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About the Cover

Wrocław's dwarfs are small figurines that first appeared in the streets of Wrocław (Poland) in 2001. Since then, their numbers have been continually growing, and today they are considered a tourist attraction: those who would like to combine sight-seeing in Wrocław with dwarf-tracking are offered special brochures with map and mobile application software on the smartphone. Currently (2014) there are over 300 dwarfs spread all over the city. Six of them are located outside the city at the LG plant in Biskupice Podgorne. IC Sergio and FM Laura recently visited Poland.



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Commodore's Message



By: IC Sergio Santi

GOOD NEWS FROM EAST OF EUROPE REGION

My dear Fellow Commodores and Members,

being my terms last buoy well after the fantail, while sailing in serenity and in the best of the companies the last tack of these six busy and unforgettable years, I would like to tell you something about my latest experience in fact of "sailing". As it is written somewhere on my cv, I, an old mainly-temperate-waters-sailor, assumed to have sailed on anything from a wind surf to a full square rigged 3 masts Ship, from a canoe to an aircraft carrier including submarines and mega yachts, well.... I thought to! In these pictures you can see the USO (ultimate sailing object) I tried to man. Luckily (or unfortunately, depending upon the point of views) there was no wind to propel the "bojery" so they call in Poland this top speed wind propelled 3 skates sledge. The Instructor gave me a most comprehensive briefing about the maneuvers to do to pilot this sleek craft also telling me that it could attain (being rather old) speed in excess of 50 KTS!

1,5-2 Kts of wind, while pushing, I had to run to reach it. Friction on the skates due to my notorious featherweight, made the difference, when on board.



But, *in principle*, as Piotr says (I will tell you this joke when we meet) I "sailed" on a bojery!

The main purpose of our ten days transfer was, of course, a much more important one with two other official events following in the wake. The first being the charter of the first Czech and Slovak Fleet in Opava (Czech Republic) the second the IYFR patronizing ceremony and the opening of the International Rotary Sailing Training Center in Slawa (Poland).



As said, being an almost calm morning on the Masurian Lakes, the only thing I actually succeeded to do was to push her (it?) in the open, *jump* on board, in spite of the clumsy outfit, pull the sheet and... stay there like a sitting duck! But I was impressed anyway by the fact that in a



Last but not least the long overdue visit to the Masurian Lakes, homebase of the Gizycko Fleet, on a fairy frozen lake almost at the borders with Lithuania.



To say that I was impressed by the Polish and Czech organization and hospitality would be a miserable understatement also if, I must confess, rather defatigating also considered the past failures of the main pump of



mine and ... my date of birth. Not too many hours of flight from Genova to Munich and Krakow and back from Warsaw to Genova via Munich but:

- Six hotels changed in 10 days,
- A minimum of 3 "*minor events*" per day, when not travelling .



- 3 Main events in the same period : Charter of the new Czech and Slovak Fleet in Opava, IR TC in Slawa,
- Maintaining an old promise and visit the Gizycko Fleet.
- An average of 350 Km per day for a total of 2800 Km
- 3 Official Dinner & 2 Gala Balls.
- A multinational Agreement among Poland, Germany, France and GB RC
- DG 2230 Oleksii Kozhenkin (from Ukraine) met and inducted FM and Honorary EAST OF EUROPE RC
- Meeting with 2 Past District Governors 2230, Janusz Potepa and Piotr Wygnanczuk.



- Meeting with PDG 2240 Tomas Lang IYFR Honorary Member and the incoming DG 2230 charming Mrs Barbara Pawlisz.
- Rocket visits of Krakow, Opava, Slawa, Wroclaw, Gizycko, Gdansk, Gdynia and Warsaw,
- More than a dozen of beautiful antique, destroyed and perfectly reconstructed Cathedrals, visited in admiration (I am from Rome).

- Innumerable “surprises” on the road, thanks to RC Piotr, like the visit on board of the legendary Dar Pomorza (Pomerania Gift, built 1909, one of the last clippers still floating) and to the Polish Merchant Navy Training Ship Dar Młodzieży; a ride on a rescue fast and small Hovercraft on the Masurian lake; the first naval crane, human



operated, going back to the Middle Age in Gdansk (Danzig)... etc

- An average of 8-10 shots per day of the most fantastic Vodka ever tasted.
- Innumerable Aiza Aiza Aiza! characterized this winter mission in the snow covered East of Europe.

Laura and I were so delighted in spite of the fatigue to take part to these events that we plan to be back, next time at ease, driving with Friends, when the AGM will be held on the Lakes Area in one of the next years. We sure want to meet all of them again!



I do not want to invade the field of RC Piotr, Fleet Commodores Włodzimiers (Wlado) Kustra, Jan Chalupa, Presidents Wojciech Fraczak, RC Wrocław and Tomasz Lipski, ISSA, who will be writing the story of these beautiful days both in Polish and in English, so I will close the present first impression report with the mail I sent all of them after having returned home.

*Dear Fellow DG Oleksii, Past District Governors Piotr, Tomas, Janusz, dear RC Piotr, Fleet Commodores Wlodek and Jan, dear RC President Wojciech and ISSA President Tomasz, dear ALL,
Having safely arrived home after twelve beautiful and intense days spent in your company, Laura and I want to deeply thank you for having made this dream of ours come true. It was our first time in Poland and in the Czech Republic, and the two of us really appreciated every single minute you gave us the opportunity to stay with you.*



Chartering a new Fleet is always a great moment for IYFR but to charter a Fleet far from the sea and in a beautiful snowy landscape like yours is something special that not too many ICs had the luck to witness.

To patronize the RITC in Slawa in such a solemn circumstance and location was also a great honor for me and I newly thank SC and RC President Wojciech and all of the involved Fellow Captains. This will give me another opportunity to serve and I am sure that the School will host students coming from every continent, thus contributing to reach the main RI objective.

But let me thank once again my personal volcanic Assistant and Region Commodore Piotr who made all this happen. I have to also congratulate him for the perfect schedule of the events I will comment on the next ROTAFLOAT issue. They have been 12 intense days in which events came after events that, having somehow kept track and thanks to more than a thousand pictures of his, I will probably not confuse. He has now the task to apologize for me with all those Fellow Mariners and Rotarians who I have not mentioned and who guided us in innumerable sightseeing in all of the visited Cities and surroundings .

Last but not least ... thanks to our great FC Wlodek who patiently and in concurrence with Piotr, drove us around for approximately 2800 Km and hosted us in Villa Daglesia.

All the best dear Friends, a great hug to all of you in the hope to see you in Naples for the Area1 Annual General Meeting 2015.



VALE PIC Frank Mc Donald

Past International Commodore Frank McDonald PDG, PHF

5MAY1924 – 15FEB2015



Past International Commodore Frank McDonald was raised in Homebush, an inner west suburb of Sydney, New South Wales, Australia and during his boyhood, he developed a love of the water by owning a sailboat. Later, he found another love, Edith, and they were married in 1947 and had three children, six grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

On leaving school, Frank trained as a Plumber and Gas Fitter with the Australian Gas Light Company, then later as a Cadet Engineer. In 1950, he started his own business, "McDonald Plumbing Services" and joined the Master Plumbers Association. He later served as its State President in 1959 then National President in 1960, for a 3 year term. During the 1980's he organised the first World Plumbing Conference which still continues today, meeting every three years in different countries. He also helped form the Home Heating Oil Association during the 1960's.

During World War 2, on attaining age 18 years, he sought to join the military but was refused so he joined the Royal Volunteer Coastal Patrol as a crewman on a motor cruiser "Nerydah" patrolling Sydney Harbour. His skipper was so impressed with him that he allowed Frank and his family to use the boat on many occasions whilst he was overseas. He remained a member of the RVCP on "active duty" until 1967 and was honoured with Life Membership.

After building and owning several sail boats, he built a "Flying Fifteen" sail boat and joined the Avalon Sailing Club, sailing with the Club for many years and also serving as its President.

With a growing family, he purchased a classic Halverson Cabin Cruiser, restoring it to its original condition and the family continued to enjoy many outing on Frank's boat he named "Crisandra"

IPC Frank displayed 'leadership qualities' early in his business life and in 1965 he was invited to join the Rotary Club of Concord as a Charter Member, serving as President in 1970-71. His service to Rotary didn't go un-noticed and he was elected to be the first District Governor of the new Rotary District No. 269 in 1973.

Frank was involved in many facets of Rotary including being a Director and Treasurer of the Australian Rotary Health Research Fund. With his 'First Mate' Edith, they visited many Clubs and places around the world including representing the Rotary International President at several District Conferences in Victoria and Queensland.

Through Rotary, he became aware of IYFR, joining the NSW Fleet in Sydney and serving as Commodore in 1978/79. Enjoying IYFR and displaying leadership qualities, he was nominated to join the International Bridge and became International Commodore in 1995-97. With 'first mate' Edith, they travelled extensively between 1991-1997 visiting many Fleets around the world and enjoying every minute of the experience.

A highlight during his term as IC was at the AGM in 1996 when he received the presentation to IYFR of "**The Barrett Bell**" from the Commodore- Great Britain & Ireland, John Billingham. This restored bell is probably the most significant symbol of history associated with our Fellowship and was named after the Founder of IYFR, John G. Barrett of Great Britain in 1947. It is held in the custody of each International Commodore of IYFR and is used to maintain order at our Annual General Meetings.

His leadership ability, high principles, business acumen and a desire to become involved when he saw the need,



led him to become a leader in many fields. PIC Frank always became fully involved in the activities he loved and always seemed to rise to the occasion whenever he saw the need for change or to take on a leadership position.

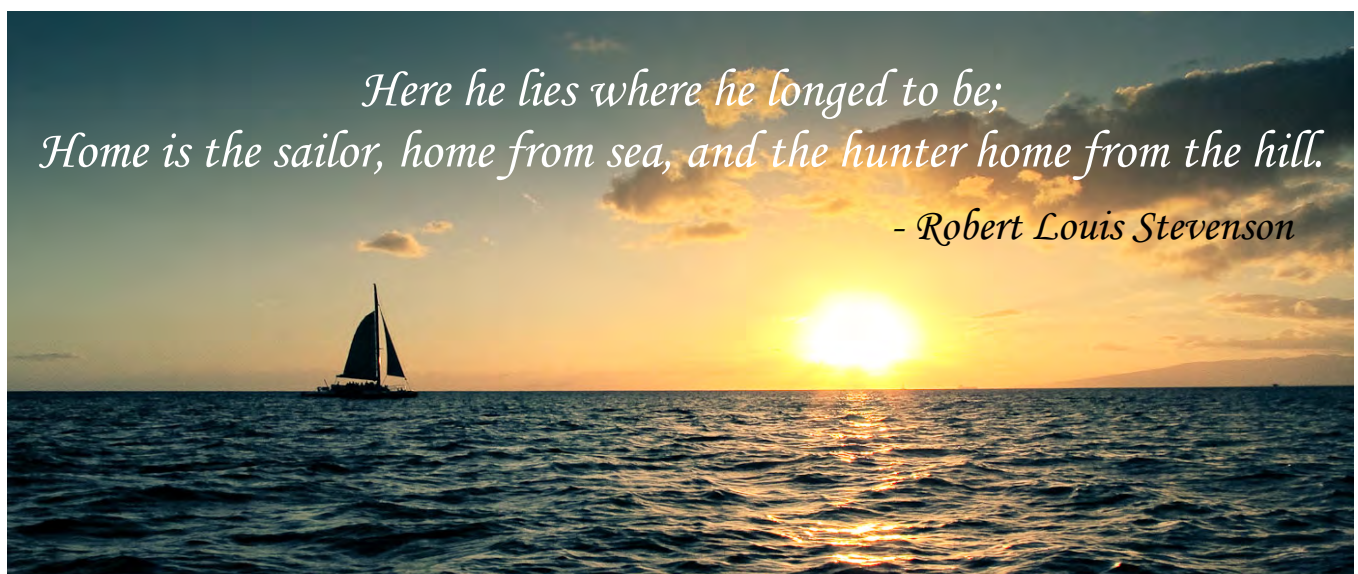
In my time as Secretary then Commodore of the NSW Fleet, I sought his wise counsel on several occasions yet, I never knew of his extensive career in business and the Rotary World until his funeral service where his daughter Sandra delivered a wonderful tribute of his life to a packed chapel of mourners who had gathered to say farewell and to offer their condolences to Edith and the family.

It was my pleasure and privilege to know Past International Commodore Frank McDonald and an honour to be able to write this brief history of his wonderful life of service.

Rest in peace - PIC Frank McDonald.

Robert Eaglesham

Regional Commodore
New South Wales and ACT
AUSTRALIA



*Here he lies where he longed to be;
Home is the sailor, home from sea, and the hunter home from the hill.*

- Robert Louis Stevenson



Rules Amendments Highlights

PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE GENERAL RULES

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 **originally registered (2006) in** ~~organized under the laws of the State of Washington, USA.~~ **However, when necessary the IYFR may be registered in other countries by the incoming EC for purposes of opening a bank account in the name of the IYFR, or otherwise.**

4.1.2 *Honorary Members (HM) or Associate Members (AM)*: Former Rotary Members, their spouses or partners and spouses or partners of deceased Rotarians when **bestowed or** 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 Rotaractor, Associate Member** or Honorary Member of a Fleet ~~an HM.~~

4.3 An AGM shall be held each year preferably in conjunction with the annual RI convention.

4.4 Members shall pay annual International dues as ~~determined~~ **recommended** by the Executive Committee and approved at the ~~previous AGM~~ **to apply in the ensuing year.**

4.7 The following leadership positions may only be held by active Rotarians: IC, IVC, IRC, AC, RC. The position of FC shall be held by an active Rotarian **or by a Rotaractor unless no such person is available to fill the post,** ~~Subject thereto, any member, including when an~~ **Honorary Member or Associate Member may hold the post for a limited period of time** as a member of the International Bridge.

7.1 Regions. Any three or more Fleets (whether in one Country, in part of a Country or in a group of neighboring Countries) may together apply to their AC and to the IC to establish them as a Region and to appoint a RC for their Fleets. They may at that time or later recommend one of their members for appointment as their RC. In exceptional cases the EC can take into consideration, upon proposal of the relevant AC, to form a Region out of two Fleets. **A Region, with the approval of its members at the Regional AGM may adopt and subsequently amend its own rules for the Region itself and the Fleets within that Region, providing that such rules shall not conflict with the General Rules.**

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.**

7.2.1 Each Fleet/**Region** may establish its own Fleet/**Region** Rules for the approval of the Members of the Fleet. Any such Rules shall not conflict with these General Rules **and any applicable Regional Rules** and, in the event of any inconsistency, these General Rules shall prevail.

8. THE COLLEGE OF PAST INTERNATIONAL COMMODORES

8.1 The College of Past International Commodores (CPC) is composed of all Past International Commodores provided that they remain members of IYFR. The outgoing IC becomes the Immediate Past International Commodore (IPIC) and Chair of the CPC. In normal circumstances the CPC shall act in an advisory capacity and shall, whenever possible, make themselves available upon request to all Fleet and International Officers.

8.2 The CPC when asked by the EC can act in an oversight capacity to investigate matters of a serious and well-founded concern about any aspect of operation, administration or finances of IYFR brought to the EC's attention. The CPC's decision, taken at simple majority, will be deemed final and the recommended action to be taken, mandatory.

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.

10.1 A budget shall be prepared annually by the ITR for consideration and approval by the Executive Committee.

10.2 The Treasurer shall present the approved budget along with any interim balance sheet and income and expense statement to the AGM. The final balance sheet and income and expenditure account for each year shall be presented by the ITR to the EC for approval as soon as possible after the end of each accounting year (and in any event by no later than the 30th September) and thereafter to the next occurring AGM for approval.

13.1. Only in the year before each change of administration, ~~it shall be formed~~ a Council on Legislation; it shall be established by the incoming IC; it shall comprise the Voting Panel (as defined in the Procedures and Regulations) the Executive Committee, the incoming Chief of Staff, and the Area Commodores. Chaired by the incoming IC, this Council on Legislation shall consider these Rules and may propose amendments and bring forward those coming from the Fleets. The proposed changes shall be circulated to all the Regional Commodores, who will translate them, if necessary, for their Fleet Commodores, to be voted according to the procedures better described in Art 13.1 *GR Amendments and voting procedures* in the Document "Procedures and Regulations".

GLOSSARY AND MEANINGS:

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

"AM" Associate Member

"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

NOTES:

- ~~1. The Chapters have been put in the same logical sequence as the proposed GR 2013.~~
- ~~2. Chapter 10 has been review by André Gorgemans, International Treasurer 2013-2015 with the help of Annette Lewis GB&I RC, and Treasurer with IC Bryan Skinner.~~
- ~~3. The Flags, regalia etc... last pages are incorporated in the third of the 3 Parts of the renewed complex of 2013 IYFR proposed Rules.~~

1. INTERPRETATION & DEFINITIONS

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

"AM" Associate Member

"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)

"Grant Pool" ~~"Grant Pool"~~ means ~~a sum not exceeding the amount (if any) held in excess of the last 2 years of the IYFR's expenses or \$30,000.00 (whichever is the lesser)~~ a sum in any year which is the lesser of:

- (a) the amount by which the Accumulated Funds as shown in the balance sheet for the preceding year exceed the total amount of expenditure as specified in the preceding two years' accounts in respect of administration costs, new Fleet charters, bank fees, internet fees, international bridge allowances, fees and other non-reimbursable expenses and any loss incurred in the arrangements for the AGM and associated events; and
- (b) \$20,000.00

"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.

4.1.1. Honorary Members (HM) or Associate Members (AM).

4.1.1.1. The Executive Committee upon specific proposal by the Fleet, approved by the Relevant Region Commodore, can appoint Honorary Member a Rotarian and non-Rotarian who have played a prominent role for/within the IYFR or have distinguished themselves in the nautical field.

4.1.1.2 A Fleet may **bestow upon or** designate former Rotary members, their spouses or partners and spouses or partners of deceased Rotarians as Honorary or Associate members of their Fleet, ~~and the Executive Committee may designate former RI members, their spouses or partners and spouses or partners of deceased Rotarians as honorary IMs.~~ The Honorary Member could be a Rotarian or non-Rotarian who have distinguished himself/herself in the nautical field and have played a prominent role for/within IYFR and conferred by the EC upon specific proposal by a Fleet with the approval of the respective RC. In this rule, partner means a person with whom an Active Rotarian is not married, but is in a personal relationship similar to marriage.

4.1.1.2. The majority of members in each Fleet shall be active Rotarians

4.1.1.3. Honorary or Associate Members of Fleets may appear on the Fleet roster maintained by IYFR and have access to member data at the IYFR website; **Being this Membership is awarded as a honor, HM do not have to pay their subscription or annual fees but the** Fleet is responsible for the IYFR portion of AM Fleet dues in the same manner as other members. ~~The Executive Committee shall determine terms of membership of honorary IMs.~~

4.1.2. ~~With these exceptions, and consistent with the COP, non-Rotarians may not be members of the Fellowship.~~
Refer to GR 4.5, 4.6, 4.7.

6.3.3. International Commodore (IC)

6.23.3.1. Refer to the GENERAL RULES and in addition:

Serve as Chief Financial Officer and be responsible to protect the assets of the organization and to report on financial matters to the Executive Committee.

6.23.3.2. Be responsible for attending all RI Conventions during their term of office. Additionally he should develop a schedule that will allow him or his Area/Region Commodore delegate to attend to as many fleet chartering ceremonies as possible and to visit as many fleets as may request his presence.

6.23.3.3. Have responsibility as AC for their area, but may also appoint an AC for the Area.

6.23.3.4. Appoint such members of the International Bridge as he may determine Changes of job descriptions and the duties of such persons may be made by him as necessary to assure a successful administration.

6.23.3.5. Immediately following the AGM and prior to 1 July in each year in which there is a change of administration, the outgoing IC shall arrange a transfer to the incoming IC of a minimum of US\$10,000 in liquid assets, in addition to any merchandise maintained for sale. This will enable the new administration to finance immediate administrative requirements, invoice Fleets and ~~IMs~~ EMs/AMs for annual dues, and maintain operations. The balance of the International treasury shall be transferred after completion of the final statements by 30 September.

6.3.16.6. Maintain communications with ~~IMs~~ EMs/AMs in their Area, encourage IMs to join existing Fleets or form new Fleets where feasible and maintain an IYFR IM roster.

7.2. Chartered Fleets:

Refer to GENERAL RULES .

7.2.1 Fleet Commodore Duties

7.2.1.1. Is the person primarily responsible for IYFR in his area. Assures timely dissemination of information received from the International Bridge to his Fleet Officers and Members and vice versa.

7.2.1.2. Appoints such additional Officers in his Fleet as necessary to assure a successful administration.

7.2.1.3. Maintains an accurate roster of the Fleet Officers and Members on the website, and communicates with them on a regular basis.

7.2.1.4. Promotes IYFR activities among his Fleet Members and Rotarians of his District/s.

7.2.1.5. Assists in timely collection of Fleet dues.

7.5.1. A Fleet Squadron is a division of an established Fleet. Fleets may organize Squadrons, of not less than twenty five 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 .

10.7.1.2. Projected income from IMs or Fleets that did not pay dues for the last year.

10.7.3. All Fleets shall be treated equally; ~~and all IMs shall be treated equally. IYFR shall not provide any IM or Fleet with benefits (e.g. hard copies of publications) that cannot be sustained for the entire membership at current dues levels. If additional benefits are desired, they shall be priced and charged accordingly. For example, IMs may pay an additional charge to receive hard copies. Fleets may pay something less per member for hard copies, if there are economies of bulk mailing, and if they take responsibility for local distribution.~~ Fleets have the option of printing materials locally within their own budgets.

13.1.1. Since it is most desirable that every Fellow Mariner takes part in the process and in order to have a qualified quorum eventually voting the proposed changes, each Regional Commodore shall make (if necessary) available the translated version of the proposed GR changes to their Fleet Commodores. Each FC is requested to circulate the translated version of the proposed GR changes, among his Fleet Members and request them to vote in any way they will decide (telephone, e-mail, assembly, usual meeting). Each Fleet Commodore shall report his Fleet majority's vote to the Region Commodore. ~~The Area Commodores will report the votes of their areas IM and will be credited of 1 vote each 25 voting IM as specified in the Art 13.1.2.~~

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

2007-2009	Bryan Skinner*#	Broads (GB)
2009-2011	Terry Stretton*#	Auckland (New Zealand)
2011-2013	Clint Collier*#	San Francisco (USA)
2013-2015	Sergio Santi**#	Rapallo (Italy)

* Current College of Past International Commodores

** Immediate Past International Commodore

Voting Panel 2015-2017 with the EC

PROPOSED CHANGES TO IYFR FLAGS, UNIFORMS AND BOATING PRACTICE

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Members should keep in mind that IYFR does not intend to enforce the use of some of the formal attires here described like the ones of fig 25, 26 and 27; their use is admitted in particular circumstances and in particular some Countries where local traditions calls for them and also in these occasions, the use is restricted to events where no foreign invited IYFR Member is taking part.



GB&I Regional Commodore



GB&I Past Regional Commodore



GB&I Past F R Commodore



GB&I Past Fleet Commodore

Fig. 2



Squadron Captain



Fleet Officer



Squadron Officer

Fig. 4

1.2 Epaulets



Squadron Captain



Fleet Officer



Squadron Officer

Fig. 5



Approved Grant Applications

2014/2015 APPROVED GRANT APPLICATIONS

On the recommendation of the Grants Committee Chaired by PIC Bryan Skinner, the following grants were approved.

			Currency = US Dollar			
Grants Brief Description or Title			Project Cost	Applied Grant	Other Funding Source	Grants Fund Allocated
AREA 1						
1	Slovenia Fleet	Sailing project for children	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
2	Germany North East Fleet	Equipment for disabled sailors	\$ 3,870.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 970.00	\$ 3,000.00
3	Germany North East Fleet	Equipment for Tall ship for disabled	\$ 16,750.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 13,250.00	\$ 3,000.00
4	GB&I South West Fleet	Sailing for visually impaired	\$ 1,570.00	\$ 1,570.00		\$ 1,570.00
5	GB&I Suffolk Fleet	Barge Trip for disabled	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,700.00
6	Madrid Fleet	Repair Paediatric Ambulance in Kenya	\$ 9,586.00	\$ 1,586.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 1,630.00
7	GB&I East of Scotland Fleet	Lifejackets for disabled	\$ 8,200.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 6,200.00	\$ 2,000.00
8	GB&IThames Fleet	Boat trips for disabled on Thames	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 1,100.00		\$ 1,100.00
						\$ 17,000.00
AREA 2						
1	Chilean Fleet	Sail School for Sea Scouts of Chile	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 2,000.00
2	Punta del Este Fleet	Scholarship to Tall Ship Race	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	-	\$ 1,000.00
3	San Francisco Fleet	PICYA Wheelchair Regatta	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
4	Newport Harbor Fleet	New Harbor Monthly Water Cleanup	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 1,440.00	\$ 3,060.00	\$ 1,000.00
						\$ 6,000.00
AREA 3						
1	Queensland Fleet	New Crane for Sailability Goldcoast	\$ 3,400.00	\$ 3,400.00	-	\$ 1,500.00
2	Western Australia Fleet	New Sails for Bella Vita for Sailability WA	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,500.00
3	Cubao West Fleet	IYFR/PNRC Water Ambulance and Ferry in Boracay	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 2,000.00
4	Subic Bay Fleet	Sailing Program for Livelihood and Paraw for Zambales Indigenous Tribe	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 2,000.00
						\$ 7,000.00

TOTAL \$ 30,000.00

APPROVED THIS JANUARY THE 18TH 2015



Sao Paulo Convention Updates

RC Angie Mesistrano

As every year, our IYFR is preparing to welcome IYForians worldwide. We will happy to welcome all of you at our booth in House of Friendship I Anhembi Park, Sao Paulo, Booth 186.

We will celebrate together again after one year. Share relaxed and funny conversations, news of our fellowship, programs and services projects, ideas and new proposals. The Meet and Greet will be Saturday 6 and will take place in a typicalo Brazilian churrascaria. On Monday 8 will be the Galla Dinner and exchange authorities of International Bridge. All of us will greet and grateful IC Sergio Santi for his dedication and excellent management developed in the last two years. We will welcome as new IC Jun Avecilla, who will lead us in the next two years. We will renew our votes of commitment and affection for our beloved fellowship. Is the oldest, largest and the most organized of the world.

We should be proud of it. After the Convention begin our Post Convention Cruise, we will have the happiness of the mission accomplished.

We invite you, brothers IYForians around the world to join us on the booth, to form new friendships and strengthen ties of fellowship to meet all of us in the House of Friendship.

I HOPE TO SEE YOU IN JUNE!!!
Booth N° 168, House of Friendship, Sao Paulo

Como todos los años, nuestra IYFR se encuentra preparando la bienvenida a los IYForians de todo el mundo. Tendremos el placer de recibirlos en nuestro stand en la Casa de la Amistad en Parque Anhembi, Sao Paulo, stand N° 186.

Celebraremos reunirnos nuevamente después de 1 año. Compartiremos conversaciones distendidas y divertidas, novedades de nuestra fellowship, programas y proyectos de servicio, ideas y propuestas.

El Meet and Greet será el sábado 6, tendrá lugar en una típica churrascaria brasileira. El lunes 8 será la cena de gala y cambio de autoridades del Puente Internacional. Saludaremos y agradeceremos su dedicación y excelente gestión desarrollada al IC Sergio Santi. Daremos la bienvenida como nuevo IC a Jun Avecilla, quien nos conducirá en los próximos dos años. Renovaremos nuestros votos de compromiso y afecto con nuestra querida fellowship, ella es la más antigua, la más numerosa y la más organizada del mundo. Debemos sentirnos orgullosos por ello.

Finalizada la Convención comenzaremos nuestro tradicional Crucero Post Convención con la felicidad de la tarea cumplida. Los invitamos, hermanos IYForians de todo el mundo, a participar con nosotros en el stand, a formar nuevas amistades y a estrechar lazos de compañerismo reuniéndonos en la Casa de la Amistad.

ESPERO VERLOS EN JUNIO!!!
Stand N° 186, Casa del Amistad, Sao Paulo

Convention Shuttle Service

Kara Ottum

RI Transportation & Logistics Supervisor

For the information and guidance of all concerned:

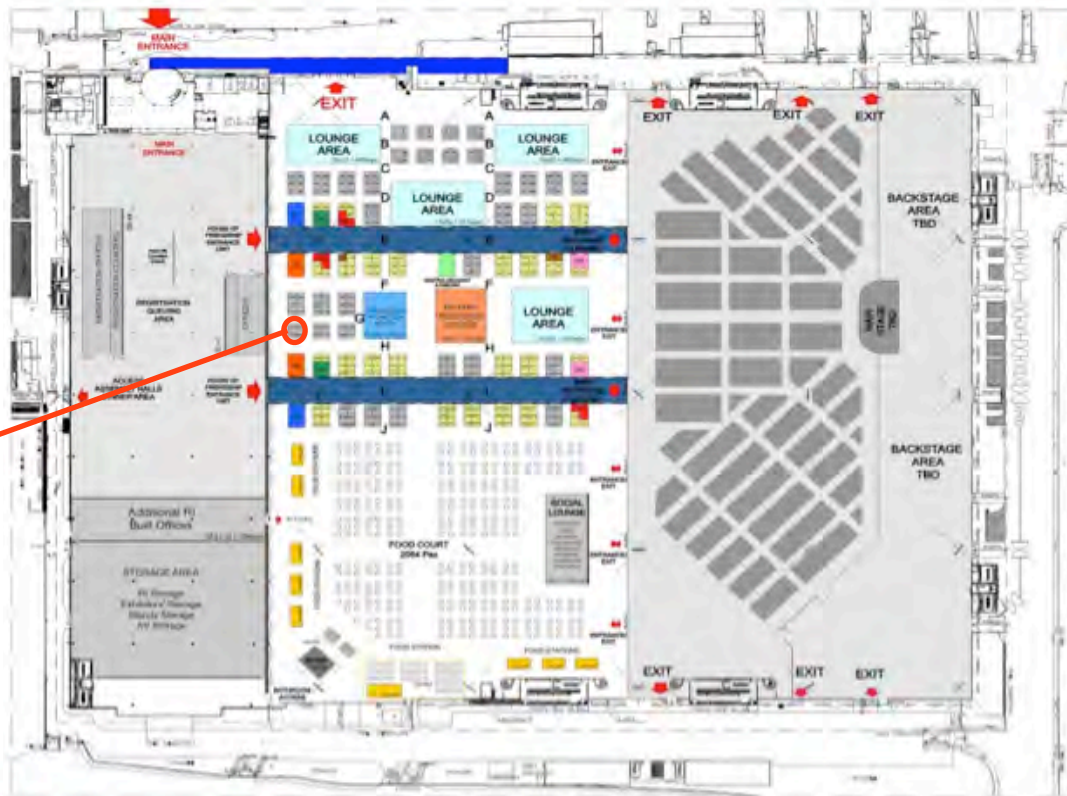
- The first 2 hours of each days shuttle service runs every 30 minutes to the convention center (0800-1000).
 - It then becomes hourly.
 - The exception is on Saturday.
 - Saturday will have 30 minute service from 0800-1200.
 - On Monday, I have highlighted your 0900-1030 AGM Briefing with my transportation vendor to accommodate your needs.
- Currently, there is only 1 Opening Plenary planned and it is in the afternoon on Saturday.
 - 1430-1700
- Sunday Shuttle Service:
 - 0700-0900 to Anhembi Parque
 - 1400-1800 to WZ Jardins



HOUSE OF FRIENDSHIP FLOOR PLAN

LEGENDA

Expositores (Quadrado) - 100, 100 - (150m²)
Expositores (Retângulo) - 81, 204 - (204m²)
Expositores (Circulo) - 54, 201 - (201m²)
Expositores (Triângulo) - 145, 252 - (252m²)
Expositores (Cilindro) - 86, 120, 108 - (270m²)
Expositores (Quadrado) - 120, 180 - (180m²)
Expositores - 82, 85, 88 e 91, 107 e 118, 121 e 123, 125 e 141, 148 e 150, 161 e 164, 166, 167, 169, 203, 202 e 219, 222 e 243, 250, 251, 254 e 269, 270 e 301, 309 e 311 - (360m²)
Expositores 90 - 1 e 40, 99 e 426, 182 e 187, 195 e 197, 220 e 231, 244 e 246, 280 e 277, 302 e 307 - (360m²)



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2015 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

Anhembi Pavilion
5-9 June, 2015
São Paulo, Brazil

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House of Friendship

A feira paralela a Convenção, é chamada de House of Friendship, é um local de socialização dos rotarianos, exposição de projetos e oportunidade de comprar produtos.

RAZÕES PARA EXPOR

Venda Direta
Número de expositores limitados por categoria
Público Selecionado

ATRATIVOS DENTRO DA FEIRA

Entretenimento & Show
Lounges & Internet
Alimentação

MOVIMENTAÇÃO FINANCEIRA EM EDIÇÕES ANTERIORES

+ R\$ 10 milhões

AREA 1 NEWS

Area 1 AGM in Naples



IYFR PROGRAM

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yLG6x4YGAcI> Napule
è Daniele e Pavarotti

Thursday April the 23rd

- Early independent arrivals. Hotel/ Yacht accomodation (see the Hotel list reported hereunder) independently booked. Number of Yachts to be booked depending upon the requests. Cost per person per day April 23-27, is €100,00*#
- Guided visit led by Mrs La Gioia, Napoli Commodore's First Mate, to the ORTO BOTANICO DELL'UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI NAPOLI "FEDERICO II" and to the MUSEO DI PALEOBOTANICA ED ETNOBOTANICA - Via Foria, 223 *
<http://www.ortobotanico.unina.it/VerInglese/PagineinizialiE/VisitaOrtoE.htm>
- Crew special shopping and galley replenishment, when necessary.
- 2030 General welcome dinner at the Circolo Canottieri SAVOIA *# - Night in the Hotel or on board. *#

Friday April the 24th

- Independent arrivals; Accomodation (Hotel or Yacht) as per individual bookings.*#
- Guided Visit led by ICWFR (ITALIAN CULTURE IN THE WORLD FELLOWSHIP OF ROTARIANS) Members to the MUSEO NAZIONALE DI CAPODIMONTE. *
http://www.polomusealenapoli.beniculturali.it/museo_cp/museo_cp.html
- Free lunch
- 1430-1500 Commodores and Mariners meeting in PIAZZA DEL PLEBISCITO, general meeting of all the participants to the NAPOLI 2015 Fellowship Event. Coffee or Cappuccino in the world famous nearby Naples Cafeterias.
- 1500-1530 Participants' walk/parade to CASTEL DELL'OVO and CIRCOLO CANOTTIERI NAPOLI - Via Ammiraglio Acton. Leads Franco Clemente, President ICWFR and PRC IYFR ITALIA. *#
- 1530-1730 Plenary Sessions of the Italian Fellowships at the CIRCOLO CANOTTIERI. Host and Chair the District 2100 Governor Giancarlo Spezie, Rotary Mariner and IWCFR Member. Coffee break in the interval. *#
- Alternate program: Visit to Castel dell'Ovo.* (guided if a minimum of 15 is reached)*

PROGRAMMA IYFR

Giovedì 23 Aprile

- Primi arrivi e sistemazione in albergo o a bordo degli yacht noleggiati*# (elenco alberghi consigliati in calce costo dello yacht da giovedì al lunedì mattina €400,00 p/p).
- Pomeriggio: visita guidata da Lidia Barone La Gioia moglie del Commodoro della Flotta di Napoli Gaetano La Gioia all'ORTO BOTANICO DELL'UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI NAPOLI "FEDERICO II" e al MUSEO DI PALEOBOTANICA ED ETNOBOTANICA Via Foria, 223
<http://www.cmsnf.it/museo-di-paleontologia/> *
- Opp: altra/e attività "particolari" organizzata/e dalle Fellowship che partecipano al Meeting.*
- Cambusa per coloro che decidono di alloggiare in barca.

- 20 30 Cena di benvenuto generale presso lo YC SAVOIA al prezzo di € 30,00 p/p (tutto incluso) * ***
- Notte in albergo o a bordo #

Venerdì 24 Aprile

- Arrivi e sistemazione in albergo o a bordo* #
- In mattinata: passeggiata per le vie della città e visita guidata da Soci ICWFR al MUSEO NAZIONALE DI CAPODIMONTE.
http://www.polomusealenapoli.beniculturali.it/museo_cp/museo_cp.html *
- Opp: altra/e attività "particolari" organizzata/e dalle Fellowship che partecipano al Meeting.*
- Lunch libero
- 14:30/15:00 Caffè in Piazza del Plebiscito insieme ai Commodori, Mariners ed Ospiti.
- 15:00-15:30: Passeggiata/Sfilata dei Partecipanti al Meeting delle Fellowship fino al Castel dell'Ovo e Circolo Canottieri Napoli di Via Ammiraglio Acton. Guida Franco Clemente, Presidente ICWFR e PRC IYFR ITALIA.
- 15:30-1715: Riunione Plenaria Fellowships presso il Circolo Canottieri Napoli. Presiede il Governatore del Distretto 2100 Giancarlo Spezie. Caffè nell'intervallo.
- 17:45-18:45 IYFR Annual General Meeting AREA1
Chairman: Robert Burns A1Commodore. # saranno

- 1800-1900 IYFR AREA1 Annual General Meeting. Chair Robert Burns A1C. #
- 2015 IYFR & Guests: MEET&GREET at the Pizzeria RISTORANTE MEDINA and AIZA AIZA AIZA!!! (as many as you want)*#
- Night in the Hotel or on board. *#

Saturday April the 25th (Italian National Holiday)

- 0900 MINI CRUISE TO CAPRI. Spaghetti & Wine lunch underway. Coffee and short sightseeing in Capri. Sail back to Naples.
- 1800-2000 Time to change into Service White Uniform or correspondent civilian attire for the Gala Dinner.
- 2030 GALA DINNER at the YACHT CLUB CANOTTIERI NAPOLI; District 2100 Governor greetings. Acknowledgments and certificates. Rotarian activities. Eventual non-IYFR handovers. Farewell of those leaving the next on Sunday morning.*#
- IYFR GRANTS to the Area 1 Fleets, delivery ceremony. IYFR ITALY Region Commodore handover, Eventual IYFR IT Fleets handovers #
- Night in the Hotel or on board. #

Sunday April the 26th

- 0900 - 1600 MINI CRUISE to the westbound Islands. Farewell-Arrivederci Spaghetti & Wine on Board*#
- or 1000 HOLY MASS (Catholic) in the Monastero di Santa Chiara,
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MiyEC1rVzyU>
- Possible sailing day for those who have booked local yachts #
- Free evening.
- Night in the Hotel or on board or independent fly/drive back home. #

Lunedì 27 Aprile

- Fly/drive back home
- Other programs upon specific requests #

COSTS (in chronologic order and better specified in the booking form)

Capodimonte Visit	Euro 8,00
Dinner YC Savoia (23rd)	Euro 30,00
Other Museum Visit	Euro 0,00
Plenary Session	Euro 0,00
AREA 1 AGM	Euro 0,00
Dinner at Medina (24th)	Euro 30,00
Cruise to Capri	Euro 75,00
Cruise on board the 57'	Euro 75,00
Gala Dinner (25th)	Euro 35,00
Cruise to Pozzuoli / Ischia	Euro 75,00

presenti l'IC Sergio Santi e il IVC Jun Avecilla (Filippine), incoming IC.

- 20:30 IYFR e Ospiti: Riunione presso la Pizzeria Ristorante Medina e... AIZA AIZA AIZA!!! * # *** € 30,00 p/p (tutto incluso)

- Notte in Albergo o a bordo. #

Sabato 25 Aprile

- 09:00 Imbarco Partecipanti alla Giornata per mare nel Golfo sulle imbarcazioni a vela e a motore noleggiate. Sosta e sbarco a Capri. € 75,00 p/p (compresa spaghetata & vino a bordo) * #
- Rientro in tempo utile per la cena sociale.

-20:30 cena sociale presso il Circolo Canottieri Napoli; saluto del Governatore del Distretto 2100. Riconoscimenti e attestati. Attività Rotariane. Passaggi di consegne eventuali. Commiato per coloro che lasciano la Città l'indomani.* € 35,00 p/p

- Consegna IYFR GRANTS alle Flotte dell'Area 1. Cambio di Consegne del Region Commodore per l'Italia. Cambio di consegne (eventuale) dei FC delle Flotte Italiane. #

Domenica 26 Aprile

- 09:00 Uscita in mare/Imbarco sulle imbarcazioni (da definire in base al numero dei partecipanti) e inizio navigazione nel Golfo. Spaghetata e vino dell'arrivederci a bordo.* # *** € 75,00 p/p.
- opp: 10:00 Santa Messa presso il Monastero di Santa Chiara, e attività libera.

- In caso di condizioni meteomarine sfavorevoli sarà realizzato un programma alternativo a terra per la città di Napoli
- Serata libera
- Notte in albergo o a bordo o ritorno a casa.

Lunedì 27 Aprile

- Ritorno a casa
- PROGRAMMA/I SU RICHIESTA PER IYFR #

NOTE

I costi dei singoli eventi sono i seguenti:

- YC Savoia € 30,00 p/p (tutto incluso)*#
- Medina € 30,00 p/p (tutto incluso) *#
- Circolo Canottieri Napoli € 35,00 p/p (tutto incluso)* #
- Giornata per mare nel Golfo e sosta a Capri €75,00 p/p (inclusa spaghetata a bordo)* #

NOTES

Bookings and special requests (food restrictions or different timing in Yacht booking) to be addressed to Mrs Elvira Cherubini General Secretary of the Event elcher@libero.it and CC to FC Gaetano La Gioia , PFC Alberto Bagnasco and Vincenzo Rinaldi IT SE Fleet: gaetano.lagioia@iyfr.it; alberto.bagnasco@iyfr.it, virinald@tin.it

* Optional activity. It is requested to book by e-mail to General Secretary of the Events:

Mrs. Elvira Cherubini (RC Napoli Castel dell'OVO) elcher@libero.it

** Activity only by booking (as by previous paragraph)

*** The Fellowship dinners are open to all other Fellowships, Rotarian members, Rotaract members and their invited friends. Is requested a previous booking to the General Secretary of the Events (as by previous paragraph).

Booking to be made copying in CC also FC Gaetano La Gioia , PFC Alberto Bagnasco and Vincenzo Rinaldi IT SE Fleet: gaetano.lagioia@iyfr.it; alberto.bagnasco@iyfr.it, virinald@tin.it

ALL THE FOLLOWING HOTELS ARE BOOKABLE INDIVIDUALLY AT ANY TIME. All of them are in the very center of Naples and within walking distance from the IYFR events locations. CAUTION the actual cost might be slightly different for a B&B booking.

It has been decided that IYFR will not recommend any hotel in particular; booking.com in the long run is the best option and can meet every request. It is recommended to choose any Hotel that is within reasonable walking distance from PIAZZA DEL PLEBISCITO (Plebiscite Square) since all the events will be in close proximity.

- NH NAPOLI Ambassador xxxx stars Via Medina, 70 Euro 137 for a double room/night
- PALAZZO TURCHINI xxxx Via Medina, 21 Euro 100 for a double room/night
- MERCURE Hotel Angioino Centro xxxx Via Depretis, 123 Euro 96 for a double room/night
- B&B MDINAPLES Via Medina, 17 Euro 86 for a double room/night
- COVO DEGLI ANGIONI – TOWN HOUSE SUITES Via Melisurgo, 44 Euro 70 for a double room/night
- EUROPEO & FLOWERS VIA MEZZOCANNONE, 109/C Euro 51 for a double room/night
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• Navigazione nel Golfo verso Ischia e Pozzuoli €75,00 p/p (inclusa spaghetтата a bordo) *#

• Alloggio a bordo (posti limitati) e costo giornaliero barca € 100 p/p (la quota include le due navigazioni precedenti). *#

• 4 Musei 0–8€(gratis per over 70)*#

*Attività facoltativa da prenotare inviando per email presso la Segreteria Generale evento: Signora Elvira Cherubini : elcher@libero.it allegando la copia dell'avvenuto bonifico. #

*** Le cene di Fellowship sono aperte a tutte le altre Fellowships, Rotariani, Rotaractiani e loro ospiti. E' necessario prenotarle presso la Segreteria della Fellowship prescelta. Prima della prenotazione leggere bene il programma particolareggiato dell'evento.

La quota giornaliera d'imbarco e soggiorno su imbarcazioni tipo Benetau 57' comprendono le navigazioni dei giorni 25 e 26 e altre navigazioni eventuali nel periodo di noleggio. Consumo Gasolio ca. 8lt/h
MODALITA' DI PAGAMENTO mediante bonifico sul cc bancario aperto dalla Flotta di Napoli come indicato nel modulo di prenotazione a parte.

Alcuni Hotel dai quali si possono raggiungere a piedi i luoghi/ristoranti/ porticcioli dove si svolgeranno i vari eventi. Le prenotazioni dovranno essere fatte direttamente dai partecipanti presso l'hotel prescelto.

- NH NAPOLI Ambassador xxxx stelle Via Medina, 70 (Euro 137 costo a notte per camera doppia, visualizzato da trivago)
- PALAZZO TURCHINI xxxx stelle Via Medina, 21 (Euro 100 costo a notte per camera doppia, visualizzato da trivago)
- MERCURE Hotel Angioino Centro xxxx stelle Via Depretis, 123 (Euro 96 costo a notte per camera doppia, visualizzato da trivago)
- B&B MDINAPLES Via Medina, 17 (Euro 86 costo a notte per camera doppia, visualizzato da trivago)
- COVO DEGLI ANGIONI – TOWN HOUSE SUITES Via Melisurgo, 44 (Euro 70 costo a notte per camera doppia, visualizzato da trivago)
- EUROPEO & FLOWERS VIA MEZZOCANNONE, 109/C (Euro 51 costo a notte per camera doppia, visualizzato da trivago)

MINI CRUISES BOOKED YACHTS
IMBARCAZIONI NOLEGGIATE PER I GIORNI 25 e 26 SOLO NAVIGAZIONE



Caicco Maria Giovanna 30 p



Caicco Deriya Deniz 30 p



MY Donna Assunta 30 p

YACHT/S BOOKABLE 23-27 (4 nights) Cruise and berths
IMBARCAZIONI NOLEGGIATE PER I GIORNI 23-27 (4 notti) ALLOGGIO E NAVIGAZIONE

Beneteau 57



Accommodations in 4 double cabins . +4 can be accommodated during the Mini Cruises
 Alloggi in cabina doppia con bagno 8. Navigazione 8+4



First Hellenic Ionian Fleet Charter

**Excursion of 2470 District
 to Preveza from 30th April up to 3rd May 2015**

Rotary Day D2470 & 2484



On the occasion of the celebration of the Hellenic Ionian Fleet chartering, in the frame of Rotary Day, 2470 District is organizing an 4-day excursion from Athens to Preveza (2484 D) by coach.

Departure on Thursday 30th April from center of Athens (Constitution square).

Hotels booked at Preveza town : **DIONI BOUTIQUE HOTEL** and **CAPTAINS' HOUSE**

Coach for 50 Persons

Cost person in double room euro 185.-

Cost per person in single room euro 245.-

The cost includes :

- 3 nights (Thursday – Friday and Saturday)
- 3 breakfasts
- Mini guided cruise at the island of Lefkada (duration 2,5 hours)
- Friday lunch at Lefkada (incl. wine)
- Sunday lunch on our way home (incl. wine)
- Coach for 50 persons for all trip around, and tip of the driver
- Chartering dinner (25 euros) **IS NOT INCLUDED** in the cost of the excursion



Preveza



Preveza



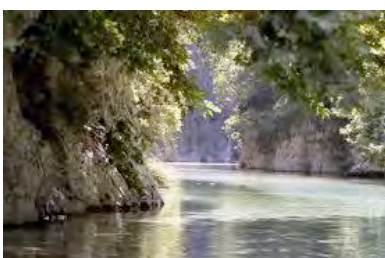
Lefkada



Lefkada



Papanikoli's cave Lefkada



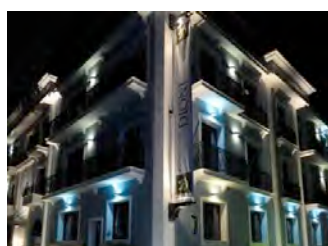
Acherontas River



Parga



Nikopolis



4 * Dioni Boutique Hotel Preveza



4 * Hotel Captain's House



Programs of the excursion (in general) **Further details in due time**

Thursday 30th April 2015

15h00 Departure for Preveza. There will be 2 different points of departure in order to facilitate the rotarians. One in the center of Athens (Constitution square) and one at Kifissia (northern of Athens). Itinerary approx. 5 1/2 - 6 hours depending on the traffic. Arrival at Preveza. Arrangement at the hotel. Free dinner.

Friday 1st May 2015

Breakfast
Departure from the hotel for Lefkada and Nydri, from where our 2 hours guided mini cruise will start. (cost included). We will visit the famous Papanicolis' cave and we will pass by some other small islands (among them the famous Scorpis, ex Aristotelis Onassis' island).
Lunch at Nydri (cost included)
Afternoon coffee at Lefkada
Return to Preveza. Evening free.

Saturday 2nd May 2015

Breakfast

Departure from the hotel for the oracle of Acheron river. Visit of the oracle. Departure for Parga, a picturesque small town by the sea, situated in the North- Western part of Preveza county, a famous touristic resort.

Free time at Parga

Return at Preveza. Afternoon free for relaxation

In the evening around 20.00h celebration of Chartering of Ionian Sea fleet in the frame of IYFR organized by R.C. of Preveza at hotel MARGARONA ROYAL.

Cost of dinner 25 euros (not included in the cost of excursion)

Above Chartering celebration is integrated in the frame of Rotary Day.

Sunday 3rd May 2015

Breakfast.

Arrangement of our luggage in the coach, as we are leaving from the hotel.

Visit of the archaeological site and eventual visit of the museum of Nikopolis, organised by R.C. of Preveza . This

tour will last for about 1 1/2 hours and then we will leave Preveza for our return to Athens.

Lunch (cost included) on our way back either to Amfilochia or Menidi (both by the sea). Afternoon coffee
Arrival in the evening to Athens (depending on the traffic) with the best of memories from our 4-days fellowship in Preveza.

NB:

- Please confirm your participation to :
Rot. Lena Loverdou (R.C. Athinai-Omonia)
mob. +306932 748128
email: lena_loverdou@hotmail.com

- For rotarians who will arrive in Athens on Wednesday 29/4 and will need hotel accommodation, we are pleased to recommend :
Hotel AMALIA (10, Amalias avenue – Constitution square - tel. 210 32.37.300).

A very special price has been agreed – flat price for single or double room 90.- euro per night. Please revert to Rot. Lena Loverdou , soonest possible, in order to guarantee your stay in Athens, as April is a busy month for hotels in the center of Athens.

- For the better organisation of the whole excursion, please inform Rot. Lena about flight details (flight no., arrival time etc)

- Cost for rotarians who will arrive directly to Preveza by their own means (thus, they will not use the coach from Athens)
Euro 125.- per person in double room Euro 185.- per person in single room

Looking forward to seeing you in Athens.



The Israeli Fleet Visit to the Naval Officers School in Akko

By: Zeev Matar



The Israeli Fleet had gathered its Fleet members on the 25 of February 2015 in the Naval Officers School on the coast bay of Akko, which historically had been a coastal link to the Levant and important crusader city known as St. John d'Acre after the Knights-Hospitaller

of St. John. We had come to pay a tribute

to the most legendary Navel cadets' school which has celebrated its foundation over sixty years ago. The school named on behalf of Kaf Gimel (23) Yordei Hasira Boat, which was a group of 23 young graduates commando volunteers which went missing-in-action in May 1941 while looking to carry sabotage mission against the oil refineries in Tripoli, Lebanon than occupied by the French Vichy, collaborating with the Nazi regime.



The Naval Officers School is a high school forming young boys and girls device command positions and officers in the Israeli Navy as well as for the Israeli merchant fleet, being brought up under military discipline with respect of friendship and claim responsibility to perform whatever needed or requested for the best of their own friends as well as with respect to their tutors.

Over 450 youngsters joining at the age of 16 years are growing to become at the end of their professional training in marine engineering systems, electronics, and marine sciences becoming spinal column within our Israeli Army. We had met in our visit incredible group of wonderful girls and boys, representing our colorful origin groups. We had met serious and committed youngsters looking forward to succeed on their future days to come, as their previous generations, which had become high officers in the army and captains in the Israeli merchant fleet as some of our Israeli Fleet members.

Our gathering meeting was an occasion to charter few new members in the Israeli Fleet as well as having listened to the General Manager of the Naval Officers School Eli Regev Naval Colonel on leave who accepted willingly our intent to cooperate with the school in various projects, including sealing with the cadets out of Israel for the final degree.



During our visit at the yards school we had visited the construction of a unique replica of sailing ship dated 5th century BC, discovered as a wreck found in the sea sand by divers from Haifa Marine Department of Haifa University, in the southern coast of Haifa next to Kibbutz Ma'agan Michael.

The wreck length 8.26 meters wood was found in excellent state of preservation but with missing pieces to reconstruct the

wreck as entire sailing ship. The original ship is stationed at present after years of preservation circles in the Hecht Museum. For the replica construction process the ship had been designed in scale of 1:1 from the original, and it is being built with accordance to the old building techniques using our local pine wood. Upon completion of construction within two years the reconstructed ship will sail around the Mediterranean Sea, thanks to various donors who had raise funds the replica is being built, while the ship reconstruction is carried out professionally by dedicated volunteers.

I will end with adding a wonderful Israeli song written by Hannah Szenes born in Budapest in Hungary in 1921 and immigrated to Israel in 1939. Leaving in Kibbutz Sea Fields on the Mediterranean Sea coast she had developed a great love for the sea. Hannah young Israeli hero was plunged into Hungary occupied by the Nazi Germany as a volunteer Parachutist in the British Army in World War II.

Hannah was captured and had been studied in torture and executed to death, but her words had become a national song living in our hearts and suitable for all the lovers of the sea around us fellowship of IYFR.

Walk to Caesarea

My Lord, My Lord
May it never end
The sand and sea,
Murmur of the water,
Shine of the sky,
Prayer of Man.

The sand and sea,
Murmur of the water,
Shine of the sky,
Prayer of Man.

הליכה לקיסריה

לי, אלי,
לא יגמר לעולם,
חול והים,
שרוש של המים,
רק השמיים,
תפילת האדם.

חול והים,
שרוש של המים,
רק השמיים,
תפילת האדם.

Shalom to all our IYFR friends breathing our friendship from close or from far away.

Haifa 12.3.2015





Story Behind the Photos in the IC Visit to Poland

By: Piotr Pajdowski



1. During banquet, Laura & Sergio in Gizycko one the Piotr Konstantynowicz boat's staying on the frozen Lake. IYFR member, Ship-owner Piotr showing photos made during winter on the Masurian Lake. 2. Laura & Sergio in Gdansk Shipyard. In this place was born "Solidarity Movement" with Walesa as the Leader On the right - Darek Dziedziul - Fleet Rear commodore. 3. Middle of the Night - Farewell after the banquet on the ship staying on the frozen lake in Gizycko. 4. Old town in Gdansk. On the Right Darek Dziedziul - Fleet Rear Commodore. 5. Gizycko . On the left side - banquet - ship during the day (during the Season working passenger vessel . This is our home boat parking place (to small for name - marina) during our traditional Rotary Regatta in May. 6. Sergio jumps to Hovercraft in Gizycko. Laura was already inside. 7. Laura and Sergio during Safari i Gizycko (area with wild animals from forest). 8. This we saw during Safari in Gizycko. 9. On the board of Tall Ship "Dar Młodzieży". I say to the officer in duty only, that we are with former Amerigo Vespucci 's commandant and we where invited on the board Sergio was on this board 30 years ago. 10. In front of the legendary Tall ship " Dar Pomorza " - Now this is Museum. Behind tallest building in Gdynia. Sergio told, that saw this Tall Ship many times on the water many years ago, but always from far distance. He always wanted to come on board. 11. Laura is dreaming in the middle of the street full of the shops with amber artworks. 12. Jan Chalupa - Commodore of Czech & Slovak Rotary Fleet . Charter ceremony.



13. Piotr Pajdowski with wife Dorota during BAL of 4 Nation after agreement of 4 Clubs. **14.** Charter Ceremony in Opava. Sergio with Richard Konkolski- legendary Czech Sailor -First person from continental Europe to single-handedly circumnavigate the globe twice in both directions. First person to sail around the world three times solo by real circumnavigation route (passing antipodes). He did his first solo circumnavigation on a twenty-four foot boat NIKE. Now Richard is the honorary member of Czech & Slovak Rotary Fleet. **15.** Laura & Sergio in Cracow. Behind John Paul II Pap's window. This was his former bishop palace and place for stay during his pilgrimage to Poland , Cracow. **16.** Christening of new Fleet flag. Opava . Charter ceremony. In white shirts form left Piotr Pajdowski, Jan Chalupa - Fleet Commodore, Sergio Santi, Jan Babic - Fleet Vice Commodore . With the bottle - Richard Konkolski. **17.** Laura and Sergio in a former Gold Mine in the Czech Mountain with Piotr Pajdowski - East Europe Regional Commodore and Wlodek Kustra-Gizičko Fleet Commodore. **18.** In Warsaw. During ceremony of signing quadripartite agreement between Rotary Clubs from Warsaw, Berlin, Paris, Brussels First from left - Piotr Pajdowski and Jaroslaw Wistuba (from Berlin, Germany, Gizičko Fleet squadron capitan - squadron Berlin) . On the left hand from Sergio - District Governor Gerhard Lindner (from Germany, Member of Gizičko Fleet , Poland)). From Right side - Wlodek Kustra, Barbara Pawlisz DGE, Piotr Wygnanczuk PDG (member of Gizičko Fleet) On this photo - 6 persons - IYFR member. **19.** Wlodek Kustra , Sergio & Laura in Glucholazy visit in Socioterapeutic day room on the South Poland . There Wlodek ' s Club (RC Wroclaw - Panorama) gifted computer equipment. **20.** Sergio and Laura at Warsaw Kings Summer Castle with Gizičko FC Wlodek Kustra. **21.** Forgotten sailing boat waiting for end of ice in Gizičko.



Mangalia Squadron of Varna Fleet

By: SC Luiza



We are Mangalia squadron of Varna fleet, now !!

Mangalia (ancient Callatis) is a port city. We have a marina. This is why it is important to set up a Rotary Fleet here. Our future actions will reawaken, we hope, love / interest in navigation on the sea.

I want to thank to some people who helped me in this endeavor/action:

- Lachezar Bratoev – He was the first who told me about IYFR, last year, at our regatta.
- Elena Gheorgieva – She spoke me about fleet organization.
- Bob Burns - he show me how to set up, to bild a fleet.
- Sergio Murri – he was that who first told me about the squadron.

Then I knew that a squadron is an easy goal to achieve. I met Bob and Sergio in Varna, September 2014 . Thank you all, friends!

Beginner's enthusiasm was helpful and now our squadron has 20 members, so we want to become a fleet. Yes, soon we will choose the functions for Mangalia fleet, as Bob learned me.

Please help us to be charter before our regatta! We want to celebrate the charter of Mangalia Fleet at our regatta.

We, the 20 members of the squadron Mangalia, we are proud to be Rotary mariners, first sailors in D 2241, and we promise to have „fun, fun, fun on the see”

In August, 22-23, we will organize the third edition of Rotary Charity Regatta. We invite you to enjoy with us on the Black Sea. We will send the invitation.

I will attach some pictures with Mangalia's sailors. As you can see, there are many mermaids in Mangalia squadron ... Neptune will be happy.

Luiza for the newest sailors in Rotary - Mangalia squadron of Varna Fleet.





Dean IC Bert Memorabilia Custodian

Dear Friends,

Yesterday, by registered mail, Laura and I received a yellow envelope coming from Anglers Paradise, Queensland, Australia. Going through the contents we soon realized that we had just received the original commissioning papers of IC A.G.E. Bert Collins signed by his predecessor Al Natkin, some valuable memorabilia linked to his Commodoreship, but more and over that, a most beautiful love letter to his beloved First Mate Mavis who in 2002 cast off for her last and first solitary cruise, having Bert and Mavis always sailed together since 1938 when they first met.

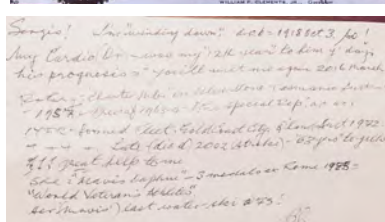
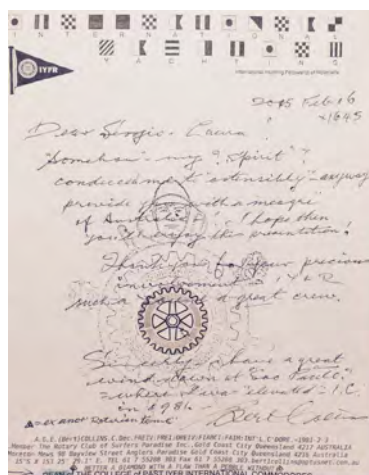
In a certain way it was as being nominated custodians of the memories of theirs. This is a splen-

did burden I cannot find the words to thank Bert for having chosen the two of us to bear, so I decided to ask Jun to give it the honor place in our last newsletter, about to be issued, so that all the Fellowship can share our emotions.

Let it be a lesson of love and Rotarian enthusiasm for us all; so, please, go through the annexed documents that IYFR is honored to host. Lives like Bert's are indeed worth to be intensely lived!

With all my deepest and filial admiration, also in the name of Laura, dear Bert,

Yours Sergio



AREA 2 NEWS



Grant Funds Tall Ship Race for Low Income Youth

By: RC Angie Mesistrano

Having had a positive experience in Punta del Este Fleet for the program to send a low-income youth to participate, young people who otherwise would never be able to sail on a tall ship, to participate in the Tall Ships race, the Grants Committee approved a US\$1000 grant to send a young navigator as a crewmember to the famous race.



These youngsters, males and females, age 18 to 25, sponsored by the local Fleet/Region Commodore, should reach the airport nearest port where the race starts, for their own financial means. Young people between 15 and 18 must have parental consent.

Expenses related to roundtrip airline tickets, hotel and food expenses on board shall be paid by each participant.

The purpose of this program is the development and education of young people through the sail training experience, regardless of nationality, culture, religion, gender or social background.

The attendance of young people around the world to this great sailing regatta, as proposing Rotary, contributes to the understanding and world peace. The young people strengthen ties, develop knowledge and lasting friendships with people from different countries. At the same time, they know internationality and discover new relationships and work opportunities.



This race is organized by Sail Training International, a strategic partner of Rotary International and IYFR.

To facilitate this program, we all have the opportunity to apply for a grant of Sultanate of Oman for 500 euros.

Our scholarship Nicolas Perez Lazo sailed in regatta 2012, from Barcelona to Toulon and from Toulon to La Spezia.

Habiendo tenido una positiva experiencia en la Flota Punta del Este en el programa de enviar a un joven de bajos recursos a participar en la regata de los grandes veleros, que de otra forma nunca podría navegar en un gran velero, el Comité de Subvenciones aprobó una subvención de U\$S 1.000 para enviar a un joven navegante como tripulante a la famosa regata.

Estos jóvenes, hombres y mujeres, edad 18 a 25 años, patrocinados por las flotas locales, deben llegar al aeropuerto más cercano a la ciudad donde dará comienzo la regata con gastos a su cargo. Los jóvenes entre 15 y 18 años que deseen participar deben tener la autorización de sus padres.

Los gastos correspondientes a los tickets aéreos, hotel antes de zarpar y comidas a bordo deben ser pagados por cada participante.



El propósito de este programa es el desarrollo y la educación de los jóvenes a través de la experiencia del entrenamiento náutico, independientemente de su nacionalidad, cultura, religión, género y origen social.

La asistencia de jóvenes de todo el mundo a esta importante regata, al igual que los objetivos de Rotary, contribuye a la comprensión y a la paz mundial. Los jóvenes estrechan lazos de amistad, desarrollan mutuo conocimiento y amistad duradera con otros jóvenes de diferentes países. Al mismo tiempo ellos conocen la internacionalidad y descubren nuevas relaciones y oportunidades de trabajo.

Esta regata está organizada por Sail Training International, quien también es socio estratégico de Rotary Internacional y de IYFR.

Para facilitar el acceso a este programa, todos nosotros tenemos la oportunidad de postular a una beca del Sultanato de Oman por 500 euros.

The ship's captain immediately offered him to return sailing and remunerating him for that. This opened a new horizon of possibilities.

The idea of this proposal is that the maximum number of fleets in the world sends young people from different parts of the world, thus achieving an international sailing event. These young, returning, can explain their experiences to future members of Rotaract, inviting them to join Rotary. Costs to carry forward this program are not high. Each fleet should contribute to the cost of air ticket of scholarship. The Sultanate of Oman bursary covers the costs of embarking on the race. The costs of food on board are low and can be paid by the young elected.

In South America Region I have proposed this and already have 3 scholarships to be assigned to 3 lucky youngsters to participate to the next edition.

The procedure is very simple and enhances the dynamism of the Fleets which would share this most interesting service.

I thank the Grants Committee for approving and allocating funds for this worthy project and hope that this would be a continuing project.

Nuestro becado en la regata de 2013, Nicolás Pérez Lazo, navegó desde Barcelona hasta Toulon y desde Toulon a La Spezia. El capitán del barco inmediatamente le ofreció trabajo rentado como marinero para el regreso. Esto le abrió un nuevo horizonte de posibilidades.

La idea de esta propuesta es que el mayor número posible de flotas de todo el mundo envíen jóvenes, logrando así un encuentro náutico internacional. Estos jóvenes, a su regreso, pueden explicar sus experiencias a futuros miembros de Rotaract, invitando a ellos a unirse a Rotary.

El costo para llevar adelante este programa no es alto. Cada flota puede contribuir con el costo del ticket aéreo del joven becado. La beca del Sultanato de Omán cubre el costo de navegación a bordo de los grandes veleros en la regata. El costo de alimentos a bordo es bajo y debe ser pagado por el joven elegido para esta beca.

En la Región Sud América nosotros hemos comunicado esta propuesta y actualmente tenemos 3 becas para ser asignadas a 3 afortunados jóvenes que participarán en la próxima edición de la regata.

El procedimiento es muy simple y realza el dinamismo de las flotas las cuales comparten entre sus miembros este programa de servicio.

Agradezco al Comité de Subvenciones por la aprobación y asignación de fondos para este noble proyecto y espero que este pueda convertirse en un proyecto continuo.





The IRC Fleet Visit to Tampa

By: IRC Guillermo Arteta

On Tuesday February 17th 2015,, I and my wife Monica visited the Tampa fleet, in Florida, USA. There had been some previous contacts. A couple of years before the visit, there was, by chance, a GSE (Group Study Exchange) between Tampa and Buenos Aires. On the occasion, we took the visitors on our boat for a lunch on an island in the Delta close to the great city. The team leader resulted a person well known to the Florida's fleet. In addition, some months ago, Roberto Celentano, at the time RC for South America, also visited the Tampa fleet with his wife. Notwithstanding the name of the fleet, it is situated, in realty in St Petersburg at the entrance of the Tampa Bay. This city is perhaps the most beautiful of the west coast of the State.



FC Randy Swanson came to pick us up at the hotel and we made a little tour before having a very nice lunch at the sea-side. Before leaving us in the hotel, we paid a visit to FT Dick Schultz at his place.

Dinner was to be very important because we were expecting a person from Alabama.

Gary Moore had the kindness of coming all the way from Mobile. together with that fleet's Commodore, Jerry Jackson.

Gary had impressed Guillermo in 2013 when he took his Mobile to be the number one Fleet in North America in number of members. Always very close to Punta del Este, in South America. In agreement with IC Sergio, Guillermo appointed him Commodore for the South East & Caribbean Region.



It was a fantastic encounter and we had a lot of fun: Nothing can replace personal knowledge: We all got to know one another and we had a great time.

In the following day, as Gary and I met for breakfast, another subject was on the table: Regalia. Gary had just taken responsibility also as Regalia Officer and we all wanted that he had the best chances of succeeding in that position too.





Newport Back Bay Cleanup



By: Guy Harden

PDG and Commo. Roger McGonnegal and the Newport Fleet are honored to have IYFR [Int'l Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians] International Vice-Commodore, Jun Avecilla, from the Philippines with his wife Lil who joined us for our monthly Newport Harbor Back Bay Cleanup Program on January 3rd at the National Aquatic Center on its one year anniversary. Philippine Fleet Past Commo. Tom Hofvenschild also joined us for the event. 21 volunteers from New Port-Irvine Rotary Club, Orange Coast College and the community cleaned up 600+ lbs of debris from the

water. At the recent cleanup on March 7, 950 lbs of debris removed from Newport Back Bay, includes a large couch. Thanks to 30+ and growing volunteers: UCI Rotaract, Orange Coast College, Newport-Irvine Rotary, IYFR Rotary Fellowship and friends. Support from NIRC, Rotary Mariners IYFR.Socal; Kayaks supplied by Newport Aquatic Center, and Southwind Kayak. Over 12 months we have now removed over two and a half tons of water debris.





Make a Difference, help clean our Ocean! Newport Back Bay Clean-up. A few, fun hours kayaking - Monthly project of Newport-Irvine Rotary Club, IYFR Newport Fleet, UCI Rotaract Club & NAC. Call Bill Zeller for details & to reserve Kayak 949-697-8393. Bring sun protection, even in winter, & be prepared to get wet or choose to walk the beach. Coffee served before start. Shannon Burns will cook hotdogs afterwards. Visit Rotary Mariners Fellowship IYFR.SoCal Facebook Page and sign up.

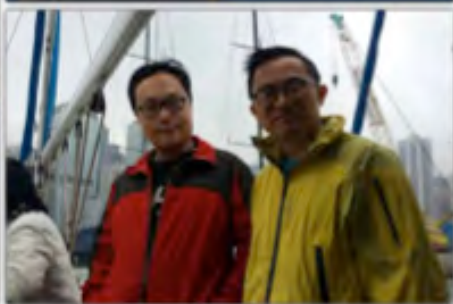
AREA 3 NEWS



HONGKONG FLEET YACHTING AND FELLOWSHIP AT VICTORIA HARBOUR

Foggy Weather did not deter the Hong Kong Fleet to come out to gloomy Victoria Harbour on March 14 for a wonderful day cruise and great Fellowship. The group is led by FC Chris Fung, PFC Cassidy Lam and FT Alice Liu and Fleet Members Alex Hung, Alex Kc and Jyson Lo. Glaringly missing was PFC Douglas Hsia who has moved to San Francisco in November last year. In 2014 New

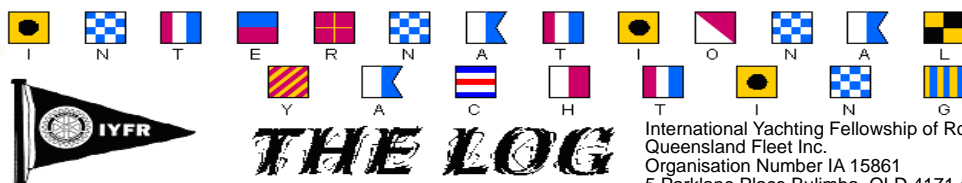
Years Eve PFC Douglas was visited by FC Chris Fung and together with PFC Johnson W.K. Choi of the Hawaii Fleet, PP Nancy Yee - HK Island East Rotary, paid a visit to the San Francisco Fleet and were hosted by FFC Jeff, FRC Bernard Remsen and Mate Vera at the Scott's Seafood Grill & Bar, in Walnut Creek with a sumptuous lunch and an afternoon of Fun Fun Fun and Fellowship.





Queensland Updates

By: **Bob Greenelsh**
Fleet Secretary



International Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians
Queensland Fleet Inc.
Organisation Number IA 15861
5 Parklane Place Bulimba, QLD 4171 Australia

The International Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians is a group dedicated to promoting Yachting/Boating as an opportunity for fellowship. This Fellowship operates in accordance with Rotary International policy, but is not an agency of, or controlled by, Rotary International.

February Meeting – Colmslie Hotel/Motel 26 February, 2015

Commodore Pat Galligan welcomed 20 members, first mates and guests. The first mates present were Joan Bailey and Mary Spork. Guests were guest speakers Nigel and Natasha Spork and Peter Heathwood's guest Rickard Allom. Apologies were received from John Burkett, Ken Clift, John Odlum, John Penglis, and Graeme Rylance.

IYFR Events

Commodore Pat Galligan advised that numbers are required for the following events and he asked that all members respond within the next few weeks.

Return visit to the New South Wales Fleet, Sydney 11-12 April
Area 3 AGM, Auckland – February, 2016

Donation to the Maritime Museum's Forceful repair project

Treasurer Bruce Douglas announced that the Fleet had donated \$250 to the Forceful project.

Report on the Wooden Boat Show and Tasmania visit



PC Bruce Dore reported that a team of nine including two guests visited Hobart for the Wooden Boat Show. The weather was good and the displays outstanding which made it a great event. A highlight was the dinner organised by the IYFR Tasmania Fleet. With representatives from five IYFR Fleets it was a most enjoyable evening. After the Boat Show a tour was made to the West and Northwest coasts of Tasmania to enjoy the scenery, history, fine food and challenging walks.

A Very Special Voyage

Following an introduction from Past Secretary Erwin Spork, Nigel Spork with assistance from Natasha presented a wonderful talk on how they navigated their newly bought Fleming 65 motor yacht *North West* through seven countries so it could be loaded on a ship for transport to Brisbane.

Nigel began by describing how the vessel's name had to be changed as part of the process of transferring it from a Norwegian registered ship to an Australian registered ship. The name *North West* was chosen because of the great holidays spent on North West Island when Nigel was a young boy. Having completed the paper work it was time to get underway, not an easy task when you are a stranger because Norway has tens of thousands of islands which make navigation interesting. Fortunately, Nigel had recruited an experienced master to help with the tricky bits. From Fredrikstad in southern Norway they sailed past the coasts of Sweden and Denmark, finally, after 12 days, to the port of Zeebrugge in Belgium where *North West* was loaded on the top deck of a car carrier bound for Brisbane and the RQYS marina.

As Nigel was talking photos illustrating the scenery and video clips showing the crew in action were shown. Of particular interest were photos of beer bottle beacons in Denmark, Nigel and Natasha's son Nicholas acting as a customs officer, Natasha swimming in freezing water to check the propellers and action shots as they went through various canals and locks which illustrated the need for good fenders and strong mooring lines. For the record, *North West's* cruising speed is 9.5 knots.

Following a vote of thanks proposed by Commodore Pat Galligan members took the opportunity to study Nigel's charts and ask many questions.





Cubao West Marks 6th Anniversary with Pre-Planning and Yachting Fellowship in Subic Bay

By: SVC Ven Martillo

Incoming Fleet Commodore of the Cubao West Fleet and President Elect of the Rotary by the same name Maximiano R. Tan in observance and celebration of the 6th Founding Anniversary of the first IYFR Fleet established in the Philippines, the Cubao West Fleet, held the Pre-Planning Conference of the Fleet and Club in preparation for the assumption of his concurrent roles in the Rotary Year 2015-2016. Held on March 21 at the Chartroom of the Lighthouse Marina Resort at the Subic Bay Freeport Zone, which is also the Headquarters of the IYFR Philippine Fleet, the Club and Fleet Officers gathered to formulate the programs, sail plans, and waypoints of the Club and Fleet during his term. In the absence of Pres/FC Ed Zaragoza who was unfortunately indisposed Vice-President Ron Guerrero and ASec. Bob Ambros did the ceremonial turnover of Command in his behalf to PE/FVC Max assisted by Incoming Sec. Timmie Bernaldez in the presence of other Officers: PN/FRC Alex Bernales, Club Adm. Ven Martillo, VPI Jun Gallardo, VPE Jaime Baniqued, Club Trainer/RVC Joe Ragos, SVC Rommel Carino, Club Secreariat Cecile Tuazon and Fleet Sec. Che Villa. Members present are: Francis

Mangilit, Ryan Virrey, Jay Lim, Jeffrey Alarilla, Paolo Castro, Onnie Ngo and Ness Cortez. Guests are AG Glenn Manangan, Pres. Dea Ting, PP Janice Trillo, both of RC Subic Pearl and IPP Jemain Diaz de Rivera of RC Pearl of the Orient.

After the meeting, IVC Jun Avecilla treated the Fleet to sailing in Subic Bay aboard the 111 feet SY Ocean Runner, courtesy of his friends Bart Kinman and Dirk van Straalen of Northrop and Johnson who are selling the 7.7 Million American dollar mega yacht skippered by Capt. John Jensen.

After sailing, PE Max Tan hosted cocktails at the Sands at the Lighthouse where over flowing drinks, beer, wine and alcoholic spirits were served with native "pulutans" and hors d'oeuvres. Live entertainment delights the group and joined jamming with the singer that lasted until midnight. It was a great day of FUN FUN FUN in the IYFR motto and tradition and everybody was happy. AIZA AIZA AIZA...



Complete photos can be viewed and download from <https://www.facebook.com/rccubao.west/posts/1028231223872939>





RULES AMENDMENTS

First and foremost, the highlights of the Final Draft of the Amendments to the General Rules 2015 are printed in pages 8-12 for everyone's reference and guidance. This is a product of several months to a year's deliberation and hard work as everyone may have observed that initial drafts have been printed in previous issues of Rotafloat with constant revisions. Various comments from concerned members have been weighed and adopted therein. This final draft has been circulated to the College of Past International Commodores (CoPICs) some of whom made encouraging remarks and gave their thumbs up while others have chosen to remain silent which we can only surmise as conformity. As this is published in the Rotafloat, COS Luigi will post the three volumes of the Rules with the entire Amendments on the website for everyone's complete reference. The salient points and main concerns are:

GENERAL RULES

1. The IYFR may be registered in other countries as deemed necessary by the EC for opening of a Bank Account anywhere in the world or for other legitimate purpose(s). (Art 2, 10)
2. FC Position maybe held by an Associate or Honorary Member for a limited period of time as member of International Bridge. (4.7)
3. Regions may set their own Rules as long as it will not conflict with the General Rules (7.1, 7.2.1)
4. Inclusion of World E-Fleet where members with lack of proximity to nearest Fleet can join as temporary berth. (4.1.3, 7.2). It also replaced the IM or Independent Member.
5. An Oversight Committee could be tasked to investigate serious well founded concerns about any aspect of operation, administration or finances of IYFR (8.2)
6. Final Balance Sheet and Financial Statement to be submitted by the IT to the EC for approval not later than 30th September of every year and thereafter to the next occurring AGM for approval. (10.2)
7. The establishment of Council of Legislation by the incoming IC. (13.1)

PROCEDURES AND REGULATIONS

8. Redefining the Grants fund structure and a cap of US\$20,000 per year. (Interpretation and Definitions)
9. Introduction of an Associate Membership and redefining Honorary Membership. (4.1.1.2, 4.1.1.3)
10. Fleet Commodore's Duties spelled out. (7.2.1, 7.2.1.1-5)
11. Minimum number of 5 members to form a Squadron. (7.5) Inclusion of Squadron, Squadron Captain and Fleet Officer. (interpretation and Definitions)

FLAGS, UNIFORMS AND BOATING PRACTICE

12. Amendment to the GB&1 Regional Commodore's Burgee and inclusion of the Past Regional, Past Fleet and Past FR Commodores'. (Fig. 2)
13. Squadron Captain, Squadron Officer and Fleet Officer Burgee (Fig 4) and Epaulets (Fig. 5)

Other amendments or insertions made to various clauses are grammatical and logical modifications and deletions of those that are no longer relevant. The voting questionnaires are being drawn and to be accomplished by April 15 for dissemination to all Regions/Fleets with the schedule of voting on May 1-15 in accordance with Article 13 of the Procedures and Regulations. The results are to be announced at the AGM in June. Please be heard, be counted and Vote in your Fleet!

The Chair of the Amendments Committee wishes to thank the members of the EC, IC Sergio and IRC Guillermo, CoS Luigi, LA Rodney, A1C Bob, RC David who have given their precious time and invaluable contributions and suggestions in the crafting of the Rules Change that we believe are for the best interest of the Fellowship in coping with the changing times and at least for the next couple of years.

IYFR INCORPORATIONS AND BANK ACCOUNTS

Art 2, 10 in the proposed Amendment is actually to put in accordance with our Rules what has actually already been done. IYFR incorporations or registrations for the purpose of opening bank accounts outside the USA have been setup in Italy which is now the main IYFR Bank Account, in the Philippines and the existing one in the USA to service each Area to receive payment of Dues, Regalia and for payment of annual registration or corporate fees. The accounts are audited periodically by the IT. The Bank Accounts are as follows:

AREA 1.



BANK NAME: UNICREDIT
AGENCY TORINO XX SETTEMBRE (08134) ITALY
BIC SWIFT CODE: UNCRITM1BD4
US\$ ACCOUNT #: 000102742217
IBAN: IT 82 B 02008 01046 000102742217
€ ACCOUNT # 000101001682
IBAN: IT 82 B 02008 01046 000101001682
BENEFICIARY: INTERNATIONAL YACHTING
FELLOWSHIP OF ROTARIANS
IYFR ADDRESS: S Corso Matteotti 44, 10121 Torino Italy,
Attn: Dr Riccardo Perinetto,

AREA 2.

BANK NAME: WELLS FARGO,
KIRKLAND WA BRANCH
Account number: 3800334280
For Direct Deposit use
Routing Number (RTN): 125008547



For Wire Transfers use
Routing Number (RTN): 121000248
BENEFICIARY: INTERNATIONAL YACHTING
FELLOWSHIP OF ROTARIANS
PO BOX 591
KIRKLAND WA 98083-0591 Attn: George Futas

AREA 3:

BANK NAME: UCPB SUBIC BAY BRANCH,
ZAMBALES, PHILIPPINES
US\$ ACCOUNT #: 112390001363
SWIFT CODE: UCPBPHMM
BENEFICIARY: INTERNATIONAL YACHTING
FELLOWSHIP OF ROTARIANS PHILS. INC.
C/O THE LIGHTHOUSE MARINA RESORT, LIGHT-
HOUSE DRIVE
SUBIC BAY FREE PORT ZONE, ZAMBALES 2000 ATTN:
Jayson Herrero



SAO PAOLO

The organizer's expectation to reach over 40,000 delegates to attend the RI Convention has accordingly dwindled down to less than 15,000 that will be much lower than the 17,000 that joined the last Convention there more than three decades ago in 1981. This disappointing development may have probably prompted the organizers to institute strict cost cutting measures that will affect even our HOF Booth. Imagine no outlet for electricity to power our laptops, cellphones and audio visual equipment for presentation and no sidewalls or demarcation between booths only backboards. RC Angie who has been assigned to set up the booth is not very happy but I am sure she will find a way to put up a nice booth. On the other hand, the good news is that with the persistence of IC Sergio, the WZ Jardins Hotel where everyone of us joining the AGM and PCC will stay that was not originally in the transport route, and with the graciousness and wonderful assistance of Ms. Kara Ottum, the RI's Transportation & Logistics Supervisor for Meetings & Events, she has found a way to include our Hotel in the Bus Services and route to the Anhembi Pavillion Convention Center. As everyone is aware, the Convention dates were changed to June 6-9 because the original opening day (June 7, Sunday) coincided with one of the city's most popular parades. The new start date will dramatically reduce the traffic congestion and make it easier for Rotary members to attend the opening plenary sessions according to RI. Our dates to remember are June 6 for the Meet and Greet at the Churrascaria Los Bovinos and June 8 for the AGM and AGM Gala Dinner and Turnover Ceremony at the WZ Jardins Hotel Saloon. We hope to meet Ms. Ottum in either of these functions so that we could personally thank her and express our extreme gratitude for her great help. Of course after the Convention our four day AGM Excursion/Cruise to Paraty, Angra, Itacuruca and Rio De Janeiro will be from June 10-14. We look forward to see our members joining there.

AREA 1 AGM

But before the Sao Paolo AGM, the largest IYFR Area 1: Europe-Middle East-Africa will have its own AGM in Napoli

from April 23-27. The grand affair is in the good organization by FC Gaetano La Gioia, FC Alberto Bagnasco and Vincenzo Rinaldi of Italy SE Fleet with the General Secretary of the Events: Mrs. Elvira Cherubini (RC Napoli Castel dell'OVO). I will have the great opportunity to attend and meet old and new friends including the Chartering of the first and historic of the Hellenic Fleet in Preveza, Greece on April 31 with Sergio; the fruit of hard work by RC Zeev. This I and my first mate Lil are anxiously looking forward to.

GRANTS

The grants for 2015 have been approved for release. If those who applied have not yet received their Grants Funds please contact IT Andre and Chair Bryan. Note that there will be some change in the Grant structure for the next and succeeding years when the proposed Amendments is passed as explained above.

VALE FRANK

On a sad note I end this report and ask everyone to have a few moments of silence and pray for our dearly departed Past International Commodore Frank. I have not had the opportunity to meet him but from Robert's account of his wonderful life he has dedicated almost five decades of it to Rotary and IYFR since 1965. To those who know him, I'm sure he will be sorely missed. As renowned author J.K Rowling once said...*To the well-organized mind death is but the next adventure.* Farewell Frank and SAIL ON to your next adventure.

