

LA COSTARMORICAINE, 30th anniversary

Bid for F18 Raid Worlds

8 - 13 August 2023



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CLUB DE VOILE DE LA BAIE D'ERQUY

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1. The event

The Club de Voile de la Baie d'Erquy, in close cooperation with Brittany Region, Côtes d'Armor Department and hosting cities, plans to organize 30th anniversary edition of the Costarmoricaïne Raid from 8 to 13 August 2023, and is proud to bid for F18 Raid Worlds Title, as in 2018.



a. Programme

8 August 2023:	Equipment inspection
9 August 2023:	1 st leg: Erquy – Bréhat Island
10 August 2023:	2 nd leg: Bréhat Island – Perros Guirec
11 August 2023:	3 rd leg: Perros Guirec – Saint Quay Portrieux
12 August 2023::	4 th leg Saint Quay Portrieux – Erquy
13 August 2023:	5 th leg Erquy – Erquy via Cape Fréhel and Fort la Latte

b. Format

Costarmoricaïne course makes a loop, divided in five legs, all around Côtes d'Armor Department, then offering true long-distance racing to sailors.

- Trailers will stay in Erquy, when two vans will transport luggage and camping gears from one stop to the other.
- Safety is paramount, particularly on long courses, when even minor speed differences can create large gaps among the competitors, hence a strong rescue team will accompany the fleet.
- It is imperative that competitors rebuild their strength: a hearty dinner is served every evening, and a hearty breakfast precedes the skippers' meeting every morning.





Beach camp in Trestraou, Perros-Guirec

- A media team will provide pictures, video, as well daily press releases.
- Last, to maintain its charm and friendly atmosphere, while respecting the necessary safety requirements imposed by the navigation zones used by the race, the number of entries is limited to 25 teams. Selection of competitors will be made under IF18CA supervision.
- After 1st May 2023, entries will be received under first come, first served basis.



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Rounding Héaux de Bréhat lighthouse



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A reception, with reading of the day's winners, is organized at the end of each leg, in collaboration with the hosting cities and partners.

Prize giving ceremony will be concluded by local oysters buffet at Maison de la Mer in Erquy to close the Costarmoricaine in a festive and friendly atmosphere.



2022 Costarmoricaine participants at Prize Giving Ceremony

c. Entry fees

Standard entry fee is fixed at 650 Euros until 30th June 2023.

d. Hall of Fame

Since 1993, first edition year, many big names coming from various horizons of the sailing community did entered Costarmoricaine Raid, such as Billy Besson (2013 F18 World Champion, four times Nacra 17 World Champion), Boulogne brothers (2003 F18 World Champions), French pair Thibaut Vauchel Camus & Jérémie Lagarrigue (quintuple Costarmoricaine winners, double French Nationals Champions), Duncan Ross (Olympic RSA campaigner), Alain Comyn (Oceanic skipper, CataWorld Cup Winner), Thierry Dubois (Vendée Globe skipper), Yvan Bourgnon (Speed record breaker), Gérard Loos (multiple Dutch National Champion), Daniel Souben (Tornado European Vice-Champion, multiple winner of Tour de France à la Voile) Thijs Visser, (2009 F18 World Champion), Damien lehl (triple winner of Tour de France à la Voile, International Match Racing competitor), Mischa Heemskerk & Stephan Dekker (2017 F18 World Champions), Hugo Dhallenne (Mini 6.50 Transat winner), without forgetting local heroes.

Well established Costarmoricaine renown should guarantee a quality slate of competitors, gathering la crème de la crème of the sport catamaran field.



2. Communication

A Press & Media team will be in charge of event coverage, including video footage.

CVBE website www.cvberquy.org/costa will post daily updates, and press releases will be circulated to both Nautical and Regional Press.



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3. Club de Voile de la Baie d'Erquy, organizing club

Club de Voile de la Baie d'Erquy has been created by a small group of passionate sailors in order to organize sport events and to promote sailing activities.

The team has got pretty good organizing experience building up many successful events and championships, such as :

- First ever F18 Worlds in 2000, gathering 141 teams
- 2010 F18 Worlds, gathering 159 teams, including James Spithill & Glenn Ashby, future America's Cup winners...
- First Viper Worlds in July 2014
- French Windsurfer Nationals 2021
- Tour Voile 2021
- Costarmoricaine Raid since 2003
- European F18 Championship in 1997
- Hobie Cat Nationals in 1992
- French National Multihull Cup in 1991
- French Dinghy Nationals (Optimist, Equipe, Laser, 470) in 1989

