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450 "BISONS" LIGHT UP THE 40TH MARCIAGRANPARADISO. THOUSANDS OVER THE WEEKEND!

The two days of cross-country skis in Cogne ended with great success with the public and participants. The atmosphere of the past has been rediscovered, with thematic refreshments, an ideal weather and a clear desire to have fun!

At 10 o'clock the 40th edition of the **Marciagranparadiso** started. **449 participants** from **12 different nations** lined up on the starting line at the bottom of the Prati di Sant'Orso. The start, very fast, immediately made the group longer and longer, especially the head. After a few kilometers, the French **Nathan Jouannon** immediately attacked and led the peloton for about three-quarters of the race, reaching a maximum advantage over his pursuers of about 30 seconds.

After about half the race the Italians **Stefano Mich** and **Christian Lorenzi** increase the pace and begin the long process of chasing the head of the race, which is almost completed at the entrance to the Cogne cross-country stadium. On the last straight they take the lead and fight for victory, which goes to **Lorenzi** from Cuneo (Team Internorm Alpenplus Trentino), for the second consecutive time, after an effort of an hour and 50 minutes. At 3" **Mich** (Team Futura) and at 17" the French **Jouannon** (Féclaz Formation Longue Distance). As for the women's race **Emilie Jeantet** (Army Sports Centre) soloed for all 40 kilometers of the Marathon course and also imposes herself for the second consecutive time, in two hours and 9 minutes, over **Chiara Caminada** (Team Robinson Trentino) (just over 2 minutes behind) and **Beatrice Bastrentaz** (Sci Club Mont Nery ASD) (at 2':34").

In the men's light course, the French **Robin Berjoan** (Féclaz Formation Longue Distance) wins in one hour and twenty minutes, second **Luc Primet**, also transalpine, and third **Tommaso Cuc**, from the local ski club (Gran Paradiso). The women's 25 kilometers were conquered by the French **Capucine Richon** (Féclaz Formation Longue Distance), ahead of **Virginia Cena** (Gruppo Sportivo Vigili del Fuoco Godioz) and **Anais Segor Maluquin**.

Some **facts** to report.

1. At the start, the oldest female competitor was a 67-year-old Swede, while an 80-year-old Italian athlete competed among the men!
2. Among the competitors who reached the finish line, there was a very special one: he answers to the name of Bruno Zanivan and he is the last "senator" of the Marcia. The photos of the finale are epic because they portray him with his personalized bib which reminds him that he ran and finished 40 editions of the Marcia: all of them!
3. The participant from the furthest country was a Mexican: Miguel Angel Ortega Cervantes.
4. Toft Bjørn's sixteenth place in the marathon distance of 40 km was a performance that will go down in the history of the Danish cross-country.

The **photo album** dedicated to the participants, by Paolo Rey, can be found here: [PHOTO COLLECTION MGP 2023](#).

The **rankings** of Marciagranparadiso 2023 can be downloaded by clicking here: [RANKINGS MGP 2023](#).





Together with the adults, the second part of the **MiniMarciagranparadiso** also started, which saw the **Ragazzi** and **Allievi** categories compete, over distances of 5 and 8 kilometers respectively.

Below are the rankings of the **MiniMarcia**:

Ragazzi Ladies category

1 ^a FRAGNO Amelie	(ITA)	Polisportiva Pollein
2 ^a LONGO BORGHINI A. A.	(ITA)	Sci Club Antigorio
3 ^a RIAL Annie	(ITA)	Sci Club Gressoney Monte Rosa

Ragazzi Men category

1 ^o BASTRENTA Mathias	(ITA)	Sci Club Gressoney Monte Rosa
2 ^o LAZIER Emil	(ITA)	Sci Club Gressoney Monte Rosa
3 ^o GLAREY Alden Achille	(ITA)	Sci Club Gran Paradiso

Allievi Ladies category

1 ^a COPPEL Justine	(ITA)	GUC Grenoble
2 ^a GONTIER Emilie	(ITA)	Sci Club Drink
3 ^a PIEROPAN Helene	(ITA)	Sci Club Gran Paradiso

Allievi Men category

1 ^o SCALVINO Simon	(ITA)	Sci Club Fallere ASD
2 ^o BORTOLOTTI BARREL T.	(ITA)	Sci Club Amis de Verrayes
3 ^o BENETTI Aron	(ITA)	Sci Club Gran Paradiso

Below are the final rankings of the 2nd combined **Skiri Mini**:

Ragazzi Ladies category

1 ^a LONGO BORGHINI A. A.	(ITA)	Sci Club Antigorio
2 ^a RIAL Annie	(ITA)	Sci Club Gressoney Monte Rosa
3 ^a FILIPPA Linda	(ITA)	Sci Club Gressoney Monte Rosa

Ragazzi Men category

1 ^o BASTRENTA Mathias	(ITA)	Sci Club Gressoney Monte Rosa
2 ^o LAZIER Emil	(ITA)	Sci Club Gressoney Monte Rosa
3 ^o GLAREY Alden Achille	(ITA)	Sci Club Gran Paradiso

Allievi Ladies category

1 ^a PIEROPAN Helene	(ITA)	Sci Club Gran Paradiso
2 ^a VALLET Linda	(ITA)	n/a
3 ^a SESONE Vittoria	(ITA)	Sci Club Gran Paradiso

Allievi Men category

1 ^o STANGALINO Liam	(ITA)	Gruppo Sportivo Vigili del Fuoco Godioz
2 ^o CARNESECCA Jacopo	(ITA)	Sci Club Valdigne Mont Blanc ASD
3 ^o CHADEL Cien	(ITA)	Sci Club Gressoney Monte Rosa

The **photo album** dedicated to the participants, by Paolo Rey, can be found here: [PHOTO COLLECTION MiniMGP 2023](#).





The **rankings** of the 16th MiniMarciagranparadiso 2023 and of the 2nd combined SkiriMini can be downloaded by clicking here: [RANKINGS MiniMGP 2023 + SkiriMini](#).

You can follow the event on the Facebook page **@Marcia Gran Paradiso**, on the Twitter account **@MGranparadiso** and on the Instagram profile **@marciagranparadiso**.
Two are the official hashtags: **#Marciagranparadiso** and **#MGP2023**.

You can also follow the event dedicated to youngsters on the Facebook page **@Minimarciagranparadiso**, on the Twitter account **@MGranparadiso** and on the Instagram profile **@marciagranparadiso**.
Three are the official hashtags: **#MiniMarcia**, **#MiniMGP2023** and **#SkiriMini**.

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