



FIRST SIGNIFICANT YACHTS REGISTERED TO PALERMO-MONTECARLO: THE MAXI 100' ARCA SGR OWNED BY GUIDO AND ADALBERTO MIANI FROM THE YACHT CLUB DE MONACO WILL TAKE PART TO REGATTA

Palermo, April 22, 2021 - The fleet of the 2021 Palermo-Montecarlo regatta begins to take shape and the entry list is instantly enlightened by a name of great value: among the owners who have already confirmed their registration in the 16th edition of the offshore regatta organized by the Circolo della Vela Sicilia, with the collaboration of the Yacht Club de Monaco and the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda, stand out Guido and Adalberto Miani, who on Saturday 21 August will be on the starting line of the race onboard the impressive 100 footer (30 meters long) Arca SGR of Fast and Furio Sailing Team, skippered by Furio Benussi.

Guido Miani has already won the Palermo-Montecarlo three times (one in real time and two in compensated time), he is particularly fond of this regatta and Comes back this year to race in a leading role onboard a fast and competitive Maxi Yacht which among other victories has won three editions of the Barcolana of Trieste.

"We welcome the registration of Adalberto and Guido Miani with true enthusiasm, they are true friends of the regatta and of the Circolo della Vela Sicilia. They also represent the Yacht Club de Monaco, with whom we have the pleasure to collaborate for the organization of the Palermo-Montecarlo", declared Agostino Randazzo, President of the Circolo della Vela Sicilia, who just came back from New Zealand where he experienced the exciting victory of Luna Rossa Prada Pirelli in the Prada Cup. "That's really good news to have them among the participants, with a boat that will race for the victory in real time. It is undoubtedly also a stimulus for the other owners who are planning to go back on the water for the regattas: we are waiting for them in Palermo, in mid-August, to experience together an edition of the Palermo-Montecarlo that we and all the offshore sailing fans look forward with enthusiasm". "We can't wait to get back to sailing, it's a moment that we are all looking forward to," explains Guido Miani. "It will be special, because there is a great desire to sail after this 2020 break from racing and also because there will be three generations of our family on board, so we will have the opportunity to experience the regatta in the best possible way".

The CVS secretariat receive everyday registration requests for the Palermo-Montecarlo. Our staff is committed to defining a program and a logistical organization that, given the contingent situation, will be without our social events and all the collateral initiatives which made the Palermo-Montecarlo great, but aim to be still an high level event, as in the long tradition of the club from Palermo. Randazzo explain: "We are working in full compliance with all current protocols, however aware of the fact that in August the situation in general should be much better, it is clear that we will still have to give up that part of our program that includes events on shore, but at the moment there is above all a great desire for the sea and regattas. And with its magnificent racecourse in the middle of August, the Palermo-Montecarlo is a sailing full immersion that has no comparison".

Another strong point of the regatta is the possibility to take advantage of the departure from Palermo to organize a cruise in Sicily in the weeks before the start; or to extend your stay on the Côte d'Azur, once crossed the finish line. It will be possible to take advantage of the service offered by the Circolo della Vela Sicilia which will provide participants with containers which, duly loaded, will be shipped by the organization by land directly to Montecarlo. This is a consolidated and very appreciated service which will avoid the crews to go back to Sicily to retrieve the material that cannot be embarked on board during the race.

Leg of the Italian Offshore Championship organized by the Italian Sailing Federation and leg of the IMA Mediterranean Maxi Offshore Challenge, the Palermo-Montecarlo will start at 12 noon on Saturday 21 August from the Gulf of Mondello. The racecourse is about 500 nautical miles long and includes the obligatory passage through the Strait of Bonifacio, before choosing whether to leave Corsica on starboard or on port during the ascent towards the arrival set in front of the Principality of Monaco. In addition to the class prizes, the Angelo Randazzo Trophy will award the overall victory in the largest group between ORC and IRC, meanwhile the Giuseppe Tasca d'Almerita Trophy will award the first hull on the finish line in real time (47 hours, 46 minutes and 48 seconds is the record to beat established by Esimit Europa 2). To register, click directly on the event website (www.palermo-montecarlo.it).

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