Notice of Race:
CIVITAVECCHIA EUROPEAN JUNIOR, YOUTH & MASTERS FESTIVAL OF WINDSURFING
2008 TECHNO 293 EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS
2008 RACEBOARD YOUTH & MASTERS EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS
Civitavecchia, Italy, March 20th-24th 2008 - An International Windsurfing Association sanctioned event

1. EVENT
1.1 The 2008 European JUNIOR, YOUTH & MASTERS FESTIVAL will be held from March 20th to 24th 2008.
1.2 The JYM Festival incorporates the Techno 293 Class European Championships and the Raceboard Class Youth and Masters European Championships.

2. ORGANISER
2.1 The Championships will be organized by the Lega Navale Italiana Civitavecchia for and on behalf of and under specified conditions laid down by Techno 293 Class & the International Raceboard Class, the IWA, and the Italian Sailing Federation (FIV).
2.2 The event is sponsored by the Comune di Civitavecchia and by the Civitavecchia Port Authority.

3. VENUE
3.1 Civitavecchia is Rome’s main harbour town, about 80 km North from Italian capital, in the Latium, and is an established windsurfing area especially for young people.
3.2 During the championship period winds are expected of an average of 8.5 knots from South 180° at noon. The sailing area is free from tides and currents. The water temperature is expected to be average 16° at noon and air temperature is expected to be average 14.5° at noon.

4. RULES
4.1 This is an ISAF sanctioned event governed by:
4.1.2 The relevant Class Rules and Championship Rules;
4.1.3 This Notice of Race & the Sailing Instructions (SIs);
4.1.4 Where there is a conflict between Class Rules and the NoR, the NoR will take precedence.
4.2 Alterations to the SIs must be approved by the Class’s Race Supervisor.
4.3 Attendance at the Prize Giving & Closing Ceremony is mandatory for coaches, team leaders & competitors.
4.4 Techno & Raceboard are category 'C' classes as set out in ISAF Regulation 20 - Advertising Code.

5. ELIGIBILITY & DISCIPLINE
5.1 All entries shall meet the requirements of ISAF Regulation 19-Eligibility Code.
5.2 A minimum of 3 races is required for a valid Championship/Series for all classes.
5.3 Competitors shall possess valid third party liability insurance 1.000.000 € as requested by Italian Sailing Federation Rules.
5.4 Competitors shall be members of the relevant National class association or of the relevant International class.
National Associations shall have paid their annual fees to the IWA who are empowered to receive these on behalf of the classes.
5.5 Class Membership formalities can be completed on site.
5.6 Entry may be subject to the agreement of the relevant national authority.

6. CLASSES
6.1 TECHNO 293 EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS (TEC)
6.1.1 The Championship shall be a single discipline event for boys and girls of divisions A & B.
6.1.2 There may be a separate fleet and start for competitors 17 years of age and older using a max 7.8 sail from the approved list (Open division).
6.1.3 There may be separate prizes for U15 division with sails 5.5 or less.
6.2 RACEBOARD YOUTH EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP (RYEC)
6.2.1 The Championship shall be a single discipline event sailed on Hybrid Raceboards for men and women of division C.
6.2.2 There may be separate prizes for RSX division and for Hybrid Bic division.
6.3 RACEBOARD MASTERS EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS (RMEC)
6.3.1 The Championship shall be a single discipline event for men and women of division D.
6.3.2 There may be separate Prizes for "Grand Masters" (division E) & “Veterans” (division F); Hybrid and Longboard divisions.
6.4 GENERAL
6.4.1 Men and women, boys and girls, and age divisions, may race together depending on entry numbers.
6.4.2 Each class shall race a maximum of 3 races per day, and a maximum of 12 races for the series.

7. DIVISIONS
7.1 Age:
7.1.1 A competitor must have reached the minimum age limit, in the relevant division, by Dec. 31st 2007.
7.1.2 A competitor must not be older than the maximum age limit, in the relevant division, by Dec. 31st 2008.
7.1.3 A Minim/Under 15 (A) shall be under the age of 15. (Born in or after 1994 and not later than 1996)
Notice for Under 15 Division competitors born in 1996: due to Italian National Law it’s strictly forbidden racing with sails more than 5.5 for young people that have not still turned 12 y.o.; so competitors can race with 6.8 sails if they are born by March 26th, 1996 only. Competitors born after March 26th, 1996 must compete with sails 5.5 or less only.
7.1.4 A Junior/Under 17 (B) shall be under the age of 17. (Born in or after 1992 and not later than 1996)
Notice for Under 17 Division competitors born in 1996: due to Italian National Law it’s strictly forbidden racing with sails more than 5.5 for young people that have not still turned 12 y.o.; so competitors can be admitted if they are born by March 26th, 1996 only.
7.1.5 A Youth (C) shall be under the age of 20 (Born in or after 1989 and not later than 1996)
Notice for Youth Division competitors born in 1996: due to Italian National Law it’s strictly forbidden racing with sails more than 5.5 for young people that have not still turned 12 y.o.; so competitors can be admitted if they are born by March 26th, 1996 only.
7.1.6 A Master (D) is a man who has reached the age of 35 (1972>) or for a woman, 30 (1977>).
7.1.7 A Grand Master (E) is a man who has reached the age of 45 (1962 >) or for a woman 40 (1967>)
7.1.8 A Veteran (F) is a man who has reached the age of 55 (1952>) or for a woman 50 (1957>)

8. EQUIPMENT
8.1 All competitors shall bring their own equipment.
9. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION.
9.1 Each Competitor shall ensure that his/her sailboard and equipment conforms to the relevant Class Rules.
9.2 Equipment inspection and checks may be made throughout the event.
9.3 Competitors shall be on site from **10.00 hrs on March 20th, 2008** for registration & measurement.

10. SAIL INSIGNIAS
10.1 For Techno 293 and Raceboard competitors Championship Rules shall apply.
10.2 Sails should otherwise comply with the national letter system according to the RRS 77 and App. G

11. BUOYANCY
11.1 If personal buoyancy is prescribed, each competitor & support boat crewmember shall wear, above the waist, a jacket, harness, or vest with a minimum buoyancy of 4kg uninflated, in fresh water. The buoyancy shall be tested with a ferrous metal weight of 4kg, which shall remain supported for a minimum of 5 minutes.
11.2 A personal buoyancy is mandatory for all competitors.

12. LIABILITY
12.1 Competitors take part in all races at their own risk. Organizing Authority, ISAF, IWA, Techno 293, and Raceboard or any of their officials or representatives or sponsors or their officials or representatives are 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. 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.

13. COURSES
13.1 Courses for each championship shall be as described in the SIs.

14. SCHEDULE
March 18th-19th Arrival
March 20th Thursday 9.00 -18.00 hrs Registration & Measurement
18.30 hrs Opening Ceremony
March 21st >23rd Friday/Easter Sunday 11.00 hrs Racing
March 24th Easter Monday 11.00 hrs Racing
15.00 hrs. Last possible start
19.00 hrs Prize Giving Ceremony

15. SCORING
15.1 The RRS Appendix A – A4.1 “Low Points Scoring System” will apply.

16. INTERNATIONAL JURY
16.1 An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with the RRS 70.4.
16.2 Their decisions will be final and cannot be appealed.

17. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)/EVENT PROGRAMME
17.1 The 'SIs’ will be available at registration as will the Event Program scheduling social events.

18. COACHES
18.1 Coaches are required to register in advance (**Form 4**) at a cost of **Euro 25 each**.
18.2 A limited number of coach boats is available for charter on request to the local organiser. **COACH BOATS MUST BE RESERVED BY FEBRUARY 3rd 2008 DIRECTLY TO THE LOCAL ORGANISER. (Form 5)**
18.3 Coaches are required to wear a buoyancy aid when the “Y” flag is flown.
18.4 Coach boats shall be identified by flying their National Flags or by displaying prominently their national country code letters in black on a solid white background on their outboard engine.

19. DRUG TESTING
19.1 Competitors are reminded of the ISAF rules and regulations concerning the use of banned methods and substances. Drug testing may take place during the event.

20. MEDALS AND PRIZES
20.1 Medals shall be awarded to the first three in Class/Division depending on entry numbers.
20.2 The first Under 15 boy and/or girl in TEC shall be known as the Techno 293 U15 European Champion.
20.3 The first Under 17 boy and/or girl in TEC shall be known as the Techno 293 U17 European Champion.
20.4 The first Youth boy and/or girl in RYEC shall be known as the Raceboard Youth European Champion.
20.5 The first man or woman in RMEC shall be known as the Raceboard Master European Champion.

21. TELEVISION AND MEDIA
21.1 In registering for time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other re the event, competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authority the right in perpetuity to make, use and show from production of them, taken during the period of the event, for the said Championship as defined in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instruction in which he/she participates without compensation.

22. BIBS/VESTS & COMPETITORS SAIL BRANDING.
22.1 During racing, competitors may be required by the organizers to wear advertising bibs/vests.
22.2 During racing, competitors may be required by the organizers to carry the event sponsor’s advertising on their sails immediately above the boom. The maximum size of the relevant sticker is 600mmX1000mm.

23. DRESS CODE
23.1 Smart casual clothes shall be worn for the Opening Ceremony and Prize Giving Ceremony.
23.2 The organizers reserve the right to refuse entry to anyone whose standard of dress is not commensurate with the occasion.

24. ACCOMMODATION
DUE TO HIGH SEASON OCCUPANCY ON CIVITAVECCHIA IN EASTER HOLIDAY TIME, PLEASE RESERVE THE HOTELS DIRECTLY, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, FOR RACE TIME ACCOMODATION IN MARCH, AS IT IS LIMITED AND CAN ONLY BE GUARANTEED FOR BOOKINGS MADE BY FEBRUARY 3rd 2008. Reservations made after the deadline are no longer guaranteed. Full details of accommodation available in the area may be found on the official website http://www.trecc2008.it where there will be a page linked to all hotels that have an arrangement with the local organizers. On the hotel page click the European Championships logo to go to the reservation form. It’s compulsory to inform hotels you are member of a team for the Championships.

24.2 Limited space for camper & vans is available on site, but must be booked well in advance ( Form 6)

25. AIR TRAVEL/TRANSPORTATION & TRANSFERS
25.1 Transfers of passengers, luggage and their equipment from Rome Fiumicino or Ciampino airport to sailing club is available for small charge. THIS SERVICE WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM MARCH 19th ONWARDS. Flight details must be sent to the organiser by March 1st (Form 7)
For details of local facilities visit the official championships website: www.trecc2008.it
26. REGISTRATION
26.1 The registration office during the regatta will be at the Lega Navale Civitavecchia main office, lungomare Thaon De Revel 3. They will open from March 20th at 0900 hrs to 1800 hrs for registration & enquiries. Before the regatta for information and enquiries, please contact:
Lega Navale Civitavecchia
Fax: +39 0766 392910
Email: civitavecchia@leganavale.it or info@techno293.it
or Italian National Windsurfing Office (Marco Rossi): mared@fastwebnet.it
26.2 Competitors shall produce the following prior to completing registration formalities on site:
- Original Regatta Entry Form (Form 1)
- Evidence of valid third party insurance
- Parental/legal Guardian Assent (Form 2) - for those under age of 18
- Medical Treatment Permission (Form 3) - for those under age of 18 or on their parents medical insurance policy
- Original Bank Transfer/ Draft details
- Proof of age (Passport or Identity Card)
- Equipment Registration Form signed by the Official Inspector

27. ENTRIES & PAYMENT
27.1 The entry fees are as stated on the attached entry form (Form 1) and shall be paid at the time of entry by MasterCard, Visa Card or bank transfer only.
27.2 Competitors may enter in advance electronically through the IWA website at http://www.internationalwindsurfing.com/
or by faxing +44 2392 468831 or mailing an official entry form (Form 1) with their entry fees by February 20th 2008.
The Entry Forms may be downloaded from the Class website.
27.3 Money Transfers shall be in the name of: The International Windsurfing Association and be sent to:
Account Name: The International Windsurfing Association
Euro Account #: 52977299
Sort Code: 20-08-44
Bank Details: Barclays Bank Plc, Birmingham, UK
SWIFTBIC: BARCGB22 (Bank Identifier Code)
IBAN: GB93 BARC 2008 4452 9772 99
27.4 or by Cheque /Bankers Draft, drawn on a British Bank to:
International Windsurfing Association
Mengham Cottage, Mengham Lane, Hayling Island, Hampshire PO11 9JX, United Kingdom
Tel: +44 (0) 2392 468831 Fax: +44 (0) 2392 468831
E-Mail: iwaoffice@internationalwindsurfing.com
27.5 Entry fees paid on site shall be made in Euros Only.