

## **MATTEO IACHINO JOINS TEAM FANATIC & NORTHSAILS INTERNATIONAL**

We are happy to announce that with Matteo Iachino from Italy a very talented windsurfer has joined our International Windsurfing teams for Fanatic and NorthSails. His name is well known in the Slalom scene and he for sure has a great talent to make it to the top of the rankings. Matteo will be charging the race season on our renowned Falcon Slalomboards!

### **Matteo Iachino:**

"I really wanted to join an experienced windsurfing brand and to have top boards top in our sport. And now I'm in this team and I can't ask for more. I tried all Falcon Slaloms and was quite stoked how easy and fast they are. Fanatic's Product Manager Daniel Aeberli is a good friend of mine, he helped me a lot during these years and I believe in him and in the great job he's doing for Fanatic."

### **Daniel Aeberli, Fanatic Product Manager:**

"Matteo is one of the most talented upcoming Slalom guys on the PWA tour. Following him since the start of his professional career gave me the possibility to see him develop his skills and Racing. He is a great personality and has the right attitude and motivation to make it all to the top of the Slalom scene. For us at Fanatic he is the perfect guy for our young and dynamic Slalom crew. The time has come to boost our 2014 Falcon line to the next level... A big welcome to Matteo."

### **BIO/INFORMATION:**

**Name:** Matteo Iachino

**Sail Number:** ITA-140

**Birthday:** 22.09.1989

**Country:** Italy

**Favourite discipline:** Slalom, Wave, Formula

### **Best results:**

- 3rd PWA Costa Brava 2013
- 11th PWA Sylt 2013
- 17th PWA Turkey 2013
- 10th PWA Overall Slalom Ranking 2013
- 17th Formula World's, Viganj, Croatia 2013 (first Formula event)
- Italian Slalom Champion 2013
- Italian Slalom Tour Champion 2010-2011-2012
- 5<sup>th</sup> Italian Wave Championships 2012

**Favourite spot:** Tenerife

**Favourite Fanatic board:** Falcon Slalom 90, Quad Wave TE 89

**Favourite manoeuvre:** Waveriding

**How I started Windsurfing:** I was 8 years old, I was in Egypt and my dad taught me the first steps on a windsurf board. Then I stopped until I was 10 and on that summer I started again and I'm still here.

**Best windsurfing day in my life:** The last day of the PWA in Costa Brava 2013 when I realized I was going to get a podium in PWA, it was a dream come true.

**Other sponsors besides Fanatic:** Biancamano S.P.A. that gives me my wonderful van to go around for training and racing, L.N.I. Albisola, my sailing club since I was a child, who supported me every racing season.

**My goals:** Top 5 PWA

**My slogan:** Rock your life and never look back

**Website:** <https://www.facebook.com/MatteolachinoProWindsurfer?fref=ts>



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### **INTERVIEW WITH MATTEO:**

**Welcome to Fanatic! What were your reasons to join our team?** I always wanted to join a successful experienced brand to have the best possible boards under my feet. When the possibility opened up to join the Fanatic team, it didn't take long for me to decide.

**So, why Fanatic boards?** I tried all Slalomboards and I was stoked how easy and fast they felt. Fanatic's Product Manager Daniel Aeberli is a good friend of mine, he helped me a lot during my first years of competing I believe in.

**Did you try the boards already and what is your favorite board?** The 140 is sick but the slalom 90 is the one I like more cause I love sailing in strong winds.

**Tell us a bit about yourself and how you got into Racing?** I live in the north-west of the Italian coast, 100km from France. I windsurf since I was 10 years and my first race was a fun race organized by my club in 2006. I raced with a Freestyle board and a 6.0m<sup>2</sup> Freestyle sail and I just loved the feeling I had during the race in the Slalom course. One year later I was racing in almost all competitions in Italy.

**What do you think of your new team mates like Gollito Estredo and Victor Fernandez?** I am honored to be in the same team as those champs, both are real heroes for me.

**Which events are you doing in 2014 and what are your goals to reach?** For sure I will do all the PWA World Tour where I want to stay in the top 10 trying to be better than this year. I think I will do the Formula Worlds trying to go better than this year and I will do the Italian Championships hoping to keep the title in my hands.

**What are your plans for the winter months?** I am already in Tenerife and will stay here for the whole winter to be ready for the next season. I will mainly train in Slalom, but for sure I will also go Wavesailing and Surfing.



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