



Hang gliders ready to be launched

Municipality of **Meduno**

Benchmark for hang gliders and paragliders, also offering events of international calibre



Despite its small size and population, 31 square kilometres inhabited by 1,580 inhabitants, the Municipality of Meduno can be affirmed a treasure trove all to explore, excellences related to the history of our Fair Country, but also tourist and sports events of international calibre. It was right from the village of Navarons that in 1864, the so-called “Motti di Navarons” left for a courageous attempt of popular revolt, of “Mazzini” origin, to unify Italia.

Unfortunately an unsuccessful attempt, but which does explain the character of a community always pervaded by strong rebellion stirrings, as demonstrated also by the great migratory flows taking place between the two World Wars and at the end of the Second: in this

way a distinguished Meduno citizen emigrated to the United States, that is Luigi Del Bianco himself, the one who, thanks to his great craftsmanship, became First Stone Mason in creating the famous Mount Rushmore, gigantic sculptural work located in South Dakota portraying the four American presidents George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Theodore Roosevelt and Abraham Lincoln. Del Bianco has become a distinguished figure to the point that, in 2017, two identical plaques were fixed to the house where he was born in Borgo Del Bianco and in the United States.

“My idea for the present and future of Meduno - explains Mayor Oreste Vanin - is in the first place to aim at enhancing the thousand aspects to distinguish Meduno: from the

enchanting excursions, trekking and mountain bike tracks, Nordic walking, walks along the valley bottom offering matchless views to a variety of naturalistic itineraries typical of this area. This is a perfect combination between sport and culture within the reach of all and one of Meduno’s principal resources. It is also necessary to aim at investing in the tourist sector, the area of the Pordenone foothills having many fine and exciting attractions to offer a visitor. In the specific field of sports, for twenty years now, Meduno has become a benchmark for hang glider and paraglider enthusiasts, who come from all over Europe. They are attracted by its specific locations, perfect for their enchanting view as well as for the upward currents, essential to help both departure and flight”.

Once again this year they will be holding “Spring Meeting” at Meduno and Travesio, a venue dedicated to hang gliding and paragliding in the period running between 25 April - 1 May, organized by Flyve Srl.

Whilst in July 2019 they will be holding the World Hang Glider Championship throughout Friuli, also comprising Meduno and consolidating its name at world level.



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