



## ŠPORTSKO DRUŠTVO "GRADAC"

- WATERPOLO – SWIMMING –

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### **WATERPOLO TOURNAMENTS IN GRADAC IN SUMMER 2019:**

**THE 18<sup>th</sup> WATER POLO CRO CUP GRADAC 2019**

**THE 11<sup>th</sup> WATER POLO TURBO CUP CRO GRADAC 2019**

**THE 5<sup>th</sup> WATER POLO TROPHY CROATIA CUP GRADAC 2019**

**THE 14<sup>th</sup> WATER POLO MEMORIAL CRO CUP GRADAC 2019**

Honored friends of water polo!

During August in Gradac, the center of local community Makarska Riviera, four (4) international water polo tournaments for younger cadets, cadets, younger juniors and juniors will take part. Just like in previous years, we expect all four (4) traditional competitions to be the biggest sport events of summer tourist season in the area, where many European tourists spend their vacation. Gradac and Makarska Riviera offer various cultural and entertainment opportunities like sport events and are also famous for longest and the most beautiful sand beaches and clearest sea in Croatia.

### **INTERNATIONAL WATER POLO TOURNAMENTS IN GRADAC IN SUMMER 2019:**

1)" 11<sup>th</sup> WATER POLO TURBO CRO CUP GRADAC 2019" for categories younger juniors and juniors will be held from 01/08 until 04/08/2019. The final day of the tournament is 04/08/2019. The rights to participate on this tournament have male players born in 2002.years and younger with the possibility to register up to three (3) players born in 2000/2001. years, while female players may be 1 to 8 years older.

- 2) **“THE 18<sup>th</sup> WATER POLO CRO CUP GRADAC 2019** for categories younger cadets, and cadets will be held from 14/08 until 17/08/2019. The final day of the tournament is 17/08/2019. The rights to participate on this tournament have male players born in 2004.years and younger with the possibility to register up to four (4) players born in 2002/2003. years, while female players may be 1 to 8 years older.
- 3) **“THE 5<sup>th</sup> WATER POLO TROPHY CROATIA CUP GRADAC 2019”** For category “Hope”will be held from 14/08/ until 17/08/2019. The final day of the tournament is 17/08/2019. The rights participate on this tournament have male players born in 2006. Years and younger with the possibilty to register up to four (4) players born in 2004/2005.years, while female players may be 1 to 8 years older.
- 4) **"THE 14<sup>th</sup> WATER POLO MEMORIAL CRO CUP GRADAC 2019"** for category younger cadets, and cadets will be held from 18/08 until 20/08/2019. The final day of the tournament is 20/08/2019. The rights to participate on this strong and traditional quality summer tournament have male players born in 2004. years, with the possibility to register up to three (3) players born in 2002- 2003. years), and younger while female players, participating either in female or mixed teams maybe 1 to 8 years older.

**NOTICE ACCOMMODATIONS :** Of course, this depends on the interests of all teams coming to Gradac from Europe and world, as well on their possibility to organize their arrival by bus, or by plane.

The problem is that we have limited capacity of the accommodation places in the middle of the touristic season, exactly when two of our tournaments take place, so we ask you to contact us on time to let us know about your suggestions and requirements, so we can ensure booking of your accommodation on time.

Moto of all water polo competitions in Gradac, especially international water polo tournaments for category: Hope, younger cadets, cadets, younger juniors and juniors of all genders will be in 2019. as in previous years – **“Sports Yess, drugs and alcohole” NO !!**

Foreign teams from Europe and the rest of the world who want to participate on one or more tournaments we have offered, taking part in the Summer 2019, especially on the biggest younger cadets and cadets categories tournament – The 18th Water polo Cro Cup Gradac 2019. and the most popular 11th Water polo Turbo Cup Cro Gradac 2019. for categories younger juniors and juniors players, will have a possibility of accommodation in some of tourist objects or in private apartments with affordable prices.

Accommodation for two (2) foreign teams is also available in Villa "Popovac" (owner Mr. Josko Popovac), with full capacity of 36-38 persons, which should be enough for two (2) teams of 16 to 20 persons, with full pension possibility (3 meals and overnight accommodation). Villa "Popovac" offers green terrace, very nice and comfortable rooms and apartments with private parking.

Very nice private accommodation Apartmani"“Luce” and comfortable apartments (for two teams of 18-20 persons, capacity cca 36-38 persons) and private parking lot owner mister Željko Žderić & miss Miranda Žderić.

Having booked full pension accommodation in Villa "Popovac" or Villa Fefan" (one teams cca 20-25 persons) , or Apartmani "Stankovic"(one teams 16-22 persons), or Apartmani "Luce" all teams would get three (3) great quality meals (full pensions: breakfast, lunch, dinner) served in Restaurant ORCA or Restaurant GUSAR , 40 meters away and nearby swimming area Soline.

**The price for a one (1) person per one (1) day with (three meals – breakfast, lunch, dinner + sleeping) is 35 EUR / person / one (1) day-night.**

All teams interested to participate should come two days earlier and besides tournaments in Gradac we also leave an option for friendly matches with neighboring teams in their own places (Makarska area, Igrane, Trpanj, Korcula, Hvar etc.) and R-travel agency – Taxi Bus Service Suco from Gradac owner by Mr. Ante Rubic offered special deals on transportation for friendly matches...

The applications will officially be open on 15/11/2018. and remain open until 01/04/2019. The organizers ask for attention to all participating teams to confirm participation timely e-mail, post or fax, signed and marked by the responsible person, because of limited tourist capacities in peak season in Gradac. Therefore, teams are asked to confirm and reserve stay until 15/04/2019.

Because of the above fact, it is necessary to book accommodation and meals in advance, preferably before 15/05/2019., stressing out the importance of advance payment processing (in amounts of 800 to 1.400 EUR per team, depending on number of persons per team).

The advanced payment would have been calculated in total cost of stay in Gradac. The rest would have been paid in cash in EUR directly to the owners of accommodation sites (overnight and three meals). After a written approval is received by your team via e-mail, and upon timeframe of planned stay in Gradac, we would have sent bank details of the accommodation site where your team would have stayed. This is necessary in order to settle the advance payment, as well as confirmed accommodation and safe arrival. Teams would have to pay possible rent of minivan (8+1) or mini bus (17+1) or bus (27, 32 or 45-50 seats) for friendly matches in area in cash. Your timely contact and reservation of accommodation, means of transportation (mini-bus, bus or air transport to Dubrovnik or Split, 100 km from Gradac) would make your stay in Croatia more pleasant. All foreign teams should bring state flags (approx. 70x100 cm) and CD-DVD with the state anthem.

The organizer of all four (4) tournaments, VK "Gradac" will assure trophies in permanent ownership for best 5-6 teams, for the best singles-individuals (player, shooter, goal keeper) and a trophy for fair play as well as for the most attractive male (two players) and two female players, best coach and the youngest male and female players. On the "18th Water polo Cro Cup Gradac 2019", the trophies will also be awarded for the youngest and the oldest players, fair play and medals (gold, silver and bronze) for three first settled teams. As for "11 th Water polo TURBO CUP CRO Gradac 2019"& „14th Water polo Memorial Cro Cup Gradac 2019.

FREE USAGE OF OPEN SWIMMING AREA "SOLINE" FOR TRAININGS... All teams participating at the tournament have the same conditions secured by organizer Water polo club Gradac, meaning that they all have the same conditions for usage of open swimming area Soline in morning, afternoon and night hours, depending on schedule of other appointed activities on

swimming area. Usage of open swimming area is free of charge if the team timely announces the arrival in Gradac and have regular contacts with the organizer of the tournaments prior arrival.

### **FREE PARTICIPATION ON ALL TOURNAMENTS IN GRADAC IN SUMMER 2019...**

Just like in previous years, participation in all tournaments in Gradac is free, which is a good incentive to come to Gradac for teams from Europe and the rest of the world. It is really unusual practice that the host and organizer, VK Gradac in particular case, are providing participation on four (4) tournaments free of charge, along with free usage of open swim area for practices and friendly matches.

**EXCURSIONS TO FAMOUS TOURIST DESTINATIONS...** All teams have the option to organize daily or half-daily excursions to famous nearby tourist destinations such as Dubrovnik (110 km), Split (100 km), Medjugorje (65 km), Mostar (70km), Kravice waterfalls (55 km). If you come by plane these excursions could be organized with mini buses or buses of Travel agency Suco-Tours from Gradac.

**VERY IMPORTANT INFORMATION...** All teams coming to Gradac during the water polo Summer season have to be in close contact with VK Gradac regarding their arrivals and stay, participation on tournaments, having their own water polo camps or using swimming area „Soline“ in any time of the day.

Our water polo club „Gradac“ will help you find accommodation and restaurants and will be able to provide quality service and meal service to your team.

All private pensions in Gradac providing accommodation for water polo teams participating on our tournaments have to be our regular sponsor and donors and have to align accommodation and meal prices to fair and pre-arranged levels.

All teams who plan to arrive to Gradac and arrange accommodation or meal services in places (hotel, hostel, private accommodation, restaurants) who are not helping the work and activities of our team VK Gradac and do not support organization of tournaments, will not have the access to open swimming area „Soline“ and will not be able to participate in any of our tournaments.

All information about previous tournaments, long tradition of our team and other details about Summer 2019. tournaments you may get by visiting our web site: <http://www.sd-gradac.hr> , or contact us with us on two (2) e-mails listed below (please use both e-mail addresses when sending enquiries to us!).

We thank you and regard you sincerely,

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