







9 November 2011, 1000 – 1100 hours, THE ARENA, Caserma Ederle

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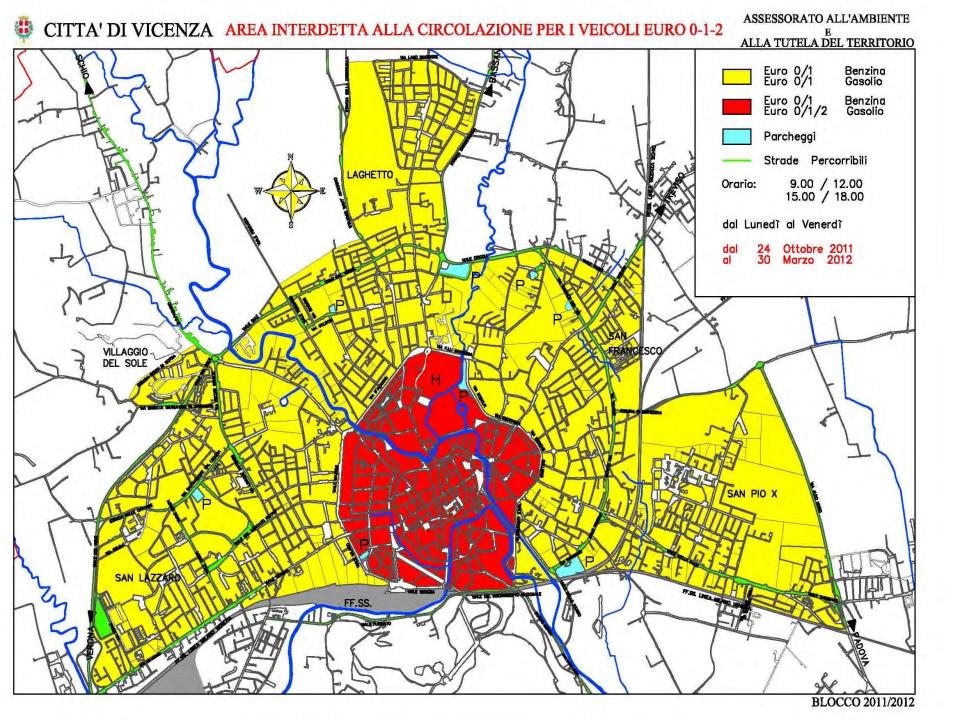




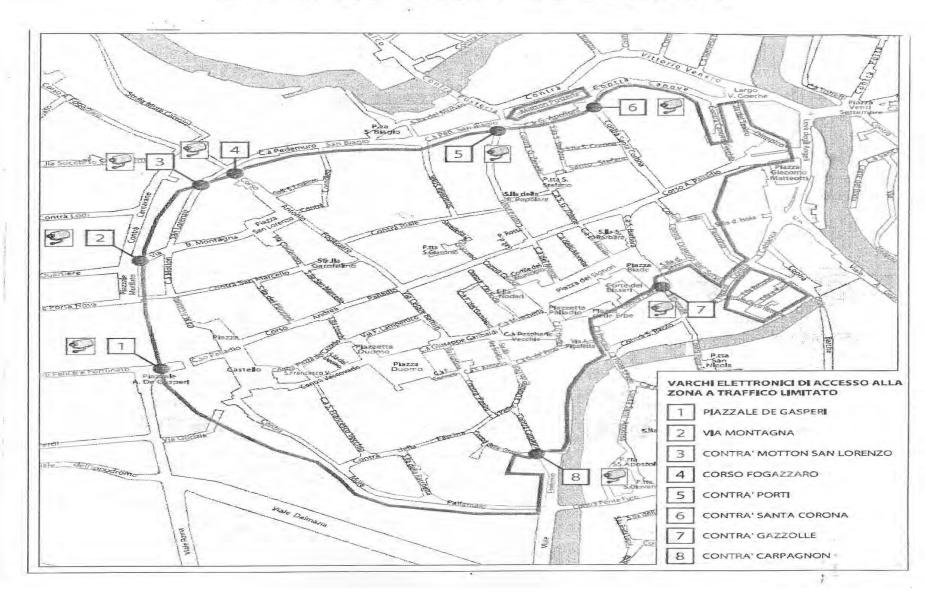
#### Restricted Driving in Central Vicenza

- Restriction began on 24 October through 16
   December starts again on 9 January 2012 through 30
   March 2012. Times are from 9:00 in the morning until
   12:00 noon and then from 3:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m.
   Monday to Friday.
- If you have a diesel or gas car that is classified as Euro 0 or Euro 1 (European emission standards) on these dates and times you must not drive past these signs, or be subject to fines from 155 Euro to 624 Euro.
- Euro car ratings apply to the year the car was manufactured Euro 0 until 1992, Euro 1 1993-1996, Euro 2- 1997-2000, Euro 3-2001-2005, Euro 4/5- US specification after 2006.
- You vehicle ownership papers should indicate the Euro rating of your car.
- •Additional information is available on the Vicenza Military Community website and the USAG Vicenza Facebook page





#### ZTL – RESTRICTED AREA DOWNTOWN VICENZA







### **Equal Opportunity**

- In 1915, the annual Congress of the American Indian Association (CAIA) meeting in Lawrence, Kansas, formally approved a plan concerning American Indian Day.
- On 28 September 1915, the CAIA President, Rev. Sherman Coolidge, an Arapahoe Indian, declared the second Saturday of each May as an American Indian Day and contained the first formal appeal for recognition of Indians as citizens.
- In 1990 President George H. W. Bush approved a joint resolution designating November 1990 "National American Indian Heritage Month." Similar proclamations, under variants on the name (including "Native American Heritage Month" and "National American Indian and Alaska Native Heritage Month") have been issued each year since 1994.
- In honor and gratitude for the many sacrifices and contributions of Native American Indians and Alaska Natives to the United States Army, we begin the observance of the rich heritage and culture by reading this month's proclamation.





#### Vicenza Military Community Celebrates

# National American Indian Heritage Month "Service, Honor, Respect: Strengthening Our Cultures and Communities"



Where: Soldier's Theatre

When: 15 November 2011

1400 - 1500 hours

Featuring

Guest Speaker: Chaplain (LTC) Pete Martinez

Static Display and Navajo Tacos









# **Christmas Tree Lighting and Bazaar**

**December 2<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> 2011** 

•Friday: 1200-1900

•Saturday: 1000-1800

•Sunday: 1000-1600

#### **Locations:**

- Golden Lion (Bazaar Area)
- Luna bubble(Bazaar Area)
- Teen Center (Ginger Bread house making & Children's Activities)
- Golden Lion (Story time with Mrs Claus)
- Horse & Carriage (behind Ederle Inn) (Fri. 1700-1930 & Sat @ 1300-1800)
- Train Stops: Library, ODR and Golden Lion
- Rides in front of Ederle Inn





#### Friday, 2 December

- Tree Lighting Ceremony (1700)
- Arts and Crafts/Story Time (Teen Center & Golden Lion Small Room)
- Winter Bazaar (Luna Bubble & Golden Lion)
- Rides (front of Ederle Inn)
- Horses and Carriages (Path behind Ederle Inn)

#### Saturday, 3 December

- Winter Bazaar
- Rides
- Horses and Carriages (Path behind Ederle Inn)
- Children Activities and Story Time

#### • Sunday, 4 December

- Winter Bazaar
- Rides





# Things to know about your Postal Service Center and prepare for the Holiday Season

- USPS system vs. Military Postal System (additional air carrier requirements)
- Holiday Transit Times (company stated stateside transit times vs. actual times to APO {NY} locations)
- TrackPad system: e-mail vs. package notification (see video on USAG Vicenza website)
- New Package preparation area (additional service provided by the Garrison for the holidays)





#### Patron responsibilities: Mailing DOs and DON'Ts

The Postal Service center (PSC) enjoys serving the Vicenza military community and would like to remind customers of their responsibilities and basic mailing do's and don'ts as we gear up during holiday season.

- DO: Prepare in advance for mailing items prior to waiting in line at the finance counters (certain mailing items available in the new package wrapping area)
- DON'T: Mail prohibited or restricted materials (100% x-ray screening at the airport)
- DO: Remember to update any name changes (variances) or additional members added to a box
- DON'T: Conduct business through APOs; it is prohibited





#### PSC Holiday Season additional opening hours

- 03 December 2011, 1000-1400hrs (Postal finance and package pick-up)
- 10 December 2011, 1000-1400hrs (Postal finance and package pick-up)
- 17 December 2011, 1000-1400hrs (Postal finance and package pick-up)
  - 24 December 2011, 1000-1400hrs (package pick-up only)

The Postal Service Center (PSC) will be opened for customer service on four consecutive Saturdays in the month of December to ease the holiday traffic.





- Does the shuttle bus that takes children from Villaggio to Caserma Ederle go both ways?
  - Yes, the shuttle goes both ways. However, due to security reasons, we
    do not post this schedule online. It will be posted at the bus stops.
- Can we do something about the abandoned bikes on the racks around post?
  - Abandoned bikes will go to the MP Station. The garrison command sergeant major will look into this situation in the near future.
- If and when will there be a kebab stand on the Installation?
  - Once the construction on the new Piazza (expansion in the vicinity of Pino"s coffee stand, behind the Post Theater) is complete, AAFES will begin working on the bids for food service. We would like a kebab stand as first choice.





- Will there be a recap? We don't have AFN yet, my internet isn't working today and the feed doesn't work on my phone.
  - Yes, you can watch future INFO Xs on the AFN Vicenza site once your internet is back. Free internet is also available at the Post Library and the USO. The INFO X is also posted at http://www.youtube.com/user/usagvicenza and http://vicenza.afneurope.net/
- I would like to know if there is any possibility that Gate 5 could be opened in the evening for an hour or two for departing traffic to alleviate congestion at Gate 1 and Gate 2?
  - The PMO requires additional time to answer this request. We will review our manning capability and determine if additional costs are involved with opening the gate during high traffic hours and seek a decision from the Garrison Commander.





- Can the mailroom explain why we will get two months of magazines at the same time? One of those usually from the previous month?
  - Magazines are considered "bulk mail" and have lower priority. This means that magazines (and catalogs) are often massed at CONUS airports and sent space available after priority and first class items. This means that a magazine issue can arrive in Vicenza at the same time or even earlier than the following issue. First class and priority mail has precedence with our incoming mail as well, but once magazines arrive at our facilities, they are normally in mailboxes within 24 hours. During periods of high volume mail such as the upcoming holiday season, it may take a bit longer, but generally no more than 72 hours from arrival to your box.





- I have a complaint about the gym. I have used it for years and still have problems with finding a clean area to do floor workouts. I workout with a trainer and it is always a struggle to find a good place where people are not walking around and over you. The "fake grass" area is dirty and not big enough. The flooring on that area is the same as before the gym was renovated and is full of dirt, dust and who knows what.
  - We will look at the grass area and see if it needs to be replaced. Please understand the gym is tight for space and we try to ensure we make the most of the space we have.
  - ❖ Several questions were asked that will become part of the December INFO X as "Hot Topics." Tune in or attend next month ,,s INFO X for more info on these questions and concerns.





# **Community Calendar**

For info on what's happening around post, visit the community calendar on the USAG Vicenza home page or go directly to:

http://www.calendarwiz.com/calendars/calendar.php?crd=vicenza&PHPSESSID=bf5edfdfac2428139
4245468b3f0a5bb&jsenabled=1&winH=855





# Vicenza Much MORE (MMs)

Local F	estivals:
	Marroni e Vin Novo (Chestnuts and new wine celebration), Nov. 13, in Lonigo
	San Martino Fairs:
	☐ Breganze, Nov. 13
	☐ Ponte di Barbarano, Nov. 11-13
	□ Velo D'Astico, Nov. 13
	Saint Catherine Festival and <i>Mandorlato</i> (Almond nougat) Fair, Nov. 25, in Lusiana
	Vicentine Mustard Fair, Nov. 26-28, in Montecchio Maggiore
Christmas markets:	
	<b>Asiago</b> , Nov. 14 – Jan. 6, 2012
	Bassano del Grappa, Nov. 14 – Jan. 10, 2012
	Verona, Nov. 26 – Dec. 24





#### InfoX Schedule

7 December 2012
4 January 2012
1 February 2012
7 March 2012
4 April 2012

InfoX is held the first Wednesday of the month





#### Methods to Submit a Community Issue

<u>USAG Vicenza Website</u>: http://www.usag.vicenza.army.mil, hover over "Contact Us", click on "Info-X", then "Click to Submit".

**EMAIL:** Community.issues@eur.army.mil

AFN HOT LINE AT INFO X: DSN 634-7411, CIV 0444-71-7411

<u>InfoX POC:</u> Marilee Mastaler, DFMWR, DSN: 634-6535, CIV: 0444-71-6535

Next Info X is 7 December 2011, 1000 – 1100 hours, The Arena, Caserma Ederle