

## YACHT CLUB COSTA SMERALDA

## **FACTSHEET 2016**

**Founded:** established in 1967 by His Highness the Aga Khan and a small group of founding members with the aim of bringing together nautical sports enthusiasts and sea lovers, and promoting artistic, cultural and scientific initiatives.

<u>Clubhouse at YCCS Porto Cervo:</u> located in the enchanting village of Porto Cervo, on the north-east coast of Sardinia in the Mediterranean Sea. Overlooking Piazza Azzurra and dominating the New Marina, the Clubhouse provides breathtaking views of the harbour and dramatic sunsets over the Mediterranean. It is considered one of the most beautiful and functional structures of its kind in the world. Amenities include 24 guest suites, a lounge, bar and a restaurant on the panoramic poolside terrace. The Blu Mediterraneo Spa and wellness centre by Acqua di Parma, the YCCS sailing school and the shops, bars and restaurants of the marina's Piazza Azzurra are open to the public.

<u>Collections</u>: presented by His Highness the Aga Khan, the YCCS houses collections composed of precious antique nautical maps, intricate ivory models and contemporary nautical oil paintings featuring America's Cup regattas. The fourth collection was added during a recent restructuration of the restaurant and is made up of rare fossils including ammonites, pectens slabs and a sea lily dating back 180 million years.

<u>Clubhouse at YCCS Virgin Gorda:</u> the Club opened its new winter base in Virgin Gorda, BVI in January 2012. The new Clubhouse overlooks the bay of North Sound and offers a range of services designed to meet guests' every need including, in its initial phase, a restaurant, outdoor bar, pool and much more.

<u>YCCS Marina Virgin Gorda:</u> the new, purpose-built marina in Virgin Gorda, adjacent to the Clubhouse, offers 38 berths for boats of up to 91 metres with a max. draft of 9 metres and is an ideal base from which to explore the Leeward Islands of the Caribbean Sea. Staff are on hand to provide personalized concierge services.

<u>Members</u>: Currently over 590, representing 23 nationalities and consisting of top international yachtsmen and women and key names from the business and high-finance worlds, as well as those who simply love the sea.

**<u>Related Clubs</u>**: reciprocal agreements exist with prestigious associations including the New York Yacht Club, the Yacht Club de Monaco, the Royal Yacht Squadron of Cowes and the Norddeutscher Yacht Verein (Hamburg).

## Regatta Calendar 2016:

9 – 12 March	Loro Piana Caribbean Superyacht Regatta & Rendezvous	Virgin Gorda
14 May	Trofeo Challenge Alessandro Boeris Clemen	Porto Cervo
27 – 29 May	Vela & Golf	Porto Cervo
3 – 5 June	Alcatel J/70 Cup	Porto Cervo
7 – 11 June	Loro Piana Superyacht Regatta	Porto Cervo
15 – 18 June	Invitational Team Racing Challenge	Porto Cervo
24 – 26 June	Coppa Europa Smeralda 888	Porto Cervo
27 June – 2 July	Audi Settimana delle Bocche - 52 Super Series	Porto Cervo
7 August	YCCS Members Championship	Porto Cervo
19 August	Palermo - Porto Cervo - Montecarlo	
20 August	Trofeo Formenton	Porto Rafael
4 – 10 September	Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup & Rolex Maxi 72 Worlds	Porto Cervo
11 – 18 September	Rolex Swan Cup & Swan 45 World Championship	Porto Cervo
22 – 25 September	Sailing Champions League	Porto Cervo

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