



Official Welcoming of the Federazione Italiana Pallavolo to Adelaide, South Australia

Hosted by the Italian Consulate and Com.It.Es

at the South Australian Italian Association Carrington St 25th May 2015

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The Acting Italian Consul Orietta Borgia in conjunction with the newly elected Com.It.Es of South Australia at the South Australian Italian Association in Carrington St, welcomed the Italian National Men's Volleyball team to Adelaide for their up and coming World League fixture against Australia on Friday 29th and Saturday 30th of May.

The MC for the event was Christian Verdicchio (Vice-President of Com.It.Es), with official speeches from the Acting Consul Orietta Borgia, President of Com.It.Es Mark Quaglia, and on behalf of the Premier of SA the Hon Tony Piccolo also welcomed the team. Mauro Berruto the coach of Italy and a well-known figure in world volleyball then addressed the guests in his charismatic Italian and English, thanking everyone for their hospitality in the beautiful city of Adelaide, followed by an address by the Captain Dragan Travica, before Orietta Borgia officially presented the team with a plaque to acknowledge their visit to Adelaide.

The 60 invited guests in attendance which included the Hon Tony Piccolo Minister for Disabilities, Police, Correctional Services, Emergency Services and Road Safety, Ms Katrine Hildyard MP, Member for Hildyard Representing the Minister of Recreation and Sport the Hon Leon Bignell, Mr John Gardner, MP, Member for Morialta, Mr Vincent Tarzia MP, Member for Hartley, Frances Bedford MP, State Member for Florey, Ms Verity Hanka, Volleyball Australia, Ms Anne-Marie McAinsh, Volleyball SA, Dr Gran Uff Daniela Costa CGIE and other guests were treated to an aperitivo after the conclusion of the formalities thanks to the kind sponsorship from Festival City Wines and Bottega Rotolo.

Italy are currently ranked 4th in the world ranking, and finished with a bronze medal at the 2012 Olympic games in London. The Italian Consulate and Com.It.Es wish them all the very best for their up and coming games. Forza Azzurri e Viva Italia!

For tickets on the game please go to Volleyball Australia website or go to ticketmaster.com.au and support a great occasion and match between two great sides this Friday 29th and Saturday 30th of May.



Federazione Italiana Pallavolo – Travelling Party Adelaide 2015

Simone Anzani Coach: Mauro Berruto

Filippo Lanza Assistant: Gian Lorenzo Blengini

Stefano Mengozzi Assistant: Mirko Corsano

Iacopo Botto Team Manager: Stefano Sciascia

Aimone Alletti Doctor: Piero Benelli

Luigi Randazzo Physio: Davide Lama

Massimo Colaci Physio: Sebastiano Cencini

Oleg Antonov Sport Scientist: Giorgio D'Urbano

Andrea Giovi Scout: Matteo Carancini

Giulio Sabbi FIP Media: Marco Trozzi

Elia Bossi

Luca Vettori

Simone Gianelli

Dragan Travica (Cap)



Giulio Sabbi, Simone Anzani, Luca Vettori and Dragan Travica with Acting Consul Orietta Borgia



Coach Mauro Berruto addressing the guests



Mr Mark Quaglia (President Com.It.Es), Mr Christian Verdicchio (Vice-President Com.It.Es), Orietta Borgia and Mauro Berruto (Coach of Italy)



Distinguished Guests