Notice about Armada Cup on Swiss rowing federation website

Dear Rowers,

It gives us great pleasure to invite you to the **32nd Armada Cup taking place on Lake Wohlen on Saturday 27 October 2018**. <u>This year's programme</u> will be the same as last year's:

- Sprint regatta based on the cup system, over 250 m, for invited rowers
- C-Gig race (U15), over 3 km
- Skiff race, over 9 km, with mass start

We will be accepting registrations on our homepage from mid-May onwards.

After 24 years on the Organising Committee for the Armada Cup, 10 of them in the role of President, Thomas von Burg (Seeclub Biel), together with some of his long-standing companions, will be stepping down from his post following the 32nd Armada Cup. Furthermore, a planned change to the Committee will also take place at the 2019 general assembly of Regattaverein Bern. From then on, the club will be led by two representatives of the local rowing clubs, who will serve as joint presidents.

The new leadership of Regattaverein Bern, under the direction of Hanspeter Glauser of Rowing Club-Bern, a long-standing member of the Organising Committee, and Jürg Schäffler, Co-President of Ruderclub Wohlensee, will give some thought to restructuring the Armada Cup. An initial analysis of future events has indicated that the resignations from the Organising Committee mean that it will not be possible to run the Armada Cup in its current form from **2019**, i.e. with high-calibre international participants and substantial prize money.

For now, however, we are looking forward to this year's event on 27 October 2018. Since this will probably be the last Armada Cup in its current form, Regattaverein Bern would like to invite all participants, and all those otherwise involved in the event, to a fondue evening with music and dancing, following the prize ceremony. We look forward to seeing you!

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