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DEAR GUESTS, SPONSORS AND PLAYERS,

More than a decade ago, the first polo tournament was organised in Croatia on the Brijuni Islands. Since that time I was hoping the tradition and culture of this amazing sport would find a new ground in this sun blessed country and it would attract enthusiastic people to get on with our sport.

Now, years later, we have found the right place and organisation to present polo, the sportive dynamic, the social beauty and excitement to local and international guests. With the city of Rovinj, our team sponsors Adris, Agrokor, Heineken and Tagheuer and all other sponsors, first class companies support our new venture in the breathtaking surrounding of the medieval Rovinj.

Four international teams with players from Switzerland, Hungary, Germany, the US, Sweden, UK, France and Argentina will compete for the trophy at the Rovinj Beach Polo Cup. The entire infrastructure was built especially for the event, using the experiences we have gained over the years. With the help of our main sponsor, Maistra Group, we managed to establish a setup of international standards.

I would like to thank personally Mr Tomislav Popović and Mr Goran Fabris for their support and motivation to bring polo to Croatia and Istria. My colleagues, partners and friends from the organising committee Leo Ivanjko, Hugo Baus, Dubravka Cvijić, Sandi Kuplen, Dominik Černjak, Ninoslav Vidović, Leo Ulrich and Branko Juricic contributed a big deal to make this challenge

become a success. Playing polo is a wonderful experience and passion, but playing polo with friends in such an amazing environment is a true pleasure. I hope very much this first event will be the start of a long tradition and will help to make Croatia become a home of polo and destination for polo players from all over the globe. To everyone involved in the organisation and preparation of this tournament, I express my grateful thanks and respect.

Dear guests,
Enjoy the sport, the atmosphere and hospitality at and around the polo arena, watch the polo players and their ponies playing and parading the streets of Rovinj. Enjoy the wonderful parties we have prepared for you and celebrate this long weekend of polo in Istria with us.

Dear polo players,
Welcome to Croatia and Rovinj and thank you for participating in our first edition of the Rovinj Beach Polo Cup. I wish you fair, friendly games and hope you and your families will become ambassadors promoting this nice country. Special thanks to our referee Mark Holmes and our speaker Chris Hyde for their professional contribution. And special thanks to POLO+10 for the professional realization of the tournament magazine.

I welcome you all in the name of the organisation of Polo Rovinj at the coast of Istria and look forward to many years of polo to come ... ●



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UWE ZIMMERMANN, PRESIDENT POLO CUP ROVINJ

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It is my great pleasure to welcome all of you, the participants of the first Rovinj Beach Polo tournament, to Rovinj and to our best hotels, Monte Mulini and Lone. This unique event will undoubtedly contribute to the recognisability of both Rovinj and Croatia as top tourist destinations. We are therefore honoured to be ranked among the top beach polo destinations in the world for the first time such as Dubai, Miami, Ascona, and St. Moritz.

With our multi-annual investments in the development of recognisable products and investments that will have reached HRK 4.4 billion by the end of 2018, Adris Group and Maistra have created the necessary conditions for the organisation of the largest and most demanding sports events. Owing to our tourist amenities, our accommodation capacities, and our experience in organising similar events (Red Bull Air Race 2014 and 2015, RC44 World Championship in sailing), in cooperation with the City of Rovinj, we will provide both excellent accommodation for participants and visitors and the excellent conditions under which the event itself will take place.

Although beach polo is new to this region, we believe that it will soon motivate tourists to visit our destination, and that it will make Croatia a new polo destination. I am looking forward to exciting competitions in the polo arena and pleasant gatherings outside it. I believe that you will also enjoy our rich selection of wine and food and our wellness facilities. We guarantee you great fun and a wonderful time spent together.

I sincerely wish you a pleasant stay in Rovinj! ●

TOMISLAV POPOVIĆ, CEO MAISTRA LTD



Image: Croatia Polo

Dame i gospodo, dragi gosti i prijatelji,

iznimno mi je zadovoljstvo svima vama, sudionicima prvog Rovinj Beach Polo turnira, poželjeti dobrodošlicu u Rovinj i naše najbolje hotele Monte Mulini i Lone. Ovaj jedinstveni događaj zasigurno će pridonijeti prepoznatljivosti destinacije Rovinj i hrvatske turističke ponude. Stoga smo vrlo počašćeni po prvi put biti među najpoznatijim svjetskim beach polo odredištima poput Dubaija, Miamijsa, Ascone i St. Moritza.

Višegodišnjim ulaganjima u razvoj prepoznatljivih proizvoda i investicijama koje će do kraja 2018. dosegnuti iznos od 4,4 milijarde kuna, Adris grupa i Maistra stvorile su preduvjete za održavanje najvećih i najzahtjevnijih sportskih događanja. Upravo zahvaljujući našoj turističkoj ponudi, smještajnim kapacitetima i iskustvom u organizaciji sličnih događanja (Red Bull Air Race 2014. i 2015., Svjetsko prvenstvo u jedrenju klase RC 44), u suradnji s Gradom Rovinjem osigurat ćemo izvrsne uvjete za smještaj sudionika i posjetitelja te održavanje samog natjecanja.

Iako je beach polo novost za ove prostore, vjerujemo da će ubrzo postati novi motiv dolazaka turista u destinaciju, a Hrvatska nova polo destinacija. Veselim se uzbuđljivim natjecanjima u polo areni i ugodnom druženju izvan nje. Vjerujem da ćete uživati i u našoj bogatoj enogastronomskoj ponudi i wellness sadržajima, a jamčimo vam i dobru zabavu i druženje.

Od srca vam želim ugodan boravak u Rovinju! ●



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DEAR PARTICIPANTS TO THE ROVINJ BEACH POLO EVENT,

esteemed contestants and dear guests,

Welcome to Rovinj, a town attractive for its Mediterranean-Venetian architectural peculiarity, preserved natural surroundings, picturesque and culturally inestimable historical centre and above all for its hospitality.

Hosting the Adris RC 44 Cup and the Red Bull Air Race was a privilege and a challenge we were able to face, as well as a great recognition, the importance of which we can objectively see today. Together with the Adris Group, Maistra, the Tourist Board and all our well-disposed citizens and volunteers, we have created the conditions required for more demanding sports events of an immeasurable importance, when we speak of tourist promotion, not only for Rovinj and Istria but also for Croatia as a country.

These were great experiences that added Rovinj as a must go destination to the calendar of important sports and social events – just like the Rovinj Beach Polo Event we are looking forward to.

In the name of the city of Rovinj-Rovigno, a town that holds dear its bilingualism, multiculturalism and multi-ethnicity, a town setting an example of high standards when we speak of the preservation of cultural heritage and natural environment protection, a town that has several times been nominated leader of Croatian tourism, I would like to express a warm welcome to all the contestants and guests following this spectacular sports event. ●

GIOVANNI SPONZA, MAYOR OF ROVINJ



Image: Croatia Polo

Poštovani sudionici Rovinj Beach Polo Eventa, cijenjeni natjecatelji i dragi gosti,

Dobrodošli u Rovinj, grad koji plijeni pozornost svojom mediteransko-mletačkom arhitektonskom osebnosti, očuvanim prirodnim okruženjem, slikovitom i kulturološki neprocjenjivom povijesnom jezgrom te nadasve gostoprimstvom.

Domaćinstvo nad Adris RC 44 Cup-om i Red Bull Air Race-om bila je privilegija i izazov kakvog smo se znali prihvatiti, ali i veliko priznanje čiju važnost možemo danas objektivno sagledati. Zajedno s Adris grupom, Maistrom, Turističkom zajednicom ali i svojim uvijek susretljivim građanima i volonterima stvorili smo preduvjete za održavanje zahtjevnih sportskih manifestacija koje imaju nemjerljiv značaj ne samo za Rovinj i Istru, već i Hrvatsku u cijelosti kada je o turističkoj promociji riječ.

Bila su to sjajna iskustva koja su pripomogla da Rovinj postane nezaobilaznom destinacijom u kalendaru važnih događanja u sportskom i društvenom kalendaru naše zemlje – poput Rovinj Beach Polo Eventa, kojeg s nestrpljenjem iščekujemo.

Ovim putem svim natjecateljima i gostima koji će pratiti ovaj sportski spektakl, upućujem riječi dobrodošlice u ime grada Rovinja-Rovigno, grada koji njeguje dvojezičnost, multikulturalnost i multietničnost, grada primjera visokih standarda kada je riječ o očuvanju kulturnog naslijeđa i zaštiti prirodnog okoliša te višestrukog šampiona hrvatskog turizma. ●

PROGRAMME

We are excited to welcome you to the 1st ROVINJ BEACH POLO EVENT and it is a great pleasure for us to experience together with you many unforgettable moments.

TIMETABLE

THURSDAY, 12TH MAY 2016

8:00 – 11:00 pm Welcome gathering on the yacht*
***By invitation only!**
 Dress code: Smart Casual

FRIDAY, 13TH MAY 2016

2:00 pm Opening of the Polo Arena
 2:45 pm Short introduction to polo rules
 3:00 pm **Start of the first Polo Match**
 4:00 pm **Start of the second Polo Match**
 Dress code: Smart Casual/CROATIAN COLOURS DAY (red, white, blue)
 9:00 pm Gala Dinner with After Party
 Dress code: Black Tie/Cocktail dress WHITE AND RED THEME

SATURDAY, 14TH MAY 2016

10:00 am Polo Parade (from Polo Arena to old centre square)
 11:00 am Polo coffee break at Hotel Adriatic
 2:00 pm Opening of the Polo Arena
 3:00 pm **Start of the first Polo Match**
 4:00 pm **Start of the second Polo Match**
 Dress code: Sporty elegant
 8:30 pm POLO PLAYERS standing dinner with After Party
 Dress code: Simple White Theme/Smart Casual

SUNDAY, 15TH MAY 2016

1:30 pm Opening of Polo Arena
 2:00 pm **Start of the first Polo Match**
 3:15 pm **Start of the second Polo Match**
 4:30 pm Prize-Giving Ceremony and Closing Ceremony
 Dress code: Sporty elegant in team colours (green, pink, blue, white)
 8:00 – 11:30 pm Polo farewell gathering*
***By invitation only!**
 Dress code: Smart Casual

We reserve the right to change the programme.

RASPORED

ČETVRTAK, 12. SVIBNJA 2016.

20:00 – 23:00 Koktel dobrodošlice na jahti u rovinjskoj luci*
***samo uz pozivnicu**
 Dress code: Smart Casual

PETAK, 13. SVIBNJA 2016.

14:00 Otvaranje polo arene
 14:45 Uvod u pravila pola
 15:00 **Početak prve polo utakmice**
 16:00 **Početak druge polo utakmice**
 Dress code: Smart Casual/Dan Hrvatskih boja (crveno, bijelo, plavo)
 21:00 Svečana večera i after party u Tvornici duhana
 Dress code: Black tie/Cocktail dress (bijelo, crveno)

SUBOTA, 14. SVIBNJA 2016.

10:00 Polo parada (od Polo Arene do starog gradskog trga)
 11:00 Polo druženje uz kavu u Hotelu Adriatic
 14:00 Otvaranje polo arene
 15:00 **Početak prve polo utakmice**
 16:00 **Početak druge polo utakmice**
 Dress code: Sporty elegant
 20:30 POLO PLAYERS buffet večera i after party
 Dress code: Simple White Theme/Smart Casual

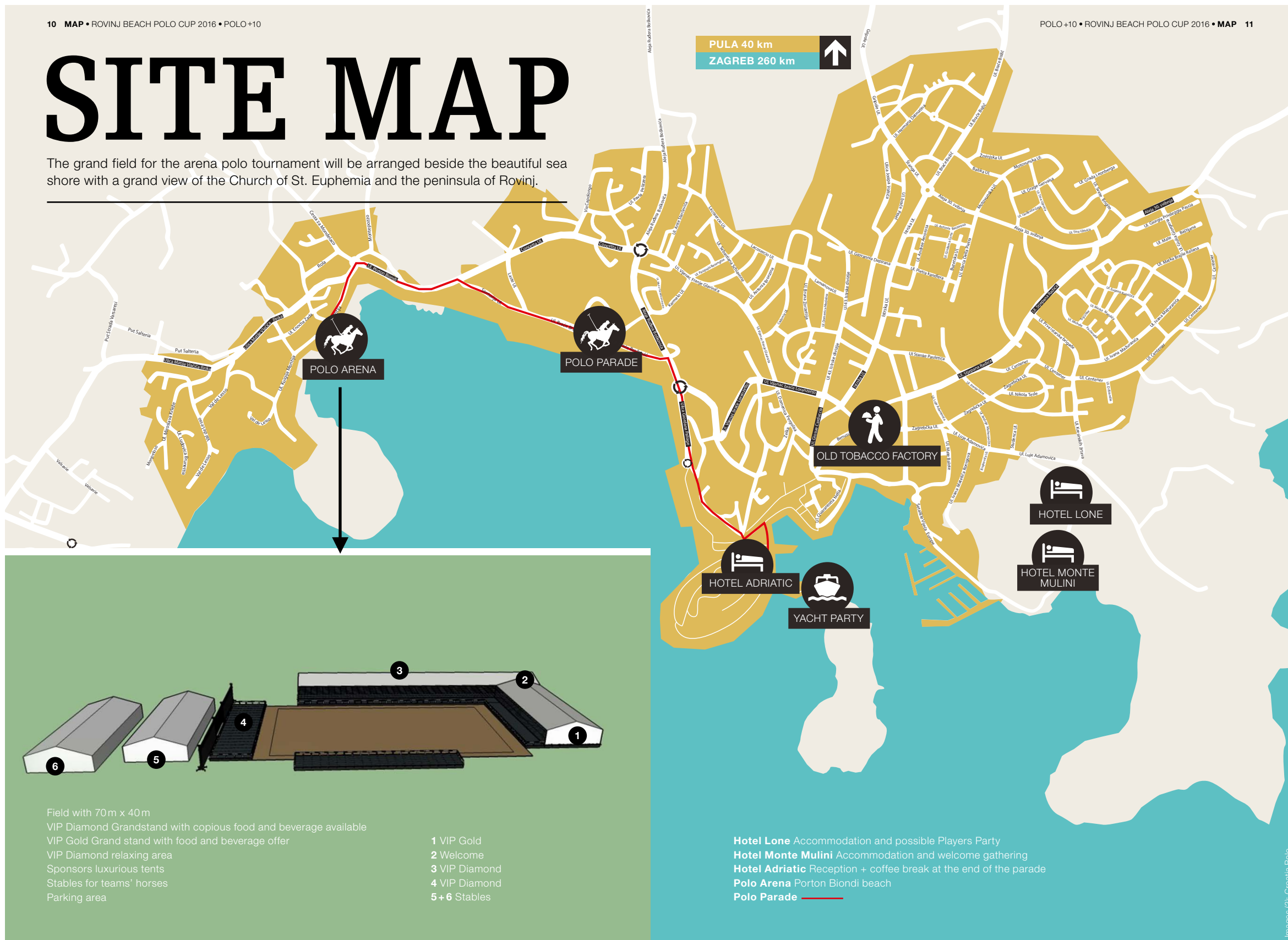
NEDJELJA, 15. SVIBNJA 2016.

13:30 Otvaranje polo arene
 14:00 **Početak prve polo utakmice**
 15:15 **Početak druge polo utakmice**
 16:30 Svečana dodjela nagrada i zatvaranje
 Dress code: Sporty elegant u bojama timova (zelena, roza, plava, bijela)
 20:00 – 23:30 Party zatvaranja*
***samo uz pozivnicu**
 Dress code: Smart Casual

Zadržavamo pravo izmjene programa!

SITE MAP

The grand field for the arena polo tournament will be arranged beside the beautiful sea shore with a grand view of the Church of St. Euphemia and the peninsula of Rovinj.





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HUBLOT POLO CUP ASCONA

Long since, enchanting Ascona has become an internationally appreciated polo paradise at Lago Maggiore. From 15-17 July 2016, the popular Hublot Polo Cup Ascona will be held for the seventh time.

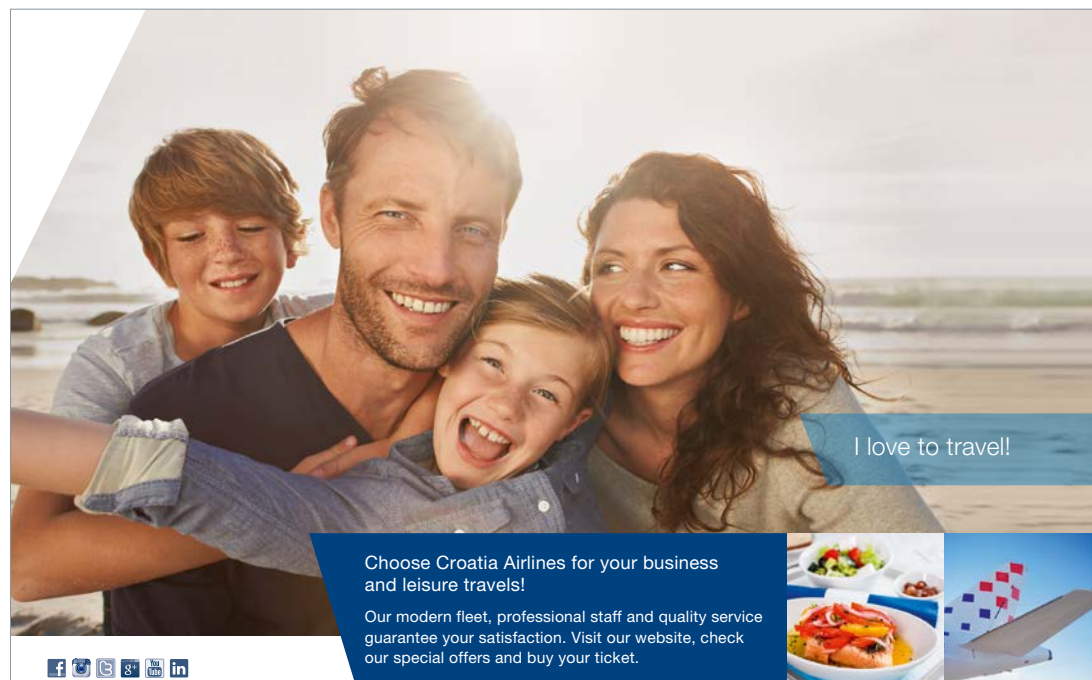
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Polo on a high level with tropical temperatures along with fantastic parties and a great organisation – the sixth edition of the Hublot Polo Cup in Ascona was a top class event. Brazil was partner country in 2015.

Experiencing and enjoying polo – this is the Hublot Polo Cup Ascona. Since its inception in 2010 the tournament in Ticino has built up an extremely huge cult following and each year it inspires spectators and players anew. Thanks to its love of detail, the Polo Club Ascona has made the three-day polo event in Ticino an elegant meeting place for international friends, a place where high-quality polo is guaranteed and they know how to make their excellent parties an unforgettable experience. A partner country sets the tone every year: in 2015, partner country Brazil ensured a tropical atmosphere and passionate rhythms. In 2016, guests from Dubai will bring the theme “Tales from the 1001 Nights” to the south of Switzerland. Venue of the event will once again be the former airport grounds of Ascona.

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Doživjeti i uživati u polu – to vam pruža Hublot Polo Cup Ascona. Od prvog natjecanja 2010. godine turnir u Tessinu privukao je ogroman broj ljubitelja koje svake godine iznova oduševljavaju novi gledatelji i igrači. Uz mnogo ljubavi prema detaljima Polo Club Ascona učinio je trodnevni polo turnir elegantnim susretom međunarodnih prijatelja, vrhunskim polo turnirom i, naravno, zabavama koje nikada nećete zaboraviti. Svake godine jedna partnerska zemlja posebno doprinosi atmosferi ovog događaja. 2015. je Brazil pružio tropski ugođaj uz ritmove pune temperamenta. 2016. gosti iz Dubaija donose „Bajke iz 1001 noći“ u švicarski južni kraj. Lokacija događaja i ove godine je mirno područje zračne luke u Asconi.

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BMW POLO CUP GUT BASTHORST

The annual BMW Polo Cup, held at Gut Basthorst for the ninth time in 2016, boasts a stunning location, exciting chukkas and a legendary entertaining programme.

BY HALINA SCHMIDT PHOTOGRAPHY UWE ZIMMERMANN

The idyllic northern German estate of Gut Basthorst is located between yellow rapeseed fields. Here the annual BMW Polo Cup takes place, each time attracting polo players from across the world to the wonderful old feudal estate at the gates of Hamburg to compete against each other. The tournament is organised by Uwe Zimmermann, Vice President of the Polo Club Gut Basthorst and President of the Polo Club Ascona, and from 10-12 June 2016 it will be held for the ninth time. Polo at Gut Basthorst does not only mean exciting chukkas, in addition the guests enjoy an entertaining programme. The players' parties and asparagus dinner that Baron Enno von Ruffin holds in his huge and festively decorated barn to mark the occasion of the polo event are already legendary. Aristocracy and celebrities have long been among the regular visitors to Gut Basthorst, and numerous members of the press welcome guests on the red carpet with a sea of camera flashes. In 2016, for the first time ever a full Mexican team will come to Germany, including Billy Steta, President of the Mexican Polo Federation. This will be celebrated at the great Mexican players' party, taking place on 11 June, along with the Mexican ambassador and the representative of the Mexican consulate.

Sjevernonjemački Gut Basthorst prava je idila smještena između žutih polja repice. Ovdje se održava godišnji turnir BMW Polo Cup, koji svake godine privlači polo timove iz cijelog svijeta na prekrasnu staru vitešku lokaciju pred vratima Hamburga. Turnir organizira Uwe Zimmermann, potpredsjednik kluba Polo Club Basthorst i predsjednik kluba Polo Club Ascona, a ove godine će se od 10. do 12. lipnja održati već deveto izdanje ovog natjecanja. Polo na Basthorstu ne znači samo uzbudljive chukkere, nego se gostima pruža i veoma zabavan program. Već su legendarne velike zabave igrača i delikatese od šparoga, koje priprema barun Enno von Ruffin u njegovoj ogromnoj, svečano ukrašenoj kolibi ovog polo festivala. Plemeniti i čuvena lica oduvijek su redoviti gosti Gut Basthorsta, a brojni predstavnici medija dočekuju goste na crvenom tepihu neprekidnim bljeskanjem fotoaparata. U 2016. prvi puta će kompletan meksički tim doći u Njemačku, a s njim i Billy Steta, predsjednik Meksičkog polo saveza. To će biti povod velikoj zabavi za meksičke igrače, koja će se održati 11. lipnja, uz prisustvo meksičkog ambasadora i predstavnika meksičkog konzulata.

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BEACH POLO WARNEMÜNDE

Beach polo in front of the magnificent backdrop of Warnemünde beach – in 2015 this sight attracted numerous spectators to come to the sea resort at the Baltic Sea. From 3-5 June 2016 the "Aston Martin Berlin Beach Polo World Masters" will be held for the second time.

BY HALINA SCHMIDT PHOTOGRAPHY POLO RIVIERA DEUTSCHLAND

At the premiere of the beach polo tournament, which took place right at the beach of Warnemünde, about 1,000 spectators watched the matches at close range each day. Six teams competed against each other and fought for victory, including players from Germany as well as from Switzerland, Great Britain, Italy and even from India.

Following the successful premiere in 2015, the "Aston Martin Berlin Beach Polo World Masters" will be held for the second time from 3-5 June 2016. Once more, the programme will include fast-paced beach polo action, delicate catering as well as a varied entertaining programme and live music.

Na Warnemünder plaži protekle godine je otprilike 1 000 gledatelja uživalo u uzbudljivoj premijeri Beach Polo turnira. Šest timova, uz njemački tu su bili i igrači iz Švicarske, Velike Britanije, Italije i daleke Indije, sudjelovalo je na ovom turniru i borilo se za pobjedu.

Nakon uspješne premijere protekle godine natjecanje „Aston Martin Berlin Beach Polo Masters“ u Warnemündu ponovno će biti održano od 3. do 5. lipnja 2016. Na programu su ponovno uzbudljive Beach Polo utakmice, ukusan catering i raznovrstan program s glazbom uživo.

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BEACH POLO CUP DUBAI

Dubai is the birthplace of beach polo. In 2004, polo was played here on sand for the very first time. Today the Beach Polo Cup Dubai is one of the most prestigious and popular beach polo tournaments in the world.

BY KATRIN LANGEMANN PHOTOGRAPHY BEACH POLO CUP DUBAI

„Let’s play polo at the beach” – this sentence heralded a new era in polo and in 2004 the very first Beach Polo Cup took place, founded and organised by mamemo productions at the pristine beach of Dubai. For more than two thousand years, polo was played on grass and only in 2004 did people discover that it could be played on sand. The idea for beach polo came about in a rather roundabout fashion during a lively discussion at a dinner in Dubai. It was met with such enthusiasm that an event was cobbled together within just four weeks, attracting global attention. In May 2004, four international teams battled it out on the beach for the Beach Polo Cup Dubai for the first time. The international sponsors and players were incredibly enthusiastic about the event. “In 2014, in celebration of the 10th anniversary of the Beach Polo Cup Dubai we moved to Skydive Dubai”, says the man behind Beach Polo, Sam Katiela. Since then the matches take place with the iconic Dubai Marina skyline as a backdrop.

„Let’s play polo at the beach“ (Zaigramo polo na plaži) – ova rečenica označila je novu eru u polo sportu. 2004. godine odigran je prvi polo turnir na pijesku, koji je osnovala i organizirala tvrtka Mamemo Productions na prekrasnoj plaži u Dubaiju. Tisućljećima se polo igrao na travnjaku, a tek 2004. pijesak postaje podloga na kojoj se igra. Ideja pješčanog chukkera nastala je sasvim slučajno tijekom večernjeg razgovora u Dubaiju. No toliko se dojmila svih da je za samo četiri tjedna organiziran prvi turnir koji je primamio znatizeljne iz cijelog svijeta. Četiri međunarodna tima natjecala su se u svibnju 2004. u prvom izdanju turnira Beach Polo Cup Dubai. Međunarodni sponzori i igrači bili su oduševljeni idejom. 2014. godine proslava 10. obljetnice turnira Beach Polo Cup Dubai premještena je u Skydive Dubai, otkriva osnivač ovog turnira Sam Katiela. Otada se utakmice održavaju ispred grandioznog Skylinea u Dubai Marini.

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Left: Mark Holmes, HPA certified umpire. Right: Arena 10-goaler Chris Hyde guarantees best moderation.



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THE EXPERTS

For the first Rovinj Beach Polo Cup 2016 very popular polo persons are in charge of presenting and umpiring the matches. A short introduction to Mark Holmes and Chris Hyde.

BY STEFANIE STÜTING

MARK HOLMES

Mark is an active polo player for over twenty years and is renowned for being one of the best polo umpires in the world. As a player, HPA certified instructor and umpire he is deeply involved in the international polo scene all over the world such as in New Zealand, Malaysia, India, Singapore, Kenya, South Africa and Argentina. Mark Holmes plays and umpires polo matches on grass, in the arena such as in Rovinj as well as on snow and on the beach. In his home country England but also overseas Mark is managing several polo clubs and teams. To have him at the beach polo premiere at Rovinj is a signature commitment to high quality polo.

CHRIS HYDE

Chris Hyde from England who has won the St. Moritz Snow Polo World Cup three times in a row and altogether five times for team Cartier. He became the first English arena player with a 10-goal handicap in 2015. His experience in arena polo is legendary. Together with his general polo know-how and his fine British humour it will be a pleasure to enjoy Chris presenting the polo matches. Chris knows the president of the organising committee at Rovinj, Uwe Zimmermann, very well, as he took part in his arena polo venue at Ascona / Switzerland.

MARK HOLMES

Mark aktivno igra polo već više od dvadeset godina i poznat je kao jedan od najboljih svjetskih polo sudaca. Kao igrač, certificirani instruktor udruženja HPA i sudac, intenzivno je angažiran na međunarodnoj polo sceni diljem svijeta, od Novog Zelanda, Malezije, Indije, Singapura, Kenije, Južnoafričke Republike do Argentine. Mark Holmes igra i sudi na polo turnirima na travi, u areni, kao što je ona u Rovinju, ali i na snijegu i pijesku. U svojoj rodnoj Engleskoj, no i u drugim zemljama, Mark vodi nekoliko polo klubova i timova. Njegova prisutnost na prvom Beach polo turniru u Rovinju jamstvo je vrhunskog polo susreta.

CHRIS HYDE

Chris Hyde iz Engleske, koji je triput zaredom pobjeđivao na svjetskom polo kupu na snijegu u St. Moritzu i ukupno pet puta s Cartier timom, postao je 2015. prvi engleski igrač pola u areni s hendikepom od 10 golova. Njegovo iskustvo u igranju pola u areni je legendarno. Bit će nam užitak pratiti polo utakmice s Chrisom kao moderatorom uz njegovo znanje i iskustvo, i njegov odličan britanski humor. Chris odlično poznaje i predsjednika organizacijskog odbora turnira u Rovinju, Uwea Zimmermanna, u čijoj je organizaciji sudjelovao na polo kupu u areni u Asconi u Švicarskoj.



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Sometimes the choice of clothes appears as a question to those, who attend a polo match for the first time.

WHAT TO WEAR?

One of the most memorable polo scenes was featured in the movie "Pretty Woman" starring Julia Roberts. Ever since then the question "What to wear at a polo match" occurs regularly.

BY STEFANIE STÜTING PHOTOGRAPHY KRISZTINA ZIMMERMANN

Polo has been cast with an image of tradition and formality but also with a glamorous atmosphere and iconic outfits. While the sport of polo itself is very traditional, the outward appearance of the audience differs from event to event. What you will see at every polo match is a variety of mixed attire from blue jeans and flip-flops to colourful sundresses, khaki pants and button-down shirts. Polo games are outdoors and the weather will be a factor in your wardrobe selection. Beach polo may be the most casual and sportive polo venue of all. Charity events that are attached to a polo match may have a theme or dress code. Many of the polo games here in Europe are casual, family events. If you are invited to the VIP tent keep in mind that this might lead to further dress code provisions.

Uz polo se veže pojam tradicije i formalnosti, no i svečani ugođaj uz atraktivan izgled. Iako je polo kao sport vrlo tradicionalnog karaktera, vanjski dojam publike razlikuje se ovisno o lokaciji održavanja turnira. Na svakom polo turniru uočit ćete raznolikost odjeće, od plavih traperica i japanki do svečanih haljina, kaki odjeće i majica s gumbima. Polo se igra na otvorenom i stoga je vrijeme jedan od ključnih faktora pri odabiru garderobe. Polo na pijesku vjerojatno je najopušteniji i naj-sportskiji događaj u polo svijetu. Dobrotvorne akcije, koje su obično dio polo turnira, mogu imati tematski ili definirani stil odjeće. Mnogi polo turniri ovdje u Europi radije su opuštena događanja obiteljskog tipa. No ako ste pozvani u VIP šator, imajte na umu da ćete možda ipak morati slijediti određeni propisani stil odijevanja.

LET'S TALK ABOUT POLO

Playing technique, speed and team spirit – the fascinating sport of polo is attracting more and more people all over the world. An insight into the world of polo.

BY HALINA SCHMIDT PHOTOGRAPHY JACQUES TOFFI

Persia is the birthplace of polo. According to ancient sources, Persian rulers were hooked on playing polo as early as 600 B.C. Today polo is known to be the oldest team sport in the world. Long before polo was even known on the European continent, the lightning-fast game was already hugely popular across Asia. British officers stationed in India towards the end of the 19th century were infected by the local enthusiasm for the sport, leading them to found the world's first polo club in Silchar in 1859.

Back in their homeland, the British wanted to carry on enjoying their new leisure pursuit. In 1874 the first polo match was played at the Hurlingham Club in London and one year later here the rules of polo were set down in writing for the first time. These rules are still applied in international matches all over the world. The British then took the sport to America, which helped to develop the handicap system, which is still valid until today. It was also the British who took the sport to South America. Once it arrived on these shores, there was no stopping it. The Argentinians fell in love with this sport on horseback. No other country in the world has as many 10-goal players as Argentina. In addition the best polo ponies come from the South American country.

Today, polo is played in over 90 countries across the world and the sport continues to enjoy enormous popularity around the globe. Polo is played not only on horseback, but also with other animals such as elephants and camels, as well as on bikes, in canoes and on Segways. It is not just played on grass, but also on snow and sand. One of the reasons for the growing fascination for the sport of polo is its attractive mixture of playing technique, speed and team spirit. The protagonists of each polo match are always the horses. The attributes of a good polo pony: quick, agile and with strong nerves. In recent years crosses of Thoroughbreds and Criollo horses from Argentina have become popular. Today, most polo ponies stand around 63 inches (160 cm). They can reach a speed of 60 km/h in the minimum of time. Safety of the horse is paramount in polo. If, for instance, a pony's bandage comes undone, the whistle is blown to stop play. While players are expected to play the full game without substitution, polo ponies may not be played in consecutive chukkas. In short: a polo player entering a tournament must have at least two polo ponies. Four ponies is a professional number, while five are ideal just in case. Some players even bring along six ponies or more. This makes the sport of polo one of the most expensive forms of sport in the world. •

Kolijevka pola je Perzija, gdje se već negdje oko 600. godina prije Krista igrao polo. I pod perzijskim vladarima polo je bio vrlo omiljen, a danas je jedan od najstarijih ekipnih sportova na svijetu. Iz Perzije je ova konjička brza igra zahvatila azijski prostor do Indije. U Europu su ovu igru doveli britanski oficiri, koji su krajem 19. stoljeća bili stacionirani u Indiji. Brzo su zavoljeli ovu igru štapom i loptom, a 1859. osnovali su u Silcharu prvi polo klub na svijetu.

Nakon što su se oficiri vratili na britanski otok, ponijeli su oduševljenost igrom polo. 1984. održano je prvo polo natjecanje u Europi u klubu Hurlingham Club u Londonu, gdje su se godinu dana kasnije pismeno definirala pravila pola. Ta se pravila još dan-danas primjenjuju u polo sportu diljem svijeta. Iz Velike Britanije ova je igra došla i u Sjevernu Ameriku, gdje je 1888. razvijen danas važeći sustav handicapa. Konačno su britanci donijeli ovu igru i u Južnu Ameriku, a posebice su Argentinanci oduševljeno prigrllili ovaj konjički sport. I dan-danas Argentina je zemlja polo sporta, najpoznatiji igrači dolaze iz te zemlje i najviše igrača s ocjenom 10 dolaze otamo. K tome se u toj južnoameričkoj zemlji uzgajaju najbolji poniji za polo.

Danas se polo igra posvuda u svijetu, u preko 90 zemalja održavaju se polo turniri, a oduševljenje za ovaj sport sve više raste. Polo se ne igra samo s konjima, nego i sa slonovima, kamilama i čak na kotačima, u kanuu i Segwayu. Uz standardnu polo disciplinu na travi igra se na snijegu i pijesku kao podlozi. Razlog tolikom oduševljenju polom je kombinacija tehnike, brzine i timske igre. No glavni element u polu je konj. Karakteristike dobrog konja za polo su brzina, okretnost i staloženost. Danas se polo konji uzgajaju uglavnom iz rase Criollo i čistokrvnih rasa. Oni s visinom od otprilike 1,60 m u najkraćem vremenu mogu postići brzinu do 60 km/h. Zaštita i sigurnost konja u polu je najviši prioritet. Zaštita i sigurnost konja u polu je najviši prioritet. Ako se, primjerice, otpusti zavoj konja, odmah se oglašava zviždaljka. Iako je idealno za jahača da istog konja jaše cijelu igru, jedan konj ne smije se jahati dva chukkera uzastopce. Kratko izračunato: Polo igrač mora imati najmanje dva konja na natjecanju. Četiri konja imaju pravi profesionalci – a pet je optimalno za svaki slučaj. Neki putuju čak sa šest ili više konja. Stoga polo spada među najskuplje sportove na svijetu. •

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POLO RULES

With knowledge of the basic rules, even a newcomer to polo can partake in the action on the field. On this page you will find some basics of the fast sport of polo at a glance.

THE GAME

A game has four to eight periods of play known as chukkas. One chukka is seven and a half minutes long with the clock being stopped every time there is any interruption. The breaks between each chukka are about three to five minutes long and this is when players have to change ponies. Sides are changed every time a goal is scored – which can be rather confusing for first-time polo spectators. The game is not stopped if a player falls off his horse as long as he or she is not injured. However, play is stopped if a horse injures itself, the bridle gets entangled, or a horse's bandage comes undone.

HANDICAP

Each player is individually ranked – as in golf – on a handicap scale that ranges from -2 (beginners) to +10. There are only a handful of players worldwide with a 10-goal handicap. About 90% of the players are ranked in a handicap range of 0 to +2. The team handicap is the aggregate of the players' handicaps. The difference in goals ("handicap goals") between two teams is awarded to the lower rated team before play begins. In snow polo, the handicap of each player is raised by 1 goal.

LINE OF THE BALL

The line of the ball and the right-of-way make up the fundamentals of the game. The line of the ball is the imaginary path the travelling ball is expected to take. This line may not be crossed by the opponent. A player who is going straight after a ball he has hit, or the first player to swing into the line of a rolling or flying ball, without hampering the others, may not be intercepted by any other player as this could harm the player or the pony.

CHANGE OF SIDES AFTER EACH GOAL

One of the most important rules: the teams change sides after each goal. This rule stems from the hot and sunny colonies in India, where polo was played in the evening due to the high temperatures during the day. As the sun is low in the evening, it was a considerable disadvantage to play against the sun.

PERIOD IGRE

Igra se sastoji od najmanje četiri do osam perioda, koji se nazivaju chukkeri. Jedan chukker traje 7,5 minuta čistog vremena igre, a kod prekida se sat zaustavlja. U Nje-mačkoj se u pravilu igra četiri chukkera. Stanke između svakog dijela igre služe za zamjenu konja i traju od tri do pet minuta. Nakon svakog pogotka timovi mijenjaju smjer igranja. Ako neki igrač padne s konja i pritom se ne ozlijedi, igra se nastavlja. No ako se spotakne i ozlijedi konj, igra se odmah prekida.



HANDICAP

Svaki igrač ima – kao kod golfa – svoj handicap na ljestvici od -2 (početnik) do +10. Na cijelome svijetu danas postoji samo nekoliko igrača koji imaju Handicap +10. Timski handicap je zbroj handicapova svih igrača. Ako se natječu timovi različitog broja timskog handicapova, tim s nižim brojem timskog handicapova ima gol prednosti. Kod pola na snijegu handicap svakog igrača povećava se za +1.

+10

LINIJA LOPTE

Linija lopte i pravo prolaza osnova su ove igre. Linija lopte je zamišljena linija udarene lopte. Tu liniju nijedan igrač ne smije prijeći. Igrača koji slijedi udarenu loptu po ravnoj liniji ili ako kao prvi bez ometanja drugih skrene na liniju lopte koja se kotrlja ili leti, ne smije unakrsno prolaziti nijedan drugi igrač jer bi time doveo u opasnost konja ili igrača.



PROMJENA STRANA NAKON POGOTKA

Jedno od najvažnijih pravila igre: Nakon pogotka mijenja se smjer igranja timova. To pravilo povezano je s činjenicom da se polo u Indiji zbog visokih temperatura obično igrao uvečer. U večernjim satima sunce je nisko i zaslijepljuje igrače, pa se čestom zamjenom strana svakom timu pruža jednaka šansa.





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Early practice: The small Julijan Ivan Ivanjko playing hobby horse polo.

TYPES OF POLO

Polo is not just played on grass, but also on sand, snow and in arenas. And there are even more versions of polo than these as well as sports related to polo.

BY KATRIN LANGEMANN

Arena, snow and beach polo differ from traditional grass polo in several respects. The playing field and teams are smaller, chukkas shorter and the ball larger. There are also differences in the rules. For example, with polo on grass, the direction of play is changed after each goal. This is not always the case with other polo variants; sometimes the direction of play is only changed after each chukka or every second chukka.

Players who do not have a specific arena handicap play in arena polo tournaments with their normal handicap plus 1. Handicaps are also normally raised one level in beach and snow polo.

Polo on grass and in the arena are the most widespread types of this fast-paced sport by far. Beach and snow polo are also played around the globe and are gaining in popularity every single year. There are also numerous other types of polo or sports related to polo in existence, including paddock polo, cowboy polo, bike polo, camel polo, elephant polo, Segway polo, canoe polo, hobby horse polo, golf cart polo, donkey polo, yak polo, auto polo (today this is not exercised actively anymore), moto polo, Tuk Tuk polo and Stand Up Paddling (SUP). Other sports linked to polo include buzkaschi, polocrosse, horseball and pato. ●

Polo u areni, na snijegu i pijesku razlikuju se od tradicionalnog pola na travi u raznim aspektima. Igra lište je manje, igrača je manje, chukkeri su kraći i lopta veća. I pravila se razlikuju. Tako se, primjerice, nakon svakog gola mijenja smjer igranja. Kod drugih varijanti pola to nije uvijek slučaj, nego se ponekad tek nakon jednog ili svaki drugi chukker mijenja smjer igranja.

Tko nema poseban Arena-Handicap, na polo turnirima u areni nastupa s normalnim handicapom +1. I na pijesku i snijegu Handicap se u pravilu povećava za jedan broj.

Polo na travi i u areni bez dvojbe je najraširenija sportska trkača disciplina. I polo na pijesku i snijegu igraju se diljem svijeta uz sve više obožavatelja ovog sporta. Također postoje i brojne druge varijante pola ili vrste sportova slične njemu. To su primjerice: Paddock Polo, Cowboy Polo, Polo na biciklu, Polo na kamili, Polo na slonu, Segway Polo, Kanu Polo, Polo s konjem na štapu, Golfcart Polo, Donkey Polo, Yak Polo, Auto Polo (danas se više ne igra aktivno), Moto Polo, Tuk Tuk Polo i Stand Up Paddling (SUP). Slično polo sportu su i Buzkaschi, Polocrosse, Horseball i Pato. ●

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TEAMS

Four teams with players from eight nations start at the first Beach Polo Cup in Rovinj. All of them are well-known faces in the European polo scene and guarantee exciting chukkas.

BY JAN-ERIK FRANCK AND STEFANIE STÜTING



TEAM HEINEKEN (+5)

Image: POLO+10



 Pos. 1
Matteo Beffa (0)



 Pos. 2
Cédric Schweri (0)



 Pos. 3
Marcos Riglos (+5)

Longterm team mates Matteo Beffa and Cédric Schweri, who have played and won many beach polo tournaments together, will be playing alongside Marcos Riglos from the big Riglos polo family. 5-goaler Marcos is the powerhouse and engine room of the team, which might make it all the way to victory.

TEAM ADRIS (+4/+5)



Image: Croatia Polo



 Pos. 1
Bruce Colley (+1)



 Pos. 2
Uwe Zimmermann (+1)
Philipp Zimmermann (0)



 Pos. 3
Marcello Caivano (+3)

Great to see that Bruce Colley is now also playing in Croatia after a successful beach polo tournament in Dubai last month. He is playing alongside the head of the polo family Zimmermann, who is sharing position with his eldest son Philipp. They will be backed by the Argentine pro Marcello Caivano who is a longterm team mate of Uwe Zimmermann.

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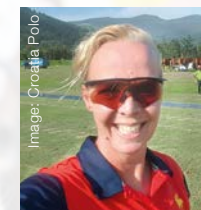
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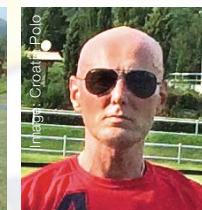
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TEAM TAGHEUER (+4)



 Pos. 1
Susanne Rosenkranz (0)



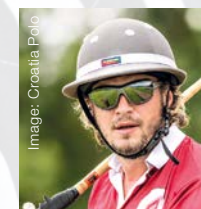
 Pos. 2
Niclas Johannson (0)



 Pos. 3
Jamie Le Hardy (+4)

We welcome the only lady player of the tournament, Susi Rosenkranz. Together with Niclas Johannson from Sweden and the English Jamie Le Hardy this is a team which could be good for any surprises. Niclas and Jamie played and won together the Monte-Carlo Polo Cup last year. 4-goaler Jamie will be the driving force behind this team.

TEAM JAMNICA (+5)



 Pos. 1
Sébastien Le Page (0)



 Pos. 2
Thomas Wolfensberger (+1)



 Pos. 3
Martin Podesta Sen. (+4)

The new owner of the Polo Park Zürich, Sébastien Le Page, together with Thomas Wolfensberger and Martin Podesta Senior, make up a team which has the ability to make it to the final. Thomas played several times in Ascona and Kitzbühel and will profit from his arena experiences. For team Jamnica success will be a question of team play.



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4:30 pm 2nd Qualification Round

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