

Beijing test. Team scores 10 goals against Borgo Buggiaro

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The national Olympic team is testing its preparation in light of Beijing. In the friendly match played this afternoon in Coverciano against Borgo Buggiaro, federal coach Casiraghi lined up the following team: Viviano as goalkeeper, on defense from the right De Silvestri, Coda, Criscito, De Ceglie, midfield Montolivo, Cigarini, Nocerino, and Giovinco and Rossi behind Rocchi. In the second half, the other players were sent in except for De Ceglie who remained: Consigli; Motta, Ranocchia, Bocchetti, De Ceglie; Dessena, Marchisio, Candreva; Abate, Russotto; Acquafresca. The match ended 10-0. Six goals scored in the first half: 19' Rocchi, 14' and 19' Rossi, 27' Montolivo, 35' Giovinco and 42' Montolivo; four goals in the second half: three by (15', 25' and 33') and the tenth goal by Dessena (35'). "This match – said Casiraghi at the end of the match – helped us physically. I am very pleased with the work we have done up until now, the players have trained well and have given me some positive responses from a physical point of view. They have once again showed that they are a quality group".

Two days of rest after the double training session of today, for the National Olympic team coached by Casiraghi. At the end of the match against Borgo Buggiaro, the federal coach said good-bye to his team until Sunday, the 20th, when they will have another double training session in Coverciano. Monday, training in the morning and then Casiraghi will have a press conference in the Sala Maggiore room of Palazzo Comunale in Pistoia (2:00 pm), before the last test scheduled on Tuesday, the 22nd, against Romania at the stadium in Pistoia (9:00 pm). On Friday, the 25th, the team leaves for Beijing.

Questo, in dettaglio, il programma del raduno e degli incontri stampa:

- giovedì 17 luglio h. 10,30 allenamento (chiuso alla stampa) h. 17,00 allenamento/gara Italia-Borgo a Buggiano e fine raduno
- domenica 20 luglio h. 10,30 allenamento h. 13,15 ca. incontro con la stampa h. 17,30 allenamento (chiuso alla stampa)
- lunedì 21 luglio h. 10,30 allenamento h. 14 incontro del tecnico Casiraghi con la stampa presso la Sala Maggiore del Palazzo Comunale di Pistoia h. 17.30 allenamento (chiuso alla stampa)
- martedì 22 luglio h. 10,30 allenamento (chiuso alla stampa) h. 21,00 gara ITALIA-ROMANIA presso lo Stadio Comunale di Pistoia a seguire incontro con la stampa del T.F. Casiraghi e fine raduno
- venerdì 25 luglio h. 14,20 volo LH 3887 Malpensa-Francoforte h. 17,20 volo LH 720 Francoforte Pechino
- sabato 26 luglio h. 08,30 l.t. arrivo a Pechino e trasferimento presso il "Villaggio Olimpico" Hotel Holiday Inn di Qinquandao

N.B. : per quanto riguarda il programma ed i relativi incontri con la stampa saranno diffusi successivamente.