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THEIR EMAIL ADDRESSES=

SUBJECT: Italian Paralympic Category Finswimming Open Championship
San Vito al Tagliamento (Pordenone) - 9 June 2024

F.I.P.S.A.S., through its Underwater Activities and Finswimming Sector and in collaboration with club A.S.D. Pinna Sub San Vito, announces and organises the Italian Championship in question, which will be held on 9 June 2024, in San Vito al Tagliamento (Pordenone), at the local municipal swimming pool (25 m long, 8-lane pool), located in Via dello Sport number 5.

The above event will be run in accordance with these Special Regulations as well as Regulatory Circular - Finswimming, and the National Finswimming Competition Regulations. The event will be held according to the following preliminary schedule:

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<th>Italian Championship for Paralympic Athletes</th>
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<td>1st session Morning</td>
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<td>- Warm-up 30 minutes</td>
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<td>- Competitions: 25 m CMAS Apnea</td>
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Note: The schedule is approximate. The schedule will be confirmed after the closing of entries through the publication of the start list and may be varied for technical needs. In any case, any such changes will be promptly notified through appropriate communication.

FIPSAS Finswimming Delegate: Massimiliano Popaiz
Competition Jury Commission Member: Valter Gerbi
Head Judge: Gianni Bertoli
Starter Judge: Anita Helga Brusut
Physician: Provided by the Host Club
Timekeeping: To be provided by FICr (electronic)

GENERAL INFORMATION SUMMARY:
- No entry deadline is set for any of the distances. The Championship is open to categories divided by age, gender and disability classifications.
- Only clubs regularly affiliated with FIPSAS may participate.
- Only athletes with FIPSAS membership may participate, regardless of whether they are registered through disability card or federation card.
- Each athlete may participate in a maximum of two individual competitions and one relay event per competition session.
- The following distances will apply to the “Youth”, “Junior” and “Senior” categories and their respective classes A (C21 - S14), B (B1, B2, B3) and C (C1, C2, C3, C4):

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- Starting blocks or plates are not guaranteed to be available on both sides of the pool.
- Series: The rankings will be derived directly from the series. No finals are scheduled in any competition.
- Heats and logistical notes: the composition of heats will be by disability class, category and gender separated from one another. If difficult operational conditions arise preventing the smooth running of the competitions, the Head Judge may submit logistical or schedule changes to the FIPSAS Delegate of the event or any other adjustment, including the criterion for the composition of heats by combining them with athletes of different sexes, but not of different class. In the case that only one athlete is present, heats may be merged, provided that at least one pool remains free between different classes.
After each distance change, given the type of athletes, a technical rest time of at least 10 minutes must elapse.

All changes proposed by the Head Judge or any other needs arising during the course of the competition, not set out in the circular letters, must be expressly approved by the FIPSAS Delegate and outlined in the competition report.

- Warm-up: the athletes' warm-up, scheduled before the start of each competition session, may be divided into separate parts to be allotted according to the classes to which the athletes belong.
- Changes in the compositions of relay competitors will be allowed on the competition site. An unlimited number of relays may be submitted per competition session. The same athlete will not be allowed to participate in two relays of the same distance and style.
- Individual rankings by classification and M/F category will be prepared with medals awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. Souvenir medal will be awarded to all participating athletes.

**CLASSIFICATIONS:** With regard to classifications and the procedures to apply for and conduct them, reference should be made to the current Regulatory Circular and National Competition Regulations. Please note that no classifications will be made on competition days and athletes without classifications will compete as out-of-competition. Classification requires payment (fee per classification) of € 30.00 fee exclusively for motor disability classifications, which require examination, while for visual or intellectual and/or relational disability classifications no fee will be due, as reviewing the documentation set out in the National Competition Regulations will suffice.

On 8 June 2024, in San Vito al Tagliamento (Pordenone), at the local municipal swimming pool (25 m x 8-lane pool), located at Via dello Sport 5, an official national classification session (known as CUF) is scheduled for disabled athletes who have never participated in a national competition. Classification must be booked with the National Manager for Paralympic Finswimming Activity, Mr Massimiliano Popaiz (massimilianopopaiz@gmail.com - Cell. +39 335-609044), in the manner set out in Regulatory Circular and the National Finswimming Competition Regulations.

The cost of the aforesaid classification is to be paid to:

**ASD Pinna Sub San Vito**

**IBAN:** IT72P086316501106600001746

**BANCA 360 FVG – Agenzia di San Vito al Tagliamento Via Progresso, 2/A – 33,078 San Vito al T.to (PN)**

Please specify reason for payment as follows: “CUF registration for year 2024, athlete’s first and last name”.

**ENTRIES:** Through ON-LINE SYSTEM available on FIPSAS website at [www.fipsas.it](http://www.fipsas.it)

Clubs may apply for login credentials with our IT Department (cednuotopinnato@fipsas.it and/or cednp@tiscali.it), which will, however, be happy to assist you with any special needs you may have. It should be stressed that access to the system will not be allowed and data may not be entered or edited after midnight on the Sunday before the event and only athletes registered with the platform will be allowed to enter the competition. Therefore, it is advisable to view the system well ahead of the deadline and reach out to the IT Department for any action to be taken on registered athletes prior to the portal being no longer accessible.

Upon the expiration of the deadline for closing the portal, no more changes can be made. The bank transfer for payment of entry fees (€ 5.00/competition, € 10.00/relay and € 15.00/club) must be made within the deadline to:

**ASD Pinna Sub San Vito**

**IBAN:** IT72P086316501106600001746
BANCA 360 FVG – Agenzia di S. VITO AL T.to Via Progresso, 2/A – 33,078 San Vito al T.to (PN)
Reason for payment: Entry fees Italian Paralympic Category Finswimming Open Championship 2024 - Club name .................

IMPORTANT:
• Entries without regular payment within the deadline will not be considered.
• No cash exchange is allowed at the sports site.
• For any matter not covered, reference must be made to the applicable Regulatory Circular and National Competition Regulations.
• Before the start of the event, all Clubs participating in the event will be required to provide our IT Department (cednuotopinnato@fipsas.it and/or cednp@tiscali.it) with the name of a contact person for the creation of an event-related chat concerning relations with the organisation. This contact person will be the only one authorised to reach the secretary’s table or to the Head Judge, albeit only when absolutely necessary.
• ANTI-DOPING: Please note that registration and/or renewal implies acceptance of the Anti-Doping Sports Rules implementing the WADA World Anti-Doping Programme. Anti-doping regulations can be viewed both on FIPSAS website (www.fipsas.it), at the anti-doping link, and on the NADO Italy website (www.nadoitalia.it).

LOGISTICS:
Requests for hotel accommodation during the Italian Paralympic Finswimming Category Championships may be submitted to:

Mazzolo Viaggi by Patrick
Via Modotti, 3 – San Vito al Tagliamento (Pordenone)
Tel. +39 0434-834483  www.mazzoloviaggi.com  info@mazzoloviaggi.com
IBAN: IT68P 02008 65010 000 1024 22200

Specifying:
First and last names of participants
Type of room required
Telephone number of a contact person
Arrival date and departure date
Any food intolerances to be considered
Request for ancillary services such as: airline ticketing, train ticketing, and/or transport to/from airports or train stations.
Reservations must be received by the agency by 20 May 2024. Beyond that time, service will not be guaranteed.

SIDELINE EVENTS:

• LIVE STREAMING: the event will be visible on the official FIPSAS YouTube channel https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCoDjAEiphGSX3Cb1-2q3lOg
• **OPENING CEREMONY:** on the evening of 8 June, the Opening Ceremony of the Championship is scheduled to take place at Piazza del Popolo, with a parade of participating clubs. Attendance wearing one’s own club outfit is recommended. The event is open to the public. Athletes and accompanying coaching staff are recommended to show up at 06:30 pm. A buffet will be provided afterwards by the host club. The ceremony will end around 10:00 pm.

• **TEAM CLUB COMPETITION “GOLD AND VALUE TROPHY”:** all FIPSAS members will be allowed to enter one or more teams (maximum capacity of the event 24 teams, according to the order of registration), consisting of 4 members each without any distinction of gender and category. Athletes will be able to test their abilities in a 4 x 100 m BF relay and a 100 m individual competition. Medal for all participants.

• **SOLIDARITY RELAY:** ASD Pinna Sub San Vito intends to provide an opportunity for inclusive experimentation for all people having fragile situations. The purpose of the solidarity relay is to engage Entities and Organisations and get them involved in an athletic gesture. Organisations are invited to participate with their own relay team, without any competitive expectations but merely for solidarity purposes, with teams consisting of the president, executives, legends of the past or even parents and young athletes. The group participating in the solidarity relay is required to pay a fee registration of €15.00 per person (any accompanying persons will be able to take advantage of the same proposed opportunities by paying the same fee, including the competition pack).

• **AIM HIGH WITH SPORT:** the Friuli Venezia Giulia Region and CONI Friuli Venezia Giulia are promoting “AIM HIGH WITH SPORT”, a path of events that will involve schools, associations and municipalities in the Friuli Venezia Giulia region. Sports events, workshops, meetings, training and exhibitions to experience together a new model of inclusion and sharing in the territory of sports for all ages. Therefore, during the competition day, participants will be able to venture forth in other sports, free of charge, in the opposite sports areas.

• **MEALS:** ASD Pinna Sub San Vito will set up a refreshment stand for the event in the municipal swimming pool throughout the competition period. It will be open to athletes, coaches and the public at a discounted price. On Saturday evening, at the end of the opening ceremony, a free buffet will be offered to all event-accredited participants and their chaperones. A lunch is planned for Sunday (reservation will be required and the number of meals must be specified by sending an email to pinnasub@libero.it). The agreed price for all athletes and chaperones is €15.00 per person. Lunch consists of a first course, second course, side dish and coffee.

• **LIABILITY:** the undersigned Federation will be deemed to be exempted from any and all liability for damage or accidents of any kind which, as a result of the competition, may be caused to the property or persons of those involved in the competition or of third parties.

Regional Committees and F.I.P.S.A.S. Provincial Committees/Sections are encouraged to disseminate this letter to the Clubs falling under their own jurisdiction.

With kindest regards.

The Secretary General
Barbara DURANTE