## The 2017 Summer Festival of Dracula's Rugby Veterans

E V R A European Series event

Saturday, 17<sup>th</sup> of June, 2017, Dracula's Veterans (Bucharest) organized, under the EVRA umbrella, the first international Romanian rugby festival for veterans, initiating a tradition which, we hope, will last a long time from now on. . .



Players of the 2017 Summer Festival of Dracula's Rugby Veterans

The participating teams, besides the hosts from Dracula, were the French from Selecao (a combined team from multiple regions of France), The Constanta Sharks, and The Free Dacians (a combined team of the Moldavian rugby players from Iasi and Suceava) playing "Round a robin" system of the games .



The "Dracula's Veterans – Constanta Sharks" Trophy, the EVRA Plagues and the "2017 Summer Festival of Dracula's Rugby Veterans" Participant's Trophies

With the occasion of this Tournament the First Edition of the Annual Match between Dracula's Veterans and Constanta Sharks was held.

During the next year the Trophy will stay in Bucharest as Dracula's Veterans won this first challenge.



Image from one of the Festival games (Constanta Sharks – Selecao France)

Held in a humid weather, which invited to physical activity, the tournament was a real success, all participants declaring themselves pleased with the atmosphere and promising their return to visit Dracula's Veterans again.



Singing out loud during the 3<sup>rd</sup> Half

We cannot forget the "third halftime", that took place at the shore restaurant of Cernica Lake, where all the participants gave a musical recital . . . cheerfulness being the one that reigned.



Prize giving Ceremony during which the EVRA EU Series Plague for the Most Senior player was awarded to Mihai Vasilescu the President of Dracula's Veterans

The guests from abroad declared themselves, as well as the other teams that already had visited Bucharest before, truly delighted. Not only because of the quality of the games played, but also because of the beauty of the places and of the people they have encountered. They had the chance to visit some touristic objectives such as The Palace of the Parliament (2<sup>nd</sup> largest building in the world built by the communist dictator Ceausescu), The Thermes, restaurants with local specific food & drinks as well as the nightlife "neighbourhoods" . . .