

# Trophy of Peace 2017

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On Sunday, June 25, the Sada Soccer Stadium in Monza hosted the finals of the twelfth edition of the Trofeo della Pace (Trophy of Peace), a 7th interethnic football tournament organized by UPF - Universal Peace Federation Monza, together with the UISP Local Committee - the Italian Sporting Union for All .

Sport is a vehicle for integration and social cohesion, confirming universal language that can promote fundamental

peace messages for a healthy civil coexistence. In the field, there were a hundred young players of the most diverse nationalities and backgrounds.

A party of colors that goes beyond the sporting result, capable of transforming a simple balloon into a message of brotherhood and solidarity. Moreover, the Trophy of Peace refers to the teachings of Rev. Sun Myung Moon, the creator of the Peace Cup, the international football tournament that has been held in various nations in the past.



Carlo Chierico, director of UPF Monza, kicked off at around 15 o'clock with the start of the trio of the Freedom Cup. Pavia's Sprar guys got the best on the Color Team and the All Stars Refugees, winning the cup of freedom.

The Trophy of Peace entered the live with the race valid for the 5th place between Real Monza and Atletico XX Settembre. A fun challenge ended 1 to 1 and then with the victory, 4 to 3 at the penalty shootout, by Real. Despite the conciliatory atmosphere, the boys in the field are demonstrating to take every match seriously. Very important indeed was the work of the UISP local committee leaders who tried to keep the agonism rate in the field at a fair level.

At about 5:30 pm, the third and fourth place between CPIA Monza Adult Education Center Center and UPF Sport for Peace started. A match that was resolved with the result of 4-2 in favor of the boys of the CPIA, who beat the champions in office of the past edition.

SABATO 24 GIUGNO 2017 IL GIORNO

**MONZA**

**CRONACHE 7**

**GIUGNO**  
IL TORNEO DI CALCIO A 7 SI È SVOLTO NEI GIORNI SCORSI ED È ARRIVATO ALLA FINE

**SETTEMBRE**  
IL TORNEO DI PALLAVOLO FEMMINILE SI TERRÀ A SETTEMBRE ALLA ZUCCHI

**Insieme sul campo o dietro una rete**  
**In 150 i giovani al Trofeo della Pace**  
*Domani le finali e le premiazioni del torneo di calcio allo stadio Sada*

di MONICA GUZZI

—MONZA—

SU UN CAMPO di calcio o in una palestra di pallavolo. Sono 150 i giovani impegnati quest'anno nel Trofeo della Pace proposto dall'associazione Upf Universal peace federation insieme con il comitato brianzolo della Uisp, l'Unione italiana sport per tutti.

MENTRE il torneo di pallavolo femminile si terrà a settembre nella palestra della scuola media Zucchi di Monza, quello di calcio a 7 è ormai agli sgoccioli: oggi pomeriggio a partire dalle 15 la giornata conclusiva allo stadio Sada, con la presenza di tutte le squadre per le finali e le premiazioni verso le 19.30, con coppe, medaglie e gadget per i partecipanti e l'entrata libera e gratuita per tutti gli appassionati.

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Come nella tradizione del Trofeo della Pace, si sono visti tantissimi gol in tutte le partite, giocate con grande agonismo, ma con la massima correttezza dei protagonisti in campo, che hanno dimostrato di avere ben compreso lo spirito del torneo, un mix di sport, amicizia, integrazione e solidarietà. Tra le squadre partecipanti, i giovani del Centro Mamma Rita, comunità educativa gestita dalle suore dell'ordine minime oblate del cuore di Maria, tanti giovani del Cpia, il Centro provinciale istruzione adulti, grazie all'impegno della professoressa Maria Antonietta Mancuso, e la squadra della Upf Sport for Peace, ideata da Carlo Chierico, presidente della sezione monzese, «con l'idea di partecipare, il prossimo anno, ad un vero e proprio campionato per diffondere l'etica e i valori nello sport come strumento di pace».

Giocatori e amici sulle tribune per la tradizionale sfida interetnica del Trofeo della Pace

The culmination of the event was reached around 18 and 30 with the finals between Black United and CMR 50 (Centro Mamma Rita). The match gave reason to the boys in orange shirt of the Center Mamma Rita, who after several attempts in recent years, have finally been able to impress in the final thanks to the overwhelming result of 4-1. A verdict that leaves no room for interpretation and crowns the CMR 50 the strongest team in this edition.

"An event that has given us a lot of emotions," said Silvano Appiani, Managing Director of Sport of the City of Monza, "we have seen matches that are really fought and with a higher

technical level than expectations. But above all, it was a wonderful afternoon of sport and friendship. The Trophy of Peace confirms one of the most significant events in the city for the strengthening of social cohesion".

At the end of the matches there were the prizes, with cups for teams, medals and gadgets for all players, arranged by the various authorities present. The Champion of the Trophy of the Peace and the winners of the individual awards have been finally rewarded by Mayor Roberto Scanagatti, who, within hours of the balloting vote for the new mayor's vote, chose to respect the

institutional obligations of the first citizen.

The numerous public present contributed to the success of the event, highlighting with the first applause the most beautiful action views in the field and then all the teams and the award winning players. The next Trofeo of Peace events are scheduled for September with the fifth edition of the Women's Volleyball Interethnic Tournament, and next year will be the thirteenth edition of the soccer tournament. Incredible appointments focusing all of us on the importance of sport as a vehicle of proximity between peoples and social integration.

