

# FESTIVAL VET'S IN MARSEILLES

## FOUR RUGBY VET'S INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENTS

During the Rugby World Cup 2007 the Veteran Rugby Player Union (UFAR) –a branch of the French Rugby Union (FFR) –organize Festivals vet's in 8 cities hosting RWC official games under the spirit of “Fun, Friendship and Fraternity”.

So, dear Golden oldies and rugby veteran, if you intend to take part in the RWC 2007 in France and in the Festival Vet's, here we go.

The veteran team of Marseilles, the Bandar log's, organizes **four international veteran rugby tournaments in Marseilles** with the agreement of the UFAR and the FFR Objectif 2007.



### Festival Vet's at Marseille

- 1° - September, Sunday 9<sup>th</sup>, the day after New Zealand - Italy
- 2° - September, Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup>, the day after Argentina - Namibia
- 3° - September, Saturday 29<sup>th</sup>, the day before France - Georgia
- 4° - October, Friday 5<sup>th</sup>, the day before the two quarterfinals 1B-2A and 1A-2B

These festivals are welcoming any foreign and French team willing to attend. Each tournament will host at least four foreign teams.

## **THE BANDAR LOG'S**



Created in 1980, the Bandar log's is a rugby vet's team affiliated to the Marseille University Stadium Club (SMUC). We are actually 50 players, aged 30 years old and more. We train once a week and participate to friendly national or international games and tournaments.

Bandar log's have also a long tradition in the organisation of Festival vet's:

- 2005 for test match France-Australia; International tournament with 8 teams, Padoue, Agen, Perpignan
- 2001 for the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Bandar log's birthday: UFAR PACA tournament
- 2000 for the test game France-New Zealand; international tournament 15 teams with Istanbul, Oslo, Vesoule

Bandar log's has been selected by UFAR and FFR Objectif 2007 to host four international tournaments in Marseilles.

Additional and official information about the Festival Vet's can be found on <http://31ufar.free.fr/festivalvet.html>

## **FESTIVAL PROGRAMME**

- Each festival stands for one day. Foreign team will benefit of a guide person on the day before and/or after if necessary.
- The two first tournaments will host 8 to 10 sides and the two last tournaments, 12 to 15 sides. We plan to have 250 peoples and 350 people respectively. Every tournament will be equally doted. The Bandar log's organisation will mobilize more than 50 persons on each tournament.
- Each team will have two tour guide persons. These persons will fluently speak the team's language and will be in charge of escorting the team during the festival. All the information will be translated in the appropriate language and will be included in a planning guide offered to the team manager at the reception of the team. Foreign team will benefit of a guide person on the day before and/or after if necessary.

- We will provide a shuttle service for any team without transport capacity in Marseilles. The bus can take in charge the team from Marseilles and bring them to the stadium tournament.
- Games will be played respecting the usual veteran rules of UFAR and Golden Oldies rules. (contact me if you want more details)
- At lunch break, an outside meal or BBQ will be offered.
- At the evening, all the players and non players will be invited for a dinner and a party.
- A medical emergency assistance will be present (physicians/MD, the Red Cross, fire-fighters). Bandar log's insurance will cover civilian security. However, each player must be insured. UFAR will not accept any kind of responsibility in case of any accident.
- We will offer natural water during the tournament for all the teams.
- A drink stand called "buvette" will also serve others beverages.
- Festival souvenir T-shirts will be produced and sold for 12 euros (see on our web site, reservation advised). Souvenir wine bottles and others items (special rugby ball) will also be available.
- A lottery will be organized and numerous prizes could be won.
- Exhibition stands will be hold near the pitch.
- For those who have no tickets for the RWC games, we could get you to a beautiful place (near by the place where the New Zealand team stand up and train) to watch the world cup game on a large video screen. Drink and meal will be served but are not included in the festival package.
- For those who will visit Marseilles and/or neighbouring countryside, access to wonderful Marseilles' major attractions could be organized on demand.
- Additional commute ticket could be obtained for discount prices during your stay in Marseilles.
- We will do our best to meet your team request. We and the UFAR can help you in setting your stay up (looking for hotels, bus renting or train tickets booking, outstanding places to visit, participation to key events in relation to RWC, contacts and games with French teams...).

### **TOURNAMENTS PROGRAMME**

- Tournament will start by 9.00 AM and will take place on three pitches at the St Menet Stadium.
- In the morning, 3 or 4 games for each side will be played.
- Lunch break, 12.00 to 1.00 PM
- In the afternoon, we will have the playoffs and finals.

- Last game will be played under the spirit of FUN, FRIENDSHIP and FRATERNITY: this prestigious game will oppose two sides composed with players of all the teams (the barbarians against the oldies).
- At the end of the tournament (around 5.00 PM), the captain of each team will be called and will be awarded of a Festival Souvenir by the President of UFAR and the Bandar log President. “Best” teams and players will be awarded. We plan to have a Very Important Person too.
- Then, a friendly cocktail called the “Apero” will be proposed.
- End of the tournament, back to the hotel around 6.00 PM

### **“SOIREE A LA FRANCAISE”**

In the evening, a night dinner will be organized downtown the city, followed by a night party with music and animations. In addition, a pass could be offered to those who want to go to the nightclub nearest the party.

### **FESTIVAL PRICES PACKAGE**

#### **Included:**

- The Festival vet’s participation
- Tour guide peoples in charge of the team
- Animation on the pitch (music, lottery...)
- Two meals
- A night party
- A shuttle service
- A festival souvenir
- Emergency medical assistance

#### **Do not include:**

- International or domestic airfares
- We cannot book for you hotel rooms. Contact tourism office in Marseille. Email: [info@marseille-tourisme.com](mailto:info@marseille-tourisme.com); Web: [www.marseille-tourisme.com](http://www.marseille-tourisme.com). Listing of accommodations and prices available will be added regularly on our web site.
- RWC tickets. For RWC game tickets booking : [www.france2007.fr](http://www.france2007.fr)
- Meals and drinks others than specified in the Festival package
- Travel and Medical Insurance. A medical emergency assistance will be present (physicians/MD, the Red Cross, firefighters). However, each player must be insured. UFAR will not accept any kind of responsibility in case of any accident.
- Extra visits than specified in the festival package

## **REGISTERING**

It will be a pleasure for me to register you as a team for any of these tournaments. The official inscription form attached to this brochure is required to be completed.

The team will be asked for a 150 euros fee and each participant will be asked for a 50 euros fee per person. These fees include the festival package (see before) and make the team or each participant eligible for the extras included in the festival programme.

Please fill in the inscription form (see the other file) and return it:

By fax to : (+33) 491 473 396

By mail to : Pascal Manfruelli, 69 Rue Sebastien Marcaggi, 13009 Marseille, France

Or send it by e-mail to: [pascal.manfruelli@abcysonline.com](mailto:pascal.manfruelli@abcysonline.com)

When we get your entry, your team manager will receive acknowledgment of the entry, a payment schedule for the team's players and all additional information (detailed brochures on the hotels and other accommodations, information for optional tour). You will be continually informed for all new events added to the Festival package.

## **CANCELLATIONS and REFUNDS**

When unforeseen circumstances force a team to withdraw after entering, a cancellation policy has been adopted for a refund.

Up to May 31, 2007 – Full refund of the entry

From June to July 31 2007 – Only refund for cancelled players

After July 31 2007 – No refund

Additional players or non players could be accepted.

Note: if a team is incomplete, other players can be merged and can complete the team for the tournaments



**WITH YOU, WE WILL  
PROVIDE A FANTASTIC  
EVENT**

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## **GREAT REASONS TO EXPERIENCE MARSEILLES**

### **Marseille History**

Marseilles is a Provencal city, centered around its 26-century-old port, with a dynamic downtown, big parks, a medieval-village-style neighborhood, downtown shopping and wonderful seafood.

Marseilles is, first of all, ancient. Started by the Phoenician around 600-BC (ignoring of course the Ligurians who already lived here), taken over by the Greeks in 540 BC, and conquered by the Romans two thousand years ago, it is full of sites and artifacts of Antiquity. Marseilles is the second-largest city in France, with its metro and its Parisian-style division into "arrondissements". The flavor of Marseilles is antiquity, seaport, seafood, museums, beach, sunny city, history and travel. A visit at Marseilles will be a wonderful surprise.

### **Gastronomy**

Marseilles must be the seafood capital of Provence, at least. The most famous seafood dish of Marseilles is bouillabaisse, world renowned and worth the reputation. The two main varieties offered in local restaurants are Bouillabaisse du Ravi and Bouillabaisse du Pêcheur. "Ravi", the most complete and including six different types of fish, is definitely a full meal. Bouillabaisse du Pêcher is smaller and lighter, with three types of fish. This is the recommended one for lunch, and even so, you'll need a good appetite to have something else with it. Several seafood restaurants surround the Old Port, and there's a collection of them in the small walking streets beside the Quai de Rive Neuve.

The "Moules Marinière" (mussels) made here have a distinctive local flavour. They are made with a lot of onion and "herbes de Provence".

The "navette", a small Marseilles pastry baked in the shape of the boat (navette), commemorates the arrival of the Marys and Lazarus in Saintes-Maries-de-la-Mer about the year 40. The Four des Navettes, beside the Abbaye de Saint-Victor, has been baking the navette continuously since 1781.

The "Cassis" white wine is excellent with the seafood, and the Cassis blanc-de-blanc is the best. This well-known and well-respected wine is local, from the Cassis region just a few km to the east.

### **Hiking**

The Calanques is an outstanding view and wonderful hiking site. (Calanques are the steep, narrow inlets where creeks join the sea.) The GR 98 (Grande Randonnée) runs from La Madrague, on the peninsula 8 km south of the city center. Two loop-hikes circle the rocky Massif de Marseilleveyre on the peninsula. From the eastern end, the GR 98 follows the rocky coastline past the deep calanques to Cassis (about 25 km by trail from La Madrague). The GR 98 continues northeast to the Ste Baume.

From the Château-Gombert on the north edge of the city (metro-1), there is a loop-hike onto the Chaîne de l'Etoile hills. From this trail, other trails continue on and branch out through the hills to the northeast of the city.

Notre Dame Nature Hike offers a magic panorama of the entire city. There is a 1118-m circuit around the top of the Garde Hill, marked with nature information and, of course, a great view. It's called the "Sentier de découverte botanique de la Colline de Notre Dame de la Garde".

The Office de Tourisme has a set of 31 circuits to see different historical or artistic parts of the city. Some of the circuits are by bus, but most are for walking, and are about two hours each.

**Tourism office**

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