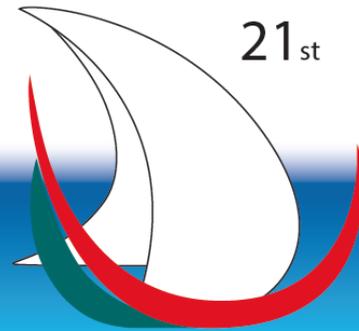




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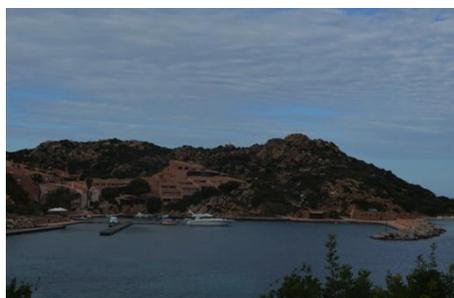
## SARDEGNA

Having left the Xmas holidays and New Year's Eve behind us, most of us have resumed day-to-day life. Though rather late, my team and I want to wish you a fantastic 2014. We are only three months away from an unforgettable week of sailing, the challenge of competition, socializing with (new) friends and enjoying the beautiful waters in the North of Sardinia.

## Preliminary ECC 2014 Route & Program

Some of my team and I visited Sardinia back in October together with Sasha King and we met with our local support staff and the race officer. We visited several possible locations to sail to and to accommodate our fleet. Sardinia is truly a beautiful and exciting venue to host the ECC. Below is the - still preliminary - route and program.

Did you know?  
Sardinia is bigger in size than  
Belgium or Switzerland



## Portisco

**Saturday 26 April:** arrival at Olbia Airport; transfer to Portisco Marina. Registration; boat check-in; welcome party in the evening in Portisco Marina

## Porto Massimo

**Sunday 27 April:** Racing from Portisco to Porto Massimo, a very nice small marina in a preserved area. Celebration of the Dutch King Willem-Alexander's birthday.

Evening party in the marina where we welcome all ECC crew. (Yes, the orange Dutch are back again!)



## Bonifacio



**Monday 28 April:** racing from Porto Massimo to Bonifacio (Corsica). No organized ECC activities for the evening. Do consider visiting the beautiful “Haute Ville” of Bonifacio Town and enjoy local Corsican cuisine individual dining.



## Santa Teresa di Gallura

**Tuesday 29 April:** racing from Bonifacio to Santa Teresa di Gallura. Program for the night still to be filled in.



## La Maddalena

**Wednesday 30 April:** racing from Santa Teresa di Gallura to La Maddalena Town. No organized ECC activities in the evening.



## Porto Cervo

**Thursday 1 May:** racing from La Maddalena Town to Porto Cervo, one of the most exclusive marinas in the world. Program for the night still to be filled in.



## Portisco

**Friday 2 May:** racing from Porto Cervo to Portisco.

Boat refuelling; boat checkout; prize giving dinner and party.

# ECC 2014 Route

In the map below we have plotted the abovementioned route.





Without the support of sponsors, ECC would be a rather sober event. For 2014 we have already secured a number of sponsors to financially support the organization of the ECC. We do however require additional sponsorfunds in order to meet our ambitions to organize an unforgettable ECC for you all.

Besides the normal sponsor exposure as indicated in the sponsor packages, we intend to make it more worthwhile for companies to sponsor our unique event.

The idea is to facilitate matchmaking between companies and company individual representatives. Of course this is all based on the kind preparedness of participants and crew members. We will start the process by creating an ECC LinkedIn group through which ECC participants, crewmembers and sponsors can get in touch with each other well in advance. We further want to facilitate “mingling” amongst ECC-participants and to arrange one to one (direct) business matchmaking during particular events through the ECC week.

We kindly request you to consider the companies that you represent, your clients and suppliers, to sponsor ECC 2014. Each skipper will individually be contacted in the coming weeks by our Sponsor Committee. If you require any further info, please do not hesitate to contact me.

## Urgent call for outstanding crew lists

We have been able to secure a sponsor to provide us with high quality clothing for all ECC crewmembers. That is the reason why my team and I have been chasing you to provide us with details on clothing sizes and male/female for us to inform our sponsor about the clothing sizes.

As the production order(s) need to be placed, I urgently request all skippers that have not yet provided the required details to submit these details latest by 27 January 2014. After this date we can no longer assure clothes that fit.

## Logistics

Sasha King will shortly be in touch with the skippers through email about the logistics such as land transfers and accommodation before or after ECC for anyone who might need that. They have secured good ECC deals. Advance boat provisioning will also be possible.

This will be all for now. Please continue to support our efforts to organize an ECC to remember.

# Arrivederci!

Jan Bonset

Commodore ECC 2014