

**X-BIONIC LAKE GARDA 42- Press Release 26.03.2023**

## **X-BIONIC LAKE GARDA 42: THE VICTORIOUS TRIUMPH OF THE BRITISH JACKIE STRETTON AND THE ITALIAN ENRICO BARTOLOTTI.**

### **AND PHILINE MEISTER AND CHRISTOPH SANDER STRIDE TO VICTORY IN THE “HALF”.**

*The winners of the second edition of the X-BIONIC LAKE GARDA 42 are the British Jackie Stretton and the Italian Enrico Bartolotti. For the half marathon the German Philine Meister and the Christoph Sander stand tall on the top step of the podium.*

*The running event that winds its way along the northern shores of Lake Garda has once again confirmed its international appeal with 2,700 participants representing 62 different nations.*

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Lake Garda, 26th March 2023 – The second edition of the X-BIONIC LAKE GARDA 42 attracted 2,700 enthusiasts from 62 countries to the northern shores of this stunning lake, incredible numbers that even outdid the previous year’s amazing turnout.



## THE MARATHON RESULTS

First over the line in the LAKE GARDA 42, after 42.195 kilometres from Limone sul Garda to Malcesine, was the British Jackie Stretton, of the Springfield Striders RC team, who ran a solo race in a time of 2:53:52. "Running on Lake Garda was amazing, one of the most beautiful races I have ever run – said Jackie at the end of the race - it was my first time here and the track was more challenging than I expected with some hilly sections. Next year I will be here again to defend my title". She was followed by the Italian Eleonora Gardelli, 5:39 behind, and the German Juliane Rößler, who finished the race in 3:01:51.

The men's podium is all Italian. The race was won by Enrico Bartolotti, who broke the tape in 2:31:20; completing the podium line-up was Matteo Vecchiotti, coming in 2:20 behind the winner, and Lorenzo Baroncelli, in a time of 2:44:02.



From the left: Eleonora Gardelli, Jackie Stretton and Juliane Rößler

## THE LG21 HALF MARATHON

For the second year in a row, female runners confirmed their fondness for the half marathon, making up 49% of the LG21 participants. The X-BIONIC LAKE GARDA 42 half marathon set off from Arco di Trento, concluded in Malcesine along with its big sister and, incredibly, had an almost equal participation from both women and men. The first woman over the line was the German Philine Meister, in a time

of 1:22:58, 5:36 behind was the Croatian Dragana Schröder, and 6:6 behind was the Italian Fatima Zahra Rakhssane.

In the men's race, victory went to the Austrian Christoph Sander, in a time of 1:11:40; completing the podium line-up was the Italian Enrico Cozzini (1:13:11) and the Spanish Asier Gutiérrez García (1:14:16).



### **LG KIDS: THE CHAMPIONS OF TOMORROW**

Lots of fun was also had in the LG KIDS, a race of just over a kilometre dedicated to children up to 12 years old that took place yesterday on Saturday 25th March at the Rocca di Riva del Garda. More than 50 young runners competed in the race.

### **AN INTERNATIONAL RACE**

The statistics continue to underpin the growing prominence of the X-BIONIC LAKE GARDA 42, in particular the high proportion of foreigners runners, with 66% of participants coming from abroad. As many as 62 nationalities were represented, with runners arriving from 50 countries across all continents. Specifically, the country with the greatest number of participants was Germany (21%), and a strong British contingent (6%) decided they couldn't resist a weekend of sport on the banks of this beautiful lake. The event's international reputation was further underlined by the fact that 62 athletes from the United States and 51 from Israel came halfway across the globe to enjoy the breathtaking charm of



northern Lake Garda - in particular Limone sul Garda, Garda Trentino and Malcesine - from a "runner's-eye view"

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