



CANDIDACY FOR CANOE WILD WATER WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS 2006



June 14th – 18th, 2006

KARLOVY VARY, CZECH REPUBLIC



THE CANDIDACY OF THE CZECH CANOE UNION FOR THE ORGANISATION OF THE CANOE WILD WATER WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS IN 2006

Canoe wild water ranks among the traditional sports in the Czech Republic and can boast of a long and rich history. It has always been a very successful sport. Czech paddlers ranked among the best world paddlers in the 1950th, followed by other strong generation in the 1960th and the beginning in the 1970th. The last 10 years have been very successful as well and Czech paddlers were among the best world paddlers. The Czech Canoe Union is also a traditional organizer of many world events: World Cup Races 1991, Junior World Championships 1996, World Cup 2001, 2002, 2004 and European Championships in 2003 in Karlovy Vary.

The Czech Canoe Union, encouraged by historical achievements of its paddlers and with a focus on further promotion of canoe wild water sport in the Czech Republic, requests the honour to host the Canoe Wild Water World Championships 2006 in Karlovy Vary.



The competitions would be held under the Březová dam by Canoe Club SK Hubertus Karlovy Vary on the traditional world cup race course on the Teplá River, which flows right through the centre of the spa town Karlovy Vary. This wonderful spa city is located approx. 120km from the capital Prague in Czech Republic.



The Czech Canoe Union bids for the 2006 World Championships with the full support of the Mayor of Karlovy Vary. On behalf of the International Canoe Federation we would be proud to introduce a new dimension of Wild Water World Championships. We hope that our candidacy for World Championships will be accepted by delegates of ICF Congress and through our contribution we can make the wild water sport visible tourists and spectators right in the center of the world-known spa town in the heart of Europe!





HOW TO GET THERE

Road access

Karlovy Vary is situated near the Czech-German border. Road distance with the airports – Prague (120km), Nurnberg (200km), Munich (300km), Leipzig (250km).

Railway

Karlovy Vary has got 2 main railway stations. Both are not more than 1km from the finish of the race. For the exact time schedule of the Czech Railways (České dráhy) see www.jzdnirady.cz

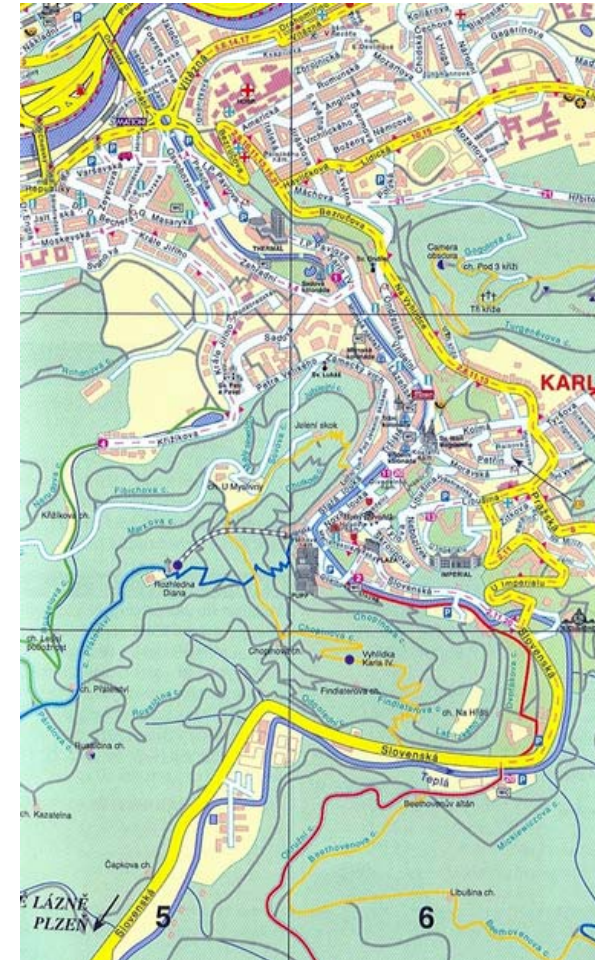
Airports

Prague (CZE) – 120km from Karlovy Vary; www.csl.cz

Nurnberg (GER) – 195km from Karlovy Vary;
www.airport-nuernberg.de

Munich (GER) – 300km from Karlovy Vary;
www.munich-airport.de

Leipzig (GER) – 175km from Karlovy Vary;
www.leipzig-halle-airport.de





TECHNICAL DETAILS OF THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS 2006

1. Organizers

Czech Canoe Union
SK Hubertus Karlovy Vary

2.. General partners

Karlovarské minerální vody, a.s. - MATTONI
Karel Holoubek - Trade Group a.s.

3. Course - the Teplá River in Karlovy Vary WW II-III

For the classic race

length	6.7 km
width	10 – 20 m
elevation	37 m.
flow rate	20m ³ /sec

The start line is situated under the dam in Březová. The first half of the course is in the natural river bed with a number of curves and stones and one weir. In this part there are many Wales and smaller stoppers. The second half of the course leads through the spa center of the town where the river bed is formed by upright banks and is complemented with artificial barriers by means of which waves and slight stoppers are created. Right above the finish line there are two weirs. In this part there are also two lit tunnels located.

For the sprint race

length	600 m
width	10 – 20 m
elevation	3 m
flow rate	20m ³ /sec

The sprint course is situated in the lower part of the classic course where the course crosses the spa center of the town in the river bed with upright banks and artificial barriers.





4. Site

The wild water race courses in Karlovy Vary are situated between the municipality of Březová on the confluence of the Teplá River (supplied from the Březová dam with the water flow rate 8 m³/sec) and the Stanovický Creek (supplied from the Stanovice dam with the water flow rate 12m³/sec) and the spa center of Karlovy Vary.

The lower part of the course leads through the attractive environs of the world renowned spa center directly in front of the promenade connecting the Geyser, the colonnade and the Thermal Hotel where the finish line is located.

This course is well known among canoe athletes since there were four World Cup races and one European Championship held there within the last six years.

5. Parking

It is possible to park in the campsite Březová at the start line of the classic race with the option of accommodation. The spa center of Karlovy Vary is usually closed for any traffic. However, the access to the Thermal Hotel where the finish line of the classic and sprint races and the event facilities (cloakrooms, sanitation facilities, a race office, a press center, an IT center) will be permitted. The start line of the sprint race is located approx. 200 m from there.

Parking is available in the parking lot of the general partner, which can be found approx. 500 m downstream from the finish line. It is accessible by boat going down the river. Accommodation facilities generally provide their own parking for their guests.

6. Financial plan

The financial costs are covered by the general partners, particularly the companies Karlovarské minerální vody a.s. (MATTONI) and Karel Holoubek trade group and other sponsors.

7. Medical support

State Surgery System and an ambulance car during the whole length of World Championships.





8. Media

The Czech TV will be broadcasting the event.

There will be a press center available in the Thermal Hotel at the finish line during the whole event.

Press conferences will be organized before and after the World Championships.

9. Athletes' area

Cloakrooms, sanitation facilities, internet and a video screening room are available in the Thermal Hotel at the finish line.

10. Spectators' area

The upper half of the course is accessible along one river bank at least. The lower part of the course is ideal for spectators from both river banks. There are only two tunnels along the classic course in the total length of approx. 60 m inaccessible.

11. Timing/scoring

It will be provided by the company Spoje Pelhřimov, highly experienced in this work and the race courses in Karlovy Vary. This company was servicing all the previous races of the World Cups and the European Championship, too. Its co-operation with the TV staff is professional. Furthermore, it is able to meet all the requirements of regulations for canoeing events.

12. Accommodation

Both in Karlovy Vary and in Březová there is an accommodation capacity high enough and of all price levels.

Starting from February 1, there will be an accommodation office open which can be contacted by phone or via email.

13. Other events planned in conjunction with the championships 2006

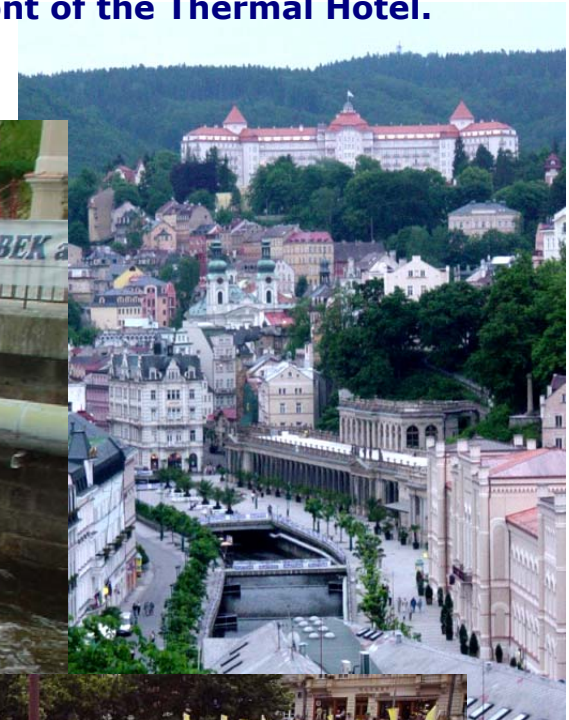
In the upper part of the classic course there will be the Masters International Race held.





There will be an open race for both registered and non-registered athletes under the name Kanoe Mattoni 2006 held on other courses.

During the event Kanoe Mattoni 2006 there will be an accompanying sports and cultural program taking place daily in front of the Thermal Hotel at the finish line. In the swimming pools specially built in front of the Thermal Hotel there will be an open race in Eskimo rolls held. On Sunday, 18 June after the World Championships are concluded there will be a water carnival organized in front of the Thermal Hotel.





APPENDIX 1 - ACCOMMODATION IN THE KARLOVY VARY REGION

accommodation	www	price/DBLroom
LH Thermal	www.thermal.cz	2300 CZK / 77 EUR
Hotel U Šimla	www.usimla.cz	1250 CZK / 42 EUR
Hotel Derby	www.euroagentur.cz	2250 CZK / 75 EUR
Hotel Alice	www.euroagentur.cz	1620 CZK / 54 EUR
Hotel Starý Mlýn	www.hotelstarymlyn.cz	1500 CZK / 50 EUR
Hotel Vítkova hora	www.vitkovahora.cz	1690 CZK / 57 EUR
Vítkova hora - chatky	www.vitkovahora.cz	360 CZK / 12 EUR
Hotel ST.Michael	www.stmichael.wz.cz	1200 CZK / 40 EUR
Hotel Prima	www.hotel-prima.wz.cz	1490 CZK / 50 EUR
Europenzion	www.penzion-euro.cz	1100 CZK / 37 EUR
Pension Valkooun	www.aa.cz/penzionvalkoun/	1000 CZK / 34 EUR
Vysokoškolská kolej		320 CZK /pers./ 11 EUR
Hostel Titty Twister		370 CZK /pers./ 12 EUR
Pension Villa Rosa	www.villarosa.cz	1500 CZK / 45 EUR
Kemp Březový Háj		200 CZK /pers. / 7 EUR
Hotel	1038 beds	
Pensions	128 beds	
Cottages	40 beds	
Camping	180 pieces	



APPENDIX 2 – LETTER OF SUPPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CCU

THE CANDIDATURE OF THE CZECH CANOE UNION FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS IN WILDWATER IN 2006

The long-time tradition of Canoe slalom and Wildwater in the Czech Republic as well as the efficiency of the athletes have been known worldwide for decades. A number of World Champion titles in all categories and events, including the victory of Lukáš Pollert at the Olympic Games in Barcelona, Štěpánka Hilgertová at the Olympics in Atlanta and Sydney and Michala Strnadová at World Championships, the experience in organizing the World Championships and many other international competitions in Canoe slalom and Wildwater in Czechoslovakia, later in the Czech Republic, give the assumption that the Czech Canoe Union could forward the request to hold the World Championships in Wildwater in Karlovy Vary in 2006 fully conscious of its responsibility.

Karlovy Vary hosted the World Cups in Wildwater in 2000, 2001, 2002, 2004.

In 2003 Karlovy Vary was honored to be the venue of the European Championships. The spa town of Karlovy Vary is situated in Western Bohemia near the Czech – German border. For centuries it has been considered one of the most significant spa resorts in the Czech Republic and in Europe. The town is famous not only for its spa treatment but also for the charming landscape under the Ore Mountains. Mayor of Karlovy Vary as one of the event patrons would welcome the World Championships in the historical town center. The competitions would be fully supported by the President of the Karlovy Vary Region, too. They would take place on the Teplá River meandering through the picturesque valley of Karlovy Vary. The water flow rate would be controlled by operators of two local dams. Karlovy Vary can provide sufficient accommodation and boarding available in all price and quality levels located in the vicinity of the race course for all participants and accompanying team staff.

As recommended by the Czech Canoe Union – Wildwater section, local organizers, main sponsors and media propose to hold the 2006 World Championships in Wildwater in Karlovy Vary. All technical and organizational matters will be continuously discussed with the International Canoe Federation.

We sincerely hope that members of the ICF Board of Directors will accept our candidacy and thus we look forward to meeting many of our wildwater friends in the Czech town of Karlovy Vary in 2006.

Prof. Ing. Jaroslav Pollert, DrSc.
Chairman of the Czech Canoe Union





APPENDIX 3 – INVITATION FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE KARLOVY VARY REGION

In Karlovy Vary on December 1st, 2005

Dear friends of water sports,

It is my pleasure to invite you for the next remarkable and top-level aquatic event, the Wild Water World Championships 2006.

It is the first time that such a top-level water sport event takes place in the Czech Republic, and probably the first time the Wild Water World Championships will be held in the centre of a city, moreover a world-wide known and popular spa town of Karlovy Vary.

The Wild Water competitions have had a great tradition in Karlovy Vary, represented by the regular Kanoé Mattoni series for years. These races also successfully hosted the European Wild Water Championship in 2003, and proved Karlovy Vary to be a very suitable venue to organize such sportive enterprises.

I would like to use this opportunity and invite you, both personally and on behalf of the Karlovy Vary Region, to this event in our beautiful region and its capital city. The Region of Karlovy Vary supports the water sports activities constantly, and is ready to provide support for the Championships as well. Although the event takes place directly in Karlovy Vary, we and the organizers will strive to take you to other interesting and impressive places of the region during the accompanying program of the event.

I hope the Karlovy Vary region will welcome you on the occasion of the Wild Water World Championships in 2006.

Yours sincerely,

Josef Pavel
President of the Karlovy Vary Region
Czech Republic





APPENDIX 4 – GREETINGS FROM THE MAYOR OF THE TOWN KARLOVY VARY

Dear friends,

It is my great honor to invite you all for a significant sports event which will take place in our town. After the previous successful wildwater races, another year of the Kanoë Mattoni together with the World Championships are being prepared. Again, the World Championships will welcome the water sports fans and especially you – active athletes and all those who help organize the event.

Karlovy Vary is distinguished not only as a world renowned spa town and a place with beautiful history as it used to be in the past. We seek to create pleasant environs for our visitors and their sports activities, too. Consequently, Karlovy Vary becomes a venue of sports events of international importance more and more often. Positive responses from top sports people themselves as well as from the public – spectators - are real proof for us that the beauties of the spa town in conjunction with the sports attractive for the audience are the best way.

I am very glad that the town of Karlovy Vary can co-operate on the organization of such an important sports event. Even more am I pleased that there is a chance to hold the historically first World Championships in Wildwater this year. I believe that this competition will be an unforgettable experience for all and that it will rank among the most significant events in our town next year.

Allow me to wish you many great experiences from our town and particularly much sports success.

Mgr. Zdeněk Roubínek

Mayor of Karlovy Vary





WE ARE PREPARED TO DO OUR BEST FOR THE CANOE WILD WATER SPORT.

OUR EXPERIENCE FROM THE PAST WORLD CUPS HELD IN KARLOVY VARY HAVE BUILT VERY GOOD RELATIONS TO THE MEDIA, THUS ENCOURAGING A BROAD COVERAGE OF THE 2006 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS, TOO. WE ASPIRE TO PRESENT THIS ATTRACTIVE SPORT TO THE PUBLIC NOT ONLY THROUGH THE SPORT ITSELF BUT ALSO THROUGH MANY-SIDED EVENTS.

DO THE BEST FOR THIS SPORT, GIVE US THE CHANCE!



MANY THANKS FOR YOUR ATTENTION