

# **CANOEING EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**SOLKAN - SLOVENIA** November 2<sup>nd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> 2020 www.socakajak-klub.si







2020 JUNIOR AND U23 WILDWATER CANDEING EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS



# Content

Content	2
Words of welcome – Mayor of Nova Gorica	3
Words of welcome – President of CF of Slovenia	4
Key dates	5
Facts and useful information	5
Championships venue	7
Nova Gorica & Solkan	8
Competition programme	9
COVID-19 and VISA requirements	10
Accommodation	10
COVID 19 gudelines	11









# Words of welcome – Mayor of Nova Gorica

Ladies and Gentlemen, Dear Guests,



I would like to extend a warm welcome to Nova Gorica to all the competitors, team members, guests and visitors of the 2020 ECA Junior and U23 Wildwater Canoeing European Championships, an important international event, which we are very glad and honoured to be hosting. It is not the first time we have such an event here, as the organisers, namely the Canoe Federation of Slovenia and the SoškeElektrarne Kayak Club, have a wide experience with international competitions. Over the past decade the Solkan Kayak Centre hosted the Junior World Championships in 2006 and the European Junior and U23 Championships in 2008, 2012 and 2016, but also the Wildwater Canoeing World Championships in 2013. I do believe that the upcoming championships will once again be organised with utmost professionalism.

I would like to invite you to use the opportunity to visit the many historical sites and treasures of nature in our region and I am sure you will enjoy the richness and variety of our delicious local cuisine and the pleasant Mediterranean climate. I am looking forward to greeting you in the Goriška Region and the Soča Valley with our hospitality at its best and our traditional cross-border cooperation.

www.socakajak-klub.si

Dr. Klemen Miklavič

Mayor of the Municipality of Nova Gorica



# Words of welcome –President of Canoe Federation of Slovenia



A big and important sporting event is ahead of us and it is an honour to welcome all the competitors and other participants of the 2020 ECA Junior and U23 Wildwater Canoeing European Championships – Solkan 2020.

We have taken over the organisation of this big event in belief that the youth is the most important part of the sport's development. They are equally important for the sport as the sport is important for their development. This has been and will be our organisational guideline of the competitions in Solkan. Kayak centre Solkan on the Soča River is one of the most recognised wildwater centres, primarily intended for the development of young competitors.

Competitions are of course part of the sport and a necessity, but we believe that the 2020 ECA Junior and U23 Wildwater Canoeing European Championships – Solkan 2020 will be more than just another competition for the young athletes. We will strive to achieve they will remember this championships mostly for good company, nice moments and of course beautiful places. We hope the events in Solkanwill be an experience they will use and value not only in sports but also in private life.

Good luck and welcome to Solkan!

Andrej Ribič

President of the Canoe Federation of Slovenia





2020 JUNIOR AND U23 WILDWATER CANDEING EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS



# Key dates

Official training period 2<sup>nd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> November 2020

Training in groups after registration

### Wildwater Canoe Accreditation - Entries

September 20th 2020Numerical entries deadlineOctober 25th 2020Nominal entries deadline

Entries are possible only online via SPD – ICF entries system. Entries must be made through the numerical and nominal online entry form. You must enter athletes and team members/staff.

# Facts and useful information

### Name

2020 ECA Junior and U23 WildwaterCanoeing European Championships

# Period

2<sup>nd</sup>- 7<sup>th</sup> of November 2020

# Location

Solkan, Slovenia River: Soča Sprint course: Semi artificial course Regulated water flow Length: 295 meters Width: 18 – 45 m Flow rate: 35 – 50 m<sup>3</sup> Classic course: Natural course with parts of III.- WW and flat water

# Organisers

European Canoe Association Canoe Federation of Slovenia Kayak Club Soške elektrarne



Classic and sprint draft scheme









Website : www.socakajak-klub.si https://kayaksoca.wordpress.com/ FB: SOCA Kayak RACE Fever Email: kkse@siol.net

### **Competition Rules**

The 2020 ECA Junior and U23 Wildwater Canoeing European Championships will be organised in accordance with the ICF and ECA Wildwater Racing Competition Rules.

Anti-Doping-Education Certificate (Alpha-Certificate) is necessary latest till Tuesday 03<sup>rd</sup> of November 16:00).

# **Events**

Wildwater Canoeing Men junior: K1, C1, C2/ individual and team events Women junior: K1, C1,C2/ individual and team events Men U23: K1, C1, C2/ individual and team events Women U23: K1, C1, C2/ individual and team events

# **Participation Fee**

The participation fee - accreditation is 80 EUR (competitors, team leaders and team members). It includes free training 3 days prior to the competition, event organisation, technical video signal, team area, event t-shirt, wireless internet signal and logistic support for teams and other services in accordance with the ECA and hosting rules.











# **Championships venue**

Kayak centre Solkan already hosted the ICF Wildwater Canoeing World Championships in 2013, ECA Junior and U23 Canoe Slalom/Wildwater European Championships in 2008, 2012 and 2016. We can all agree that all events were a great success. Nevertheless, the organisation of the championships is an additional challenge for our organisational committee and many others taking part in realisation of this sporting event. Once again we are preparing ourselves to carry out professional and attractive championships, accompanied by an interesting additional programme in relaxing surroundings and in pleasant natural environment.



As this is one of the most important competitions under auspices of European Canoe Association we expect the participation of the best European competitors in junior and U23 categories.

The local canoeing club built a new kayak centre in 2005 with the help of a city and the government. A modern sports centre had grown at the site of a former sawmill and paper mill also with additional help of the European funds.

Kayak centre includes a partially artificial channel in the natural channel of the river which is suitable for training at different water levels. 300 meters long track and a modern facility adjacent to it allow the organisation of any competition and training session for beginners and the best paddlers as well.

The course on the Soča River is made of stone and is 450 meters long and has a 2.7 meters fall. The water flow is controlled by hydropower plants with a lot of water coverage. The power plant is situated 750 meters up the river. The course has arranged access to water, trails for paddlers and stands for spectators. In a few years of its existance the kayak centre has become well known for popular and interesting events during the day and in the evenings, when floodlights illuminate the course which makes the venue even more attractive for the audience.



www.socakajak-klub.sj

# Nova Gorica & Solkan

Goriška is a region divided between Slovenia and Italy. It stretches from the sea to the high peaks of the Alps. Proximity to the Adriatic Sea and the Alpine peaks gives it a mild climate throughout the year, making it one of the nicest places to live in.

Slovenian Goriška is a region with 112,000 inhabitants, located in the westernmost part of Slovenia. After the Second World War Nova Gorica (with 32,000 residents) became an important university, scientific, cultural, comercial and sports centre. Nova Gorica, also called the city of roses, boasts a number of hotels of all categories, small guesthouses and apartments, which are known for excellent cuisine and superb wine.

Main aorta of Goriška is the Soča River, which originates in the heart of the Julian Alps. In its almost entire 138 km length to the sea Soča River is a paradise for paddlers and other water sports enthusiasts.



Solkan is a place known for its carpentryand also canoeing. Kayakers have become active in particular before the Second World War and shortly after, when they formally organised themselves into a club that still exists today.Canoe racing is here at home. Names such as Prijon, Bone, Špacal, Jug, Pellegrini, Poberaj, Abramič, Štrukelj and others have carried the good name of Solkan kayakers into the world with many world champion titles and other successes, and with their knowledge and enthusiasm to develop the wildwater sport.



# **Competition programme (TBC)**

Provisional programme of the 2020 ECA Junior and U23 Wildwater Canoeing European Championships. Solkan/Nova Gorica, 2<sup>nd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> of November 2020.

#### Monday, 2/11

08:00 - 19:00	Scheduled trainings
19:00	Unofficial team leaders meeting

#### Tuesday, 3/11

08:00 - 19:00 16:00 - 19:00 19:00

### Wednesday, 4/11

08:00 - 14:00	
08:00 - 14:30	
10:00 - 15:00	
18:00	

Thursday, 5/11

Training by schedule Equipment control Accreditations **Opening protocol** 

Training by schedule

Team leaders meeting

Accreditations

INDIVIDUAL CLASSIC RACE– All events TEAMS CLASSIC RACE – All events **Prize giving ceremony for classic events** 

Friday, 6/11

INDIVIDUAL HEATS – SPRINT – All events

#### Saturday, 7/11

INDIVIDUAL FINALS – SPRINT TEAM RACE - SPRINT **Prize giving and closing protocol** 







# **COVID – 19 and VISA requirements**

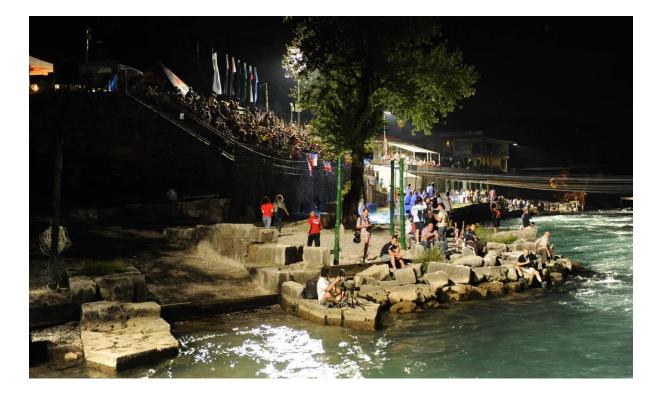
The Organising Committee will assist in processing Immigration visa applications for all participants of the event. Further information can be found at http://www.mzz.gov.si/en/entry and residence/for visa applicants/ Covid – 19 protocol and restrictions: Find it as attachment.

# Accommodation

Accommodation standards vary in quality as well as in price. Please contact us to help you find the best solution.

# **Booking help and logistics:**

Please contact: Kayak club Soške elektrarne Andrej Humar Mobile: +386 31 371 644 E-mail: kkse@siol.net











# **Other useful information**

### How to get here:

#### Location

Solkan is located in the lower part of the Soča river near the town of Gorica/Gorizia. Highways, railways and International Airport are located nearby, in a radius of 30km. Canoeing venue in Solkan is located 2 km from the City centre of Nova Gorica.

#### Transport

Teams should provide their own transport of competitors and equipment.

#### Location of airports, rail network and roads to the venue/city

Nova Gorica has a railway station connected with Ljubljana and Venice as well. The nearest airports are:

Ronchi – Trieste airport: 30km Ljubljana –JožePučnik airport: 100 km Venice airport: 110 km

#### Arriving by car

The majority of drivers enter Slovenia by motorway. To drive on motorways in Slovenia you must have a vignette or you can face heavy fines.

More information on vignette: http://www.dars.si/Dokumenti/Toll/Methods\_of\_payment/Vehicles\_up\_to\_35\_t/Vignette\_308.aspx









## Athletes Area at the venue

A section of the public viewing place will be made available exclusively for the competitors. The separate area will be provided for the teams.



#### Boat Hire: available quantity and rental fees (if required)

There are limited boats available for hire; however they will not be the top competition models.

#### Transport of athletes and officials during the competition

The transportation of competitors from the place of accommodation to the competition venue is the responsibility of the respected teams. The OC will organise the transport for the race officials on the basis of the individual needs.

#### Access to transportation for leisure

Solkan is a suburb of the city of Nova Gorica. The bus stop of the city transport is approximately 350 metres away from the venue itself. The proximity of the city to the Solkan venue guarantees a number of visitors who will arrive with bicycles and by foot.







# **Medical support**

#### Location of local hospitals

The Clinical Hospital with 24-hour medical services is 6 kilometres away. Ambulance crew and doctor will be on a standby in the areadaily during the competition days. By demand we are able to provide a sport massages and therapies at the event venue for the whole duration of trainings and competitions. Sport massage and therapie services are at your own cost and not covered by the organiser.

### Security at the venue

All competitors as well as officials will have accreditation passes enabling them the access to their designated areas. General security will be delivered by a local security agency. We will not accept any responsability for missing equipment and other goods.

### Access pass and parking

Parking places will be organised. Every team will be allowed to park one van with the trailer.

# First aid

A van with first aid will be located in the competition area.

### Water safety

Rescue service in the competition area will be organised during the competition days.

### **Medical Insurance**

Organising Committee kindly asks all participants of the event to ensure medical insurance policy in their countries. Organising Committee will not cover any expenses in connection with hospital or dental treatment.

### **Internet access**

Available in most areas of the Kayak centre Solkan.





### **Training** Training Period

Training on the course is possible all year long. Training sessions for participating teams can be arranged. Please, contact the organisers: Kayak club Soškeelektrarne Pot na breg 9, 5250 Solkan/Nova Gorica Andrej Humar Mobile: +386 31 371 644 E-mail: kkse@siol.net

### **Contacts**

Kajak klub Soške elektrarne Pot na breg 9, 5250 Solkan Tel: + 386 (0)5 300 6148 Mobile:00386 31 371 644 E mail:kkse@siol.net









