



THE 2022 PALERMO-MONTECARLO MOVES ITS FIRST OFFICIAL STEPS: THE START IS SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 19TH. THE NOTICE OF RACE IS PUBLISHED AND AVAILABLE IN DOWNLOAD ON THE EVENT WEBSITE. REGISTRATIONS ARE OPENED.

Palermo, February 7, 2022 - While the memories of an extraordinary and exciting 16th edition are still alive, the Circolo della Vela Sicilia is working hard for the next Palermo-Montecarlo, the long-awaited offshore regatta organized by the Sicilian Yacht Club also committed alongside Team Luna Rossa Prada Pirelli in the next America's Cup challenge.

The date for the start has already been set, it's a few days earlier than in the past to avoid overlaps with the Italian Offshore Championship. The race will start on Friday 19 August from the magnificent Gulf of Mondello on the classic racecourse between Sicily and the Principality of Monaco, with the passage of a gate located in front of Porto Cervo, in Sardinia. The Notice of Race is ready, available online at www.palermo-montecarlo.it. On this website it will be possible to register for that regatta which promises to be an unmissable edition for all offshore sailing enthusiasts.

Last year regatta has been highlighted by the exceptional performance of the J122 Joy, the boat owned by the same Circolo della Vela Sicilia and skippered by Edoardo Bonanno, who won the prestigious Angelo Randazzo Challenge Trophy for overall victory in the IRC group, in addition to the success in the ORC International group. While the mighty 100 footer Arca SGR owned by Guido and Adalberto Miani, and skippered by Furio Benussi finished first in real time and won the Giuseppe Tasca d'Almerita Trophy. Also this year, this race represents the most important appointment of the summer for boats and top crews on the international sailing scene, thanks to the always impeccable organization, curated in detail by the Circolo della Vela Sicilia, and to the racecourse which manages to give emotions and twists every year, as in the tradition of the greatest offshore regattas.

"After a year of stop due to the pandemic situation, last August we experienced an exciting and meaningful edition of the Palermo-Montecarlo, because it represented for many sailors the return to racing and partly to normality", explains Agostino Randazzo, President of the Club della Vela Sicilia. "Unfortunately, last year regatta was not complete without all the social events we use to organize to make our regatta great, but we hope that the conditions will allow us to make an even greater edition, in next August".

The 2022 Palermo-Montecarlo is a leg of the Italian Offshore Championship by the Italian Sailing Federation, of the Mediterranean Maxi Offshore Challenge organized by the International Maxi Association and is also part of the Class40's Mediterranean Trophy. The race is organized by the Circolo della Vela Sicilia with the support of the YC de Monaco, of the YC Costa Smeralda and the partner, Tasca d'Almerita. The regatta is reserved for offshore boats with ORC International or IRC certificates, Maxi Yachts (IRC), Classic Yachts, one-design and multihulls. In addition to the two main Trophies, the Angelo Randazzo perpetual Challenge for the compensated time winner of the largest group of boats, and the Giuseppe Tasca d'Almerita Trophy, for the first on the finish line in real time, from this year, the Circolo della Vela Sicilia Trophy will also be up for grabs, it will award the overall winner in compensated time of the smallest group between IRC and ORCi.

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