

22MELLOBLOCCO®
INTERNATIONAL BOULDERING MEETING
Val Masino – Italy, 8-11 May 2008

Much more Melloblocco!

From Thursday 8th to Sunday 11th May 2008 the legendary Melloblocco® is back in Val Masino. This international rendez-vous that, for 5 years, has attracted thousands of boulderers from all over the world for the most impressive gathering of people who love bouldering, climbing and the breath-taking wilderness of Val Masino.

Melloblocco 2008 = more Days, more Boulders, more Nature, more Party

The 5th edition of Melloblocco® is marked by novelties and more bouldering for all. This year's event has been stretched over 4 days: Thursday is devoted to Melloblocco Baby, for children and nature lovers eager to discover boulders and pathways up the Valley. The bouldering area is being enlarged with the addition of new spots chosen in the inexhaustible and extraordinary **Val Masino** reign of granite. So hundreds of new problems, set clean for the event, will be added to those already known in the Val di Mello and Sasso di Remenno areas. Saturday will host the Bouldering Clinic to discover the ways and spirit of bouldering together with La Sportiva athletes.

Melloblocco, User Guide

The traditional event kit is given to all participants including the precious maps showing all the problems in the areas, including the difficult money-awarding ones (some for men and some for women) which will be increased in number and disseminated among Val di Mello, Sasso Remenno and new areas. Special prizes in climbing equipment will also be drawn among participants. And do not miss the traditional Saturday night party (La Sportiva Party) with live music.

Pre-registrations

- by email at promo@melloblocco.it or by WEB at www.melloblocco.it:
- by fax or telephone c/o Ufficio Turistico del comune di Val Masino
tel +39 0342 641117 - fax +39 0342 640040

Info & Registration

The Event Office opens on Wednesday, May 7th at Centro Polifunzionale della Montagna (Filorera), tel. +39 0342 640004.

Registration will take place from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Thursday, May 8th and from 8.30 a.m. onwards on Friday, May 9th. Event kits will be handed out until available (1200 kits).

Accommodation

Participants can make their own reservation with Melloblocco participating Hotels with:

Ufficio Turistico del Comune di Val Masino:

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web: www.valmasino-online.eu

Consorzio Turistico Porte di Valtellina:

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PROGRAMME

Thursday, May 8th

- 10:00 a.m.** Melloblocco Baby for children and school classes
- 10:00 a.m.** Discover bouldering and wilderness in Val Masino (Cyclops pathway and Val di Mello trail)
1° round – meeting at Centro Polifunzionale della Montagna
- 02:00 p.m.** Discover bouldering and wilderness in Val Masino (Cyclops pathway and Val di Mello trail)
2° round – meeting at Centro Polifunzionale della Montagna

The Alpine Guides of Lombardy will lead the groups and provide the bouldering gear (climbing shoes, crash-pads and chalk) to participants.

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- 07:00 p.m.** opening of the Melloblocco 2008 registrations and handing out of event kit at Centro Polifunzionale della Montagna; registration fee for the three-day event: 10,00 €.
- 09:00 p.m.** Presentation of the new Val Masino bouldering guide-book (Ed. Versante Sud) by Andrea Pavan at Centro Polifunzionale della Montagna

Friday, May 9th

- From 08:30 a.m.** Melloblocco 2008 registrations (fee: 10,00 €) and handing out of event kit at Centro Polifunzionale della Montagna
- 09.30 a.m.** free-of-charge shuttle transfer to the boulder areas. Beware that the road to Val di Mello is closed to unauthorised cars
- 11:00 a.m. to 05:00 p.m.** bouldering time on the boulders marked on the map included in the event kit. For the most difficult money-awarding boulders a judge will record the name of the climber/s who send them.
- 09:30 p.m.** music and video clips at Centro Polifunzionale della Montagna

Saturday, May 10th

- From 08:30 a.m.** Melloblocco 2008 registrations (fee: 10,00 €) and handing out of event kit at Centro Polifunzionale della Montagna
- 09.30 a.m.** free-of-charge shuttle transfer to the boulder areas. Beware that the road to Val di Mello is closed to unauthorised cars
- 10.30 a.m.** **Bouldering Clinics for all with La Sportiva athletes. Meeting at Val di Mello car park.**
- 11:00 a.m. to 05:00 p.m.** bouldering time on the boulders marked on the map included in the event kit. For the most difficult money-awarding boulders a judge will record the name of the climber/s who send them
- 09:00 p.m.** **La Sportiva Party at Sasso Remenno Camp Site.**
Special Event: La Sportiva Slackline Contest.

Sunday, May 11th

- From 08:30 a.m.** Melloblocco 2008 registrations (fee: 10,00 €) and handing out of event kit at Centro Polifunzionale della Montagna
- 09.30 a.m.** free-of-charge shuttle transfer to the boulder areas. Beware that the road to Val di Mello is closed to unauthorised cars
- 11:00 a.m. to 03:00 p.m.** bouldering time on the boulders marked on the map included in the event kit. For the most difficult money-awarding boulders a judge will record the name of the climber/s who send them
- 03:00 p.m.** Closing of the event at Centro Polifunzionale della Montagna. Money-prize awarding to the climbers who have sent the most difficult boulders and drawing of the gear-prizes for the lucky ones.

N.B.

The event will also be held in case of rain (be equipped for it). Participants must bring their own crash pads. The organisers disclaim all responsibility for any injury occurring to participants.

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