

ESTORIL PORTUGAL XPD RACE

Next stop – World Championships 2009

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The Estoril Portugal XPD race which ended with dramatic surf landings on Sunday afternoon on Estoril beach was followed by a meal and then the prize giving ceremony for all the athletes and race personnel that evening. Alexandre Guedes de Silva, Race Coordinator, opened the ceremony giving a short speech thanking all the participants and the staff that worked on the race. He then called Cláudio Barreto, Race Director, and Geoff Hunt, ARWorld Series Director to present the prizes.

Once the prizes had been distributed, Geoff Hunt gave a short speech, where he gave feedback on his experience as observer of the race. He said it had taken him a while to understand the format which was quite different to the normal straightforward, first across the line race but he obviously was sufficiently impressed with the race, it's organisation and Portugal as an adventure race venue as he announced that Portugal XPD race would be hosting the 2009 World Adventure Race Championship.

The top ten teams in the classifications for the Estoril Portugal XPD race are as follows:

Classification/Team name/Country/Nº Obligatory CPs/Nº optional CPs/Time
1st place TEVA-LA PINILLA / Spain/Brasil / 24 / 46 / 80:27:10
2nd place Clube Praças da Armada / Portugal / 24 / 42 / 80:09:58
3rd place Team Oure / Denmark / 24 / 41 / 79:46:02
4th place Team Feed the Machine / USA / 24 / 41 / 80:10:52
5th place Cyanosis / South Africa / 24 / 37 / 78:47:22
6th place Sleepmonsters/Inov-8 / UK/Ireland / 24 / 37 / 79:47:06
7th place MillenniumBCP1 / Portugal / 24 / 27 / 79:34:37
8th place Team SMS / Sweden / 24 / 26 / 78:32:27
9th place MillenniumBCP2 / Portugal / 24 / 19 / 79:23:59
10th place Team Alpinepro/Nutrend/Merida / Czech Republic / 22 / 46 / 80:17:21

The classifications for the APCA all-male competition were as follows:

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Classification/Team name/Country/Nº obligatory Cps/Nº optional CPs/Time

1st place FreitaOutdoor.com / Portugal / 24 / 28 / 79:34:22

2nd place MillenniumBCP3 / Portugal / 24 / 17 / 80:10:05

3rd place MillenniumBCP-Porto / Portugal / 18 / 23 / 79:04:17

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