

# CLAUDIO BAGLIONI CANTA IL NUOTO

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"Sì, e penso non faccia bene al nuoto. Si devono tracciare regole definite, ma forse ci sono problemi di sponsor insormontabili... Il nuoto è uno sport talmente insindacabile che è un peccato inquinarlo così".

Quali gare non si perderà? "I 50 stile libero, la prova più veloce. La Pellegrini. E il sincronizzato: ci sono la musica, il ritmo, la rapsodia dei corpi. Mi

piace".

Piccolo quiz. L'ultimo primato del mondo di Federica? "Mannaggia... Pensi che l'ho pure visto alla tv...". Pescara, Giochi del Mediterraneo, 4'00"41 sui 400 stile. Grande tempo!

Quanti ori ha vinto Phelps ai Giochi di Pechino? "Otto".

Complimenti. "Sono o non sono l'autore dell'inno del nuoto?"

## TOUR, NONA TAPPA A FEDRIGO NOCENTINI ANCORA IN MAGLIA GIALLA

**Il francese ha avuto la meglio su Pellizotti nella volata a due. L'azzurro dell'AG2R resta leader**



Pierrick Fedrigo e Franco Pellizotti

TARBES (Francia) - Pierrick Fedrigo vince la nona tappa del 96esimo Tour de France, la Saint-Gaudens-Tarbes di 160,5 chilometri. Nel terzo atto del tritico pirenaico il corridore francese della Bboxe Bouygues Telecom ha avuto la meglio nella volata a due sul compagno di fuga Franco Pellizotti. Lo spagnolo Oscar Freire, tre volte campione del mondo in forza al team Rabobank, ha regolato il gruppo in volata piazzandosi terzo con un ritardo di 34" dai due fuggitivi, riusciti a condurre in porto un'azione lanciata nelle prime battute della nona tappa.

NOCENTINI ANCORA IN GIALLA - Rinaldo Nocentini resta in maglia gialla per il terzo giorno consecutivo, riuscendo ad approdare da leader al primo giorno di riposo del Tour de France. "Oggi è andata un po' meglio di ieri", ha detto il ciclista di Montevarchi al termine della tappa, che ha portato a Tarbes, ai piedi dei Pirenei, il gruppo

della Grande Boucle: "Speravo che la giornata andasse un po' meglio - ha ammesso - ma ora posso godermi la maglia nel giorno di riposo, poi cercherò di tenerla per qualche altro giorno. Sulla carta potrei passare altri tre o quattro giorni in testa alla classifica generale". Lunedì dunque giornata di sosta al Tour, martedì la decima tappa: da Limoges a Issoudun attraverso 194,5 chilometri.

### A PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN

Never Found to Fail  
O Most beautiful  
flower of Mount Carmel,  
Fruitful Vine, Splendor of  
Heaven, blessed Mother of  
the Son of God, Immaculate  
Virgin, assist me in this  
necessity. O Star of the Sea,  
help me and show me herein  
you are my Mother.

O Holy Mary,  
Mother of God, Queen of  
Heaven and Earth, I humbly  
beseech thee from the  
bottom of my heart, to help  
me in this necessity; there  
are none that can withstand  
your power.

O show me herein  
you are my Mother.

O Mary conceived  
without sin, pray for us who  
have recourse to thee.

Sweet Mother, I  
place this cause in your  
hands. (3 times.)

# "OIL SPILL MIRACLE MACHINE" BUILT BY ITALIAN INVENTOR



Bari - A device dreamed up by a small-town Italian inventor could play a crucial role in fighting environmental disasters by helping emergency workers clean up after oil spills.

Developed by 56-year-old Michele Sanseverino, the machine is able to fully remove any pollutants floating on the water's surface, making it particularly well suited for oil spills. Unlike other oil decontamination processes, it uses the physical properties of the fluids rather than chemical additives, centrifuges

or dredgers, which are costly and never fully effective.

"Oilsep CC Ecology" was designed to tackle environmental disasters but will also be used for industrial waste-processing, oil platforms and in ship cistern outlets. Sanseverino, a Bari native, came up with the idea after years of working with filtration systems but his lack of any background in engineering made it difficult to find funding. "I'm not an engineer, I'm just a simple inventor, and though it may seem strange, I created my machine without using a single equation," he said. "I received no help from the bank, no financing for my research, and so I had to use up all my family's savings to build my machine". Sanseverino set up a four-person firm to build and market the device and eventually attracted the interest of academics at some of Puglia's universities.

Since the inception five

years ago of the device it has been tested in several industries.

There has been particular interest from German multinational Bosch, which bought one of the devices through one of its suppliers, an industrial washing machine manufacturer. Sanseverino has sold ten of the machines so far, both to Italian and international firms, and is in contact with the Nigerian government which wants to clean up pollution in the Niger Delta; and, government authorities in the Middle East have expressed such an interest in the machine that Sanseverino is in the process of opening an office in Muscat, Oman, with the assistance of oil sector experts.

"This is a niche product and the only real problem is the fact my firm is so small," Sanseverino said. "This means I have to do everything myself but the results so far feel like a miracle".

## LAGOON CITY WILL HOST NEW INTERNATIONAL CLIMATE CHANGE CENTRE



Venice - Venice will host a major new research centre on climate change staffed by experts from around the world, Italian Environment Minister Stefania Prestigiacomo announced on Monday.

Addressing a climate conference in the Lagoon City, the minister said the complex would be located on the Venetian island of San Giorgio Maggiore. Over 100 scientists from around the planet will work at the centre, which will be the largest climate change research laboratory in the world, she said. The announcement came on the first day of a

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