UIM World Championship Offshore Class 3 C

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Exceptional in France

Chairman of the Union Internationale Motonautique (IUM) Raffaele Chiulli and Jean-Marie Lhomme, President of the French Federation Powerboating (FFM) officially signed the contract of the World Championship Offshore UIM class 3C confirming the organization to Laurent Plasse, chairman of Offshore Passion Association. This world event will be held in Solenzara, on the south east cost of Corsica (France) from 21 to 26 September 2010. Reputed as a reference in the powerboating sports, this championship gathers every year the elite of world racers. “The skills of Offshore Passion, organizer of the French Offshore Championship since 2001, twining with the enthusiasm of the city of Solenzara, have allowed us to propose the candidacy of France to the UIM. We are honoured to welcome for the first time in our country this famous competition. The coming of this international event on the coast of Nacre will highlight good sportsmanship, strategy and performance of teams and a rare quality show. The French pilots will be able to express their potential and hopefully get a podium.” Commentate, Jean-Marie Lhomme.

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Over thirty teams have used the winter season to adjust motors and engine performances, test new equipments and train for boosting the times. This world-class championship is the combination of talent, investment and self-improvement. Hard to win, rare to preserve, this title request many efforts. Leader, the Finnish team Venepalvelu Johnsson Racing let by Marcus Johnsson / Lauri Lampen won laurels in Italy after beautiful struggles against their competitors. Well-known in the power boating world sport, Marcus Johnsson had already reached the top step of the podium in 2001 with Jukka Lammela. The silver medal in 2009 was awarded by the French team G.T One drive with Matthiew Bacellini and Julien Gobet.

PRESTIGE AND SUSPENSE

Savant mixture of speed and high technology, these offshore evolve over 93 miles on the waves and offer on each round constant drama and serious wrangling for honour places. This year, three rounds will be contested on a circuit of 215 nautical miles of the southeast coast of Corsica. All pretenders at the win compete with audacity and pugnacity to the delight of aficionados wishers. The impressive American start will spice up this weekend. In parallel of this World Championship, the fifth and final round of the French Offshore Championship will bring about forty experienced crews catamarans and offshore. These impressive performances operate a real fascination on public and will be free for all visitors. In the magical atmosphere of the championship, all keens of motorsports can also access at the boat park and approach the boat title contenders. At the heart of the privacy teams, they can admire offshore multi-faceted and impressive performances. They feel at the edge of departures, palpate pressure prevailing in the paddock announcing extremely tight duals. Unforgettable moments to come.

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A corsica short stop for the world championship

In 2010, for the first time of its history, the World Championship Class 3C firmly fixed in France on the south coast of the beauty island. The motivation of Jean Toma, Mayor of Solenzara combined with the professionalism of Plasse Laurent, President of Offshore Passion, will bring together the global elite pilots on the coast of Nacres from the 21 to the 26 September.

Solenzara, home of Powerboating

Solenzara, located between sea and mountain, with its bleu flag certified and its exceptional beaches, is also an ideal place for practicing powerboating. Protected from the winds by the mountain of Mont Santu and Aiguilles of Bavella, this warm and friendly seaside town enjoys a favourable microclimate.
According to Jean Toma "The success of our Corsican champions in the world of jet ski led us to organize the first competitions in this sport. On the Offshore Championship side, the success of the Corsican stop over directed by Laurent Plasse for several seasons has helped host the World Offshore along our coasts this year.
These events set up in May and October have developed a popular interest for these sports whose practice is respectful about the aquatic environment, since all the competitors have used clean engines. Those events fully comply with an overall politic and promote the tourist".

Offshore Passion, a major even of the offshore world

President of Offshore Passion association, Laurent Plasse is primarily a famous pilot and a pioneer in the world powerboat. At 17, he started the competition and was grabbed by the magic of powerboating races, he built his first boat. After progressing through various championships, this is the highlight. As a experienced pilot, he allows himself with determination and talent, he won the World Offshore class 3D. In 2002, with the support of Offshore Passion volunteers, he re-launched the French Championship with a small group of offshore pilots. After several seasons of hard work linked to the tenacity of these fans, this championship unites this season 50 teams around five national rounds. A real success for the promotion of powerboating in France.
In parallel, Laurent Plasse launched in 2006 a new formula to boost the French Championship, generate new vocations and attract young pilots. He designed about ten boats registered by the French Federation. "The construction of these mono-hulls due to an intellectual synthesis of experience and feeling." The goal is to promote boating performance with a minimal budget. The Corsican G-T one team, the second on the World Championship in 2009, had won this cup in 2007.
Invested in the French Federation in the craft section, he campaigned for the respect of environment on land area and sea and the pilot safety.
All his commitments and his undeniable powerboating experience give him today the confidence of the UIM, the Federation and the Mayor of Solenzara for organizing the 2010 World Offshore Championship. Forty volunteers from the RC Yacht Club (Powerboating Association) and the city of Solenzara will enhance investment of the sixty Offshore Passion members.

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