European Sled Dog Racing Association



Invitation and Program European Championships 2006 Off-Snow Bakonybèl, Hungary November 11th – 12th

GENERAL:

- 1. Use of private motor vehicles on the trails is not allowed. Participants may inspect the trail with dogs from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m on 8th and 9th November (Wednesday and Thursday). From Friday on, participants may inspect the trail only on foot or with bicycle. No dogs will be allowed on the trail during inspections or for hygienic walks!
- 2. Entries for ESDRA members is via the national ESDRA member federations only, using the official entry forms. Entry for teams from countries not represented in ESDRA is possible individually via wildcards and using the official entry forms.
- 3. Micro chip identification for the dogs is mandatory. All dogs must be listed on the chipping form (one form per driver and per class). All dogs must have a valid anti-rabies vaccination (not elder than one year).
- 4. It is **strictly forbidden** to let dogs run loose at the event site including stake-out and parking areas, for the entire weekend of the event. Refusal to respect this requirement may lead to disqualification.

LOCATION:

Bakonybél, Hungary

Bakonybél is located aprox. 40 km north-west from *Veszprém* and 60 km southwards from *Gyõr*. It is about halfway between *Pápa* and *Zirc*, on roads 83 or 82.

Start, finish and the stake out are located on the sports ground, behind the church. The church is in the centre, the sports ground is on the fringes of the village. The Race Office is located in the communal building on the sports ground. The routes will be marked with arrows and with the ESDRA logo.

CATEGORIES AND DISTANCES PER HEAT:

Canicross Men Veteran (age 40 +)	CM	5,9 km	1-2-3-4-5-6-7-13-8-9	green
Canicross Women Veteran (age 40 +)	CW	5,9 km	1-2-3-4-5-6-7-13-8-9	green
Canicross Men Senior (age 16 - 39)	CM	5,9 km	1-2-3-4-5-6-7-13-8-9	green
Canicross Women Senior (age 16 - 39)	CW	5,9 km	1-2-3-4-5-6-7-13-8-9	green
Canicross Men Junior (age 14 -16)	CMJ	3,4 km	1-2-3-12-5-6-7-13-8-9	red
Canicross Women Junior (age 14 -16)	CWJ	3,4 km	1-2-3-12-5-6-7-13-8-9	red
1-dog Bike Men Senior (age 16 +)	BM	7,8 km	1-2-10-4-5-6-7-13-8-9	pink
1-dog Bike Women Senior (age 16 +)	BW	7,8 km	1-2-10-4-5-6-7-13-8-9	pink

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		7,8 km		1

Wildcards may be issued for a limited number of teams from countries not represented in ESDRA.

Special awarding for registered Nordic breed teams is foreseen in the following classes: BM, BW, BMJ, BWJ, 1R, 1RJ, 2R, 2RJ, 4R, 4RJ, 6R and 8R. Gold Silver and Bronze medals will be provided for the first three participants with registered Nordic breed sled dog teams in each class (excepting the canicross classes), under the condition that (a) there are a minimum of four (4) registered nordic breeds teams present in the class at the start of the first day's race and (b) each of the concerned teams have final finishing times within 150% of the first placed non-nordic breeds team. Awards are not cumulable.

REGISTRATION:

Registration through the national ESDRA members using the official entry form available on <u>www.esdra.net</u>. The registration forms must be received from the member federations by the ESDRA Sports Director (<u>sports@esdra.net</u>) on the entry form **no later than October 10th 2006.**

PLEASE NOTE: The ESDRA Sports Committee has decided that there will be no quotas applied. The Sports Committee may however decide to limit the number of teams per nation and / or per class in case the total number of participants is exceeded.

Entries on the form should be done in order of priority in case it is necessary to limit the number of teams.

Registered Nordic breed teams (Siberian Husky/Samoyed/Greenland Dog/Alaskan Malamute) shall be marked in the appropriate column on the entry form; the original official registration pedigrees must be presented at the race site for the dogs in the Registered Nordic Breeds teams.

For participants under the age of 18 years an ESDRA Guardian Form must also be submitted.

DID numbers are necessary for participation.

All participating nations (ESDRA members or not members) shall appoint one team leader. The team leaders shall be noted on the entry forms. Team leaders shall be present at the team leader meetings, in view of their liaison task between the race organizer and their team members.

PARTICIPATION FEE:

All classes: 40 Euros /entry for seniors or veterans, and 30 Euro /entry for juniors.

The participation fee must be paid by October 10th 2006 at the latest for all requested entries, free of charge for the receiver, to one of the the ESDRA accounts. As per ESDRA Regulations Part IV § 14.4 and 14.5, late nominations and / or payments (received after October 10th 2006) will double the participation fee!

Rejected entries will be refunded.

Please transfer this amount to the ESDRA Bank Account "at no charge to the receiver", to one of the following bank accounts:

Zürcher Kantonalbank, CH-8712 Stäfa Acc.Nr.: 1304-00005.134 Bankcode: 007005, SWIFT:ZKBKCHZZ80A IBAN: CH54 0070 0130 4000 0513 4

or

Sparkasse Hochrhein,Postfach 1755, D-79745 Waldshut Tiengen Acc.Nr.: 1000199651, SWIFT:SOLADES1WHT BLZ: 68452290 IBAN: DE82 6845 2290 1000 1996 51

Meal costs and their receiver bank account will be presented soon.

INFORMATION AND ROOM RESERVATIONS

For hotel information and booking please contact the

bakonybel@tourinform.hu, Ms. Sophie SIMON, phone/fax: +36 88 461 476

Infos about the accommodation possibilities and prices will be continuously available also in English on the <u>www.bakonybel.hu</u> web-site.

Information if the EC will be held may be obtained via the ESDRA internet homepage: www.esdra.net.

EVENT PROGRAMME

NOVEMBER 10th

10.00: Race office opens - team leaders please report immediately upon your arrival

10.00 Start of veterinary check of dogs at the stake out area.

13.00 First team leader meeting

17.00: Mandatory team leader meeting & handout of bibs & starting lists (last chance to hand in chipping forms!)

18.00 End of veterinary check of dogs at the stake out area.

19.00: Opening ceremony of the European Championship, Welcome Drink

NOVEMBER 11th

08.00: Possible team leader meeting09.00: First start17.00: Mandatory team leader meeting19.00: Official dinner (Musher party)

NOVEMBER 12th

08.00: Possible team leader meeting09.00: First start17.00: Award and closing ceremony of the European Championship

RACE OFFICIALS:

Race marshal:	Nils Finsrud
Race judges:	Valery Braun, Robert Schiesser, Michelle Menger and Istvan Drahos
Race vet:	Zoltan Vary dr.
Local coordinator:	Joseph Verla dr.
Trail Boss:	Peter Nagy
Chief Timer:	Peter Majoshazi
Chief of Secretariat:	Susanna Verla

RACE REGULATIONS: ESDRA race rules & ESDRA regulations; please consult the ESDRA website.

Doping tests for drivers and dogs may be performed.

ANIMAL WELFARE:

Participants shall meet the applicable requirements as per the ESDRA Sled Dog Care Guidelines (Règulations Part V) and the recommendations.