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Les Voiles d'Antibes - Trophée Panerai

XXI Edition from June 1st till June 5th, 2016

The largest Spring concentration of Classic Yachts in the Mediterranean, where Adventure and Luxury combine in a competitive and friendly atmosphere







It is on the Esplanade St. - Jaume (formerly an antique Shipyard), in the shadow of the ramparts of the Old town of Antibes and a few meters away from the famous Billionaires' Quay, that from June 1st till June 5th, 2016 Les Voiles d'Antibes will host for their 21st edition, a selection of the most beautiful classic yachts in the world for the opening of the Panerai Classic Yachts Challenge.

Organized in the early season, Les Voiles d'Antibes - Trophée Panerai host each year a selection of the most beautiful Vintage Yachts (built before 1950), Classic Yachts (built before 1976), Spirit of Tradition Yachts and Metric Classes (6, 8, and 12 metre IC competitors of the America's Cup from 1958 to 1987), which have shaped since the late nineteenth century, the great history of Yachting International and its values of fair play, solidarity and respect. Since 1996, Les Voiles d'Antibes, marks the opening of the Panerai Classic Yachts Challenge, where adventure and luxury combine in a sporting tradition and atmosphere.

For most participants, this prestigious gathering is the first big rendezvous of the Mediterranean season. Participants are renewed each year around a core of mythic boats such as both Moonbeams, Cambria, Mariquita, Mariska, Stormy Weather, Bona Fide, Hallowe'en, Oiseau de Feu, Outlaw, Adria, Lulu, who have long been present to all races. In addition, each year new Yachts, appear on the circuit. They come out of recent restorations and renovations. Antibes, being the first big rally of the season, it gives the opportunity for fans to come and enjoy the clean lines and architectural plans, the harmony of the gaff rigs and Bermudians and the elegant ballet of crews preparing with passion and thoroughness their sailing legends.

Appreciated for the quality of its racing along the 23 kms of coastline between the bay of Antibes and Juan-les-Pins, and for the great conviviality back to earth, Les Voiles d'Antibes - Trophée Panerai are undoubtedly one of the prime events of the Mediterranean circuit.

The home ground is certainly the warmest of the circuit, Antibes, famous worldwide for its Picasso Museum and Jazz Festival, had to combine culture and music with sailing. With every day from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. many exhibitions and events on the themes of the Sea and Environment as well as live music that animate every night the Village and the Port Vauban, biggest Marina in Europe.

Photo Files for dowload available on : www.voilesdantibes.com/media/connect Mot de Passe : Voiles2015









OFFICIAL PROGRAM

Mercredi 1er Juin 2016:

10h – 18h Accueil des Concurrents – *Registration Day* 19h30 **Music Live : SBK06 (Salsa, Bachata, Kizomba)**

Jeudi 2 Juin 2016:

9h – 21h Animations Culturelles & Commerciales sur le Village

Journée Environnement devant la Capitainerie

11h – 17h Régate 1ère Manche – First Race

17h La Capelina (Fanfare) – Street Fanfare 21h00 Music Live : EDDY RAY COOPER (Blues)

Vendredi 3 Juin 2016:

9h – 21h Animations Culturelles & Commerciales sur le Village

11h – 17h Régate 2ère Manche – Second Race

18h30 Music Live: Jude TODD

20h – 00h Music Live: Riff Tonic (Rock'n Roll)

Blah Blah (Rock'n Roll)

Samedi 4 Juin 2016:

9h – 21h Animations Culturelles & Commerciales sur le Village

11h – 17h Régate 3ème Manche – **Third Race**

18h30 Music Live: Jude TODD 20h30 Music Live: Merry Mood

Dimanche 7 Juin 2015:

9h – 21h Animations Culturelles & Commerciales sur le Village

11h – 17h Régate 4^{ème} Manche – **Fourth Race** 18h30 Remise des Prix – **Prize Giving Ceremony**

20h – 00h Music Live





FOCUS

100th Anniversary of the two New-York 40 « CHINOOK » & « ROWDY »

Les Voiles d'Antibes – Trophée Panerai 2016, will celebrate the centennary jubilee of CHINOOK & ROWDY, the 2 NY 40's, faithful participants of the Mediterranean Classic Yachts circuit.

Nathaniel Herreshoff's aim, when designing the NY40 class, was to construct a boat that was able to excel on the racecourse, while being comfortable for cruising. The previous Herreshoff New York Yacht Club classes were tailored for racing, and required many crew members to operate and race. There was a desire, at the time, for slightly smaller boats that required fewer paid hands, and that would have Corinthian skippers. Herreshoff's response to these sentiments was the twelve forties launched in 1916 that had much different proportions from the preceding Herreshoff NYYC classes. Initially, the lines of the boats were criticized. Their wide beam, and high freeboard for accommodations were a completely new style. The forties were referred to as "flying saucers", as, despite their new proportions, they quickly proved to be quick around the racecourse.

The class saw just two seasons of racing before World War One put a halt on sailing. The 1920 summer season resumed play, and in the six summers that followed, the NY40 class design proved its dominance on the racecourse. The class traded the nickname "flying saucer" for "fighting forty".

Unfortunately, tides were turning. Interest in the world of sailing was shifting away from larger boats and onto smaller classes. By summer of 1927, many of the forties had been sold out of the New York Yacht Club, and only two of the fourteen raced. A class trophy was not even awarded that summer.

Though the boats were lightly constructed, and the popularity of the class faded, through luck and love, a few survived the times.

It remains today, 7 NY 40: MISTRAL, RUGOSA II MARILEE, WIZARD OF BRISTOL, VIXEN II and of course ROWDY & CHINOOK that we have the pleasure of celebrating at the Voiles d'Antibes 2016.



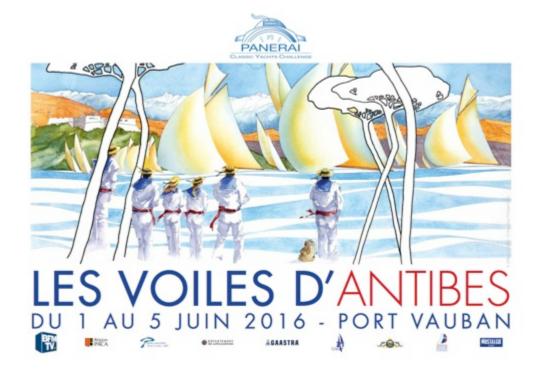


OFFICIAL POSTER OF LES VOILES D'ANTIBES 2016 ORIGINAL WATERCOLOR BY ARTIST PHILIPPE GAVIN

Self-taught painter and sailor, he participated for several years in Classic Yacht Regattas aboard the finest Yachts including Tuiga, the flagship of the Yacht Club de Monaco. His escapades on the water feed his work. The dual capability: yachtsman sailor and painter of the sea, allowing him to describe with transparency, an atmosphere that connoisseurs like to find in his work.

Creating scenes, clean lines, hulls in perspectives, he revisits and refreshes the marine paintings with this fabulous technique that is watercolor.

He exhibits regularly in galleries in England and the Caribbean in Antigua and Barbuda.







THE SOCIETE DES REGATES D'ANTIBES (SRA) TECHNICAL SPONSOR OF LES VOILES D'ANTIBES

The Société des Régates d'Antibes (SRA) is one of the biggest French Yacht club with over 1,400 members with the French Sailing Federation. Located on both the Port Vauban, the beaches of La Salis and le Ponteil in Antibes but also in Juan les Pins, all activities can be practiced in the club.

The sailing school for young sailors from 7 years, is open all year on Wednesdays, Saturdays, but also schoolchildren and college students all week. Adults can also practice their favorite activities: sailing, kayaking, paddle ... During the holidays, courses suitable for all levels are organized, especially during the summer months. It is also possible to rent equipment.

The competition is the heart of the activity. Countless titles of French, European and World champions, are won from Antibes in all the bays in the world. The Optimist, the 420, the 470, the various modern monotypes have no secrets for Antibes champions. 2016 is a special year with the presence of Sofian Bouvet at Rio Olympics Games. The whole club will be behind him to support him in his quest for gold.

The sailing activity and offshore sailing is the largest in France with never less than sixty boats in each race start in front of the Antibes old walls, regularly animating Sundays. Throughout the year, nearly forty races that are organized by the SRA for both dinghies and for larger sailing yachts. The success of each meeting shows the growing dynamism of sailing in Antibes. The most famous regattas are "Ski Voile International" every January in Juan les Pins with the presence of the largest European champions and the "Croisière Bleue" that take over 700 sailors, in spring, to the port of Calvi. The next edition will start on Wednesday 4 May at 18h under the remparts.

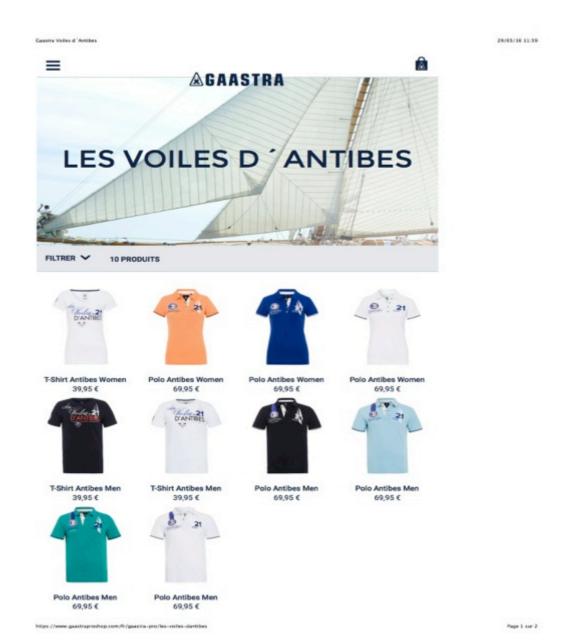
The SRA is pleased and proud to be the technical partner of the Voiles d'Antibes 2016.





GAASTRA - OFFICIAL SUPPLIER OF UNIFORM OF THE VOILES D'ANTIBES

Gaastra, a Dutch company specializing in sportswear with a strong nautical connotation becomes Official Partner of Voiles d'Antibes. Accustomed nautical prestigious events, the Dutch manufacturer arrives, along with the organizers and other partners, with the desire to be part of the life and participate in awareness of the event by developing a range of internationally distributed







YACHTS & RACE

- Great Attendance for the 2016 edition of Les Voiles d'Antibes Trophée Panerai with over 75 Registered Yachts.
- Les Voiles d'Antibes will again the largest spring gathering for Classic Yachts and the first Event counting for the Mediterranean Championship: Panerai Classic Yachts Challenge.
- The boats arrive from Ajaccio but also of Antigua, Spain, England, Holland, Italy and France.

The biggest CAMBRIA & MOONBEAM 4 35 meters

The smallest CABRUFA 7.60 meters

The Oldest LULU 1897

Average size of participants Yachts: 19m

They will be celebrating their birthdays at the Voiles d'Antibes 2016 :

EVA - 110 years

CHINOOK – 100 years

ROWDY - 100 years

HALLOWE'EN - 90 years

EILEAN - 80 years

JALINA – 70 years

COMET - 70 years

SOLITAR NOSC – 70 years

LYS – 60 years

SILHOUET - NANNIE - HILARIA - PAULENA - 50 years

ENCOUNTER – 40 years

LEGOLAS - 10 years

FIRST PARTICIPATION AT LES VOILES D'ANTIBES – TROPHEE PANERAI FJORD III – GLADORIS II – JOIR II – LEGOLAS – MAGIA – NANNIE – NIN – SERENADE – SOUZIE – ST CHRISTOPHER – WALLY ONE YANIRA - CHLOE GISELLE – FAIRLIE -

• Only one yacht has participated in all editions, OUTLAW (Mike Horsley) who participated in the 20 previous editions.





• Follow Regatta

This year, it will still be possible to follow the regattas aboard semi-rigid craft (from the Voiles d'Antibes) Please contact:

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 Chairman of the Race Committee, Pierre Roche under the direction of Monsieur Georges KORHEL – PRO of Les Voiles d'Antibes.

BUOY AT JUAN-LES-PINS

Setting up a course buoy in the Bay of Juan-les-Pins.

If weather conditions allow, the Voiles d'Antibes Yachts will then offer a superb nautical parade in front of Juan-les-Pins Beaches.

EVENTS NOT TO MISS:

CULTURAL SPACE OF THE VOILES d'ANTIBES

The village of the Voiles d'Antibes offers for the third consecutive year, a cultural space dedicated to painters, photographers and sculptors. Located at the foot of the monumental statue of Jaume Plensa "The Nomad" ... a few lengths of the workshop where he worked Nicolas de Staël and the presence of Picasso at the Chateau Grimaldi Picasso Museum today ...

BLACK & WHITE POTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION

Les Voiles d'Antibes have invited 7 photographers to exhibit their Black & White photos of previous events.

More informations
Registered Yachts, Results, Organization, Exhibitors, Concerts ...

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High Definition Photos available for download at: http://www.voilesdantibes.com/media/connect

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