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Welcome to El Astillero

Dear Athletes,

For the third consecutive year, our town will be hosting a very special event: the Inclusive Nautical Festival. – Inclusive Nautical Festival, a sporting celebration of canoeing and inclusion, organized by the Cantabria Multisport canoeing club (chaired by Olympic canoeist Agustín Calderón – Atlanta 1996) and Living Cantabria. This year, the festival will also include an international paracanoe competition over the official marathon distance.

We are proud to host a sporting event of this nature. We would be delighted to welcome you to El Astillero, to share in both the competition and the celebration of inclusion, while also showcasing the beauty of our natural surroundings, our rich history, the delights of our gastronomy, and the hospitality of our people.

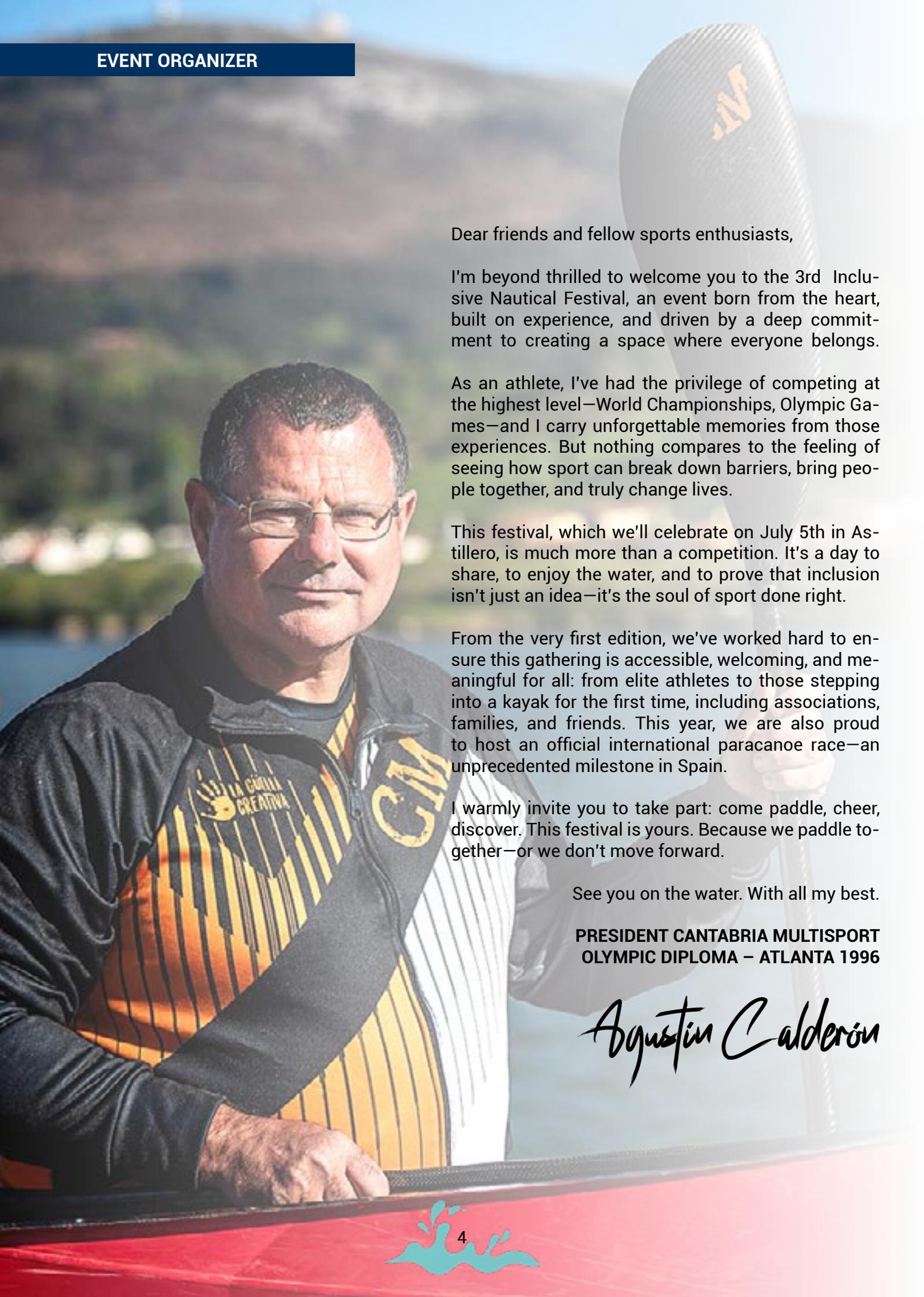
Our municipality has always been a model of sporting dedication, with numerous sports academies and training programs across various disciplines. Paracanoe is one of the sports practiced in the Astillero estuary, where both conventional and paracanoe athletes train together, sharing the same space as equals. As they themselves say, "on the water, we are all the same."

We look forward to seeing you all on 5th July in El Astillero. Until then, please accept my warmest regards.

ALCALDE | MAYOR
AYUNTAMIENTO EL ASTILLERO

Javier Fernández Soberón





Dear friends and fellow sports enthusiasts,

I'm beyond thrilled to welcome you to the 3rd Inclusive Nautical Festival, an event born from the heart, built on experience, and driven by a deep commitment to creating a space where everyone belongs.

As an athlete, I've had the privilege of competing at the highest level—World Championships, Olympic Games—and I carry unforgettable memories from those experiences. But nothing compares to the feeling of seeing how sport can break down barriers, bring people together, and truly change lives.

This festival, which we'll celebrate on July 5th in Astillero, is much more than a competition. It's a day to share, to enjoy the water, and to prove that inclusion isn't just an idea—it's the soul of sport done right.

From the very first edition, we've worked hard to ensure this gathering is accessible, welcoming, and meaningful for all: from elite athletes to those stepping into a kayak for the first time, including associations, families, and friends. This year, we are also proud to host an official international paracanoe race—an unprecedented milestone in Spain.

I warmly invite you to take part: come paddle, cheer, discover. This festival is yours. Because we paddle together—or we don't move forward.

See you on the water. With all my best.

**PRESIDENT CANTABRIA MULTISPORT
OLYMPIC DIPLOMA – ATLANTA 1996**

Agustín Calderón

Hello everyone,

I'm Silvia Ramón, and I'm lucky enough to once again help organize the Inclusive Nautical Festival.. This project is much more than a sports event: it's a shared dream, a bold commitment to real inclusion, and a joyful celebration for all of us who believe that the sea, sport and good energy know no barriers.

From Living Cantabria, and together with an incredible team, we've poured our hearts into making this third edition even more special. I take care of the most vibrant side of the festival: the concerts, the music, the stands, the media, and of course, our beloved (open to all) Dragon Boat, where it doesn't matter whether you know how to paddle or not. What matters is joining in, laughing together, and enjoying the ride.

I also want to take a moment to thank my team (dedicated, creative professionals) and especially our volunteers, the silent soul of this festival. Without you, none of this would be possible. You are the ones who make everything flow.

And of course, a heartfelt thank you to our sponsors and collaborators, whose support – both financial and in terms of visibility – makes it possible for this festival to happen and grow. Your commitment allows us to keep building a more inclusive and accessible future through sport.

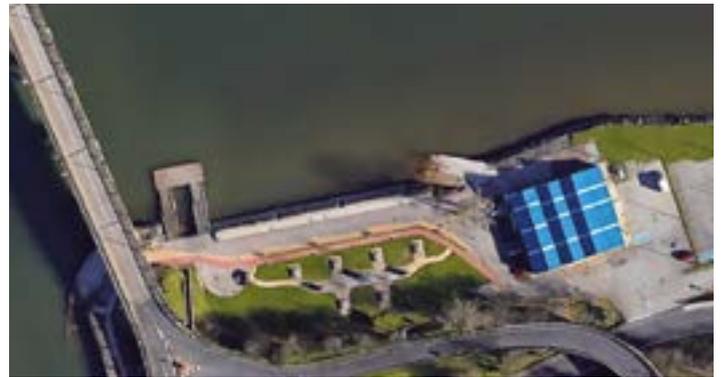
I warmly invite you to join us on July 5th in Astillero. Come and feel the atmosphere, hop in a kayak, dance with us, and enjoy a unique experience – created with love and designed for everyone.

See you soon! With all my best,

FOUNDER OF LIVING CANTABRIA

Silvia Ramón Ponsa





LOCATION

El Astillero, located at the foot of Peña Cabarga, is just 7.5 km from Santander, the regional capital.

The municipality is geographically defined by the estuaries that surround it: Ría de Solía, Ría de Boo, and Ría de Astillero (part of the Bay of Santander). It borders the municipalities of Camargo, Villaescusa, Piélagos, Medio Cudeyo, and Marina de Cudeyo.

The convergence of these estuaries and the bay's coastline creates vast wetlands (Marismas Blancas and Marismas Negras), which serve as a nesting site for various migratory birds throughout the year.

The boarding area and the Festival facilities will be located south of the Pontejos Bridge:

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/TMpTKmmxijQRpU1r6>





MAIN COMPETITIONS & EVENTS

- 09:00 Event opening
- 09:30 Entries confirmation
- 10:30 Team leaders' meeting
- 11:00 Open International Paracanoe Marathon:
Men / Women: KL1-KL2-KL3-VL1-VL2-VL3 and Open
- 13:00 Young Talents Competition (demonstration)
- 14:00 Demonstration of inclusive double boats competition (K2 and OC2)
Men / Women / Mixed / Young Talents
- 15:30 Awards ceremony



COMPETITION COURSE

The competition will follow the ICF Paracanoe Competition Rules:

- Long Circuit
- Short Circuit
- Half-lap of the short circuit

The starting line will be south of the Pontejos Bridge, and the finish line will be in front of the rowing club.

The competition committee may modify the course if weather or water conditions require it. Any changes will be communicated and confirmed at the team leaders' meeting.

DESCRIPTIONS

- Starting line: marked by buoys S1-S2.
- Long circuit: B1-B2-B3-B4 (in yellow).
- Short circuit: B1-B2-B5-B6 (in pale blue).
- Half a lap of the short circuit: B5-B7-F (in pale orange).
- To finish from the last lap: B6-F (in pink).
- The start will be taken towards B1-B2.
- All turns will be taken from left to right, keeping the buoys to starboard.
- To reach the finish line, competitors must pass between F and the shore.

PARCOURS AND DISTANCES

- KL1/VL1 (Men/Women): 6,8 km = 2 x long circuit, 2 x short circuit and half a lap of the short circuit.
- KL2/KL3/VL2/VL3 (Men/Women): 10,2 km = 4 x long circuit, 2 short circuit (from the second to finish).



ENTRIES

Eligible Participants:

Clubs and athletes holding a valid national license.

Independent entries from individuals are not accepted.

Clubs must register their athletes via website before Friday, 27th June at

www.festivalnauticoinclusivo.com

Required Information. For each registered athlete, the following details must be provided:

- Full name
- Date of birth
- ID number
- Paracanoe sport class
- Certification from the national federation confirming:
 - » The athlete holds a valid sports license
 - » The sport class assigned by the National or International Classification Panel
- For Open exhibition class athletes, a certificate from the national federation confirming:
 - » The athlete has an eligible impairment for IPC but not for ICF, allowing them to compete in the event.



ACCOMMODATION

For lodging options, visit The Astillero Town Hall's Tourism website

<https://turismoastilleroaguarnizo.com/>





Get ready to live the adventure!
Join us! Sport for everyone!
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POPULAR DRAGON BOAT

ACTIVITIES AROUND THE INCLUSIVE NAUTICAL FESTIVAL

The festival promotes inclusion in canoeing, encourages adaptive sports as tools for social integration, creating a space for coexistence where people with different physical abilities can share and enjoy sports, and raising public awareness about the importance of accessibility and inclusion in sports.

Alongside the canoeing competition, a series of activities will take place both on land and in the water, including:

- Musical performances
- Live radio broadcast (Onda Marina Online)
- Adapted canoeing workshops
- Inclusive recreational activities
- Product and sponsor stands
- Introduction to canoeing through the dragon boat



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There's still time to get involved and be part of this amazing event. If you'd like to participate, support, or simply learn more, contact us at: eventos@festivalnauticoinclusivo.com

Every helping hand counts – together, we paddle further!

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