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" ELETTRA " BACK ON AIR !



Yacht " ELETTRA " - I14BTK -

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(Gabriele D'Annunzio)*

1st and 2nd of June, 2013

Marconi Museum

Pontecchio Marconi (Bologna, ITALY)

In conjunction with the international contest :
Museum Ships Weekend Event

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A.R.I. Fidenza Radio Club – IQ4FE

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Ham Radio Activation “ Elettra” Yacht – I1BTK -

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A.R.I. Fidenza Radio Club (Italian Radio Amateur Association) is the promoter of a technical and cultural event to be held in **Pontecchio Marconi , Bologna, Italy,** on the **1st and 2nd of June 2013.**

The event has already won the prestigious patronage of the **Guglielmo Marconi Foundation** (www.fgm.it), that promotes research in telecommunications and undertakes initiatives aimed at the diffusion of scientific knowledge and of the work of Guglielmo Marconi.

The event aims to highlight internationally the historical value of "**Elettra**" yacht, which was the **“mobile laboratory”** of the great scientist **Guglielmo Marconi**, on board of which were carried out **important experiments** related to radio communications. Marconi wanted in fact adopt a medium that would allow him to carry out research and experiments in the best possible way, on which you could work at any hour of the day in meditation and isolation, with no distractions whatsoever and with remarkable ease of movement, thus solving problems flow and directional effects.

The vessel was then forge of study to the best applications of Hertzian waves, allowing the **continuous progress of radio communications**. Just think about the **historic event** in March 1930, when the Elettra anchored in the port of Genoa, Guglielmo Marconi sent the radio signal that **switch on the lamps of the City Hall in Sydney, Australia.**

For these reasons, on the occasion of the **international exhibition "Museum Ships Weekend Event"**, radio amateurs of ARI Fidenza Club will activate

a radio station nearby the portion of the yacht Elettra

kept at the Museum of Villa Grifone in Pontecchio Marconi (BO), to ideally revive his "voice" and allow the **radio amateurs all over the world** to contact her.

The "Museum Ships Weekend Event“ (www.nj2bb.org) is an **international competition** organized by the “ Battleship New Jersey Amateur Radio Station NJ2BB " gang , ARRL affiliated (**American Radio Relay League**). The event occurs every year and aims to **enable worldwide radio stations on board** or nearby naval merchant/leisure/military museum units . The particularity of the contest is therefore that, in addition to the purely competition related to the contest itself, the boats are ideally **"revived"**, even if only for a weekend a year enhancing the value of **human history and technology.**

The participants take turns at the Amateur Radio button and microphone for the duration of the event.

The Italian Ministry of Communications has granted the use of a **special "Callsign", I14BTK,** which will be used during radio communications over the two days. Since this is an international event, will be also made a **special commemorative QSL card** that will be sent to each connected amateur radio station.

Further informations:

Fondazione Guglielmo Marconi - www.fgm.it
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