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THE NATIONS TROPHY

THE SPIRIT OF INTERNATIONAL SAILING

FOLLOWING AN EXHILARATING YACHT RACING COMPETITION THAT BROUGHT TOGETHER NATIONS FROM AROUND THE WORLD, THE FOURTH EDITION OF THE NATIONS TROPHY WRAPPED UP WITH A FESTIVE AWARD CEREMONY HELD AT THE YACHT CLUB COSTA SMERALDA. NOTABLY, SKIPPER ONDECK WAS AMONG THE DISTINGUISHED ATTENDEES.



Spectacular racing conditions will live long in the memory of the Club Swan Racing fleet at the fourth edition of The Nations Trophy regatta in Porto Cervo, Sardinia. The Mistral wind delivered in full, notably on the coastal race in the spectacular setting of the Costa Smeralda which saw the three ClubSwan one-design classes unleashed with some yachts reaching 20-plus knots surfing in flat waters.

Add in three days of competitive and friendly inshore racing — which saw seven races in varied and equally challenging

conditions — and The Nations Trophy provided a memorable experience of all the 28 race teams gathered at the renowned Yacht Club Costa Smeralda, who managed the regatta and hosted the superb shoreside social events.

After four days of racing, Italy emerged as the winner of The Nations Trophy, with the combined scores of their two best performing yachts — the Club Swan 50s Vitamina and Cuordileone — putting them two points ahead of Germany, with Monaco taking the final place on the podium.

Ashore too the 2023 edition of The Nations Trophy was an



JOANNA MARINOPOULOS, THE RENOWNED DESIGNER-ARCHITECT, IN ATTENDANCE AT THE OWNERS' DINNER HELD AT THE YACHT CLUB



event to remember, marking the milestone 25th anniversary celebration of Leonardo Ferragamo's acquisition of Nautor Swan, the establishment of Club Swan and the fourth edition of The Nations Trophy which has seen a year-on-year increase in the number of nations taking part.

Speaking at the celebratory Owners' Dinner at the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda, during which owners and their guests received a stylish gift from the Ferragamo fashion brand, a Club Swan Racing Main Partner, Leonardo paid tribute to the passion of Club Swan sailors and the dedication and expertise of the build teams in Finland. He said: "It has been 25 years since we started this great adventure, taking this already legendary yacht name to an international brand. And in those 25 years we have not found a better venue than the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda."



(L-R) GERASIMOS GEROLIMATOS WITH LEONARDO FERRAGAMO



WELCOME COCKTAIL AT THE YACHT CLUB COSTA SMERALDA