NOTICE OF RACE

23rd GERMAN OPEN

Snipe Class

Famous International SNIPE-Class regatta in Italy since 2002

"Alpe Adria Region Snipe Series" (aka "Franz Joseph Cup")

Under the patronage of SCIRA Germany

Lake Caldonazzo, Italy – May 29 – 31 May, 2026

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY:

On behalf of the FIV Organising Authority: Associazione Velica Trentina asd, Valcanover di Pergine Valsugana (TN), in cooperation with the "Snipe Class International Racing Association" - (SCIRA) – ITALIA in collaboration with the Snipe Fleet Punta Indiani.

[SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by a Committee.
[NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. *(Changes RRS 60.1)*

1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by:

1.1 The rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing. (RRS)

1.2 The FIV Rules for National Sporting Activity in force in Italy, the national class rules sheet in force, the rules for BPS which will be attached to the SIs.

1.3 The SCIRA Rules of Conduct for Conducting National and International Championship Regattas (RoC) available at: https://www.snipe.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/01/RoC-0220251231-Clean-copy.pdf

1.4 This NoR, the Sailing Instructions and subsequent Official Communicates. In case of conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the latter will prevail, including subsequent Official Communicates. (*This changes RRS 63.5*).

1.5 No drones are allowed closer than 500 m from racing areas from the Warning Signal for a race and after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. This does not apply to OA drones.

1.6 If there is a conflict between languages the Italian will take precedence.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 The sailing instructions will be available after 12.00 on 29 May 2026 at the secretariat of the Associazione Velica Trentina.

3 COMMUNICATION

3.1 The online official notice board is located at https://federvela.coninet.it/#/manifestazioni/66319/note.

3.2 [DP] [NP]Except in an emergency or when using equipment provided by the Race Committee, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 This regatta is open to SCIRA registered boats for the current year, subject to any Deed of Gift restrictions. Any foreign competitors must comply with the requirements of their national authority.

4.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing online registration at https://federvela.coninet.it/#/manifestazioni/66319/iscrizioni no later than 12 P.M May 22nd 2026.

Entries may be accepted after this date only with approval by the OA on a case-by-case basis by paying a registration fee increased by 50% as per FIV regulations.

4.3 Only boats that have completed all registration requirements will be allowed to compete.
Note – completed registration includes payment of entry fee.
The following documents must be sent to segreteria@velicatrentina.it
Registration fee receipt;
Valid class card *(OR)* shows as a member in the SCIRA Official Online Database
Measurement certificate;
Insurance certificate complying with the limits set out in the current FIV Regulations for National Sporting Activities (not necessary for those in possession of a FIV Plus card);
Any license for the display of advertising in use by the competitor;
Telephone number and/or e-mail address to which all official communications concerning the event may be sent.

4.4 A helmsperson should be designated at the entry form.

4.5 The designed helmsperson must be at the helm while racing except in the event of an emergency involving the safety of the boat or crew.

5 FEES

5.1. Registrations must be completed as per the program.

5.2. The registration fee is set at € 150.00 (€ 90.00 for junior teams) and includes, for the two crew members, dinners on Friday and Saturday, lunches on Friday, Saturday and Sunday and participation in the musical event on Saturday evening.

5.3. For registrations after May 22nd, 2026, in case of acceptance, the registration fee will be € 225,00 (€ 135.00 for junior teams).

5.4. The registration fee referred to in point 5.2 or 5.3 must be paid at the time of registration by bank transfer to Associazione Velica Trentina.

BNL – Banca Nazionale del Lavoro- IBAN: IT23R0100501800000000004579 (for foreign competitors: BNL swift/bic address: BNLIITRR)

Reason: “helmsperson”, GO SNIPE and sail number xxx.

6. SCHEDULE

6.1 Calendar

On May 29th from 9.00 to 12.00 registration at the regatta office.

On May 29th at 11.30 briefing.

On May 29th the warning signal of the first race will be displayed at 14.00, 2 more races to follow;

On May 30th the warning signal of the first race will be displayed at 14.00, 2 more races to follow;

On May 31st the warning signal of the first race will be displayed at 14.00, 1 more race to follow;

The scheduled time of the warning signal for the races on May 30 and 31 may be amended by a notice posted by 19:00 (7:00 PM) on the preceding day.

6.2 Prize giving as soon as possible after the finish of the races on May 31st.

6.3 A maximum of 8 races will be sailed. No more than 3 races per day will be sailed.

6.4 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be given after 17.00.

7 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

7.1 No preventive Equipment Inspection. A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions.

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8 ADVERTISING

8.1 [DP] [NP] Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

9 VENUE

9.1 Races will be sailed on Lago di Caldonazzo, loc. Valcanover, Pergine Vals./TN Italia

10 COURSES

10.1 The courses to be sailed are the Class approved courses as published in the SCIRA web site.
https://www.snipe.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/SCIRA-Course-Chart-2025.pdf and
https://www.snipe.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/01/SCIRA-COURSE-2026.pdf

11 SCORING

11.1 The regatta shall be valid regardless of the number of races completed. The title of German Champion will be awarded only if at least 3 races are completed.

11.2 (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
(b) When from 5 to 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

12 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS [NP][DP]

12.1 Support Persons shall register at the Regatta Office and all support boats shall be identified with a white flag with an 'S'.

12.2 Minors

12.2.1 All coaches, parents, guardians and 'designated adults' are support persons (See RRS definition *Support person*).

12.2.2 In addition to the requirements of RRS 3 Decision to Race, an adult (parent, guardian or designated adult) is responsible for the safety of their competitor. It is the responsibility of this adult to decide if their competitor should sail in the weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event. The adults supervising the competitors are ultimately responsible for the risks.

12.2.3 Parents not personally attending any part of the event shall ensure that another adult is authorized and designated to make these decisions for their sailor.

12.2.4 Each competitor shall indicate in writing at Registration the parent or adult representative that will be responsible for the competitor throughout the event.

12.2.5 The designated adult shall accept full responsibility for all actions of the competitor during any activity related to the event. This includes on shore activities before, during, and after the races.

13 DATA PROTECTION AND RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

13.1 By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to SCIRA, the organizing authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recording, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

14 RISK STATEMENT

14.1 RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." Therefore, participants are aware that sailing falls within the scope of Article 2050 of the Italian Civil Code and that all participants must have a valid federal membership guaranteeing accident coverage, including death and permanent disability. Foreign competitors must comply with any requirements of their MNA and be in possession of accident cover including death and permanent disability, as per current FIV regulations.

15 INSURANCE

15.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €1.500.000,00 per incident or the equivalent, or FIV Plus membership card.

16 PRIZES

The following will be awarded for the GERMAN OPEN:
- the first 3 teams of the general ranking
- the first 3 GER teams taken from the overall ranking

17 ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY [DP] [NP]

17.1 Recalling the Basic Principle which states: "Participants are encouraged to minimize any negative environmental impact of the sport of sailing," it is recommended that care be taken to protect the environment at all times before, during and after the event. In particular, attention is drawn to RRS 47 - Trash Disposal- which states: "Competitors and support persons shall not intentionally put trash in the water. This rule applies at all times while afloat. The penalty for an infraction of this rule may be less than disqualification".

18 FURTHER INFORMATION

18.1 For further information please contact Herbert Hörterich +393356179242, h.hoerterich@gmail.com

19. INFORMATION/LOGISTICS

Information for social events and logistics are available at the following links:
https://federvela.coninet.it/#/manifestazioni/66319/documenti

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

(not part of the Notice of Race)

SCIRA REPRESENTATIVE

The representative Scira will be **Rainer Lischke** or a person delegated by him.

COLLATERAL ACTIVITIES

Wednesday **27 May** Fancazzisti Evening Cup reserved for the SNIPE class
Friday 29 May lunch with German specialties and dinner
Saturday 30 May pasta at noon and dinner, **live evening musical event**
Sunday 31 May Pasta at noon, refreshments at the end of the regattas

LOGISTICAL INFORMATION AND ACCOMMODATION / OVERNIGHT STAYS

Hotel Alpenrose (approx. 7 km from AVT) Mr. Luciano
Via Doss del Bue 16, 38049 Vattaro TN
Tel. 0461-848590 mail: info@hotelalpenrose.net

Energy Hotel (approx. 3 km dall'AVT)
Corso Alpini, 1, 38050 Calceranica al Lago TN;
Telephone:0461 723008 – mail: info@energyhotel.it

Camping Punta Indiani (100 m from the AVT)
Fraz. Valcanover 2 38057 Valcanover di Pergine TN
Tel. 0461-548062 / 0461-240508 mail: info@campingpuntaindiani.it

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