to us what are the main tasks of the

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The event takes place on different terrains and areas acording both to territorial jurisdictions and type of land. The areas involve two regions and we have tried to be valanced to ensure the same visibility and importance o both. we'l give the athletes different soils experiences and different tracks: Valsugana, Lavarone Plateau, visigo Plateau. Athletes will enjoy a beautiful june forest and a city park at the TempO scheduled in Alberè of Tenna for the qualification and for the final in Hapsjung Park of Levico. The two PreO races will take place at the spectacular flat Millegrobbe in the first day and will end on the complicated terrain of Camponuletto. The medals of the two specialties will be awarded one



It is with great pleasure and immense honor that I have the opportunity to welcome orienteers from all over the world, especially those

attending the World Championships in Italy. I am sure that the areas selected will offer a picture of outstanding natural beauty, spectacular arenas and some of the most beautiful mountains in Italy. The technical terrain and the added value offered by Venice will satisfy the most demanding expectations.

This will be a great sporting event and an opportunity to show the Orienteering world, once again, that Italy can organize events with great professionalism, using all our best resources.

Thanks to all those who have wanted these World Championships and are supporting this event and to all those people that will choose to be with us and enjoy this magnificent spectacle.

Best regards to all!

Gianpietro Mazzeni Organizing Committee Chairman

believe that in a good World Championships the best thiltete wins on lands of different types but also with racks made with different techniques at the same time with fair play for all participants. I think that it will be o in Italy.

Do you think the WTOC 2014 will be useful to talk about the orienteering culture in a country like Italy where, unfortunately, it's not very well known yet?

It's so hard to get attention from the media. I believe we will not be able to have sufficient visibility throughout Italy but surely it increases the value of the orienteering sport in Italy will be increased and will gain more dignity. The World Championships will be a great way to known the area, we have many foreign visitors and there are many viewers who will be attending. Through the World Championships guests a little more of Italy will be known, in particular the beautiful mountains of Trentino and Veneto.

We know that you were a professional orienteer in the past - including a gold media at the World Championships of 2007 - and a great experience as the coach of the national TrailO. Do you think these experiences are useful to play the role of Event Director of the WTOC? I have always been convinced that a good athlete does not automatically become a "good coach." Surely 1 participated in many World and European Championships, both as an athlete and as a coach and it's helpful to me. Last but not least, i've been IOF Advisor to the recent WTOC in Finland. I learned about sructure and problems of a similar event. In thirty years of activity I was involved in the promotion, competition, training and organization; all experiences are now used for the first WTOC event ever organized in Italy and it requires the contribution of all energies. I have also experience of other high-level events, in 2013 I was a volunteer in Nordic Ski World Championships in Fiemme and in the Winter Universiade. I recognize in myself the ability to neet a lot of people and to understand how they can be coordinated as to find the best solution and create a good relations network for correct oneration.

ANGELO FRIGHETTO, EVENT DIRECTOR 5 DAYS OF ITALY



no Angelo, our intervie aully start with a sh rsonal presentation, see who do not know yi vas born in Melbouri stralia in 1962. I am m d with 2 daughters, a ve in Selvazzano Dentri dova... I started practic enteering in 1982 w a 1992 i founded broath

with other friends Misquilenses Orienteering. Due to work commitments and family engagements , I took a break of about twenty years, following, anyhow, the evolution of orienteering in Italy . In 2005, I finally decided to compete again in orienteering signing up with ASD Erebus Orientamento Vicenza. After a few years of competing in the Open classes , I decided to quit running and start managing a team. I am currently the President of ASD Padova Orienteering. I love maps and I was the Head of the mapping group at the recent MTBO World Championships which were held in Vicenza in 2011, where I was also the leader of the Technical Secretariat, and I led the

am Leaders ' Meetings. Since 2010, I am a licenced F Event Adviser in both Foot-O and MTBO. I speak ent English, Spanish and French .

Can you explain what are the main tasks of the Event Director in an event such as the 5 Days of Italy? Over two thousand competitors from 40 different patience will cound an undergrateable work in the area

as of Veneto and Trentino. We are building an event that really works to promote sport and tourism at the same time. That is my main task.

Can you give us a quick overview of the types of terrains chosen for the 5 Days of Italy and why were they chosen?

Actually, we chose the same terrains that were chosen for the WOC 2014. The events will begin in Venice, where the World Orienteering Championships Sprint Final takes place. We will then move to the mountains: the mountainous Plateaus of Asiago and Lavarone and the Valsugana Valley. The terrains are very technical and the competitors will be really banny with what they will find

How much do you think the 5 Days of Italy and the WOC and WTOC may be useful to disseminate the culture of orienteering in a country like Italy where, unfortunately, it is not ver a well-known spart?

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| Orienteering is a challenging outdoor adventure |
| sport that exercises both the mind and the body. |
| The aim is to navigate in sequence between control |
| points marked on a unique orienteering map and |
| decide the best route to complete the course in the |
| quickest time. It does not matter how young, old or |
| fit you are, as you can run, walk or jog the course |
| and progress at your own pace. If you love nature, |
| outdoor sports and you are always looking for some- |
| thing new, then you should choose this event. The |
| territories of Trentino and Veneto, scene of the 5 |
| Days of Italy 2014 will be capable of astonishing you |
| with innumerable proposals: Sea, Mountains, Lakes, |
| Art Cities, Food, and Wine. We are building an event |
| that really works to promote sport and tourism at |
| the same time . The territory surrounding our event |
| offers beautiful mountains, hills, lakes, vineyards, |
| parks and historic sites, and in the recent years has |
| received much acclaim because of its undeniable |
| beauty. This year, it is set to become even more |
| beautiful as it is the Capital of the World Orienteer |

in the view of all the experience accumulated over the years, what are the challenges you had to face, and you expect to face, in the organization of the 5 Days of Italy?

Friendly encounters, fun, stimulating activity, and so many emotions !

mese are the ingredients of this event, a terrific way to share our values and make it grow. We are the guards of something precious: It is our full commitment to do our job perfectly, producing an entertainment for the group and a proper development for the territory.

We believe in this value and we want to share it with the greatest number of people, by giving life to a positive short-circuit, lighting a spark to illuminate minds and hearts. And the meeting, the stimulation and the fun that characterize this event will bring a new growth and a new value. As at a successful party, where friendship exalts between those who participate. This is our spirit. This is what we can do and will do.

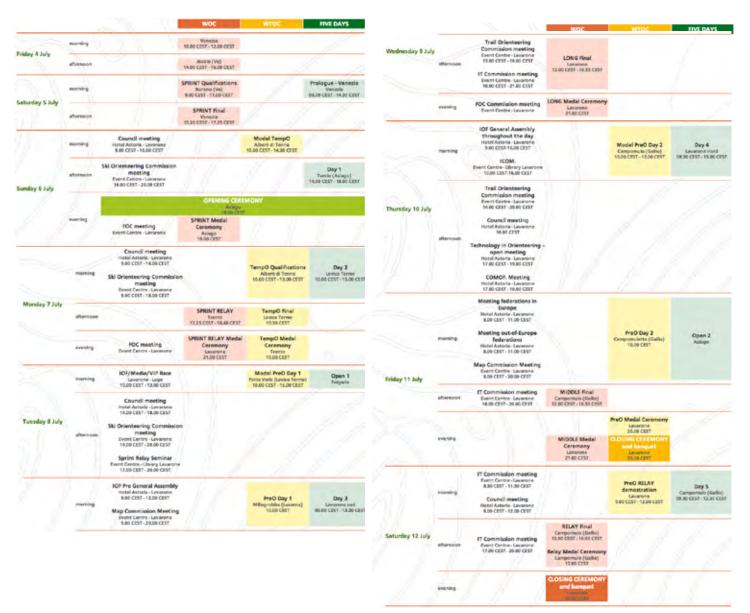
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With great pleasure and great honor that Italy has the opportunity to welcome the orienteers from all over the world. It is the first time Italy organizes the World Orienteering and Trail Orienteering Championships.

The World Championships will take place from July 5-13, 2014 and it will be a great sporting event. A new formula will be adopted for the first time: the Sprint Relay. 5 medals will be awarded in the WOC final races: Sprint, Sprint Relay, Long, Middle and Relay. 3 are the medals awarded in the WTOC final races: TempO and PreO.

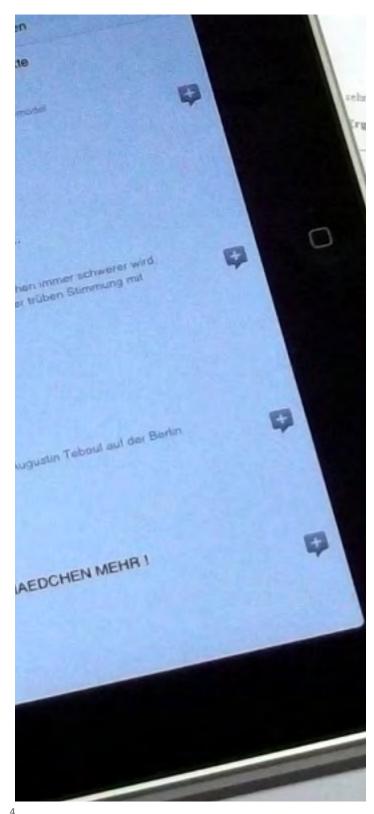
The World Orienteering Championships 2014, the TrailO World Championships (WTOC) and the 5 Giorni d'Italia (WOC Tour) will grant a high quality action-packed week in the wonderful areas of Trentino and Veneto.

The WOC-WTOC in Italy will try to go beyond the boundaries of race to "live" the emotions of the event and to emphasize the Orienteering philosophy intended as meeting between sport and outdoor culture to enhance competitors, the public and the emotions experienced related to the territory, the side events, the sponsors.





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LIVE PAGE WOC AND WTOC HOW TO FOLLOW AL THE COMPETITIONS LIVE



During the races of the WOC and WTOC a live page will be activated 15 minutes before the race of the day with information and links for liveresults, streaming audio from the arena and also the new IOF LiveCenter service for WOC.

The IOF is at the moment developing a LiveCenter service, which will be the entry point for people wanting to follow WOC, IOF Events live or re-live. In the first instance, the service will provide and guarantee high quality GPS tracking from IOF events. In addition, LiveCenter will soon include optional services such as web-TV (arena or TV production) and split times of all runners with GPS tracking units.

Future plans include integrating radio controls with radio control times of all participants, and official results.

You can follow the World Orienteering Championships GPS tracking via LiveCenterIOF link in live page WOC.

You can buy the tickets here: http://shop.orienteering.org/

Tickets are valid either for one event (eg. middle distance competition), or for the whole week. The World Championships events are used to further test the service. Most likely, web-TV will also be provided with arena speaker.

Comments on Facebook, Twitter, photos and videos will be more content of the live page live WOC and WTOC 2014.





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VENICE A UNIQUE PLACE FULFILLED WITH HISTORY, CULTURE AND TASTES...

The historic center of Venice, located in the middle of the lagoon of the same name , out of a total of one hundred and eighteen islets, consolidated over the centuries thanks to wooden pilings, which have allowed the urbanization.

Some of these islands are collected in organic groups between them while others are more dispersed. The 118 islands are separated by canals and linked by bridges to pedestrian use only.

The total extent of the historic center, excluding internal waters and makes it one of the larger islands the largest historical centers of Italy and Europe.

The historical part of the city, is traditionally divided into six districts: Dorsoduro, Santa Croce, San Polo, San Marco, Cannaregio and Castello.

The districts of the old city are built around the double bend of the Grand Canal, the main waterway which runs an extensive network of nearly 158 smaller canals.

In the lagoon around the old town there are several islands built. Among the major islands (which are also part of the town) there are Murano and Burano famous respectively for the manufacture of glass and lace, Torcello, St. Erasmus, Pellestrina and the long, thin island of the Lido with its beach resorts.

Visit Venice: www.comune.venezia.it

SPRINT QUALIFICATION BURANO 05.07.2014

COURSE AND TERRAIN

| COURSE PLANNER: | CARLO PILAT |
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| CONTROLLER: | JANOS MANARIN |
| MAP: | RODOLFO DE FERRARI SAPETTO |

| | LENGTH | CLIMB | CONTROLS | WINNING TIME | MAP SCALE | CONTOUR INTERVAL | MAP SIZE | CONTROL DESCRIPTION SIZE | MAXIMUN TIME |
|-------|--------------|-------|----------|-----------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| MEN | 3,55-3,70 km | - | 20/21 | 12 minutes | 1:4000 | 2,5m | 30x21 cm | 15x5 cm | 50 min |
| WOMEN | 3,3-3,5 km | - | 18/19 | 13 minutes | 1:4000 | 2,5m | 30x21 cm | 14x5 cm | 50 min |



Athletes' day begins at 9 o'clock in Burano for the qualification race, and there will be three heat for men and three for women - 15 runners from each heat qualify for the finals. These will be real sprint races in the most famous city and in this 'natural' labyrinth for orienteers. The first final in this year World Championships is the sprint final which starts Saturday afternoon at 15:20 CEST. Men course will be 4.80 km long with 22 control points and 15 minutes of estimated winning time; for women 4.35



km with 20 controls and 16 minutes of estimated winning time.

Mårten Boström won a very popular Gold medal on home ground (World Championships in Vuokatti, Finland) literally running away from his competitors with higher running speed on the longer legs. In the women's class Simone Niggli took an expected gold medal – but Annika Billstam got very close in the end after a non-optimal route choice by Niggli.

To test your own tune in Venice, Venice Summer Race (5 Days of Italy prologue) gives you a spectacular opportunity. One can participate 10.30-12.30 o'clock with punching start; the event centre will be as usual in Arsenale area.

WOC 2013: SPRINT

VUOKATTI, FINLAND

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| Men | | | Women | |
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| 6. | Jonas Leandersson | - | Venia Niemi | = |
| 4. | Fabian Hertner | | 4. Maja Alm | |
| 5. | Matthias Kyburz | | 5. Tessa Hill | HH |
| 6. | Rasmus Thrane Hansen | - | Galina Vinogradova | |
| 7. | Øystein Kvaal ØsterbØ | | 7. Emma Klingenberg | - |
| 8. | Jerker Lysell | - | 8. Merja Rantanen | |
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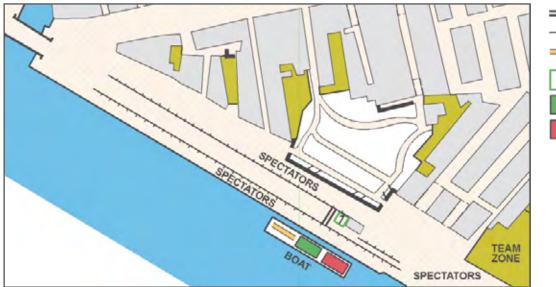
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VENICE 05.07.2014 AFTERNOON

COURSE AND TERRAIN

| COURSE PLANNER: | JANOS MANARIN |
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| CONTROLLER: | CARLO PILAT |
| MAP: | RODOLFO DE FERRARI SAPETTO |

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| MEN | 4,40 km | - | 20 | 15 minutes | 1:4000 | 2,5m | 30x34 cm | 16x5 | 50 min |
| WOMEN | 4,05 km | - | 18 | 15 minutes | 1:4000 | 2,5m | 30x34 cm | 15x5 | 50 min |







A BIT OF HISTORY

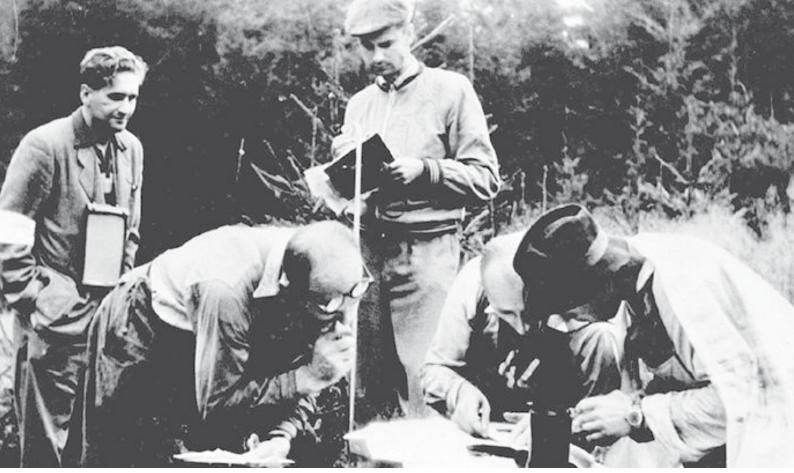
The history of orienteering begins in the late 19th century in Sweden, where it originated as military training. The actual term "orienteering" was first used in 1886 at the Swedish Military Academy Karlberg and meant the crossing of unknown land with the aid of a map and a compass. The competitive sport began when the first competition was held for Swedish military officers on 28 May 1893 at the yearly games of the Stockholm garrison. The first civilian competition, in Norway on 31 October 1897, was sponsored by the Tjalve Sports Club and held near Oslo. The trail was long by modern standards, at 19.5 km, on which only three controls were placed.

At the end of World War I the first large scale orienteering meeting was organized in 1918 by Major Ernst Killander of Stockholm, Sweden. Then President of the Stockholm Amateur Athletic Association, Killander was a Scouting Movement leader who saw orienteering as an opportunity to arise youth interest in athletics. The meeting was held south of Stockholm in 1919 and was attended by 220 athletes. Killander is credited for coining the Swedish word orientering, from which the word orienteering comes, in publicity leaflets for this meeting. Killander continued to develop the rules and principles of the sport, and today is widely regarded throughout Scandinavia as the "Father of Orienteering". The sport gained popularity with the development of more reliable compasses in the 1930s. The first international competition between orienteers of Sweden and Norway was held outside Oslo, Norway, in 1932. In 1933, the Swedish compass manufacturer introduced a new compass design. Until the introduction of the thumb compass, the protractor compass would remain the state of the art in the sport. By 1934, over a guarter million Swedes were actively participating in the sport, and orienteering had spread to Finland, Switzerland, the Soviet Union and Hungary. The nations of Finland, Norway and Sweden all established national championships. The Swedish national orienteering society, Svenska Orienteringsförbundet, the first national orienteering society, was founded in 1936.

Following World War II, orienteering spread throughout Europe, and to North America, Oceania, and Asia. This spread was due in part to post-

war travels by European orienteers, therefore more military people were using orienteering as part of a training method. In North America, the first orienteering event took place in the United States, at Dartmouth College in Hanover, New Hampshire, in November 1941. It was organized by Piltti Heiskanen, a visiting teacher from Finland. Swedish orienteer and business man Bjorn Kjellström, who moved to the United States in 1946, had a major influence on the sport there. In 1967, Norwegian Harald Wibye founded the first U.S. orienteering club, the Delaware Valley Orienteering Association, which 30 years later was the largest orienteering club in the United States. In 1971, a group of orienteers led by members of the then four year old Quantico Orienteering Club founded the United States Orienteering Federation. The Canadian Orienteering Federation was founded in 1967, and the first Canadian national orienteering championship was held at Gatineau Park in Ottawa on August 10, 1968. The only World Championship to be held in North America took place at Harriman State Park, New York, USA, in 1993. In Australia, the first orienteering event was held in 1955. Eleven countries sent representatives to an international conference in Sandviken, Sweden, in 1949 that aimed to bring more consistent rules and mapping standards to the sport. The Norwegians and Swedes began producing new multi-color maps with cartography designed specifically for orienteering, in the 1950s. The International Orienteering Federation (IOF) was established in 1961. The founding member societies represented the nations of Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, the Federal Republic of Germany, the German Democratic Republic, Finland, Hungary, Norway, Sweden and Switzerland. By 1969, the IOF would represent 16 countries, including the first two non-European member societies representing Japan and Canada. 76 different national orienteering federations are member societies of the IOF today.

In 1972 Vladimír Pacl came from Czechoslovakia to Ronzone (Val di Non). He began to spread orienteering among local fans. He is practically the founder of this discipline in Italy, where it collects general appreciation and gratitude among athletes and sports executives.





AN EXCITING RACE THE ORIENTEERING MEETING OF VENICE WAS BORN MANY YEARS AGO BUT IN THE MEANWHILE IT HAS NEVER LOST HIS FASCINATION

VENICE - At the beginning of the 1970s, the Italian orienteering movement was really at its first stages and had very little international experience. When Peo Bengtsson from Sweden affirmed that it would have been very suggestive to orienteer in Venice, the reaction was very cool. However, a few intrepid Italians accepted the challenge and started to organize in the Laguna an orienteering competition, a sport which was becoming quite popular in the woods of Northern Italy. The first edition was quite epic with three adventurers, Benito Cavini, Alfredo Sartori and Carlo Alberto Valer, put at the head of the Organizing committee. Before the event they visited the city looking for a map that did not have any indication or name of the calli and the plazas. They visited every newspaper kiosk or souvenir shop and bought any kind of map they were able to find. Obviously, they collected only maps stuffed with names and tourist indications. But they did not lose their heart and they spent the whole day walking and verifying which of the tourist maps was the most reliable. Alfredo Sartori found that the map produced by a printer from Bologna seemed to be the best. He got into contact with the printer and kindly asked if it was possible to have the map without any name or indication. After receiving a confirmation from the printer, he placed an order immediately. This was the first official orienteering map of Venice, derived from a tourist map. After making the map, the next problem was to be able to obtain all the permits from the local municipality. The local politician responsible for Tourism liked the idea immediately, even if he did not understand very well this strange sport which uses a map and a compass. When he learned that at the start there would have been some local Venetians, he stated with certainty that they would certainly win, knowing the city like no other. Benito Cavini did not lose the opportunity to make a bet with the the local politician affirming that the Scandinavians would not only win, but win by a large margin; the first local Venetian, in fact, arrived around the seventieth place. The politician was very generous and gave to each competitor a 'murrina' as a gift. It was November 11, 1980 and Venice Meeting lit its first candle, one of a long series. The statistics of the time tell of the presence of 108 competitors at the start with three different courses and the victory went to Kiell Lauri (Sweden). The first of the Italians was Alois Lantschner with a decent 25th place. Since then, Venice has become the race for excellence in city-orienteering, a dream for many foreigners as well as for the Italian orienteers. Peo Bengtsson was a good prophet and Cavini, Sartori and Valer, despite their inexperience, proved to rise to the occasion. In 1991 the Italian Federation of Orienteering Sport FISO, which had replaced the CISO and had organized the meeting every year since, handed over the organization of the meeting to a local committee headed by Giampiero Mazzeni, a local Venetian. Mazzeni recalls today - "I got a phone call from the FISO President, Benito Cavini ordering me to organize the Meeting without any excuses. We tried. <We looked like four friends at the bar>, but none of us, contrary to the famous song by Gino Paoli has abandoned the adventure". So, in 1991, a new organizing committee organized the twelfth edition of the race: 1780 participants, 149 partic-

ipating companies, 12 countries represented, more than 50 people in the organization. To organize a competition in Venice without the local support had become problematic for the Federation and the decision to entrust the Meeting to a local club had been made to ensure continuity on a date which has become important in the international orienteering calendar. The current organizing committee has organized the meeting every year since and has offered to the tens of thousands of orienteers the opportunity to run one of the last races of the season in the amazing maze of charming and historyladen streets of Venice. Many moments are to be remembered in the recent years. On of them was the 30th edition of the Meeting with 398 clubs, 33 countries, 3,820 athletes, over 4,000 runners if you consider school children and beginners. The most special edition was undoubtedly the one with the expected high tidal water, which arrived to 125 cm. Even if the organization and the athletes were completely soaked, everyone had crazy fun. To cross Piazza San Marco in solitude with the water that reached your knees with two wings of tourists on the crowded walkways taking pictures was definitely a unique lifetime experience for an orienteer. Two editions of the meeting set the arrival of the race in Piazza San Marco, a dazzling arrival in the centre of the city. Months of negotiations with the Superintendence of Cultural Heritage and the local authorities and policemen who even came to measure the space by controlling every centimetre. And what about the two starts near the Basilica della Salute, with the transportation of the athletes by water-buses? There are starts that you can reach by walking, some by bus, some by cable cars, but there is no comparison of the experience of arriving at the start by boat with the panorama of Piazza San Marco from the sea. The number of entries grows at an average of 7 / 8 percent per year, entries that arrive at the web-site even after the deadlines. Foreign course-setters are on a waiting list willing to set the courses. Venice Meeting has seen the participation of the best athletes from all over the world: Jorgen Mårtensson (SWE, 3 times winner) Matthias Müller (SUI), Regula Hulliger (SUI, 5 times winner), Simone Niggli (SUI). There has also been some satisfaction from Italian athletes: Cristiano Simoni was able to beat the World Champion Jorgen Mårtensson in 1995, and Alessio Tenani, winners of two editions in the elite class. But Venice Meeting is much more. The Meeting is also made by the thousands of fans, by the unforgettable running through narrow streets (calli), by the threestep jumping of the small bridges, by the spectacular zigzagging between tourists, and by the endless reflections that arise from the experience. And it is also made by those athletes that come to Venice for the joy of running in one of the most beautiful cities in the world and to find old friends. And MOV acts with the precision of a Swiss watch, thanks to the work of dozens of volunteers over the weekend of the race that set up the event center, departure, arrival or even a simple refreshment transporting material by boat and then by walking kilometres. The Orienteering Meeting in Venice is all that and much more. Come and see for yourself if you have not already done so. You will remember the competition in Venice for a lifetime.



FIVE DAYS OF ITALY PROLOGUE VENICE

At the Competition Centre, it is possible to ask for information, collect your registration and bib numbers for this race, consult the starting grids and official results and recover any lost items.

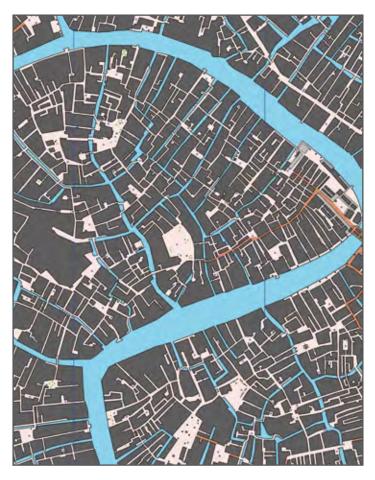
This competition is a prologue to the 5 Days of Italy 2014 Event. It will be possible to collect your 5 Days of Italy 2014 bib numbers and registration

PROLOGUE - VENICE

SATURDAY, JULY 5th 2014

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| Place: | Venice |
| GPS Arena: | 45.432733, 12.350644 (GMaps) |
| Distance from event center: | 125 km |
| Туре: | Enlongated Sprint - Middle |
| Map: | Venice - 1:7.500 |
| Terrain description: | City centre, Historical buildings and monuments. Many bridges and canals. |
| Mapper: | - |
| Course planners: | MOV organization |
| Competition center open: Start: | from 09.00 to 15.00 from 10.30 to 12.30 |
| | Punch and Go - Free starts |
| Closing of finish: | at 14.00 |
| Note: | The finish area of this event will be next to the WOC 2014 Sprint Final arena |

in Venice. We will distribute the Bib numbers and the Registration only for the competitors that have registered also for the Venice Prologue. The other competitors can get their bib numbers at the Event Centre in Asiago or at the Competition Centres during the stages of the Event.



VENICE SUMMER RACE INFORMATION

EVENT CENTRE/ MEETING POINT:

Arena Arsenale - Calle San Biagio, Castello-VENICE, GPS coordinates:45.432733, 12.350644, from 9.00 am. Toilets and changing rooms are available.

START:

The start will be free from 10.30 am - PUNCHING START. There are no starting grids: the competitor can start wheneve

by queueing up in the corridor corresponding to the class. The exact Start is located 30mt further on. The first departure is sched-

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The last departure is at 12:30 so that we do not interfere with the Sprint Final of the World Championships.

It is recommended that the participants are at the start well in advance of the closing time in order to avoid long queues and the risk of not being able to compete.

The Start is indicated by tapes and is located at a 15 minute walk from the Event Centre.

FINISH:

The finish line is located near the Event Centre.

At 14:00 the Finish area WILL BE DISMANTLED(CLOSED) so that we do not interfere with the Sprint Final of the World Championships. SI Card reading and refreshments will be located inside the Sports Hall. Please report and have your SI Card read even if you do not finish the race. Those competitors who do not have their SI Card read by 14.30, will be considered disqualified.

MAP:

The map scale is 1:7500, surveyed in 2005, updated in 2014. Timing: Sport-Ident Electronic Timing will be used Control Descriptions: The Control Descriptions for all the classes will be printed on the map.

PRIZES:

The awards ceremony will be held in Asiago on Sunday after the opening ceremony of the Orienteering World Championships. PLEASE TAKE SPECIAL CARE in the MOST trafficked AREAS, respecting those people that have nothing to do with the competition.

HAVE FUN!

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SIDE EVENTS NOT ONLY SPORT: DISCOVER WITH US MANY

ACTIVITIES AS ENTERTAINMENT & CULTURE FOR FAMILIES, ATHLETS AND TOURISTS







JULY, 4th TO 13th - LAVARONE (TN) Exposure the mascotte design competition

Exhibition of drawings from Asiago and Lavarone schools in the ideas competition mascotte.

JULY, 4th TO 13th - FOZA (VI) *Exposure orienteering maps* Exhibition of the different orienteering maps with their evolution over time.

JULY, 6th - ASIAGO Asiago Starnight Night Show of Astronomy, Music and Dance Opening Ceremony and Sprint Medal Ceremony.

JULY, 7th - LAVARONE Liverpool Fields in concert Beatles acoustic tribute.

JULY, 8th ASIAGO (VI) *Circuit of Golf - stage 1* Golf competition for orienteers in the town of Asiago and Folgaria.

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JULY, 8th - ASIAGO (VI) Visit the Astronomical Observatory of Asiago Saturn and its moons, the stars and how they live. Evening meeting with telescope observation.

JULY, 8th - ASIAGO (VI) ABBA Show Concert A show that inspires and engages young and old. Seeing is believing!

JULY, 8th TO 10th - ASIAGO (VI) *Panoramic helicopter flights* Panoramic Tour of Asiago and the Dolomites. Flight on Italy's most spectacular plateau!

JULY, 9th - LAVARONE Take Me Home Country Roads John Denver tribute concert. With John Denver Project Band.

JULY, 10th- LAVARONE (TN) Technology in Orienteering - open meeting The IOF IT Commission will organize a Technology in Orienteering conference.

JULY, 10th - ASIAGO (VI) Lisa Hunt Concert In Italy she's famous for being the historical chorister of Italian bluesman Zucchero.

JULY, 11th FOLGARIA (TN) *Circuit of Golf - stage 2* Golf competition for orienteers in the town of Asiago and Folgaria.

JULY, 11th - LAVARONE Fireworks and DJ set Middle Medal Ceremony.

JULY, 11th - ASIAGO (VI) - LAVARONE (TN) Visit to the PEFC certified forests With the guides you will visit some of knowing PEFC certified forests.



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