

Club de Vela La Ballena Alegre Costa Brava, Sant Pere Pescador

15/09/2025

To: Mr. Olivier Bovyn – President of the F18 Class Association

Dear Olivier,

As President of Club de Vela La Ballena Alegre, I am pleased to formally announce our club's bid for the **2028 F18 World Championship**, to be held from **June 30th to July 7th, 2028**.

The F18 Class and our club share a very special connection. After successfully hosting the **2019 European Championship**, as well as the **2019 and 2024 F18 World Championships**, we feel a strong bond with your sailors and community. Each event has been an outstanding experience, and the enthusiasm generated encourages us to welcome the F18 fleet once again – this time with even greater motivation to deliver an even better event.

The F18 Class already knows the strengths of our venue and our team, proven in the past editions. For 2028, our aim is not only to maintain that level of excellence but to push ourselves even further. The main areas where we want to focus our efforts are:

- **Facilities and Infrastructure:** While our venue is already well recognized, we will continue to enhance logistics and services to make the competitors' experience even smoother and more enjoyable.
- **Race Management:** With a solid and trusted team in place, our goal is to fine-tune race management, applying all learned from past editions to deliver the highest level of fairness and professionalism on the water.
- **Planning and Organization:** Our organizing committee is motivated to optimize every detail, ensuring efficient operations that reduce stress for sailors, teams, and officials alike.
- **Media and Promotion:** We aim to take a step forward in visibility, using new digital tools and stronger media partnerships to give the F18 Class the broad recognition it deserves on the global stage.
- **Social Events:** Knowing how important camaraderie is for the F18 community, we plan to strengthen the social program, offering memorable gatherings that celebrate the class spirit.
- **Commitment to Sustainability:** Building on our recognition within World Sailing, we want to further integrate sustainable practices, turning the 2028 Worlds into a benchmark event in terms of environmental responsibility.

Along with this letter, we are pleased to share a **presentation of our venue** to provide a clearer view of our facilities and environment. More specific details of the event can be discussed and refined in close collaboration with the Class as we move forward in the process.

Club de Vela la Ballena Alegre

<https://clubvela.ballena-alegre.com/en/default/races>



The close relationship that has grown between the F18 Class and Club de Vela La Ballena Alegre is a source of pride for us. We are eager to write another successful chapter together by hosting the 2028 F18 World Championship and welcoming once again the vibrant F18 community to our shores.

We sincerely hope the Class will consider our candidacy positively, and we look forward to continuing this strong and fruitful collaboration.

Yours faithfully,

José Alberto Gainza Blanco
President
Club de Vela La Ballena Alegre

F18 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP 2028



Club de Vela
Ballena Alegre
Sant Pere Pescador
Costa Brava



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CLUB VELA BALLENA ALEGRE

Energizing the world of nautical sports since 1999



Camping & Bungalow Resort & Spa
Costa Brava
★★★★



"Located at 'La Ballena Alegre Camping Bungalow Resort & Spa' Costa Brava – Sant Pere Pescador 'European Best Sustainability and Environmental Award' (ADAC)"



"An Environmentally and Socially Committed Club"



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“KNOW TO PRESERVE : COUNSCIOUS SAILING”

Club de Vela la Ballena Alegre – Global Impact Through Local Action

- Recognized Leadership
 - Community & Environmental Commitment
 - Engaging Sailors & Stakeholders
 - Ethical & Responsible Operations
 - Championing Blue Innovation
 - Inclusive & Culturally Aware
 - Pioneering Nautical Sustainability
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- Investing in Future Generations
 - Empowering young sailors with knowledge and tools to lead sustainable lives on and off the water.
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- **Our Goal**
Act locally. Inspire globally. Be a beacon of climate action in the sailing world.



LOCATION

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LOCATION COSTA BRAVA



One third of the Costa Brava and the Girona Pyrenees is made up of **protected natural areas**, giving you a good idea of what awaits: **seven spectacular natural parks**, offering striking contrasts – from the snow-capped peaks of the Pyrenees to the most charming beaches and coves of the Mediterranean.

Within such a short distance you'll find traditional fishing villages and high-mountain rural towns; Romanesque monasteries and churches; Iberian settlements, Greek and Roman ruins, Jewish quarters and medieval fortifications – as well as the surrealist legacy of Salvador Dalí.

There's also space for every kind of activity: skiing, hiking, mountain biking, water sports, diving, kayaking, golf, or simply unwinding in the healing thermal waters of a spa. And of course, there's always time to sit at a table and enjoy a unique gastronomic experience, leaving you with the unforgettable taste of our land.

[Costa Brava Sailing](#)



VENUE

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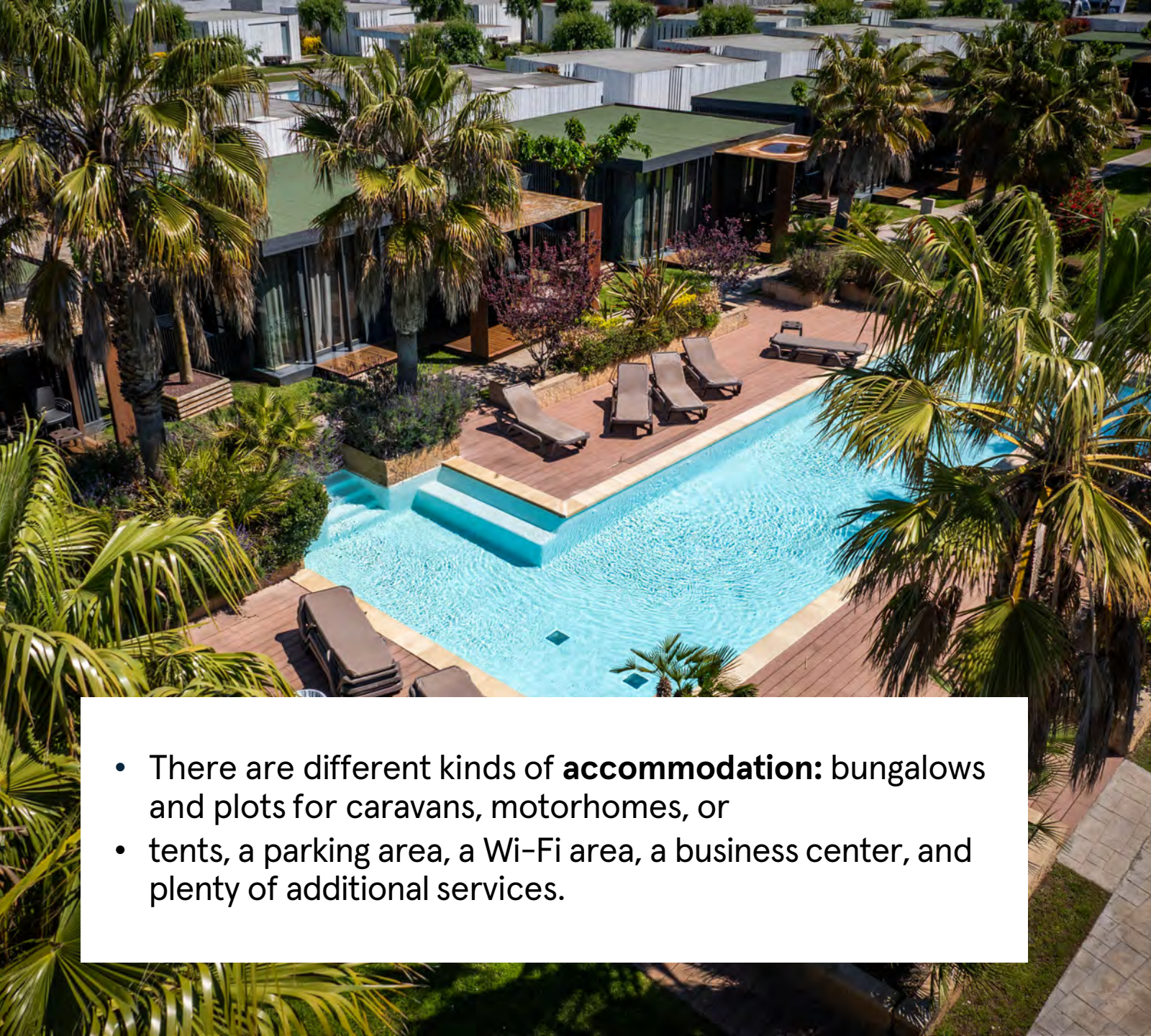


Responsible Holidays at La Ballena Alegre

- La Ballena Alegre Costa Brava is the site of the **Club de Vela La Ballena Alegre**
- **Responsible Holidays** shows our commitment to becoming a benchmark for sustainability and energy self-sufficiency, achieved with the support and awareness of all customers and visitors.



Catalunya
2030



- There are different kinds of **accommodation**: bungalows and plots for caravans, motorhomes, or
- tents, a parking area, a Wi-Fi area, a business center, and plenty of additional services.



- **Leisure & Sports facilities:**
- windsurf & kitesurf school & rental, paddle surf, swimming pools, gym, beach volley court, tennis courts, spinning, aerobic, taichí, scuba diving school & rental basket court, massage services, supermarket and bakery, daily entertainment program for adults and kids.





- **Restaurants & facilities:** Different kinds of Restaurants and snack bars are adapted to all ages and special diet requirements (international, celiac, vegetarian, vegan, etc.).
- **Leisure events:** party, barbeques all in the same place !!
 - **As well as great racing, you'll also enjoy great entertainment !!**



HOW TO GET HERE



- From **Girona Airport** 55 km.
- From **Barcelona Airport** 155 km.
- From **Perpignan Airport** 85 km.



- TGV/AVE from **Figueres-Vilafant**
- Train Station 24 km.
- High-speed connections from Barcelona, Girona, Madrid, Paris, Lyon, Marseille, and other European cities.



- **Auto Route AP-7 (E-15),**
- North bound - Exit 5 L'Escala / Empúries
- South bound - Exit 3 Figueres Nord / AVE - Roses
- Follow the **GI-623 road** until km 18.5, then turn toward *Sant Martí d'Empúries*. After ~1 km, you'll arrive at the resort entrance.



**Club de Vela
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Costa Brava



Camping & Bungalow Resort & Spa
Costa Brava

Club aligned with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)



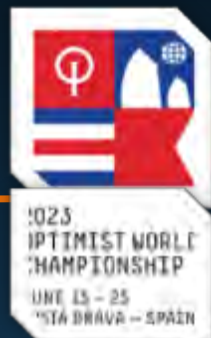
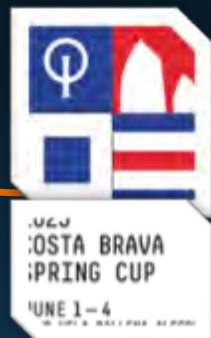
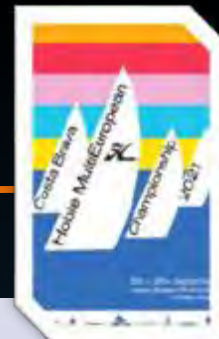
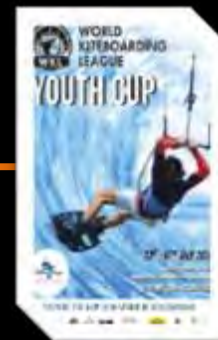
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[Google Maps](#)

EXPERIENCES

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A proud and proven legacy of hosting exceptional events since 1999.



WINDSURF WORLD CUP

- From 199 to 2019 hosting one of the PWA – Windsurf World Championship, becoming one of the oldest venue in the circuit and the most popular among runners ans their families

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29er & 29er XS – EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP

- **29er & 29er XS:** The 29er and 29er XS European Championship was held from 29th of June to the 3rd of July 2010 (with the participation of over 140 boats).


- KITE BOARDER CROSSTOUR 2013
- WORLD KITEBOARDING LEAGUE YOUTH CUP 2013-2017





WORLD KITEBOARDING LEAGUE
YOUTH CUP



03RD - 07TH JULY 2017
 PLATJA DEL CORTAL DE LA DEVENSA
 CAMPING LA BALLENA ALEGRE - SANT PERE PESCADOR
 GOLF DE ROSES - COSTA BRAVA



TRAINING THE NEW GENERATION OF KITEBOARDING





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SANT PERE PESCADOR Platja del Cortal de la Devesa
18-19-20 MAY 2013



ST PIERRE LA MER - FRANCE
 SANT PERE PESCADOR - SPAIN

CONCERT



Mistral SUP RACE
 STAND UP PADDLE BOARD



KITE BOARDER CROSS TOUR



Information and reservation www.kiteboardercross.com



WINDBA COSTA BRAVA

- Since 2011 we are running a Clinic & Pre-season challenge for the Optimist, Laser and 29er. This event is focused on training future sailors from 6 to 18 years old.
- The Club de Vela Ballena Alegre throughout the WindBA is **tutoring and mentoring youth sailors in their sailing itinerary.**





F18 EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP & COPA DE ESPAÑA DE CATAMARAN 2018

- The 2018 European Championship was celebrated from the 29th of June up to the 5th of July. 72 boats coming from 18 different countries raced 100% of the scheduled races (15 of 15 races). The Copa de España de Catamaranes was organized as a Training event. [- Video -](#)





F18 WORLDCHAMPIONSHIP – 2019 – 2024

- *"One of the best sailing event I have ever been"* – Mr.Darren Bundock –12 times F18 World Champion

[- Video -](#)



HOBIE CAT MULTIEUROPEANS 2021

HOBIE 16 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP



[- Video -](#)





2023 OPTIMIST WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

JUNE 15 – 25
COSTA BRAVA – SPAIN

[- Video -](#)







- Video -



GWA YOUTH WINGFOIL WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP COSTA BRAVA 2025

[- Video -](#)



WITH THE ENDORSEMENT AND SUPPORT OF:



RACE

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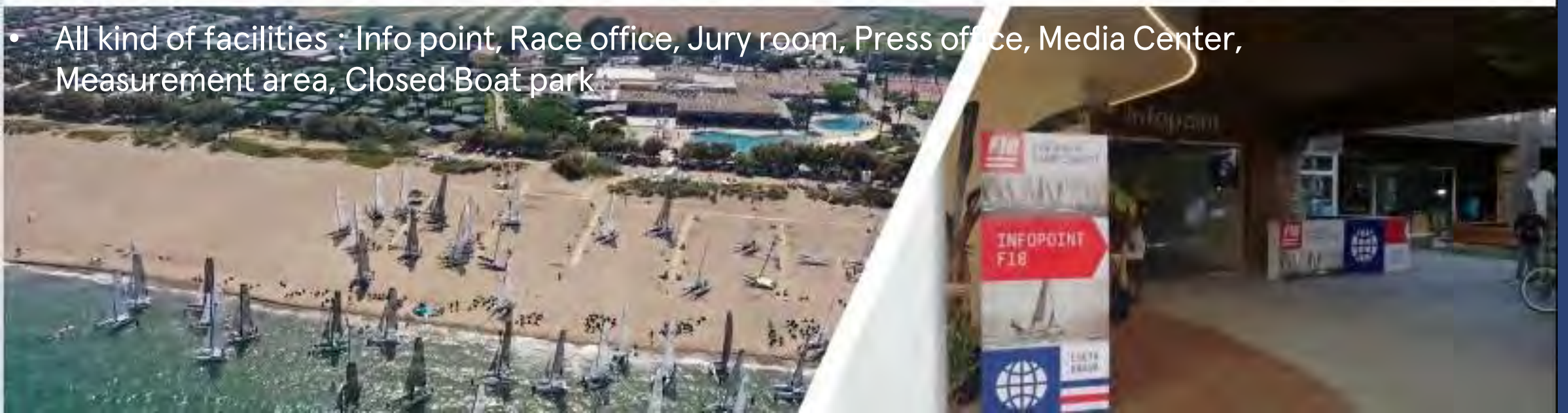
SCHEDULE – 2028 – F18 WORLDS

DATE	PROGRAM
Friday, June 30 (Optional)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Measurement & Registration
Saturday, July 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Measurement & Registration
Sunday, July 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Measurement & Registration• Presentation – Skippers briefing
Monday, July 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Races – Day 1
Tuesday, July 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Races – Day 2
Wednesday, July 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Races – Day 3
Thursday, July 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Races – Day 4
Friday, July 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Races – Day 5• Prize giving ceremony

REGATTA - MANAGEMENT



- All kind of facilities : Info point, Race office, Jury room, Press office, Media Center, Measurement area, Closed Boat park





Committee Boat



Mark layers



CVBA Marks



Jury boat



CVBA Marks

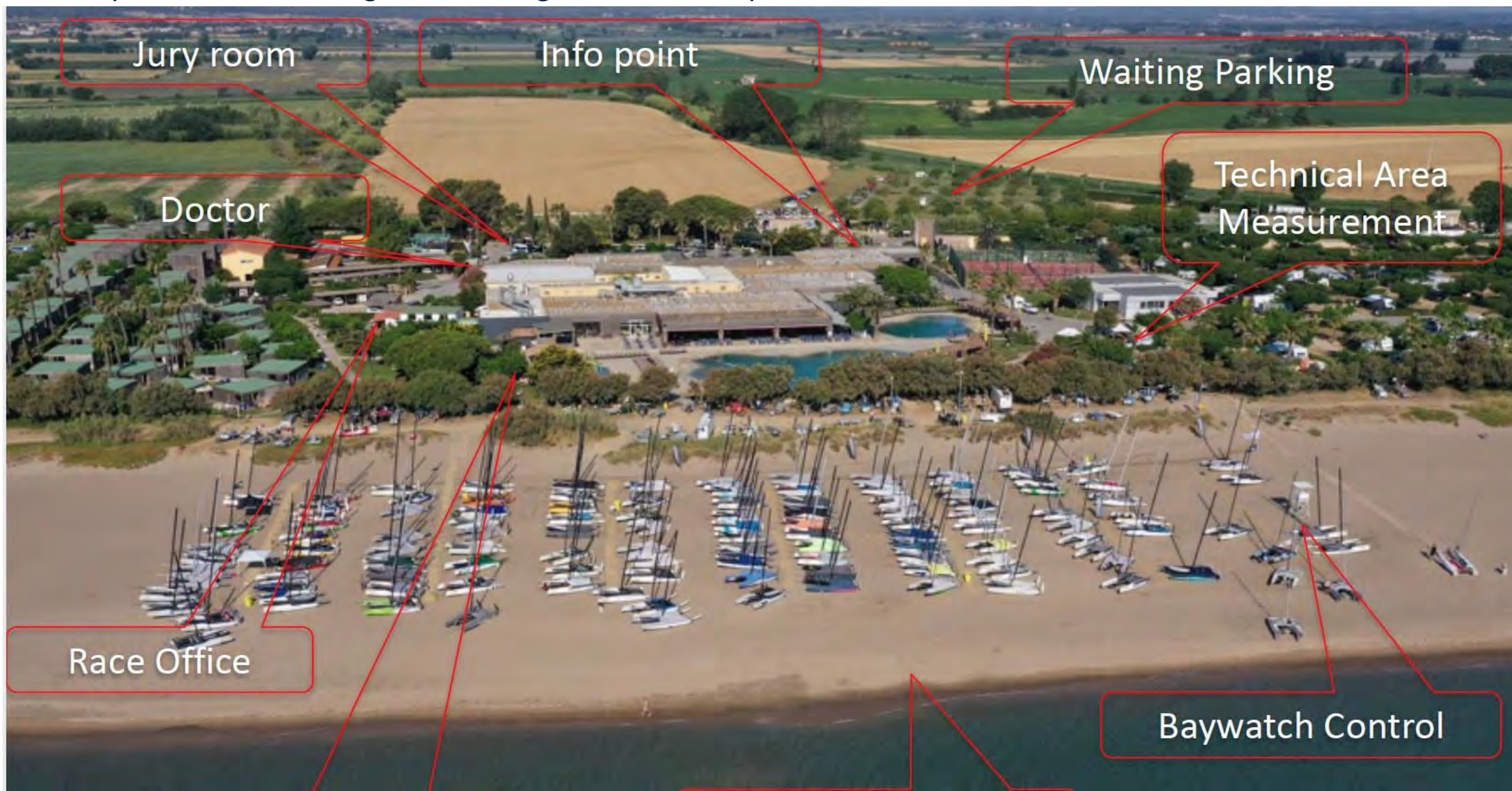
RACE FACILITIES

- Technical Offices : Race Office – Jury
 - Press Office
 - Measurement zone
 - Volunteers Program
 - Closed boat park – including cleaning facilities & Security
 - Trailer & Vehicles parking
 - Meeting rooms
 - Wifi –free
 - Partners & collaborators area
 - Repairing facilities
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- Motor boats mooring in collaboration with [CN l'Escala](#) – Shuttle provided from the venue site



REGATTA – VENUE – F18 WORLDS

Boat park facilities arranged according to the class specifications



REGATTA VENUE

RACE AREAS

Two race courses will be located right in front of the boat park.

As close as possible
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MEASUREMENT FACILITIES

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METEO

Enric Agud – Club de Vela la Ballena Alegre Meteo Advisor – Meteo4u

Prime Sailing Conditions in Late June & July:

- **Sant Pere Pescador(Platja del Cortal de la Devesa):** Consistently favorable conditions.

Total days
+ 4 bf

83,87 %

- **Reliable Winds:** Daily thermal sea breeze ("Garbí" – SE 130°–140°).

4 / 5 BF

70,97 %

- **Timing:** Develops around midday, strongest in the afternoon, subsides early evening.

- **Wind Speed:** Steady 12–14 knots, with gusts up to 18–20 knots.

5 / 6 BF

12,90 %

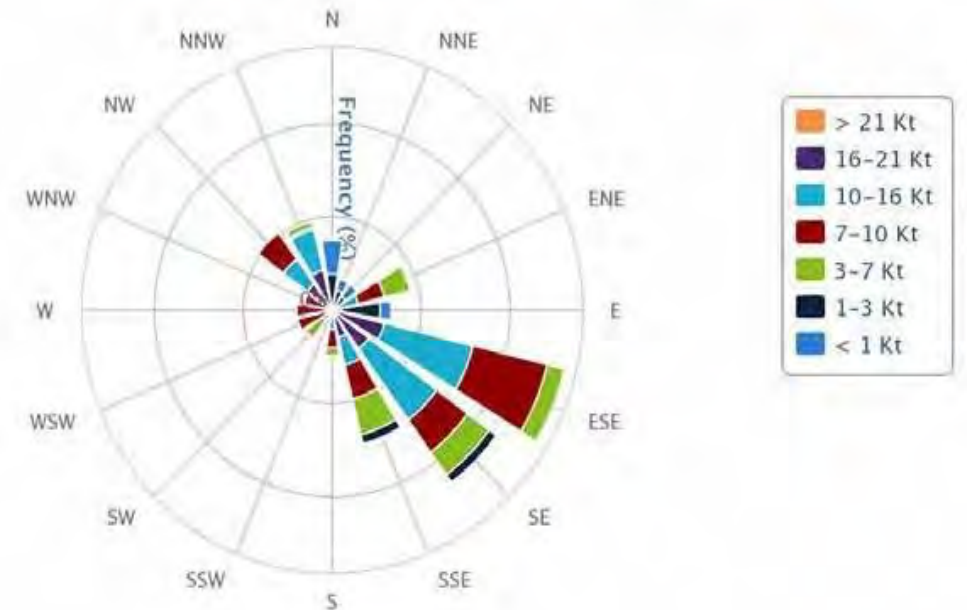
Wind statistics :

– [Windy – ION Club Golf de Roses](#)

Wind rose statistics :

Enric Agud – www.meteo.cat

Wind rose for Sant Pere Pescador, Catalunya
designed by www.meteo4u.com data: meteo.cat



Sea temperature (June/July) : 21°

METEO

Enric Agud – Club de Vela la Ballena Alegre Meteo Advisor – [Meteo4u](https://www.meteo4u.com)



- **Sailing Conditions at Club de Vela la Ballena Alegre (Bay of Roses):**
- **Typical Conditions:** Steady thermal breeze.
- **Occasional Challenge:** "Tramuntana" (North wind) averages 16-18 knots, creating more dynamic conditions.
- **Location Advantage:** Southern Bay of Roses, sheltered by a southeastern cape (3 NM offshore).
- **Wave Minimization:** Natural protection limits waves near the coast, even with strong sea breezes.
- **Windward Areas:** Deeper in the bay may experience more chop.
- **High Success Rate:** 90% of scheduled races completed under excellent conditions (Enric Agud – CVBA Meteo Advisor 2018-2025)

MEDIA

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INTERNATIONAL COVERAGE & BROADCASTING

→ 💪 Solid impact

👉 Great global visibility and multiplatform presence



- 📺 80+ TV Channels
- 🌐 140+ nations
- 🕒 1.100+ emissions · 42+ h antenna
- 📡 19 platforms FAST (2,25 M spectators)

- 📊 Measurable results
- 📱 Multi-device reach

- +50 hours of TV broadcasting
- +30 countries reached
- +15 million households
- +1.5 million digital viewers
- +3 million social media impressions



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FINALIST

