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#### About the Cover

Participants of the A1AGM headed by A1C Bob Burns are welcomed on board by PRC Lachezar Bratoev in his yachts, the LZ Yachting 1991 Bavaria 50V and LZ Yachting Bavaria 40 Sport for a cruise around the waters off the Bulgarian Black Sea Coast. LZ Yacht has its own Harbour Marina in Varna sea side resort that has berths for 35 motor and sail yachts of various makes and sizes. Lachezar normally sails or races on board his yacht in the Black sea and through Bosphorus to the Mediterranean. He is the Chairman of the Board of Directors **LZ yachting 1991 A.D**. with offices in Varna and Bucharest. Visit: www.LZyachting.com



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the new year could have not started better: since the months of July and August in Israel, in spite of the rockets, our special Assistant Zeev Matar of the newly chartered Israel Fleet, has contacted his Greek DGs in order to raise the first Greek Fleet; IRC Guillermo, in the other side of the world has just chartered the first Chilean IYFR Fleet in Puerto Varas and, in Europe, after having taken part to the Area 1 AGM in Bulgaria, AC Bob has officially chartered in Betina the Croatia Fleet, a 46 Members strong Fleet, in the enchanting scenario of the Kornati

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Islands. In the meanwhile, in spite of this strange European summer, that could be better defined as "rather hot and ugly autumn" our local navigators have had a great and enjoyable, also if wet, sailing season. Some transferred successfully their boats across the Mediterranean, others managed to spend their vacation period in national waters. In Poland a great activity is still going on the Masurian lakes, our Sardinia (Italy) IYFR friendly ports hosted many a boat and apparently all had a good time in spite of the several thunderstorms that have plagued Area 1. Now it is time to think about our winter berths and... go back to work.



Our Area 3 Fellow Commodores and Mariners had the sad task to report the last of our unforgettable Reginald B Willis, Reg for all of us.

I had the honor and the pleasure to meet him only recently, during the visit Jun and I did in his area before Sydney. He casted off for his last voyage on the 25<sup>th</sup> of August. His wisdom and indefatigable engagement with the IYFR is a clear example of what an ideal Gentleman, Rotarian and IYFR Member should be. I received messages from the old Friends of his coming from all over the world. Vale Reg!!!

But the navigation goes on; it must go on and in Area 3 at the present, it is beautifully being organized by PFC Roger Lingard a great AGM and a wonderful PCC that I am sure will have a most deserved success.

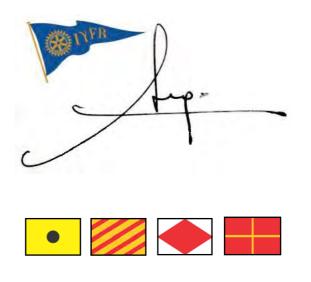
Finally, thanks to Angelica, newly appointed Region Commodore for South America, whom goes all my gratitude to have managed for one long year in a less than ideal situation the regalia service/problem for the Area 2, and thanks to the availability of PFC of the Mobile Rose of the Compass Fleet, Gary Moore, who generously assumed the watch, finally also this problem seems to be definitively solved also for that Area.

Our International Treasurer Andrè had the possibility to come to the final account for this year financials. You will find it in this Rotafloat issue. I am glad to announce that the situation is fully satisfactory,

At this point I can confirm to all of you that also this year we have budgeted 30.000,00 USD that will be distributed in IYFR GRANTS to those Fleets/Regions current with their annual fees, as per the well known Rules and Procedures. The subdivision between the 3 Areas should be the following:

- Area 1 17.135,00 USD
- Area 2 5.845,00 USD
- Area 3 7.020,00 USD

deriving, as usual, by the number of each Area Members. I take the occasion to kindly advice all the Fleet Commodores to ease the Region/Area Commodores and finally the International Treasurer Andrè tasks identifying on the transaction the Fleet making the payment. So dear Fellow Commodores and Mariners, while the Spring has just began in the southern hemisphere and the Autumn in the northern one, let's go back to the well known course: HAVE FUN WHILE SERVING! This is Fellowship. A great hug to you all,





PIC Ferit Biren, RC Selda Gerson and the Turkish lyforians donated 10 trees to the 110<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the IR D.2420 Memorial Forest at Gallipoli in memory of Reg.



# Jorge Herrera Briones July 4, 1962 - September 25, 2014



Con profundo dolor informamos que ha fallecido imprevistamente el Past Comodoro Fundador del Flota Guayaquil Ecuador Jorge Herrera Briones. Jorge fue un incansable trabajador en Rotary, padre y esposo ejemplar, y quien fundara con mucho entusiasmo y frescura la joven flota Guayaquil Ecuador. Su temprana partida nos entristece, hemos perdido a un amigo y rotario muy valioso. Jorge era Gobernador propuesto 2016-2017 y Chairman YEP para el Distrito 4400. Quienes hemos tenido la suerte de conocerlo, guardaremos en nuestros corazones solo bellos recuerdos. Como rotario ejemplar, Jorge daba lo mejor de sí a todos. Reciban su esposa Ana Cristina y los mariners de la flota Guayaguil Ecuador nuestras sentidas condolencias.

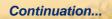
With deep sorrow we report that has died unexpectedly Past Fleet Commodore Founder Guayaquil Ecuador Jorge Herrera Briones. Jorge was a tireless worker in Rotary, exemplary father and husband, and who founded with enthusiasm and freshness young fleet Guayaquil Ecuador. His early departure saddens us, we have lost a valuable friend and Rotarian. Jorge was proposed governor 2016- 2017 and Chairman YEP District 4400. Who have been fortunate enough to know him, we will keep in our hearts only beautiful memories. As an exemplary Rotarian Jorge gave the best of himself to all. Receive his wife Ana Cristina and mariners of fleet Guayaquil Ecuador our heartfelt condolences

**Financial Statements** 

By: IT Andre Gorgemans Treasurer

Financials per	June 30th 2014	-
ASSETS	2013/2014	2012/2013
Current Assets		
Paypal	6.96	290.26
Unicredit \$	95'370.83	
Unicredit€	2'254.80	520.30
Wells Fargo	799.67	135'215.78
Uruguay	2'097.02	
Philippines	12'914.20	
Petty cash	-45.80	0.00
Total current	113'397.68	136'026.34
Other Assets		
Prepaid	10'951.40	0.00
Inventory Area 1	15'864.07	10'363.93
Inventory Area 2	6'175.54	5'290.62
Inventory Area 3	3'442.92	3'369.94
Other receivables	0.00	3'235.13
Total other assets	36'433.93	22'259.62
TOTAL ASSETS	149'831.61	158'285.96
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities		
Accrued expenses	12'151.24	13'330.82
Total	12'151.24	13'330.82
EQUITY		
Accumulated funds	144'955.14	163'261.45
Net income	-7'275.77	-18'306.31
Total Equity	137'679.37	144'955.14
Total liabilities & equity	149'831.61	158'285.96

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# **Profit & Loss**

# for the year 1.7.2013 / 30.6.2014

	Actual 2012/2013	Budget 2013/2014	Actual 2013/2014	Budget 2014/2015
Revenues				
Fleet Dues	29'180.00	31'270.00	26'213.30	27'000.00
Regalia sales Cost of sales	10'707.00	12'000.00 10'000.00	20'095.51	10'000.00 7'000.00
Cost of sales	6'705.00	10 000.00	6'091.66	7 000.00
Net Other income	4'002.00 0.00	2'000.00 0.00	14'003.85 2'617.50	3'000.00 0.00
Total income	33'182.00	33'270.00	42'834.65	30'000.00
G&A expenses				
Administration	876.00	1'000.00	3'591.69	3'500.00
Bank fees	2'095.00	2'500.00	2'236.57	2'500.00
Internet expenses	0.00	3'000.00	5'060.15	1'000.00
IB allowances Various fees	20'679.00 40.00	10'000.00 500.00	10'100.00	10'000.00
various rees	40.00	500.00	0.00	0.00
Total expenses	23'690.00	17'000.00	20'988.41	17'000.00
Net available income	9'492.00	16'270.00	21'846.24	13'000.00
Convention revenues	68'207.00	50'000.00	0.00	0.00
Convention expenses	68'430.00	50'000.00	0.00	0.00
Net	-223.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Exchange Losses		0.00	383.52	0.00
Grants –	25'637.00	30'000.00	28'738.49	30'000.00
Net Income (loss)	<u>-16'368.00</u>	<u>-13'730.00</u>	<u>-7'275.77</u>	<u>-17'000.00</u>
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#### **Profit and Loss**

#### 1. Revenues

- Revenues from fleet dues continue to slide and reached \$ 26'213.30 ( down by 12 % compared to 2012/2013 ). This is the result of fleets being discarded and less members in the fleets.

- Regalia sales income is higher than the previous year.

- Cost of sales regalia : It is extremely difficult to assess the validity of this figure. It does not make much sense to derive such a low cost of sales compared to the total revenues generated. The cost of sales amount is derived from the difference in the value of the inventory calculated and provided by the regalia officers for the area 2 and area 3 and by the IC for area 1 at the closing of the year and the inventory value at the beginning of the year. The inventory valuation has been confirmed to have been calculated at the purchase price. However it seems odd to report such margins. Many IT predecessors have commented upon the need to have a better control of the movements in the regalia stock and the control of the margins generated by the regalia sales.

#### 2. Expenses

Administration costs are much higher than the budget and previous year. Some of these expenses might relate to cost of sales such as shipping costs...

Bank charges

- The Italian bank charges are comparable to the charges paid on the Wells Fargo accounts
- The bank charges paid for the Uruguayan bank account are somewhat expensive (\$170.98) for 4 months and this for a very small deposit \$2'097.

#### Internet

The new website has been updated and totally revamped and the total costs were somewhat higher than anticipated.

Allowances for the I.B. officers

- The allowances for the IVC and the IRC have been accrued for and paid after June 30<sup>th</sup>

Grants

The total grants given out to the Philippines amounted to \$ 41'700. However the total charge on the IYFR P & L amounted to \$ 28'738.49 since the difference has been collected from the fleet and individual members donations. Net loss is \$ 7'275.77

#### Comments on the budget 2014/2015

1. Fleet dues

A slight increase is expected to be generated

2. Regalia sales and Cost of sales

Sales and cost of sales for regalia are anticipated to show a "normal" trend

3. Expenses

No major expenses are expected to be different from the previous year except for the internet charges which are expected to be much reduced and the I.B. allowances are budgeted to be as per the rules. Administration expenses take into account current year's trends.

4. Grants

At the request of the majority of the E.B. members and following the rules an amount of \$ 30'000 has been budgeted for.

5. Net

Net loss is expected to deplete the cash balance by 17'000.

#### Comments on the balance sheet per June 30th 2014

No major changes compared to the last year balance sheet.

However the cash has been depleted by roughly \$ 23'000 which is due for 3 reasons : the loss of the year, the prepaid advance made to the IC and the increase in inventory.

#### Note

#### **Prepaid expenses**

The prepaid expenses of \$ 10'951.40 was paid to the I.C. credit card in anticipation of the eventual costs and charges that the I.C. could have been liable for during the convention. In the end this was an overly conservative measure since the I.C. did not have to use his personal credit card during the Convention since all expenses have



been taken care of by R. Eaglesham. This advance payment was reimbursed to the IYFR bank account in 2 different amounts in July and August.

#### Bank account balance of the Philippine account

The balance per the account per the bank statement is \$ 13'590.20. However for accounting purposes we have used Jayson Herrero's reconciliation which highlights the following key elements:

\$ 4'924.- unused Yolanda relief fund

\$7'990.20 regalia sales and other income

\$ 12'914.20 bank balance per Jayson

\$ 3'228.24 outstanding payment in July

\$ 9'685.96 per Jayson Herrero's reconciliation (Ed. Note FM Jayson Herrero is the Philippine Bridge Treasurer (PBT) who maintains and has prepared the Area3 FS and Accounts that are presented in the Area 3 news. The Financial Statements are supported by bank deposit slips, original receipts and invoices that will be sent to the IB by PBT Jayson in due course )

#### **General comment**

It is extremely difficult for the IT who does not have any signing power to follow the movements on the accounts and has no access to the original of the invoices paid out. Actually my job is merely the one of a bookkeeper rather than a treasurer. While I appreciate the fact that we want to keep the accounting as simple as possible we do need to keep a minimum of accounting records that should be kept at the individual cashier's offices (in Italy, Uruguay and Philippines) such as official receipts, expense report duly filled in to justify the payment made to the various individuals for their personal expenditures, original of invoices etc...



Grants Chairman, PIC Bryan Skinner in discussion and consideration by IC Sergio Santi and IT Andre Gorgemans announces to the Area Commodores the availability of Grants for this year for the three Areas.

The amounts have been rounded to sensible numbers, but they are calculated by the number of members in each area, as follows:-

AREA 1	1,836 MEMBERS,	\$17,000
AREA 2	626 MEMBERS,	\$6,000
AREA 3	747 MEMBERS	\$7,000

Area Commodores are to inform their Regional Commodores who will notify their Fleet Commodores of the availability of Grants. The Grants Application Form can be downloaded at our website: <u>http://www.iyfr.net/new/members/GrantsProgram/index.php</u>. The application form must be duly accomplished by the Fleet through the local FC who will submit it as soon as possible to their respective Area Grants Committee (AGC) Chairman not later than November 15, 2014. The Chairman of the AGC must send to the Grants Chairman all applications received by November 25, 2014 with their evaluation or comments as to the justification for each claim that would be very helpful for the Grants Committee to come to decisions swiftly.

Needless to remind but is most important: ONLY FLEETS AND REGIONS OF GOOD STANDING, MEANING WITH ALL AN-NUAL DUES UPDATED OR PAID ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THE GRANT.

Please refer to the General Rules Procedures and Regulations Art. 11.1-11.6 Kindly submit applications on time as late filing of applications will not be entertained.







Section 9 of the Procedures and Regulations addresses the details of this Office and the procedures for nominating and electing our next IRC. I am pleased to announce the unanimous election of A1 Commodore Robert Reginald Burns to the post. He will be officially installed at the AGM in Sao Paolo in Brazil in 2015. Robert Reginald Burns joined the Rotary Club of Greenbrook in 1985 and held various positions from Secretary, Vice President and as Club President in 1998-99. He joined the IYFR Clyde Fleet in 1993 and has a long line of service: as the Fleet Rear Commodore in 1994-1996, the Fleet Commodore in 1996-1998, the GB & I Extension Officer in 2002-06, Regional Rear Commodore, GB & I

By: IPIC Clint Collier

2006-08, the Regional Vice Commodore, GB & I 2008-10, Regional Commodore, GB & I 2010-12 and Area 1 Commodore 2013-15. Robert hast attended seven RI Conventions and six AGM and PCC's since he became a Rotarian and after joining the IYFR and has been the Chairman of the Clyde, West of Scotland PCC. He lives in Wemyss Bay, Inverclyde in Scotland UK with constant and loving partner Ann Lockhart. Allow me to be the first to congratulate. Robert for stepping up the chal-

late Robert for stepping up the challenge and lead our Fellowship to new heights.



**Regalia Ordering Made Easy** 

To avoid or minimize costly movement of goods, the Regalia Sales and Distribution has been decentralized. Each Area now maintains sufficient inventory of its own and does the sales accounting separately being reported periodically to the IT. Each Area should now be able to cater to its Fleet's needs. Regalia Order Form (downloaded at http://www.iyfr.net/new/regalia) has to be filled up and sent by email to the respective Regalia Officers and payment will be made against an invoice either by remittance or Credit Card in Area 1, by remittance/check payment or Paypal in Area 2, and by remittance to a designated bank account (Credit Card facility is under process) in Area 3. The following are the respective Regalia Officers where orders maybe placed. Instructions or manner of payment are on the invoice with the respective accounts or credit card facilities for each Area.



AREA 1 ICFM Laura Padoan Santi Regalia Officer laura.padoan.santi@alice.it



AREA 2 PFC Gary Moore Regalia Officer h2o\_lawyer@bellsouth.net



AREA 3 CA/FVC Max Tan / FO Che Villa Regalia Officer / Assistant Regalia Officer maxpogi2001@yahoo.com che\_gurl@yahoo.com



# 2. RELATION TO ROTARY INTERNATIONAL.

Pursuant to the COP Article 43.010, IYFR is not an agency of, or controlled by RI but shall be organized in accordance with RI policy. IYFR is an independent not for profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Washington, USA and is incorporated in any Country of the World where this is deemed necessary by the incoming IC or the EC for banking facility.

# 4. MEMBERSHIP

4.1.2 *Honorary Members*: former or active Rotary Members, their spouses or partners and spouses or partners of deceased Rotarians, when designated by a Fleet.

4.1.3 Honorary Independent Members: former Rotary Members, their spouses or partners and spouses or

partners of deceased Rotarians, when designated by the EC. E-Fleet members (EM): active Rotarians and

Rotaractors along with their spouses or partners that are not assimilated to any Fleet who will engage with the Fellowship through social media networks.

4.2 A member of IYFR shall either be a Regular Member, a Honorary Member (HM) or E-Fleet Member (EM).

4.7 The following leadership positions may only be held by active Rotarians: IC, IVC, IRC, AC, RC and FC. The position of FC shall be held by an active Rotarian. Subject thereto, any member, including honorary members, may serve as a member of the International Bridge. In exceptional case, upon recommendation of the pertinent RC, the position of FC may be held by a HM with the approval of the EC.

# 5. RECORDS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

5.5 Financial records, in accordance with US Internal Revenue Service requirements and the requirements of the Countries where IYFR is registered and incorporated, must be kept for 5 years from the date the original return is filed.

# 7. REGIONS, FLEETS AND SQUADRONS ORGANIZATION

7.2 Fleets. Twenty or more Members may organize and apply for approval as a 'Chartered Fleet'. A Fleet's name shall be descriptive of a geographic feature where it is located. The FC shall be the primary contact person with the International Bridge through RC and AC. Members that are unable to join a Fleet because of lack of proximity to a nearest fleet are temporarily berthed in the World E-Fleet until such time that they are assimilated to a Fleet or are able to build a new Squadron and eventually a new Fleet.

# **10. BANKING & ACCOUNTING PROCEDURES.**

Accounts shall be maintained in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and applicable law where the accounts are held. The IYFR main account can be opened wherever in the world, but consideration should be taken in maintaining it in a suitable Country so as not to lose money in transferring it from place to place every other year when there is a new command. Incorporation expenses, the deriving annual fees and the reporting requirements are borne by the IYFR Region where and until the account is maintained there.



#### GLOSSARY AND MEANINGS:

"IM" Independent Member of IYFR, one who is not a Member of a Fleet also "Member at Large"

"HM" Honorary Member

"EM" World E-Fleet Member

"Squadron", a division of an established fleet formed in accordance with the General Rules

#### **PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE PROCEDURES AND REGULATIONS**

#### 1. INTERPRETATION & DEFINITIONS

"IM" "EM" means a Member of IYFR, one who does not belongs to the World E-Fleet.

"HM" Honorary Member

"FO" Fleet Officer, an Officer of a fleet such as Fleet Secretary or Treasurer or Chaplain or Surgeon etc.

#### that the FC may so assign)

"Squadron", a limited group of Rotary Mariners

"SC" Squadron Captain, leader of a Squadron

"SO" Squadron Officer, an assistant of Squadron Captain that he may so assign like a Squadron Secretary or Treasurer etc.

#### 4. MEMBERSHIP

4.1.2. With these exceptions, and consistent with the COP, non-Rotarians may not be members of the Fellowship. (Note: Please refer to the GR 4.5, 4.6, 4.7)

#### 7. REGIONS, FLEETS AND SQUADRONS ORGANIZATION

7.5.1. A Fleet Squadron is a division of an established Fleet. Fleets may organize Squadrons, of less than twenty ten members in geographic areas, in order to support and encourage IYFR membership growth and future Fleet development.

7.5.2. The position of Squadron Captain shall be recognized as the leader of any such Squadron organized within a Fleet .

#### 13. AMENDMENT OF IYFR GR AND IYFR PROCEDURES AND REGULATIONS

13.2.1. Only in the year before each change of the administration, it shall be formed a Council on Legislation to review these P&R; it shall be composed by the College of PICs, the Executive Committee, the incoming Chief of Staff, and the Area Commodores. Chaired by the incoming IC, this C o L shall review these P&R and may propose amendments and bring forward those coming from the Fleets and endorsed by the respective Fleet Commodores and their RC (if any). Any one of the said Officers can propose changes and revisions.

#### APPENDIX B – PAST INTERNATIONAL COMMODORES

2011-2013 Clint Collier* San Fran	(USA)
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# PROPOSED CHANGES TO IYFR FLAGS, UNIFORMS AND BOATING PRACTICE

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## 1. Pennants, Broad Pennants and Burgees:

1.1.2.5. Fleet Officer Burgees shall have two gold balls centered along the hoist

Fig. 4 (Note to be added)

**Fleet Officer** 

## 1.2 Epaulets (or Shoulder Boards)

1.2.1.1.3. Fleet Rear Commodore epaulets have one gold star placed where the top most star of a Fleet Commodore epaulet is placed.

1.2.1.1.4. Squadron Captain epaulets have three gold balls, the middle ball centered on the epaulet and the other two centered in the space between the neck and shoulder, respectively.

1.2.1.1.5. Fleet Officer epaulets have two gold balls centered on the epaulet.

1.2.1.1.6. Squadron Officer epaulets have one gold ball centered on the epaulet.

#### Fig. 5 (Note to be added)





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Fleet Officer
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**Squadron Officer** 





Area 1 General Meeting - Varna

# 4 - 7 September 2014

By: Bob Burns Area 1 Commodore



Members arriving early in Varna for this year's Area 1 Annual Meeting, were met at the airport and taken to a reception at the Grand Hotel Dimyat, where they were welcomed with a glass of wine and then allocated to their room.

After a quick registration, came an informal meal in the hotel, where some local Rotarians joined in the welcome. Elena Georgieva, Commodore of the Varna Fleet, who was responsible for most of the organisation of the meeting, was celebrating her birthday, but still came to spend the evening with us – what a birthday present!

Thursday morning, we all went for a road train ride through the Sea Garden, a beautiful wooded parkland, right next to the hotel, before going on to a seafood restaurant, which we were assured was one of the best in Bulgaria. It was right on the harbour front and the food was delicious, as promised.

Feeling well filled, we went on to a photographic museum, where many old photographs of the area were on display, showing Varna in its earlier days. A guided tour by a local IYFR member was translated into English as we went. Then it was downstairs to a wine cellar, where the same IYFORian supplied us with a variety of wines from different regions of Bulgaria, allowing us to sample the local produce, with very tasty food nibbles to clean the palate between wines. Needless to say few could resist the temptation to buy a bottle or two for later!

The day concluded with another enjoyable meal in the hotel, when some of the later arrivals joined us.

Friday morning it was back to the harbour to board yachts to sail up the coast to another seafood restaurant on the seafront. The wind was 25 knots and on the nose, which gave us an exhilarating sail, tacking our way under headsail alone, all the way to the restaurant. That worked up a good appetite, which was well satisfied, before going by coach to an Archaeological Museum, displaying some of Bulgaria's ancient history.



Time was left to dress for the Gala Dinner in the evening, when we were joined by other local Rotarians and Rotaractors for a most enjoyable evening. Speeches were kept to a minimum, to allow people to circulate and mix and a good night was had by all, before some went on from the dinner to a night club.

Saturday started with a short bus trip to the Naval Museum, with some good examples of old naval war boats,



guns and other equipment. The morning concluded at Dikilitash, (the Stone Forest) an amazing landmark, consisting of a large number of hollow and solid stone columns, up to 10 metres high, spread around the entire complex, which covered an area of 7 sq km. Over the years nature has carved them into many different shapes.



The afternoon brought a more serious note, in the form of the Business Meeting. Reports were delivered by Regional Commodores, either personally or having been sent in advance by the Area1Commodore, Bob Burns, describing the current situation within the fleets in their respective regions and highlighting events of interest during the past year. Useful discussion also followed on a number of issues and the notes of this meeting are all published on the IYFR website. Lachezar Bratoev stepped down as RC for The Balkans after a number of years in the position, during which time he had worked hard for IYFR in the Region, especially providing boats for events, while encouraging the formation of new fleets. He was thanked for all he had done and was presented with a Past RC burgee and shoulder boards.



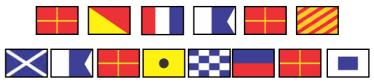
The whole Area 1 Meeting was brought to a wonderful conclusion at a typical Bulgarian Dinner, with folk music and dancing. Once again there was an ample selection of Bulgarian food, all washed down with local wine. It was great fun trying the dancing, but the line had to be drawn at walking on hot coals! Once again it was birthday time, and a cake, complete with candle, was brought for Past RC (GB & I) Annette Lewis, accompanied by a rousing chorus of 'Happy Birthday'.



The evening brought to an end a wonderful enjoyable few days, which was impeccably organised and ran like clockwork. Everyone had a truly happy time and thanks must go to Lachezar Bratoev, Elena Georgieva and their team for all the hard work they went to in making this such a successful event. This was my first time in Bulgaria and I returned home with many happy memories, certain to go back again in the future.

I must encourage IYFORians in Area 1 to come along to these Area 1 Meetings, as they are open to all members and really are good fun and help us all to meet and get to know one another around the Area. The details, of the time and venue, for next year will be announced as soon as possible.

This year, immediately following the meeting, eight of us from GB & I chartered a 50ft Bavaria yacht from Lachezar and enjoyed two days sailing on the Black Sea. This gave a perfect mixture of sailing, sightseeing and business to the Area 1 meeting and is something which I think we should seriously think about again next year.







Following on from the IYFR Area 1 meeting in Varna, eight members of the GB&I region chartered a boat from LZ Yachts for 2 days sailing on the Black Sea - a first for everyone. Bob Burns and I (Clyde Fleet), Annette and Brian Lewis (Fenland Fleet), David and Maureen Smith (Suffolk Fleet) and Robin and Rosemary Sudlow (East Coast Fleet) set sail on Sunday 7th September on their Bavaria 50 Vision yacht, ably accompanied by their skipper Todar (Toto to his friends - us).



Past RC Lachezar Bratoev had planned our trip to make the most of the time we had available and, once we loaded the supplies, we set off for Balchik - the Hollywood of Bulgaria due to its large illuminated sign on the hill overlooking the bay.



It was a cracking sail which was enjoyed by all. Toto proved himself to be a very able and competent skipper despite being only 18 years old - lots of energy, enthusiasm and muscle - just what we needed. After tying up in the marina (now I know why we need a bowthruster), we headed for a local restaurant for dinner.



Next morning it was up and off to the Mussel Farm at Dalboka for lunch. However, a wee problem with the main sheet taxed the brains of the men as no appropriate tools were found on board. It was eventually solved with the aid of 2 forks. What ingenious sailors we have in GB&I! We anchored off the Mussel Farm and were ferried ashore in the work boat, an experience in itself. The menu was varied but heavily reliant on mussels, as expected.



However, as it was a Monday, supplies of shrimps, crabs, clams and various Black Sea fish were limited or nonexistent. Starters of mussels with coconut or breaded mussels cooked on a spit were excellent and different. Main courses included mussel lasagne, bluefish, red mullet and mussels with wine sauce. All were enjoyed but not always as expected e.g. the red mullet was more like white bait but red and the mussels in white wine had been taken out of their shells. However, when offered mussels with apple filling as dessert, all declined as it was one mussel too far.

Back on board, we set off for Golden Sands resort marina. It was an easy sail with a following wind. We decided to



eat on board that night, to use up the supplies as we had had a substantial lunch. Also we could not carry all that wine onwards! A good evening ensued with Toto joining us for fellowship.

Next morning it was up early to return to Varna to repack for our onward travels. We motored back as what wind there was had changed direction and we did not have time to tack back and forth. Bob and I were flying to Turkey, Robin and Rosemary were flying home, but Annette, Maureen, Brian and David had an extra 2 days booked in Varna to relax and enjoy.

As there were only 3 cabins on board, excluding the main cabin, we had required extra sleeping accommodation

ashore both nights. However, Lachezar had arranged an apartment in Balchik and a house in Golden Sands and he also arranged for us to be met at each marina and transported as required.

It was sad to say goodbye to Toto. I think each couple could have taken him back to help sail their boat. On returning to the marina, we were pleasantly surprised to find that Lachezar had made his driver available to transport us back to the hotel to be reunited with our luggage, check in, etc.

It was a great experience and one we would all thoroughly recommend to anyone thinking of attending the next Area 1 meeting.



From 4<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> of September 2014 in Varna, Bulgaria was held the Forth Annual Regional Conference of the "International Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians" for Area 1. Representatives from 6 countries took part in this event: Bulgaria, United Kingdom, Italy, Turkey, Israel and Romania. The program of the meeting was spread across 4 days. Most of the guests arrived on 3rd of September. They were welcomed in the hotel lobby with a glass of wine and wishes for a nice stay by the young assistants from Rotaract Club Varna and Rotaract Club Varna Euxinograd. The hosts of the event: Mr. Lachezar Bratoev - The Past Regional Commodor of the Balcans and his beautiful couple Mrs. Veselina Yankova, The Commodore of Varna Fleet - Mrs. Elena Georgieva and members of the club, also welcomed the conference quests at the panoramic restaurant of the hotel, where the typical Bulgarian drink "rakia" apparently lifted the mood.



Thanks to the good weather, the guests had a walk in the Sea Garden, one of the most beautiful places of the Bulgarian sea capital Varna. They didn't miss out to visit the Museum of old photographs "Old Varna", whose initiator is as well the author of the first Bulgarian wine map- Mr. Lambrin Sotirov. Furthermore, the Rotary Mariners observed the natural beauty of Varna's sea coast from the board of sailing boat,s that Mr. Lachezar Bratoev from LZ Yachting was happy to provide. The conference participants had the unique occasion to meet the ancient Bulgarian culture, diverse customs and rich historical heritage, like the remarkable Varna gold treasure, which is the oldest known gold to be found on earth up until now.



On 6<sup>th</sup> of September the Area 1 Commodore for Europe, Middle East and Africa- Mr. Robert Burns officially inaugurated the conference. There were representatives of The



Bridge Officers Roster: Mr. Sergio Murri- Auditor and Annual Dues, Mrs. Selda Gerson- Public Relations, Officer Rodney Davis (GB&I)- Legal Advisor and Special Assistant Mrs. Annette Lewis (GB&I). The delegates of clubs across Area1- Europe, Middle East and Africa had the opportunity to present their reports on completed projects, as well as to discuss current issues regarding the different modules included in the program. Some of these included: organization and frequency of the regional meetings, attracting new members, grants, participation at and organization of regattas, etc.



The final dinner was especially emotional. It took place in a tavern, where a combination of authentic revival atmosphere, typical folk motifs, meals, prepared by traditional Bulgarian recipes and the unique fire dance (Nestinarski dance) was present. The guests were fascinated by the folklore program and even took part in the Bulgarian round dance-"horo", where showed impressive skills in understanding the steps. The next day the Bulgarian Rotary Mariners said goodbye to their new IYFR friends, some of which hired yachts, determined to discover further the beauty of the Black Sea.



The Past Regional Commodore of the Balkans- Mr. Lachezar Bratoev, says in his report: "It was hard times for The Balkans Area, during the crisis in the European and the Balkan economies but now, We strayed from the faith, that our young new members in Varna Fleet will give us more energy and enthusiasm. Also I want to representative our new members from Romania- Mrs. Luiza Cala (President of Rotary Mangalia for 2003 – 2004 year) and Mrs. Marcela Stancu- A Member. We hope that they will event more Romanian friends, and hopefully next year, they will charter their own Fleet in Romania."



After the successful regional meeting many of the guests sent to the Bulgarian hosts letters to thank for the warm welcome and the remarkable hospitality: "Thank you for the wonderful hospitality you showed us during our stay in Varna. Everyone went out of their way to look after us and make our visit so enjoyable and we are left with some really happy memories. Thank you so much also for the yacht charter after the meeting, as it gave a very special end to our time in Bulgaria, which everyone thoroughly enjoyed. We would very much like to return and explore the area further in the future. I am sure that such sailing would bring more members to our meetings." said Area 1 Commodore- Europe, Middle East and Africa- Mr. Robert Burns.



#### All the best, Elena Georgieva, Fleet Commodore.



This year saw the formation of the new Croatian Fleet, following a great deal of time and effort on the part of the Slovenian IYFR Fleet and the Croatian Rotary District. The fleet, which currently boasts 46 members, is based at Betina Marina on Murter Island in middle Dalmatia, with Boris Ninić, the Marina Manager, as its Founder Commodore. An Induction Ceremony took place at the Marina on 31<sup>st</sup> May, with an excellent detailed presentation on IYFR, led by Slovenian Commodores Marko Murn, Aleš Musić and Erik Mlinar. I was then privileged to participate in the formal Charter Ceremony, which took place at the marina on 13<sup>th</sup> September.

This was the first time for Ann and me in Croatia and we arrived at night in pouring rain, just to make us feel at home! However, in the morning the sun was shining and we drove up the coast road from Split to Tisno, on Murter Island and what a spectacular drive. The inlets and islands must make it one of the most ideal settings for sailing.

Unfortunately, once in our hotel in Tisno, the clouds returned and we watched out of the window, as the rain came down and the lightning lit up the sky. The weather can obviously change here as fast as it does in Scotland! However, then Marko Murn and Tatjana arrived with Erik Mlinar and Tina, having driven through the heavy rain from Slovenia. Although there were coach parties in the hotel, the staff looked after us very well and we all enjoyed a drink and a meal together. The FC of the new Croatian Fleet, Boris Ninić, came down to meet us and welcome us to the area.

Boris arranged for one of his Rotary friends to act as a guide for us around the town of Šibenik on the Saturday morning, which was absolutely fascinating. His friend, Nik, studies the history of Šibenik as a hobby and has written books on it, so we had a really personal and interesting tour, taking in the Cathedral and other historic buildings. The weather was now hot and sunny, so the views from the fortress were stunning.



The Charter of the Croatian Fleet in the evening was another most enjoyable event. The first item on the agenda





was to install Marko Murn as the new Regional Commodore for the Balkans, taking over from Lachezar Bratoev and to wish him well in his term of office, offering him help and support in the challenges which lie ahead of him. Then on to the Fleet Charter, first signing the Charter Certificate and presenting it to FC Boris Ninić and then asking him and his members to sign the Acceptance form. All the members present were presented with Founder Member Certificates and an IYFR lapel pin. With 46 Founder

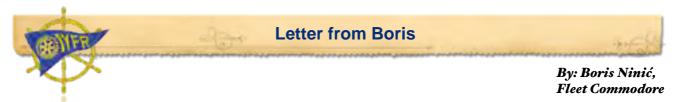


Members and a season of events behind it, the future of the fleet looks rosy and we all look forward to watching how it develops, wishing it a future of much fun and fellowship.

After the official business was completed, everyone went through to the restaurant to enjoy a meal together and join other Rotarians, as this was the start of a 3 day Rotary Regatta. These Rotary Regattas are new to me, but I think we need to look at them and see how IYFR can become more involved, encouraging our members to come and join in.

I am pleased to say that this was another extremely enjoyable event, which introduced Ann and me to another area, which we must return to and try sailing, in what appear to be beautiful waters.





My dear Commodore,

First of all, let me once again thank You and Lady Ann, together with our friends Marko and Erik and their wives, because you are with your presence graced our Charter fleet.

I am sure that our fleet going forward, stronger and stronger, by promoting the fundamental values of Rotary, international understanding, goodwill and world peace by cultivating a maritime tradition that symbolizes the age-old connection between people, the sea and ships. We all really enjoyed the regatta and I would like to take this opportunity to invite you to join us next year.

Finally, I would ask you to forgive us any clumsiness and possible disorientation during your stay in our country.

I personally and all members of Croatian fleet wish You all the best and look forward to meeting You again.

Yours sincerely,





# Rotary Regatta Ljubljana Carniola

By: Marko Murn PFC Slovenia Fleet





The fleet IYFR SLOVENIA regularly supports the traditional Slovenian Rotary regatta organized by Rotary club Ljubljana Carniola. This year the regatta took place in May, 24th to 27th in the acquatorium of Middle Dalmatia in Adriatic Sea. There were 14 boats and 90 participants. We had chartered monotypes yachts Bavaria-46 at marina Kaštela, Split. The route was Split - Rogač on island Šolta - Jelsa on island Hvar - Bol on island Brač and back. The regatta has first priority to enjoy rotarian gathering under sails, have some fun in racing, but also visit wonderful touristic sites on Adriatic islands and taste the specialities of local cuisine. And participants gave significant support to our Rotary service, too. We collected quite a significant amount of money (10.000€ together with RC Ljubljana Carniola), which was donated to Darko Đurić, the Slovenian paraolympic winner in 50m dolphin swimming for his new legs (he has just one hand ! ).

Let me underline the IYFR international component of the regatta:



We had invited almost all commodores of European national IYFR fleets. Several of them responded with participants, others promised to come next year. This year we had 10 guests of 4 nationalities from IYFR fleets: Germany North East, Germany South, Weser-Jade and Swedish Skaw. Our idea of mixed international crews (instead of national crews on separate boats) has shown as significant success and was appreciated from all of the participants. It turned out very interesting to exchange sailing practices, to make good teambuilding and friendships within these crew members. Four days of intensive gathering within international crews, culinaric evenig dinners with music and shows raised very high atmosphere and all participants did enjoy the Rotarity.

We do invite all IYFoRians to join us next year again in May 23th to 27th of 2015.

#### Marko Murn Past Commodore IYFR SLOVENIA



Nonostante le previsioni di viaggio molto onerose in tempo e denaro, decido di partire per Varna (in aereo da Milano si prevedevano da 13 a 18 ore) in auto da Brindisi con traghetto si prevedevano 1100 km. di sola andata.

Parto con un giovane collaboratore americano Peter Petrachi e facciamo 8 ore di nave e 14 ore di auto, attraversando gran parte della Grecia e della Bulgaria.

All'andata usiamo le carte geografiche perché il navigatore, per disfunzione della sim italiana va subito in tilt finiamo in strade antiche e tortuose, con fondo assai approssimativo, con paesaggi bellissimi sull'Egeo e sul Mar Nero, la Bulgaria e' molto agricola e montuosa.

Il ritorno con il navigatore funzionante grazie alla sim Bulgara e' molto più agevole.



Varna e' bellissima , ci accoglie un grande ponte su un lago , il tutto collegato al Mar Nero, un lungomare di locali assai festosi , con giovani allegri e molto dotati fisicamente e mentalmente; molti parlano inglese, qui Peter rende al massimo perché va in giro, con la bella Giulia di



accoglienza IYFR, ci aspetta una guida bulgara "Rositsa " che lavora da 10 anni per Italcementi, presentata dalla IYFR di Varna è una persona preziosa che ci accompagnerà per 4 gg e ci farà sentire a casa, perché risolve tutte le ns esigenze e curiosità.

Il 4 mattina incontriamo gli amici della IYFR, ci sono 12 Inglesi, 2 Romeni,12 Bulgari, 2 Turchi, un hotel faraonico, con camere da 35mq, e sala conferenza da primato.

Chiariamo tante cose insieme soprattutto concordiamo che IYFR deve lavorare in particolare sul Rotaract per crescere, d'altronde il 5 settembre usciamo con 2 barche una da 50 piedi ed una da 40 piedi, ci sono 25 nodi di vento ed un po'... di mare, gli anziani di IYFR, sono rocce, nessuno accusa il colpo, ma i giovani presenti stanno meglio e si divertono un mondo.



Visitiamo musei del vino e della storia antica di Varna: un re vissuto circa 4500 anni prima di Cristo prima dei Faraoni e sconosciuto fino al 1972! <u>http://it.wikipedia.org/wiki/Necropoli di Varna</u>, <u>h t t p : / / w w w . b u l g a r i a -</u> italia.com/bg/info/storia/oro\_piu\_antico.asp





Una civiltà perduta, vi consiglio vivamente il sito C'è da rimanere allibiti .. prima delle piramidi prima di tutto!

Visitiamo un altro posto al limite , gente che balla con musiche antiche, gente che cammina sui carboni ardenti ripetutamente per quasi una ora.



Parliamo a lungo dei salvagente e della bella raccolta internazionale, io vengo definito Sergio il Grande da Selda di Istanbul ed Elena di Varna, per come ballo e per il mio Staff ...Peter di Miami Florida, e Rositsa di Varna, che informano gli intervenuti, con molti particolari... di quel facciamo in Italia e di quel che faremo.



This is just a flash log book of the long drive to Varna and back to Brindisi by Ferry: more than 2500 km from my home town in the SE of Italy: Gallipoli. I go there with not only one but two interpreters. Sorry but I do not want to take chances!!!

Varna is a beautiful place and the Company is great! We enjoy the AGM and the chance we have to sail in a "gentle" 25Kts breeze on the western Black Sea.

But what astounds me most is the visit to the archeological site outside Varna where a huge treasure in gold

crafted jewels fill the tombs only discovered in 1972. Unbelievable! This is a civilization that goes back to 4500 years BC. And we knew nothing until 40 years ago.

I am also most impressed to see people dancing on flaming coals... for hours!



I myself receive the nickname of Sergio the Great by both Turkey RC Selda and Varna FC Elena both for my dancing ability and .... For my two Interpreters: Peter from Miami and Rositsa from Varna.

They have been my indispensable tool as to tell all our friends what has been, is and will be going on in Italy. Thanks to all of you for having had the patience to listen.



**Sergio Murri** Milano Squadron Captain of the ITALY NW FLEET



Nella cornice dell'Eden Park di Marina di Pulsano il 9 settembre è avvenuto il cambio di Timone della Flotta Sud-Est tra il Commodoro uscente Giuseppe Garrisi ed il Commodoro subentrante Lucio Fanizza, alla presenza del Commodoro Internazionale Sergio Santi e della moglie Laura.



La serata abilmente organizzata dal Presidente Gianni Galeandro e dai soci del Club di Manduria, si è svolta in una cornice calorosa e simpatica, con la presenza di molti

soci del Club, di tutto il Ponte di Comando della flotta Sud Est e della Presidente del Club di Riva dei Tessali, Maria Carmela Bonelli, socia della flotta Sud Est.

In apertura di serata il Presidente Galeandro, alla presenza del vice presidente Luigi Di Noi, del presidente emerito Gabriele Liguori, ha porto il saluto del Club, ricordando che molti soci erano stati tra i costituenti la flotta sud est.

Ha preso la parola il Commodoro Internazionale Sergio Santi, primo italiano dopo 64 anni a rivestire tale prestigioso incarico, ricordando la storia della Flotta SE che aveva subito una netta involuzione tanto da richiedere il commissariamento da parte del Board internazionale.



Finalmente, ha affermato grazie all' opera dei Commodori Patrizio Cardone, Giuseppe Garrisi e dei "Ponti di Comando" che si sono alternati in questi ultimi tre anni, la Flotta ha potuto prendere il largo ed ora è apprezzata per la sua operosità ed attività in campo nazionale ed internazionale.

L'IYFR, che ho l'onore di dirigere e la nostra maniera di "fare Rotary", ha concluso, anche grazie all'apporto costruttivo della Flotta Sud Est, è stato indicato come esempio da seguire dalle più alte Autorità del R.I.

Ha preso quindi la parola il Commodoro uscente Giuseppe Garrisi, che ha voluto illustrare le principali attività in cui la flotta è stata impegnata, ricordando le regate di Gallipoli, Manfredonia, Favignana, la Brindisi-Corfù e gli splendidi ed affettuosi rapporti con le flotte siciliana e napoletana. Ha ricordato il Congresso Internazionale di Lisbona e la Festa della marineria di La Spezia con l'annual meeting a bordo di "Nave Italia"





Ha espresso parole di gratitudine all' International Fellowship of rotarians, per aver potuto vivere un esperienza particolare accanto ad uomini e donne particolari che rimarranno per sempre nel suo cuore.

Ha voluto ricordare, che esattamente due anni prima, aveva ricevuto il comando con un fondo cassa di 200 euro, e che ora il residuo di cassa era superiore ai 1000 euro.

Ha augurato al suo successore, Lucio Fanizza, di pilotare la flotta in maniera migliore lodando le sue qualità umane e professionali e augurandogli di godere di una navigazione interna priva di turbolenze.

Ha ricordato che la flotta sud est ha contribuito al "service nazionale" raccogliendo circa 200 giubbotti da inviare in Africa ed ha aperto il tesseramento alle mogli dei rotariani

Infine ha rivolto un ringraziamento a tutto il Ponte di Comando per la collaborazione ricevuta, ed ha voluto offrire un piccolo ricordo personale a testimonianza di questa felice esperienza.



Particolarmente caloroso e commovente il saluto con il Rear Commodore Enzo Pirato, che ha voluto regalare a Giuseppe Garrisi il "Fischietto del Marinaio" con la seguente dedica: "sii sempre come il mare che infrangendosi contro gli scogli, trova sempre la forza di riprovarci" Buon vento.

Effettuato il passaggio dei gradi di comando, ha preso la parola il Commodoro Lucio Fanizza, che ha rinnovato il suo impegno a favore della flotta sud est, chiedendo il supporto e la collaborazione di tutti i mariners ed annunciando il nuovo Rear Commodoro per il biennio 2014/2016 nella persona di Francesco Mariano Mariano del Club di Lecce

La serata si è conclusa con una conviviale che ha consentito a tutti i presenti di godere della alta professionalità dello Chef dell' Eden Park di Pulsano.

#### Past Fleet Commodore Giuseppe Garrisi



Under an enchanting South Italian full moon, in the wonderful venue of the Eden Park in Pulsano Marina, on September 9, there has been the change in command between Commodore Giuseppe Garrisi and Lucio Fanizza at the presence of the Presidents of RC of Manduria and Riva dei Tessali and, of course of a great number of Fellow Mariners. Witness the IC Sergio Santi and his First Mate Laura, who with their presence, some 1000 km from their summer berths in Tuscany, intended to personally thank FC Giuseppe and his FM Mariangela for the wonderful and passionate work done these last two years and for the high standard the SE Fleet achieved. A beautiful mail of appreciation arrived also from the Italy Region Commodore Luigi Falanga.

IC Sergio had also words of great appreciation for PFC Patrizio Cardone and for his FM Rita for the soft but brilliant way in which the young Commodore and his FM suc-



ceeded in taking the Fleet out of the shallow waters where she was entangled. The task of Commodore Lucio Fanizza will be a lot easier after FCs Patrizio and Giuseppe. All of us are sure that the Italy SE fleet will beautifully and finally sail in blue waters as her generous Fellow Commodores and Mariners fully deserve. Now the rudder is in the capable hands of FC Lucio Fanizza,

AIZA AIZA AIZA!!!





**IYFR Flotta Italia NW** 

## "Sfida dei risotti"

By: Marco Loro Mariner ITALY NW Fleet

Si è conclusa venerdì 12 settembre 2014, presso la sede dello Yacht Club Marina di Loano, la terza edizione della sfida dei risotti, gara tra Rotary Mariners che vede contrapporsi gli Squadroni di Milano e Torino della Flotta Italia NW. prodotto tipico ed apprezzato da entrambe le aree geografiche e gastronomiche, il riso appunto.



La manifestazione è nata nel 2011, su iniziativa dello Squadrone Torino, con il preciso obiettivo di promuovere buona volontà e spirito di servizio, oltre che migliorare i rapporti di amicizia e costituire esperienza vantaggiosa per tutti, così rispondendo positivamente alle domande cardine dell'agire rotariano.

La chiave di volta del suo successo, per quanto relativo ai suddetti ambiti territoriali, è costituita dall'idea del trasferimento della sfida dal ponte di comando alla cambusa, stratagemma pensato appunto per Squadroni che, più che di mare, profumano di monti, utilizzando peraltro un



Ecco che, in totale spirito di amicizia rotariana, i concorrenti si sono cimentati con le pentole, anziché con le vele, senza alcuna rivalità se non solo con se stessi, cercando di dare ognuno il massimo per gli altri.

L'incantevole cornice della Marina di Loano ha sicuramente contribuito a rendere la serata più che piacevole, così come nelle precedenti edizioni avevano fatto le sedi prescelte per la sfida, ovvero il magnifico Palazzo dell'Accademia Filarmonica di Casale Monferrato e lo spettacolare Santuario di Vico Forte, con la Basilica la cui cupola ellittica è la più grande al mondo.

#### Continuation...



Ha vinto lo Squadrone Milano con un risotto allo zafferano, gorgonzola e luganega, strappando

qualche preferenza in più e così anche la coppa challenge allo Squadrone Torino, vincitore delle precedenti due edizioni, il quale ha comunque servito un ottimo risotto ai mirtilli.



#### **English Translation**

The third edition of the Rice Challenge Trophy, a competition between Fellow Mariners of the Two ITALY NW FLEET Squadrons of Milano and Torino saw its final act

on Friday, September the 12<sup>th</sup>, at the Yacht Club Marina di Loano. The Trophy was conceived in 2011, by initiative of the Squadrone di Torino with the specific aim to promote good will and a spirit of service, as well as to improve the relations of friendship and to build new experiences for everyone, thus fully in compliance with the Rotary mission.

The key of this success, related to these territories, is constituted by the idea to transfer the challenge from the bridges to the galleys.

This stratagem was designed precisely for Squadrons, which are more likely to smell of mountains rather than of



D'altro canto la vittoria dello Squadrone Milano questa volta era annunciata; gli auspici favorevoli sono stati infatti rivelati da un branco di delfini che ha accompagnato l'imbarcazione dello Squadrone Milano per un lungo tratto di mare, all'altezza dell'isola Gallinara, durante il loro trasferimento da Loano a Imperia.

La partecipazione di entrambi gli Squadroni alla grande regata di Vele d'Epoca del giorno successivo ad Imperia ha coronato un week end veramente da ricordare.

Buon vento e mare a tutti.

#### Marco Loro

Mariner ITALY NW Fleet





salt water, using a typical and appreciated by both geographical and gastronomic areas product: the famous Carnaroli rice.



Here, in the total spirit of fellowship the competitors, abandoned rudders and sails, have grappled with the pots, with no rivalry but only for themselves, trying to give to others the best of their ingenuity.



The enchanting venue of Marina di Loano has certainly helped to make a pleasant evening, as they had done in the previous editions with the other chosen locations that are to be remembered: the magnificent Palace of the Philharmonic Academy of Casale Monferrato and the spectacular Sanctuary of Vico Forte (Mondovi) and the Basilica which has the largest elliptical dome in the world.



Snatching some preferences to the Turin Squadron's cup challenger, the winner of the previous two editions., However, it must be recognized that they served an excellent risotto with blueberries.



On the other hand the victory of the Milan Squadron was announced; the favorable auspices were in fact revealed by a swarm of dolphins that had accompanied the Milan Squadron boat for a long trait of sea near the Gallinara island, during their transfer from Loano to Imperia. https://www.facebook.com/video.php?v=147746 5245872211



The participation of both Squadrons the next day to the Vele d'Epoca in Imperia regatta has fringed a really memorable week end. Good wind and following seas, dear Fellow

Mariners!

Translation by Antonio Marchesi

# **AREA 2 NEWS**



At the first meeting of the Rio de la Plata fleet, July this year, a new FC took command of the fleet, something that is normally done every two years. Also, Angélica Mesistrano, our dear Angie, took the position of RC for South America from Roberto Celentano. IRC Guillermo gave Angie the golden shoulder boards and to Roberto the silver ones. Guillermo took the opportunity to thank Roberto for the job done. He pointed out that during his four year period as Region Commodore, the number of fleets in South America doubled. Angie, on the other hand had just finished her two years at the helm of the Punta del Este fleet. In that position, she conducted it to an astounding success, making it the most numerous in the American continent.

# New Delta Commodore Miguel Agel Prieto



#### Change Bridge Delta Fleet

In a beautiful meeting had the presence of Delta Fleet IYForians and IYForians visitors from other fleets, was conducted change Delta Fleet Bridge At the same time the 10th anniversary of its founding was celebrated. Assumed Commodore Miguel Angel Prieto. We wish him all the best in his new task of guiding their mariners.

#### Cambio de Puente en Flota Delta

En una hermosa reunión que contó con la asistencia de los IYForians de Flota Delta y con la presencia de IYForians visitantes de otras flotas, se llevó a cabo el cambio de Puente de Flota Delta. A la vez se festejó el 10° aniversario de su fundación.

Asumió el Comodoro Miguel Angel Prieto a quien le deseamos lo mejor en su nueva tarea de guiar a sus mariners.





El sábado 30 de agosto se ha sumado a nuestra agrupación la flota más austral de las Américas en nuestra IYFR.

En la sureña ciudad de Puerto Varas, a orillas del lago Llanquihue, en el sur de Chile, ha sido entregada la carta constitutiva de esta nueva flota. Viajaron hasta esa bella ciudad de montaña IRC Guillermo Arteta, PRC Roberto Celentano y PFC Martin Gil. Los IYForians chilenos los esperaron con una cálida bienvenida y un programa de paseos espectacular.

En el primer día de su arribo han disfrutado de una cena y baile excelente. En el segundo día los scouts marinos de Chile los esperaron formados en el muelle. Juego hubo una navegación por la bahía de Puerto Montt a bordo del "Terranova" del Comodoro Walter Eaglehurst. En la noche se llevó a cabo una hermosa ceremonia de constitución donde los Scouts Marinos tocaron silbato durante el izamiento del gallardete de la nueva flota. IRC Guillermo Arteta invistió a FC Walter Eaglehurst rodeado de la alegría y emoción de sus compañeros. Transcurrió la noche en un ambiente de compañerismo y camaradería con una exquisita cena. Al día siguiente los IYForians de Chile acompañaron a los visitantes a una excursión al volcán Osorno y a un paseo por la costa del lago Llanquihue. IRC Guillermo Arteta ha enviado sus saludos y agradecimiento al FC Walter Eaglehurst por los hermosos días que disfrutaron en esas latitudes donde se disfrutan al mismo tiempo la nieve en las montañas, las aguas tibias de sus lagos y una exuberante vegetación.

La flota Chile Puerto Varas se ha desarrollado a partir de la formación del escuadrón Puerto Varas en la flota Punta el Este y gracias al entusiasmo y trabajo de su Comodoro Walter y su grupo.

Bienvenidos hermanos IYForians a nuestra maravillosa fellowship!!!

On Saturday August 30 has joined our fellowship the southernmost fleet of Americas in our IYFR.

In the southern city of Puerto Varas, on the shores of lake Llanquihue, south of Chile, was given the charter of this new fleet. They have traveled to this beautiful mountain town IRC Guillermo Arteta, PRC Roberto Celentano and PFC Martin Gil. The chilean IYForians waited for them with a warm welcome and a program of spectacular rides.

On the first day of their arrival they have enjoyed an excellent dinner and dancing. On the second day Chile Marine Scouts, waited for visitors at the pier, then there was a navigation by Puerto Montt bay aboard the "Terranova" of Commodore Walter Eaglehurst. At night they held a beautiful ceremony constitution which Marine Scouts whistle blew for the raising of the new fleett's burgee. IRC Guillermo Arteta invested to FC Walter Eaglehurst surrounded by the joy and excitement of their mariners. The night passed in an atmosphere of camaraderie with an exquisite dinner.

The next day the chilean IYForians accompanied the visitors on a tour to Osorno volcano and a walk along the shore of lake Llanquihue. IRC Guillermo Arteta sent his greetings and appreciation to FC Walter Eaglehurst for the beautiful days they enjoyed in those latitudes where at the same time enjoy the snow in the mountains, the warm waters of the lakes and lush vegetation.

The Chile Puerto Varas Fleet has been developed from the Puerto Varas squadron of Punta del Este Fleet and the enthusiasm and work your Commodore Walter and his group.

Welcome brothers IYForians to our wonderful fellowship !!!







# LOTA CHILE PUERTO VARAS CREÓ EL GRUPO SCOUTS MARINOS DE CHILE

By: Guillermo Arteta International Rear Commodore Area 2 Commodore



A pesar de sus miles de km de costa, los jóvenes de Chile vivían de espaldas al mar, hasta que FC Walter Eaglehurst y sus compañeros crearon, con el apoyo de la Fundación Mar de Chile y de la Armada de Chile, el primer grupo de Scouts Marinos de Chile. Nos comenta Walter que por ahora el grupo está integrado por 20 jóvenes, aunque hay una larga lista de espera para ingresar.

Esta magnífica obra de la flota chilena, orienta a los jóvenes en el servicio a la comunidad, en diferentes deportes náuticos, aprovecha la nutrición de mar, fomenta el compañerismo y el espíritu de cuerpo y la solidaridad.

Cumple así el objetivo de Rotary de formar una juventud que desarrolle el liderazgo y la integridad personal, el servicio, la responsabilidad, tenacidad en el trabajo, y la buena voluntad y comprensión internacional.

Plan de instrucción: Conocimiento de escultismo marino, vocabulario náutico, tipos de embarcaciones, características, nudos, pito marinero, navegación, salud y seguridad, espíritu scout, espíritu de civismo y de servicio, señalización, ciencias náuticas, maniobra, marinería, exploración, orientación, estudio de la naturaleza, pionerismo, campismo y cocina, trabajos manuales, cartografía náutica, alocución, natación, remo, bote y kayak, primeros auxilios, reglas de rumbo y gobierno, vela, implementos de seguridad, movimientos del viento, mareas y corrientes, salvamento acuático, orientación con brújula, economía doméstica, buceo apnea y con equipos, GPS, conservación de los recursos.

Los Scouts Marinos de Chile tiene incorporado en su uniforme el gallardete y las iniciales de nuestra agrupación náutica de Rotary IYFR.

Felicitaciones a Walter y a sus mariners por esta magnífica creación.

Despite its thousands of miles of coastline, Chile's youth lived with their backs to the sea, until FC Eaglehurst Walter and his mariners created with the support of the Sea Foundation of Chile and the Chilean Navy, the first group of Marine Scouts of Chile. Walter tells us that for now the group consists of 20 young, although there is a long waiting list to enter.

This magnificent work of the Chilean fleet, guide the youth in community service in various water sports, enjoy the sea nutrition, promotes camaraderie and esprit de corps and solidarity.

It fulfills the objective of forming a Rotary youth develop leadership and personal integrity, service, responsibility, tenacity at work, and the goodwill and international understanding.

Plan of instruction: Knowledge Marine Scouting, nautical vocabulary, types of boats, features, knots, sailor whistle, navigation, health and safety, scout spirit, the spirit of citizenship and service, signage, nautical sciences, maneuver, seafaring, exploration, orientation, nature study, pioneering, camping and cooking, crafts, nautical charting, speech, swimming, rowing, boating and kayaking, first aid, steering and sailing rules, sailing, safety equipment, wind movements, tides and streams, aquatic rescue, compass orientation, housekeeping, and apnea diving equipment, GPS, conservation of resources.

The Marine Scouts of Chile has incorporated into his uniform pennant and the initials of our fellowship IYFR.

Congratulations to Walter and his mariners for this magnificent creation.







En la Región Sud América han habido varios cambios.

Como fieles rotarios que somos, debemos mantener girando nuestra rueda.

Nuevos Comodoros se han sumado a nuestra Agrupación.

La flota Guayaquil Ecuador ha agradecido a su Comodoro saliente Jorge Herrera por haber conducido el timón de su flota con rumbo firme en los últimos dos años y ha dado la bienvenida al Comodoro José Barciona y a la secretaria Laurita Maldonado. Ellos están listos para dar lo mejor en estos próximos dos años.

Aquí los vemos acompañados del Puente.

Bienvenidos y FELICITACIONES!!!!!

In Region South America have been several changes.

As faithful rotarians we are, we keep rotating the wheel.

New Commodores have started their service in our fellowship.

The Guayaquil Ecuador Fleet thanked the outgoing Commodore Jorge Herrera for steering the helm of its fleet with steady course over the last two years and has welcomed Commodore Jose Barciona and Secretary Laurita Maldonado. They are ready to give their best in the next two years.

Here we see accompanied bridge.

Welcome and CONGRATULATIONS !!!!!



# Bridge Change Rio de la Plata

By: Angelica Mesistrano Fleet Commodore Punta del Este Fleet



Han renovado sus autoridades las flotas de Argentina.

La Flota Río de la Plata ha celebrado con un exquisito almuerzo de camaradería en el Yacht Club Argentino, a orillas del Río de la Plata, el cambio de Puente.

Para ello se han reunido sus integrantes, destacando con cálidas palabras la labor realizada por su Comodoro saliente Leon Turjanski. En una emotiva ceremonia se ha investido a su nuevo Comodoro Eduardo D'Alessio, experimentado navegante, quien destacó sus planes sobre navegación y actividades sociales para su próximo período.

Gracias León por tus dos años magníficos. A Eduardo, le auguramos lo mejor y buenos vientos.

FELICITACIONES !!!

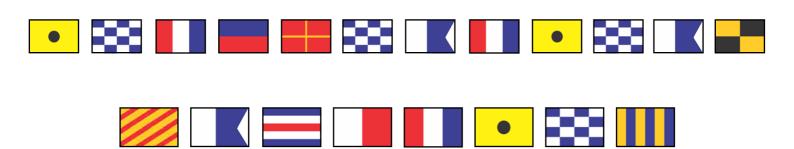


Argentina fleets have renewed their authorities.

The Río de la Plata Fleet celebrated with a delicious lunch of camaraderie in the Yacht Club Argentino, the change of bridge.

For it have been met its members, with warm words highlighting the work of the outgoing Commodore Leon Turjanski. In a moving ceremony has invested the new Commodore Eduardo D'Alessio, experienced navigator, who highlighted his plans for sailing and social activities for the next period. Thanks Leon for your two wonderful years. Eduardo, we wish you the best and good winds.

CONGRATULATIONS !!!





# Punta del Este Fleet Bridge Change

By: Angelica Mesistrano Fleet Commodore Punta del Este Fleet





Estos han sido dos años maravillosos. Como Comodoro saliente he disfrutado de la compañía y colaboración de mis compañeros a los que agradezco los fantásticos momentos compartidos. No obstante, aún me faltaba experimentar un cambio de autoridades lleno de afecto, reconocimiento y emoción. Yo esperaba el cambio de charreteras y los saludos, pero no fue todo, ellos me regalaron un hermoso recordatorio grabado, unas flores hermosas y un mensaje conmovedor de su Comodoro entrante. Aunque no lo merezco lo he disfrutado mucho. Asumió como nuevo Comodoro Nelson Scleidorovich, quien ha sido un compañero de Puente ejemplar en los últimos dos años, Nelson es rotario con mucha experiencia y entusiasta navegante. No tengo dudas que Nelson dará lo mejor de él y nuestra flota seguirá navegando en busca de un horizonte dorado.

Queridos Nelson, Edgardo, Félix, Daniel y Susana todo mi afecto a ustedes y les deseo lo mejor.

#### FELICITACIONES!!!!!!

In the East we also changed. On July 17 we had bridge change in our Punta del Este fleet.

These have been two wonderful years. As the outgoing Commodore I enjoyed the company and support of my friends, I thank the fantastic times together. However, I had yet to experience a change of bridge full of affection, recognition and emotion. I expected change epaulets and greetings, but not all, they gave me a beautiful reminder engraving, beautiful flowers and a poignant message from the incoming Commodore. Although not deserve I enjoyed. He was sworn in as Commodore Nelson Scleidorovich, who has been an exemplary partner Bridge in the last two years, Nelson is Rotary experienced and enthusiastic sailor. I have no doubt that Nelson will give the best of him and our fleet will sail in search of a golden horizon.

Dear Nelson, Edgardo, Felix, Daniel and Susana all my affection to you and wish you all the best.

#### CONGRATULATIONS !!!!!!





## Punta del Este Fleet Donation

By: Angelica Mesistrano Fleet Commodore Punta del Este Fleet





La flota Punta del Este ha realizado la donación de un bote de goma a los Scouts Marinos de Uruguay.

Los Scouts Marinos de Uruguay son una rama náutica perteneciente al movimiento Scouts.

En Montevideo, capital de Uruguay este grupo se denomina "27-Scouts Marinos".

Es un grupo numeroso, dinámico y con deseos de fomentar el compañerismo, la disciplina y están afiliados a la Anilla Mundial de Scouts Marinos. El responsable de este grupo es Diego López. Los Scouts Marinos practican la navegación en pequeños botes y canoas. Ellos trabajan en aceptar las diferencias, fomentar los valores humanos, realizan diversas actividades al aire libre y acampan y navegan en contacto con la naturaleza.

Gracias a la unión de la Flota Punta del Este que practica la náutico terapia con niños y adultos de capacidades diferentes y los scouts marinos, se va a extender la náutico



The Punta del Este fleet has made donating a rubber boat to the Marine Scouts of Uruguay.

The Marine Scouts of Uruguay is a member of the Scouts movement, it is nautical branch.

In Montevideo, capital of Uruguay this group is called "27 Marine Scouts."

It is a large, dynamic and willing to build camaraderie group discipline and are affiliated to the World Ring of Marine Scouts. The head of this group is Diego Lopez. Marine Scouts practice sailing in small boats and canoes. They work on accepting differences, promoting human values, perform various activities outdoor, camping and sailing in touch with nature.

By joining Punta del Este Fleet practicing nautical therapy with children and adults of different abilities and marine scouts, will extend the nautical therapy to spaces where marine scouts have activities. Members of Punta del Este



terapia a los espacios donde los scouts marinos tengan actividades. Los integrantes de la flota Punta del Este van a enseñar a los scouts marinos los cuidados y actividades necesarios para la náutico terapia.

Con el bote donado por la flota, esta tarea de servicio será posible para los scouts marinos, para llevar bienestar a quienes lo necesitan.

fleet will teach marine scouts care and nautical activities necessary for therapy.

With the donated boat, this task of community service will be possible for the marine scouts, to bring wellness to those in need.



Estimados Mariners/ rotarios: el pasado 28 de junio se entregó el ancla de oro de la Real Liga Naval Española a la viuda de Juan Luis Harriero Silvie Farcot, Commodore de la Madrid Fleet, desgraciadamente fallecido, en presencia de sus hijos y de mas de 20 mariners, el Gobernador Tommasso Virdia, , el Regional Commmodore of Iberia Bernardo Rabassa, y los actuales Clemente Ubeda Commodore de la Madrid Fleet y de la South East Fleet Pascual Rosser y del Nuevo Regional Commodore of Iberia Carlo d'Amore, en el curso de una cena de gala de la Real Liga NavalEspañola, pronunciándose un emotivo elogio a este gran compañero mariner que fue Juan Luis que en paz descanse. Bernardo Rabassa. Regional Commodore hasta hoy de la Región de Iberia.

Pd las fotos muestran el éxito de la Reunión

Dear Mariners: on 28 June, the gold anchor's of the Spanish Royal Naval Liga was delivered at the widow Silvie Farcot, from Juan Luis Harriero Commodore of the Fleet Madrid unfortunately died, in the presence of their children, and more than 20 mariners, Governor Virdia Tommaso, the Regional Bernardo Rabassa Commmodore of Iberia, and current Commodore of Ubeda Clemente Madrid Fleet and Fleet Pascual South East Rosser and New Iberia Regional Commodore of Carlo d'Amore, during a gala dinner of the Royal Spanish Navy League, in answer to an emotional eulogy to this great mariner Juan Luis mate who rest in peace. Bernardo Rabassa, Regional Commodore until today to the Iberia Region.

Pd. photos show the success of the Meeting



# **AREA 3 NEWS**

## **GENERAL ACCOUNTS**



By: PBT Jayson Herrero

## **Dollar Account Fund Balance**

International Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians Philippines Account Balance as of June 30, 2014 Dollar Account -UCPB 1123-9000-1363

ate	Particula	rs									Bal	ance
12-Nov Openin	g Balance- A	dvanced by IVC Jun									\$	1,140.00
Add:	RELIEF FL	UND	. 6		2	- 4 -		ala da i				
	Date	Bank Remittance	An	nount	Bar	nk Charg	TOT	AL IN USD				
	18-Nov	/ IYFR	\$	30,000.00	7	7.50	\$	29,992.50				
	27-Nov	/ FC Angie Mesistrano		976.00		7.50	\$	968.50				
	12-Dec	: Joan Tse		3,070.00		7.50	\$	3,062.50				
	27-Dec	: IYFR	\$	11,700.00		35.50	\$	11,664.50				
	27-Jar	n Pioter Padowski	<u>.</u>	900.00	1	7.50		892.50				
	and the second		\$	46,646.00	\$	65.50	\$	46,580.50				
	Date	Phil Donation	An	nount	Bar	nk Charg	TOT	AL IN USD	1			
	19-Dec	: Robert Eaglesham	\$	226.78			\$	226.78				
	23-Dec	: Kozo Kajino	\$	971.67			\$	971.67				
	18-Nov	/ RVC Oyie Valarao	\$	7,272.72			\$	7,272.72				
	18-Nov	/ Cubao West		2,367.81				2,367.81				
	15-Dec	FM Clyde Chua	10.00	996.26	-		- (2)-1	996.26	0.			
	And the second		\$	11,835.24	\$	1.1	\$	11,835.24				
	Total Ren	nittance	\$	58,481.24	\$	65.50	\$	58,415.74	\$	58,415.74		
	Less:	Disbursment										
	3-Dec	Transfer to Cebu					\$	29,992.00				
	3-Dec	Shelter from RVC Oyie						7,272.72				
	3-Dec	Shelter from RC Cubao						2,367.81				
	3-Dec	Trucking from FC Clyde						996.26				
	10-Mar	Purchase of Boats and P	arav	ws				12,862.95	\$	53,491.74		
Balance	from Relief	Fund					-			4,924.00	\$	4,924.00
Add:	From Reg	alia								7,940.14		
30-Ju	n Less: Payr	ment of Inventory and Shi	pme	ent					2	3,228.24	17	-
	from Regali							_		4,711.90	\$	4,711.90
Add:	From Me											
		hip -OR # 0024-0026							\$	40.00		
13-Fe	b Members	hip - Phil Fleet							_	220.00	n.'	
13-Fe	b Less: Rem	itted to IYFR								220.00	1.5	
Balance		1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1								40.00	\$	40.00
Less:	Opening I	Balance Advanced by IVC	Jun	Ge								
30-Ju	n IVC Jun										_1	(1,140.00
Add:	Interest In	ncome								1.1.1.1.1		
30-Ju	n Interest Ir	ncome								10.06	5.1	-
	from Intere	out Pressent								10.06	-	10.0



## **Bank Statement**

International Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians Philippines Account Balance as of June 30, 2014 Dollar Account -UCPB 1123-9000-1363

Date	Particulars			Credit		De	bit	Balance	
12-Nov-13	Opening Balance			5. T				\$1,140.00	
Add:	IYFR Relief	Amount	Bank Charge						
18-Nov	IYFR	30,000.00	7.50	\$	29,992.50			31,132.50	
21-Nov	Transfer to Cebu					\$	29,992.00	1,140.50	
27-Nov	FC Angie Mesistrano	976.00	7.50		968.50				
12-Dec	Joan Tse	3,070.00	7.50		3,062.50				
31-Dec-13	Interest Income				1.29			5,172.79	
27-Jan-14	Pioter Padowski	900.00	7.50		892.50			6,065.29	
13-Feb	Remittance -IYFR Due						220.00	5,845.29	(JEA advanced 200) Due (420)
Add:	Regalia Order	Amount	Bank Charge						
28-Mar	Inv #003	683.11	32.5		650.61			6,495.90	
31-Mar-14	Interest Income				3.30			6,499.20	
8-Apr	Inv #004-005	792.63	32.5		760.13			7,259.33	
21-Apr	Inv #002	1,031.11	11.62		1,019.49			8,278.82	(Inv Amt -1031.11)/ Uncollected 4.
28-May	Inv #008	863.00	32.5		830.50			9,109.32	
2-Jun	Inv # 001-007	2,884.53	7.48		2,877.05			11,986.37	
26-Jun	Inv #009	1,110.00	11.64		1,098.36			13,084.73	
26-Jun	Inv #010				485.00			13,569.73	
1-Jun	Inv #011-15				219.00			13,788.73	(\$ 75 A/R to Bill not included)
30-Jun-14	Interest Income				5.47			13,794.20	
Add:	Membership Dues				40.00			13,834.20	
Add:	Membership Dues				220.00			14,054.20	
Less:	Advanced by JEA						920.00	12,914.20	(Opening 1,140 -220 dues = 920)
Less:	Payment of Shipping Cost to IVC						676.40	12,237.80	
Less:	Payment of Inventory to IVC						2,551.84	9,685.96	(3228.24-219+(40-15) = 3904.24

				8/26/14	
Breakdown	Amount	Payment	Balance	Adjustment	Total
Opening Balance	1,140.00	1,140.00			1993 - Arista
From Relief	34,916.00	\$ 29,992.00	4,924.00		4,924.00
From Regalia	7,940.14	3,228.24	4,711.90	364.1	4,347.80
Membership	40.00		40.00		40.00
Interest Income			10.06		10.06
	Total Cash in Bank		9,685.96	n	9,321.86

# **Regalia Sales**

	Regalia Order	Invoice Amt	Amount	Bank Charge	Bank Receipts			
27	28-Mar Inv #003	683.11	683.11	32.5	650.61			
	8-Apr Inv #004-005	792.63	792.63	32.5	760.13			
	21-Apr Inv #002	1,031.11	1,031.11	11.62	1,019.49			
	28-May Inv #008	863.00	863.00	32.5	830.50			
	2-Jun Inv # 001-007	2,884.55	2,884.53	7.50	2,877.05			
	26-Jun Inv #009	1,110.00	1,110.00	11.64	1,098.36			
	26-Jun Inv #010	485.00			485.00			
	1-Jun Inv #011-15	219.00			219.00			
	A/R to Bill	75.00						
5 4		8143.4	*		7,940.14			

## **Dollar Account Remittances**

### International Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians Remittances Received for Yolanda Victim from IYFR and Members **Dollar Account -UCPB 1123-9000-1363**

Date	Sender			Amount	Bank Charge	Total in USD	
2013							
18-Nov	/ IYFR	Citibank-New York	US\$	30,000.00	7.50	29,992.50	
27-Nov	v FC Angie Mesistrano		US\$ US\$	976.00	7.50	968.50 3,062.50	
12-Dec	: Joan Tse			3,070.00	7.50		
19-Dec	: Robert Eaglesham	Peso 1USD-44.09		226.78		226.78	
23-Dec	: Kozo Kajino	Yen 100,000.00(43.22)		971.67		971.67	
27-Dec	: IYFR	USD		11,700.00	35.50	11,664.50	
				46,944.45		46,886.45	
2014							
27-Jar	n Pioter Padowski	IRVTUSSN	US\$	900.00	7.50	892.50	
				47,844.45		47,778.95	
Notes: Oth	er Funds Received						
1	RVC Oyie Valarao	Shelters		7,272.72		7,272.72	
2	2 Cubao West	Shelters		2,367.81		2,367.81	
3	8 Clyde Chua	Trucking		996.26		996.26	
				10,636.79		10,636.79	
Total Fund				58,481.24		58,415.74	

We apologize for missing to include the remittance and acknowledge the kind donation of the Gizyco Fleet in Poland made by PFC Piotr Pajdowski as this was unidentified and remained in the account in Italy that was discovered after. The amount was US\$900 and is actually equivalent to a cost of one fishing boat. Thus we re-enumerate and acknowledge and profusely thank once again the list of donors:

•Gold Coast Fleet/RC Grahame Werrell/FCAllan Taylor

- •Swiss Fleet/IT Andre Gorgemans/FC Christina Kuenzle
- •North West Italy Fleet/IC Sergio Santi/RC Luigi Falanga/ FC Federico Solari
- •Western Australia Fleet/RC Kerran Campbell/FC Tony Lalor
- •Kobe Fleet/FC Yasushi Morimuri
- •Madrid Fleet/RC Bernardo Rabasa/FC Juan Luis Hariero Lopez
- •Sozialfonds Rotary Club Munchen-Martinsried/George Hagermayer
- •FC Peter Rehfuss/ Lake of Constance Fleet
- •FM Axel Theuer/German Fleet North
- •GB /A1C Bob Burns/ RC Annette Lewis/FC Rodney Davis

- •Gizyco Fleet/PFC Piotr Pajdowski
- •Hong Kong Fleet/FC Joann Tse/PFC Cassidy Lam, IPFC Douglas Hsia, FM's Eric SKChin, Man Ching Hung, Charlie Yip, Jones Wong, Chris Fung, David Cheng, Veronica Dekrey, John Wan, Eddy Wong, Bonnie Wong, Ricky Chan and Alex Leung
- •Punta del Este Fleet/FC Angie Mesistrano

•RC Robert Eaglesham/New South Wales and Australian Capital

- •RVC Oyie Valarao/Philippine Fleet
- •Cubao West/First Class Fleet/FC Josie Garcia
- •FM Clyde Chua/Cubao West Fleet
- •RC Kozo Kajino/Kajino Clinic



## **Hong Kong Fleet Installation**

By: Douglas Hsia PFC Hong Kong Fleet



Commodore Chris Fung took over the helm of the Hong Kong Fleet from Commodore Joann Tse at a grand Turnover of Command and Installation Ceremony at the Royal Hong Kong yacht Club on August 6, 2014. The Guests of Honor was RD3480 DG Belinda Yeung accompanied by DGE Peter Pang and DGN Eric Chin who all graced the momentous occasion. FC Chris remarked after taking command "we will maintain course and speed set by FC Joann and all of us will continue to enjoy fellowship". 12 new mariners were inducted at the affair bringing the Fellowship's active membership to 34. PFC Joann had propelled the Hong Kong Fleet to new heights with increased membership and constant fellowship or yachting activities during her term. She rallied the fleet to help the victims of Typhoon Yolanda in the Philippines for help last year. The Hong Kong Fleet's donation was used to build Fishing Boats to replace the destroyed fishing boats of the displaced fishermen in Northern Cebu and help them regain their lost livelihood. Unfailing support from PFC/FS Alice Liu, PFC Cassidy Lam and PFC Douglas Hsia helped the fleet going and on course.

The Fleet has a Facebook page <u>https://www.facebook.com/iyfrhk?ref=hl&ref\_type=boo</u> <u>kmark</u> that everyone may visit and like to keep abreast of its activities.

The Hong Kong Fleet will play host to Area 3 Mariner's AGM that will be held in Hong Kong on November 7, 2014 at the Police Officers Club and the RHYC and making all the preparation for the historic meeting.





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#### 52<sup>nd</sup> Change of Command – Colmslie Hotel/Motel: Saturday 28 June, 2014

**Officer in Charge of Ceremonies RC David Fox** welcomed 29 members, first mates and visitors to the Fleet's 52<sup>nd</sup> Change of Command. In particular he welcomed guests Ruth Keat and Ken and Christine Clift. First mates present were Joan Bailey, Margaret Cameron, Joanne Dore, Heather Douglas, Narelle Fox, Lee Denton, Sue Richards, Margaret Rickuss, Merril Rylance and Sheryl Windsor. Apologies were received from Albert Benfer, Warren Burrows, Peter Heathwood, Bob Keers, John Penglis, Erwin Spork, and Ken Thackeray.

Proceedings started with PC Bruce Dore leading Rotary Grace and PC Michael Bailey proposing the Loyal Toast.

#### <u>Reports</u>

**Commodore Russell Harrop** and Fleet Secretary Bob Greenelsh presented their reports on the 2013-14 year. It was agreed that the visit of the NSW Fleet had been a wonderful highlight of a very successful year. Treasurer Bruce Douglas reported that the balance in the Fleet's bank account was at \$3,730.83.

#### **Rotary Convention and PCC Report**

V C Pat Galligan assisted by First Mate Lee presented a report, illustrated with photographs, on the Convention and PCC. The Convention in Sydney was one of the best that Pat has attended in terms of both organisation and content and the PCC was a good opportunity for overseas IYFR members to experience the attractions of Sydney Harbour and see first-hand some of Australia's native animals.

#### Inductions, Presentation and The Year Ahead

**P C Bruce Douglas** performed the induction of the incoming Bridge Officers; Commodore Pat Galligan and Rear Commodore David Fox. Before the induction Bruce spoke about the objectives of IYFR and also the importance of fellowship and fun. He also noted that the Fleet was fortunate to have a Commodore who has achieved much in Rotary and in the community.

**Commodore Pat Galligan** presented PC Russell Harrop with his PC burgee and also with a report on his year as commodore.

**Commodore Pat Galligan** announced that in the year ahead monthly meetings will continue at the Colmslie Hotel/Motel with speakers talking on nautical topics. However on special occasions a non-nautical topic might be more appropriate. Boats on Moreton Bay events will continue and Pat said that he will be calling on boat owners to assist with this and perhaps it was time to have a BOMB event at the northern end of The Bay.

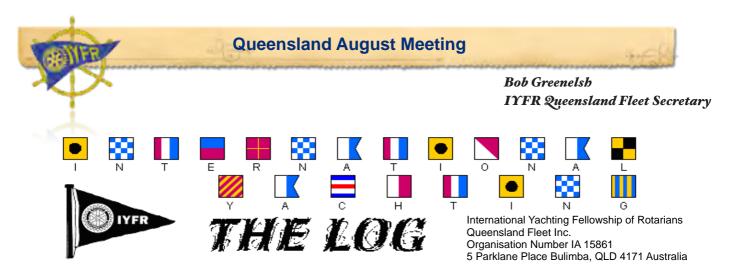
#### <u>Quiz</u>

**PC Jim Fern** conducted a quiz with his usual flair. The questions covered nautical topics, IYFR and Rotary. Four tables competed as separate teams for the prize – a bottle of champagne. After some debate it was agreed that the best team won.

R C David Fox concluded activities and thanked everyone for their participation in a most enjoyable Change of Command.



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#### Issue 2 – August 2014

#### August Meeting - Colmslie Hotel/Motel 31 July, 2014

**Commodore Pat Galligan** welcomed 19 members, first mates and guests. First mates present were Libby Fern and Lee Denton. Guests were David Hogg, Keith and Decalie Newton, Eddie and Annette Richards and Ken Clift. **Commodore Pat Galligan** noted that Keith Newton was a Past Commodore of the Queensland Fleet (1999-00). Apologies were received from Michael Bailey, Albert Benfer, Warren Burrows, David Cameron, Peter Heathwood, John Penglis, Graeme Rylance, Erwin Spork, Ken Thackeray, Greg Windsor and Bryce Winter.

#### **Future Activities**

**Commodore Pat Galligan** announced that he was planning to organize a BOMB event in the Redcliffe - Bribie Island area to take advantage of members of the Fleet who have boats moored in that area. He is also looking for an opportunity to engage in an event with the Gold Coast Fleet.

#### Area 3 AGM Cruise

**Commodore Pat Galligan** reminded everyone of the A3 AGM cruise on board "Mariner of the Seas"; eight nights from Shanghai to Singapore from 4 – 12 November. At present about 50 members and first mates are booked with representatives from most of the Area 3 Fleets. It is looking like it will be a very successful and fun IYFR event. Not to be missed.

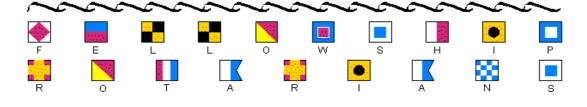
#### Sailablity

Secretary Bob Greenelsh introduced guest speaker David Hogg. David began his talk by showing a video of Sailability in action. The video showed boats, equipment and the volunteers and sailors in action. A special feature was the joy on the faces of the sailors. David told how he and Keith Newton were introduced to Sailability by their friend and fellow sailor, Peter Beard and how they got involved with Sailability Bayside at Manly in 2002. A highlight was the Paralympics in Beijing in 2008 when sailors from Manly returned home with three medals.

Sailability operates throughout the world. There are nine Sailability venues in Queensland extending from the Gold Coast to Yeppoon. David described how the newest, Sailability Graceville, had recently started with support from the Rotary Club of Brisbane Taylor Bridge. A standard boat costs \$11,000 and winches to handle boats and assist sailors in getting into and out of boats together with safety equipment all adds to the cost.

David concluded his talk by describing how his friend Peter Beard has contracted Multiple System Atrophy (MSA) which causes the brain to lose its controlling functions but not the thinking function. As a result Peter has gone from being a Sail-ability volunteer to being a sailor. Peter is now in Halifax, Canada, competing in the Disability Sailors World Championships. During discussions after the talk Lee Denton told how a 96 year old lady she knows has gained a new lease of life through Sailability.

**Commodore Pat Galligan** thanked David for his enlightening talk and complemented him on the fine job he and his fellow volunteers are doing.





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#### Issue 3 – September 2014

#### August Meeting - Colmslie Hotel/Motel, 28 August, 2014

**Commodore Pat Galligan** welcomed 18 members, first mates and visitors. The first mates were Joan Bailey and Mary Spork. Visitors were Eddie Richards and Ken and Christine Clift. Apologies were received from Albert Benfer, Warren Burrows, David Cameron, Bruce Dore, Russell Harrop and Graeme Rylance.

#### **Request for Ideas and Suggestions**

**Commodore Pat Galligan** invited all members to put their thinking caps on and contact him with ideas and suggestions for the Fleet's Christmas Party and also for "on-the-water" events.

#### Payment by Internet

Treasurer Bruce Douglas asked that whenever possible members should make payments direct to the Fleet's bank account using the internet.

#### Smartship Australoia – Ship Simulator Visit

PC John Burkett advised that he had been in contact with a manager from Smartship regarding members of the Fleet making a visit to the Ship Simulator. The simulator is used to train pilots responsible for piloting ships in and out of Queensland ports. After a short discussion it was agreed that John should make arrangements for a visit.

#### Success at the Disabled Sailors World Championships, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada

Secretary Bob Greenelsh announced that following on from the talk in July on Sailability, local sailor Peter Beard has had a very successful regatta. He skippered his boat to win one race, helped Australia win the Nations Cup Trophy and received the Best Sportsman award.

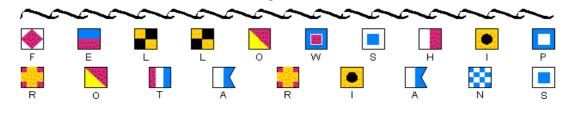
#### Sailing in Asia

**Commodore Pat Galligan** introduced Dave Richards who presented a very interesting and detailed talk on Sailing in Asia with particular reference to International Yacht Racing in Malaysia.

Dave began by describing now he started measuring yachts in Asia in 2000 when he replaced the previous measurer. Measuring for handicapping takes into account how factors such as length, sail area, propeller, draft, weight, ballast and crew relate to a boat's speed. The widely used IRC system is much more prescriptive. A different system is used for multihulls. In recent years greater emphasis has been placed on checking safety equipment. The racing covers inshore and offshore passage races and competitors come from Hong Kong, Australia, The Philippines and other countries. Many of the races have 30 to 40 competitors and in Dave's view the standard of racing is equal to that in Australia. An interesting feature is the amount of government and media support yacht racing receives. Dave described some of the regattas conducted by the Royal Selangor YC and the Royal Langkawi YC and commented that because of Malaysia's long history of tin mining many of the trophies are made of pewter.

Dave regards his yearly trips to Malaysia as a wonderful opportunity to meet interesting people, take photographs and enjoy different cultural and shopping experiences. Throughout his talk Dave showed many fine photos which clearly illustrated his subject.

Following questions and discussions Commodore Pat Galligan thanked Dave for his excellent talk.



The Legacy of Reg Willis



### By: FC Tony Lalor South West Australia



Reg's Bella Vita "Good Life". His everlasting memorial to Sailability.

"...I believe we have lost one of the most influential IYForians we have had the honour of knowing over these past 20 or so years. Reg has been an indefatigable IYForian, a past Commodore of the WA Fleet and served for some time as an International Rear Commodore for our region. His philanthropy towards Sailability was never ending, and his willingness to be part of everything to do with IYFR is the stuff of legends. His drive saw the inception of the unfortunately now-defunct Port Lincoln Fleet, and the emergence of the very successful South West Fleet, achievements many others failed at completing.

Reg's final years have not been the happiest with his beloved Joicie in care suffering from Alzheimer's, and his own health problems weighing heavily.

It has been our privilege to have had Reg's company, wisdom and guidance for so long. Vale Reg"





## Mariners of the Seas, AGM at Police Officers Club and AGM Dinner at the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club



As of this date a total of 52 couples will take part in the 8 day cruise from Shanghai to Singapore from November 4-12. IVC Jun Avecilla and Lil lead the participants together PIC's Ken and Bente Winter and Terry and Meryl Stretton. All the Regions in Area 3 are fully represented with the following participants: Kozo & Kayoko Kajino from Japan; Ivan Bennett, Carmel Weir, Kerran & Carol Campbell, Bert & Janet Denboer, Rene & Isabella Jorgensen, Roger & Glenda Lingard, Allan & Pamela Rowe, John & Shirley Suriano, Malcolm & Margaret Taylor from Western Australia; Bill & Barbara Chapman, Tom & Phillippa de Voil, Frank & Margaret Fleming from Victoria; Robert & Marlene Eaglesham from New South Wales; Patrick Galligan, Lee Denton, Col & Vilma Makin, Ralph & Lynn Muller, Bob & Sheryl Moxham, Robert & Margot Thomasson, Grahame & Liz Werrell, Bryce & Jennifer Wilson from Queensland, David & Liz Hansen from New Zealand and FLA Ping and Josie Sison and FM Jaime and Claudette Baniqued from the Philippines.

An undetermined number from the Philippine Fleet and of course from the host Hong Kong Fleet are expected to join the AGM on November 7 starting at 12.30pm at the Police Officers Club followed by Cocktails at the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club at 5.30pm and Dinner at 6.30pm. Gahame Werrel has been designated as the Chairman of the AGM and has drawn the program for the meeting that will be circulated to all the participants in due course. First mates who will not be attending the boring meeting will be guided with a tour of the Island and do their rounds of favorite shopping.

The preparations for this event are being handled by the Hong Kong Fleet headed by FC Chris Fung and IPFC Joann Tse. Those who are on the cruise are expected to be back to the ship at 1130pm. The attire is IYFR polo uniform for the AGM and tie and blazer jacket for the formal dinner. An assessment of \$100 per person for those attending the AGM, Cocktails and dinner payable at the venue.

## **ICC Schedule Suspended by Tropical Storm**



Tropical Storm Mario disrupted the biggest annual International Coastal Cleanup drive spearheaded by the IYFR Cubao West Philippine Fleet that is observed every third Saturday of the month of September. Supposed to be held this year on September 20, IVC Jun Avecilla on Friday issued the advisory of the cancellation for the safety of the volunteers as heavy monsoon rains drawn by the typhoon that battered the northern most provinces in Luzon caused heavy flooding and inundated the large areas in Metro Manila including Zambales making travels unsafe and dangerous.





Months of preparations were conducted for the yearly event starting with the ICC Coordination Meeting with Olongapo City and SBFC Working Groups on July 31 followed by the Media Launch and the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the representatives from each organization/governing units: Hon. Ramon Lacbain II, Vice Governor of Zambales Province; Jesus "Jun" Avecilla, International Vice Commodore of IYFR, President of The Lighthouse Marina Resort, and Chairman of LMRLF; Hon. Jong Cortez, Councilor of Olongapo City; Atty. Ruel Kabigting, OIC Senior Deputy Administrator Regulatory Group, Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority. This was witnessed by Zedrik Avecilla, Director of LMRLF; Commodore Gerry Reyes of PCGA, ICC Philippines National Coordinator; Ronald Tiotuico, Regional Director, Department of Tourism Region III; and Argee Gomez, Marketing Manager Ayala Malls (Harbor Point) for the "Wave of Change Campaign".

By: FM Jozen Curva Editorial Staff



An Eco-Workshops was conducted for the youth on September 2, 2014 from 2pm-5pm at the Activity Center located at Harbor Point Mall with the aim to enrich their environmental awareness and consciousness and create paradigm shift in their behaviors towards wanton disposal of trash and its impact in the environment. Dedicated renowned environmentalists Mr. Bert Guevara, President-Elect for Zero Waste Recycling Movement of the Philippines Foundation (ZWRMPF) and Mr. Lito de Veterbo, Leave No Trace Practitioner gave an interactive lecture and shared their advocacies.



Harbor Point Ayala Mall in cooperation with The Lighthouse Marina Resort Legacy Foundation (LMRLF), conducted the Recyclable Regatta on Saturday, September 6,

#### Continuation...



2014 from 8:00AM to 11:00AM off the waters fronting the beachfront of The Lighthouse Marina Resort. Recyclable Regatta is a race of watercrafts made from at least 80% recycled materials and paddled by a two man crew to and from a marked buoy 100 rounding meter from the beach. Seven participants joined the symbolic and joyful event where some local beauty Queens awarded the prizes. The purpose of this event was to heighten awareness about plastic pollution and integrate creative outlets that will further educate the public.



On September 11 and 12, an Environmental Summit was held to a jam-packed crowd from all walks of life at the Subic Bay Free Port Convention Center to unite all concerned citizens for common cause of preserving and protecting our environment. The Summit is a supplement of the International Coastal Cleanup (Zambales) campaign that aims to create awareness on the issues of garbage spreading in our oceans and waterways. This two-day summit aims to provide a better understanding of the sorts of issues our environment is facing and find the matching solutions for a more sustainable future at the same time





preparing ourselves with nature's fury by developing a disaster preparedness program as well as a risk reduction plan that will be able to assist our countrymen in times of calamities.

IVC Jun gave the opening remarks with SBMA Chairman Bobby Garcia and Zambales Vice Gov. Mon Lacbain giving the Welcome Remarks. Notable speakers were headed by Presidential Adviser for Environmental Protection Sec. Neric Acosta.

The event actually proceeded a week later with tens of thousands of volunteers coming out with a vengeance in good weather to give their share and show their concern towards the protection of the environment and their love for Mother Earth.IVC Jun Avecila and FC Ed Zaragoza led the Cubao West Fleet along with Subic Bay Fleet and the various Rotary Club of Zambales District 3790 Cluster C. The Fellowship cockatils hosted by IVC Jun that was also cancelled in the previous week proceeded well on Sep 26 with lyforians and Rotarians from Manila and Subic gathering for the fraternity and friendship. Eco Festival Summit on Sunday held at harbor Point was a fitting climax to another milestone in the Cleanup drive that promises to be bigger and better each year.





# **Coastal Cleanup Events Photo Gallery**



























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As Chairman of the Council of Legislation for the Amendments of our Rules, I would like to draw everyone's kind attention to the proposed Changes to the General Rules, the Procedures and Regulations, and the Flags, Uniforms and Boating Practice printed in the preceding pages 10-12. The most important amendment of concern therein is on the GR that the Fellowship maybe "incorporated in any Country of the World where this is deemed necessary by the incoming IC or the EC for banking facility". This was conceived because of certain difficulties that we were having in maintaining our account in the U.S. and to keep an option to open an account in Europe or elsewhere with every IC changes. The IYFR Registration in the place where the bank account will be opened maybe necessary as certain countries have stringent requirements in opening an account for US Registered companies. The IYFR is now actually registered in Italy and in the Philippines and maintains an account there. Having said that, however, George Futas, the IB Special Assistant - USA has volunteered to be the IYFR Registered Agent in the U.S., to take care of the IRS annual Tax requirement and maintain our previous account in San Francisco that has now been transferred to Kirkland, in Washington and is now fully accessible by the IB. We owe a great deal of gratitude to George for his invaluable service and commitment in looking after these important thankless chores.

The EC or Executive Committee and CPC or College of Past Commodores and Area Commodores are united in this issue and have given their nod on the draft of the Proposed Amendments for everyone's consideration. Needless to say they will have to be voted upon for adoption in accordance with our GR Article 13. Should anyone however have some issues that are not included therein, please let me know so that we may take it up. This will be translated into different languages and posted on our website for everyone's consumption and the voting procedures will be set.

The 2015 RI Convention and the Post Convention Cruise preparations are underway. FT Martin and Renee have together stepped in to help Guillermo and Monica who are all working hard to give everyone a nice package in both activities and budget. Watch out for more details in our website <u>www.iyfr.net</u> and for sure in the next issue of the Rotafloat.

RC Robert Eaglesham has submitted a letter of resignation to IC Sergio as a member of the International Bridge for having taken offense to my statement at the AGM on the inflexibility of the arrangements and empty chairs at the room and my written article about the drill sergeant that he felt only put him in a bad light. Of course IC Sergio would have none of the resignation and tried to mediate and explained his own interpretation of the writing that actually praised Robert in many respects. It is regrettable that the message of the Article was lost in his translation. I am merely trying to say that in future planning there should be more flexibility for late bookings; as we in Fellowship should not be outright and forthright in turning away members or guests who failed to register in the AGM functions at a designated time for one reason or another. Choosing the right venue that would be more accommodating to our needs should be the prime consideration rather than exclusive membership clubs that tend to impose their wills and restrictions to guests and are not customer friendly. Perhaps Robert would not have felt as slighted if I had made the analogy with Gen. George S. Patton, a great hero in real life than the gentleman drill Sgt. Emil Foley played by Louis Gossett Jr. in the movie, An Officer and a Gentleman, which could have been more fitting. Anyway, I wish to apologize sincerely to Robert and beg the indulgence of those who wondered and were affected by my speech and article. I meant no discourtesy and hope Robert will bury the hatchet (not at my back) and we can smoke the peace pipe and move on.

