

On April 24th 2007- Michael Wunderman, the President of the Swiss watchmakers CORUM sailed as 18th man aboard Victory Challenge in their battle against BMW Oracle in the 32nd America's Cup. Wearing the conspicuous 18th man shirt the rules dictate that Michael must not contribute in any way to the running of the boat but had the chance to experience what many sailors spend their lives dreaming of – having a place aboard in the greatest yachting regatta on earth.

CORUM recently became the “Official Timekeeper” of the Victory Challenge and have announced that they are producing a special limited edition version of their new Competition 48 that will mark their debut into the arena of the America's Cup. Flying the new CORUM spinnaker and sporting the CORUM logo in fine style on the boom Victory Challenge went into battle with one of the lead contenders of the Cup.

Victory Challenge lost to Oracle but went on to beat United Internet Team, and is currently one of the three teams occupying the fourth semifinal spot.

Michael Wunderman had this to say when he came off the water ... “now I can see why yachtsmen hold this event in such high regard. The energy, commitment and determination of the Victory Challenge Team matches and in many ways exceeds the team spirit that can be found in any other field of endeavor. Watching the smoothly oiled machine in action it is like the crew are one – and with only one purpose “unlocking” the potential of the boat and “conquering” the opposition. This is a perfect alliance for us in that this challenge embodies so much of the CORUM values and the courage and strength of the Victory Challenge team give new life to our brand. I have had one of the best days of my life”

CORUM have the first Competition 48 Victory Challenge Limited Edition pieces and will be launching them when they open the

Victory Challenge CORUM boutique at the Victory Challenge base at the beginning of May.

CORUM are delighted to have become the Official Timekeeper of the Victory Challenge and wish the Victory Team all the best in the important racing days to come.

