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INTERNATIONAL COMMODORE



Exciting activities marked the quarter after the AGM in Seoul ushering the mid-term of my command. Lil and I were once again in Athens, Greece to charter the Hellenic Aegean Fleet on July 1. We came early on June 25 to see longtime friends Capt. Vasilis Giannoulakis and his lovely wife Francois had driven Lil and me for 5 glorious tour days in Piraeus as well as to various beautiful places in central Greece.

The Chartering of the Hellenic Aegean Fleet was held at the Nautical Athletic League (NAL) – Salty in Piraeus attended by dignitaries of Governors and Past District Governors and over a hundred and sixty guests and members of the new Fleet. IRC Bob and I led the officiating Chartering event, where PDG Katerina Kostali-Papadimitriou was inducted as its Fleet Commodore, Grigorios Grigoropoulos Fleet Vice Commodore, Takis Dalianis Fleet Rear Commodore and Evita Kagioti as Secretary. Other IYFR Officers and members who attended the ceremony were IS Zeev Matar, RC Selda Gerson, IS/FRC Vincenzo Rinaldi and First Mate Eleonora, FM Luciano and Daniella Sambongna and Istanbul Fleet member Sevinc Kuyas.

The following days ensued with some great Fellowship activities. We had a sightseeing tour at the historic City of Lavrion which disposes one of the biggest and best equipped marinas in Greece followed by a visit to the archaeological site of Cape Sounion where the Temple of Poseidon perched on the craggy rocks of the cape. We had lunch at the well-known Greek tavern "Assimakis" by the sea-side where some enjoyed swimming in the clear waters of Sounio. Thereafter we were all invited by PDG Maria Delivoria, member of the Hellenic Aegean Fleet, and her husband Makis Vassiliades to their country house for coffee and enjoyed the breathtaking view from their terrace before returning to Athens. The next day we had a three islands cruise Athens One Day Cruise from Marina Flisvos to the three beautiful islands of the Saronic Gulf namely: Hydra, the favorite island of the jet set, whose old traditional beautiful stone houses and mansions silently witness to a long and turbulent story. Poros, the smallest of the three islands whose attraction is the narrow strait offering a most enchanting view of the town. Aegina, the largest of the three islands where we also visited the Temple of Afea (archeological site) or the Church of Saint Nektarios, whose relics are displayed. A traditional Greek folk show with singers and dancers entertained us up to the final moment as the ship arrived back at Marina Flisvos. Truly an unforgettable experience of fun, fun, fun and a wonderful fellowship and time with friends in the IYFR tradition.

Before heading home, Lil and I with Zeev spent two nights at the beautiful resort home of Katerina and George which she designed herself in Kamena Vourla and enjoyed the beaches and the delicious cooking of George of Greek cuisines.

On August 19-21 was the US-Canadian Hands Across the Border Rendezvous on its 33rd year held at the Victoria Harbor well attended by members from US and Canada Fleets with Victoria Fleet hosting the affair headed by Ernie Urdal, its Commodore. About 20 local boats and those from the US were moored at the Victoria Inner Harbor where we had the Meet and Greet on August 20 right at the dock. PIC's Bill Robinson (2005-2007) and lovely first mate Katia and Clint Collier (2011-2013) with ever charming Bev led the group. Wines and other alcoholic drinks



and canapes were served and delightfully consumed. Thereafter there was an informal presentation of the Philippine Fleet banner that I handed over to Bill which was added on to the numerous ones on display on his boat. In return I got a beautiful serving tray designed with a navigational chart from the Rotary Mariners of San Juan Island. A special Tanduay Rum from the Philippines were shared in sailor's tradition in Bill's yacht while exchanging pleasantries and forging closer ties. The group on the next day walked to the nearby historic Canadian Lawn Bowling Club and was given the basic lawn bowling pointers by FC Ernie before engaging in a friendly duel fostering camaraderie and sportsmanship. At sunset we headed inside and in formal mess dinner style the group feasted on a roasted wild boar with all the side trimmings. A local musician Cap'n Charlie provided a lively and comical rendition of his own composition of wide range of nautical songs in pre and post dinner entertainment. Every sailor in the audience appreciated the songs as they can relate to it. Amid short speeches more shot glasses of "Nelson's Blood" and decanters of after dinner port were passed around. RC Patrick Hunt aptly explained the history of both drinks that I concluded that while the Fellowship may have gone thru turbulent seas and the test of times the band of brotherhood keeps it together and we move on because as brothers blood is thicker than water. Rum and port wine truly rein in our Fellowship and sailor's veins like "Nelson's blood". After all life is short let's enjoy every moment of it. As you read this message, Lil and I will be on the way to Warsaw to rendezvous with Zeev our Rotafloat Editor and RC Piotr Pajdowski for a tour of some interesting places in Poland including sailing in the Masurian Lake on Piotr's boat. We will meet with IPIC Sergio and his first mate Laura in Szczecin from where we will navigate for about 3 days the rivers leading to Potsdam to attend the A1 General Meeting. We are excited over the adventure and can't wait to write about it in the next edition of our Rotafloat Newsletter / Magazine.

The Grants Chair PIC Bryan Skinner is preparing the guidelines for this year's grant.

The nomination for the IRC has been handed out by IPIC/COS Sergio to parties concerned to submit their recommendation from Area 3.

I do not see any major Fellowship activity in the horizon through the end of the year after the foregoing which would be a welcome break. Until then...

Sail On!



Jesus E. Avecilla
International Commodore

PHOTO GALLERY

GREECE



(L-R) Francois, Lil, with Capt. Vasilis in Milles



Lil and I in Meteora awed by the enchanting centuries old monasteries built on the cliffs



Temple of Poseidon at the background at Cape Sounion



Selda and Zeev at Laurion Marina



Lunch at famous Greek tavern Azzimakis and the waters off the beach at Sounio



Maria and Makkis hosted the group in their country house for coffee and enjoyment of the scenic view



At Flisvos Marina boarding the Anna Maru for a 3-Island cruise in the Saronic Gulf



On Shore Activities at Hydra, Poros and Aegina Islands



On Board Activities

At Kamena Vourla



At Katerina & Geroge country home



Cleaning and preparing the giant octopus which was prepared deliciously by our friend chef George



Enjoyed George's grilled octopus and lamb chops and relaxing after dinner



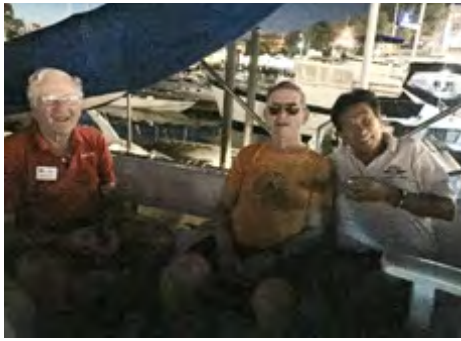
VICTORIA, CANADA



At Victoria Harbour Dock FC Ernie Urdal welcoming the members at the Meet and Greet



Presentation of Philippine Fleet Burgees to PIC Bill and Katia with PIC Clint on board Resolute and in exchange the nautical chart tray



Sunset drink



Lawn Bowling



Turnover of the Hands Across the Border Wheel to the next Host USA



The poor boar as the main course



RC Patric Hunt t(with the mike, standing) ells the history of the Port Wine and the "Nelson's Blood" to an appreciative crowd.



Cap'n Charlie Long doing his delightful entertainment everyone loves



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Regatta Carniola organized by IYFR Slovenia Fleet

Rotary Club Ljubljana Carniola with the support of Slovenian IYFR fleet organized the traditional Carniola Rotary Regatta on the Dalmatian route SPLIT – ŠOLTA – VIS – HVAR – SPLIT in Croatia.

The event took place from 28th to 31st May in sunny weather with quite changeable wind conditions.



INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE 2015-2017

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International Commodore

Guillermo Arteta (Argentina)
International Vice Commodore, A2C

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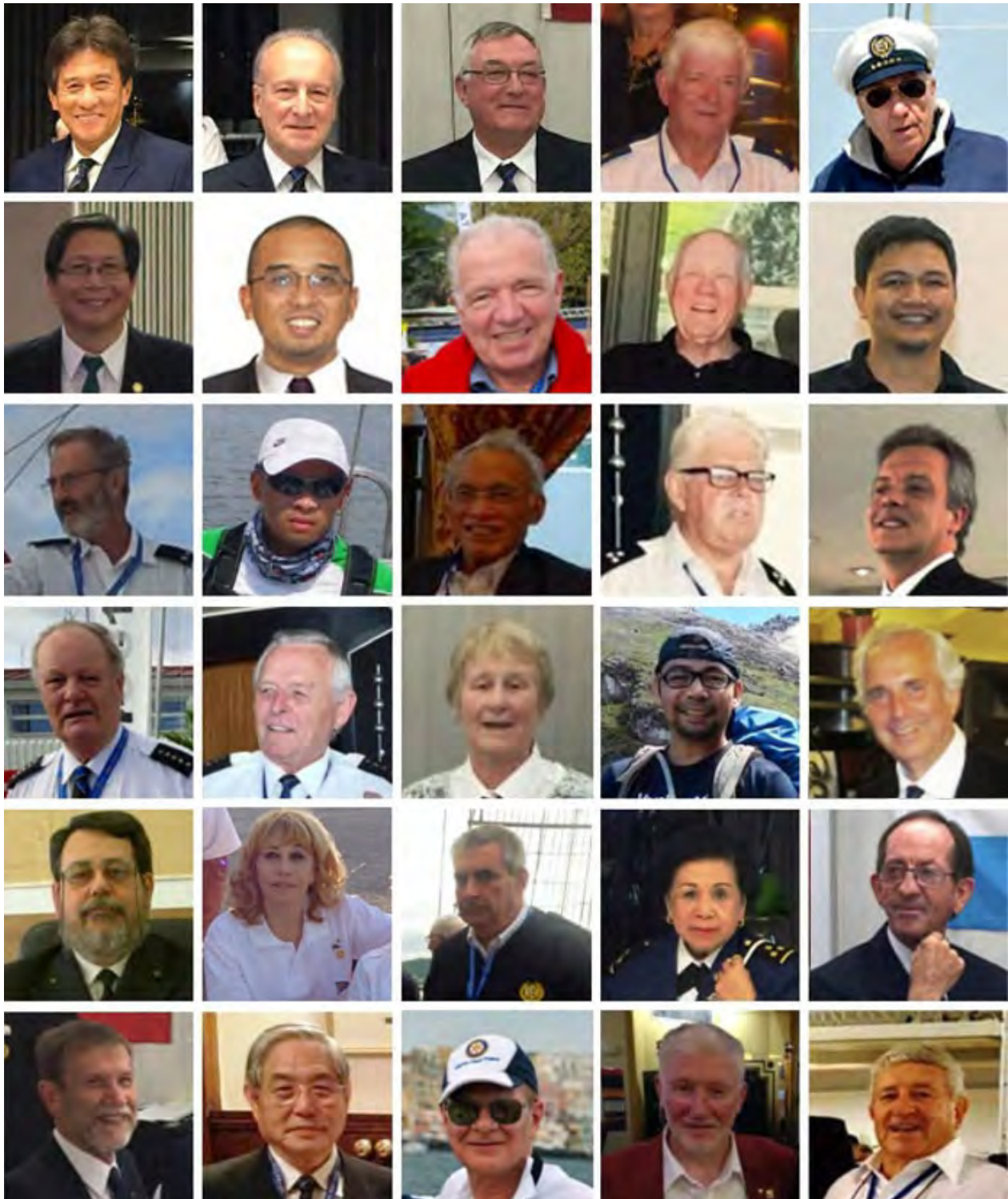
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First Row: (L-R) Jesus Avecilla, Guillermo Arteta, Robert Burns, Kerran Campbell, Sergio Santi
Second Row: Maximiano Tan, Zedrik Avecilla, Andre Gorgemans, Geroqe Futas, Jayson Herrero
Third Row: Luigi Norsa, Juan Paolo Villoria, Jose Sison, Roger Lingard, Cesare Ortis
Fourth Row: Bryan Skinner, Ken Winters, Ann Lockhart, Christian Datol, Zeev Matar
Fifth Row: Vincenzo Rinaldi, Angie Mesistrano, Carlo d'Amore, Gloriosa Valarao, Terry Stretton
Sixth Row: David Hansen, Kozo Kajino, Piotr Pajdowski, Pat Galligan, Grahame Werell



International Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians ANNUAL REPORT



Rotary Fellowships connect the Rotary family around hobbies, skills, professions, and recreational activities. Through Rotary Fellowships, Rotarians, family members, program participants, and alumni from all around the world connect with one another and build long-lasting friendships while bonding over topics of shared interest.



Our Fellowship has to prepare and send its Annual Report for the Year 2016 to Rotary International before 1st October and tell RI about your Fellowship's activities from the past year. Excluding the financial data, the information you provide may be used to promote your Fellowship through Rotary media.

We present to you the Annual Reports as written by the three Area Commodores.

Area 1

IRC Robert (Bob) Burns **Commodore Area 1**



AREA 1 COMMODORE'S REPORT 2016

Membership

Area 1 has seen a variation in fortunes between fleets over the past 12 months. Sadly, we have lost a few, including the Bourgas Fleet in Bulgaria and the Jaser-Wade Fleet in Germany, and there is a question mark over the future of some very small ones, especially in Turkey. However, the remaining keen members in the Jaser-Wade Fleet have transferred to the Germany North-West Fleet and it is hoped that through this strong active fleet, they will be able to attract new members again. Membership has also decreased in some fleets, such as those in the East of Africa Region.

All is not downbeat, however, as we have also seen the formation of some new squadrons and fleets. Last August the Mangalia Squadron, a squadron of the Varna Fleet, in Bulgaria, was chartered in Romania and now has 23 members, so will, hopefully, soon become an independent fleet, the first in Romania. This was followed in September by the charter of the Pomerania Fleet, in Szczecin, Poland, by IC Jun. This fleet has members living in neighboring Germany, as well as the Polish members. Charters continued into 2016 with the charter of two new squadrons, The Montenegro Squadron, a squadron of the Hellenic Ionian Fleet and the Albania Squadron, attached to the Italy South East Fleet. These two



squadrons are also in countries where IYFR did not previously exist, which is good news for the future of IYFR. Soon, at the beginning of July, a second Greek Fleet, The Hellenic Aegean Fleet, is due to be chartered in Athens and more new fleets and squadrons are in the pipeline.

The overall result is holding our membership in Area 1 to around 1900. While this is quite pleasing, we must work hard to encourage and help some of our existing fleets who are struggling, as well as looking to form new ones.

Fellowship

Good fellowship continues to be enjoyed throughout the Area. The 2015 Area 1 Meeting was held earlier than usual, in June, as I reported at the AGM last year, but the 2016 meeting is back in its usual place from 7th until 9th October, in Potsdam, Germany. This promises to be a very enjoyable event and a good deal of interest has already been expressed in it. The programme and the booking forms are available on the IYFR website and I very much encourage Area 1 members to attend.

Regional meetings continue to occur in different parts of the Area. For example, GB & I continue to have two meetings in November and March, with a handover of Regional Commodore every second year in June, while Germany have an annual handover Meeting around March and the Baltic sea Fleets also have an annual get together. I would encourage more Regions to bring members together in this way and so help them to get to know one another better, enjoying good fun and fellowship with one another.

A new position of 'Co-ordinator of the Adriatic and Ionian Fleets', has been created, with Vincenzo Rinaldi, of the ITALY South east Fleet, agreeing to be the first post holder. Many regattas and sailing events occur in these waters, but only a few IYFORians participate in them and then in an individual basis. However, there is an opportunity to have many more taking part together in events. Vincenzo organized the first meeting for these fleets in Budva, Montenegro, in April. This was an extremely enjoyable event, which included a sail on a gulet in the Bay of Boca, going ashore to a restaurant for lunch. During the business part of the meeting, the two new squadrons were chartered and also the Hellenic Ionian Fleet and the Italy South East Fleet signed a Twinning Agreement, which will hopefully lead to good co-operation and fellowship between the fleets. It is intended that through the efforts of Vincenzo, more IYFR members will come together in participation in some of the many regattas and sailing events which occur in this sailing area and so increase the fun and fellowship enjoyed by the IYFORians in these beautiful sailing waters.

A number of Rotary regattas continue to occur throughout the Area, in which IYFR fleets participate and I encourage the organizers to invite IYFORians from other countries to join them. For example, the Carniola Regatta, organized by the Rotary Club of Lubljana Carniola, in Croatia, and heavily supported by the Slovenia Fleet, had members from Germany, Turkey, Switzerland and Sweden participating, in addition to the members from Slovenia and, as an additional benefit to all the fun enjoyed, significant funds were raised to help buy an adapted car for a handicapped swimmer. This is real IYFR.

Service

Although no grants have been available this year, many service events have occurred across the Area during the past 12 months and others are planned, a number giving disabled people the opportunity to experience the joy of sailing and even to compete in races. Some fleets have raised funds to purchase equipment or even boats for disabled and one fleet has presented a lifeboat to the Search and Rescue. The lifejacket project between Italy and Africa continues and it is hoped that jackets will be designed, which can be made inexpensively in Africa, which has to be the best way forward.

IYFR has also agreed to support a Global Grant Application for a Polish Rotary project to establish a youth training camp, in order to provide residential courses for both able-bodied and handicapped youths, enabling them to learn to sail and benefit from the confidence and character building which it brings with it, while learning to live with and respect people from other countries.

Although problems occur in relation to membership with some fleets, I am pleased to report that; overall, Area 1 is healthy and still going forward.



Area 2

IVC Guillermo Arteta **Commodore Area 2**



AREA 2 REPORT – Area 2 - Year 2016

Several reasons exist to permit us to be optimistic regarding this Area of our Fellowship:

First of all, the recent chartering of a new fleet in a very auspicious way. The fleet in Pensacola, in the South Eastern Caribbean region of North America started its existence with 55 members. This, according to the research we did, is a record in the Fellowship. Its official name is “Emerald Coast”, due to the color of its waters.

The news could be of strategic importance considering that our next Convention will be in Atlanta, GA, not far from this fleet and the one in Mobile. For years, we had to organize PCCs in places where there was no fleet to help. The people in the locations mentioned are very enthusiastic with the prospect of having the Post Convention Course in their surrounding area.

Another good piece of news is the New Western Erie fleet. Its members are doing a great job for the community looking after the quality of the Erie lake water. The fleet that was given as lost in 2013, is now very active and expanding: It has recently created a new squadron on the Eastern side of the lake, at Sandusky.

The first AGM of the Southern fleets was a huge success, especially in the subject of friendship. Spontaneously, someone created a WhatsApp group and immediately everybody started to communicate within the group, with great humor. A startling surprise was that IPIC Sergio and then Carlo D'Amore, an Italian mariner living in Spain, joined in. People of different nationalities having fun, well done Fellowship!

The bad news was that we lost a fleet in the North Western region. The last good news to report is that almost all fleets are doing very well and also the sea scouts. These are coming again to the Convention and their booth will be again neighboring ours. There are no delinquent fleets in Area 2

Area 3

Kerrran Campbell **Commodore Area 3**



AREA 3 REPORT – Area 3 - Year 2016

*Kerrran Campbell
prepared for
IC Jun
May 2016*

REGIONS/FLEETS/MEMBERS

- Japan - 6 fleets - 170 Members
- Philippines - 17 fleets - 268 Members
- China - Hongkong - 1 fleet - 37 Members
- Pacific NZ 2 fleets - 86 Members
- Vic & Tas Australia - 3 fleets - 90 Members
- NSW Australia - 2 fleets - 33 Members
- Q & NT Australia - 3 fleets - 71 Members
- SW Australia - 2 fleets - 52 Members
- Total of 36 fleets
- Total Members from Roster, as of 4 days ago - 807 and while this is an increase from last AGM of 38 members, it does not include the memberships numbers of 8 new Philippine fleets, at least those that we know of.
- The Web fleet rosters for the 8 new fleets listed are blank
- We have been advised that this could add some 220 Members added to our roster!
- This will bring A3 to over 1000 Members
- I will circulate an update on this as soon as I have accurate data for the Philippine RC
- RC Gloriosa needs a great pat on the back for this effort
- The NSW fleets are still an issue, and we have not been able to achieve a new RC for the region, and the average age of the NSW fleet is approaching 80
- The average age of most of the fleets in Western countries of A3 is increasing with many in their 60-70 range
- Many fleets are losing boats and these are being replace with caravans - as happened to the Port Lincoln fleet
- The recent changes to the rules has helped but without young members we are heading the same way as Rotary



UPDATE ON GENERAL RULES FOR IYFR

- An update of the General Rules for IYFR have now been posted on the website have been well received and has contributed to the increase in membership
- The change in Dress Regalia for ACs, RCs and staff need to be resolved, as there is still some confusion

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE AND PCC

- Attendance in Seoul was less than desirable, the ability to arrange a convenient and cost effective PCC after the Rotary Conference appears from discussions to have an impact on attendance at the AGM
- Discussions with A3 RCs appears that the A3 AGM is now considered most desirable by A3 members to attend than the Rotary Conference, AGM and PCC
- Arrangements have been made for a PCC for those attending the Conference in Atlanta
- I believe we have to involve more fleets from A1

CURRENT A3 ISSUES

- Membership attraction from fleets (summarized)
 - Raft ups
 - Meeting with Guest Speakers
 - Involvement of DGs - This has not been as successful
- Payment and reconciliation of dues
 - Consideration of A3 method of control - Payment Template - after talking to the Philippines will further attempt to resolve this issue! Last year's solution failed
- Methods of operation of fleets in larger geographic regions
- Combined meetings as a method to further cohesion, the A3 meetings are gaining strength



Minutes of the Annual General Meeting Baiton Hotel, Seoul Korea 30 May 2016

Attendees:

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| 1. IC Jun Avecilla | 14. FRC Jaime Baniqued |
| 2. IVC Guillermo Arteta | 15. FLA Ping Sison |
| 3. IRC Bob Burns | 16. FT Jayson Herrero |
| 4. RC Kozo Kajino | 17. FAS Elvira Bautista |
| 5. RC Oyie Valaraao | 18. RO Ann Lockhart |
| 6. RVC Edmond Aguilar | 19. FM Fiona Taylor |
| 7. RVC Joe Ragos | 20. FM Monica Arteta |
| 8. RVC Joel Guillermo | 21. FM Josie Sison |
| 9. IS Cesare Ortiz | 22. FM Julie Ayres |
| 10. FC Peter Rowell | 23. FM Mac Ayres |
| 11. FC William Rogando | 24. FM Bruce Hall |
| 12. FC Josie Garcia | 25. FM Arwin Serrano |
| 13. FC Zedrik Avecilla | 26. FM Rexa Janina |

1 Call to Order	The Meeting was called to order by IC Jun Avecilla at 9:28AM
2 Appointment of Meeting Chair	IC Jun appointed IRC Bob Burns as Chairman of the meeting. IRC Bob gladly accepted the appointment and proceeded in presiding the meeting.
3 Welcome Remarks	IRC Bob Burns welcomed and thanked everyone for their presence and attendance. He later called on IC Jun to deliver his report
4 IC Report, Year In Review and What Lies Ahead	IC Jun acknowledged those present and introduced the members from the Philippine Fleet. He then highlighted his memorable experience at the AGM in Sao Polo in June 2015 when he took over the command from IPIC Sergio and the fun that everyone had in the succeeding PCC culminating in Rio de Janeiro. He could hardly believe that it was already a year ago. He reported that the Fellowship has remained strong with over 3,500 members and some 114 fleets worldwide and still growing. IYFR remains vibrant in terms of worldwide activities. He cited the Annual Canada/US Hands Across the Border Rendezvous that was held on Aug 21-28, 2015 in San Juan Island USA that seemed unknown to many outside Area 2 when it has been going on for the past 33 years. It is actually open to everyone who wants to join and the next rendezvous will be in Victoria on August 19-21, 2016. On October 2-4 the German-Polish Pomerania Fleet has been chartered by IRC Bob and IC Jun in Szczecin Poland and preceding that were glorious excursions and sightseeing



trips in Berlin from September 28 – October 1. After the Chartering there were also visits to scenic spots in Szczecin and trips to places like Stawa and Wroclaw from October 5-10. Regattas were held in Tuscany; Crossing Sail from Monaco to Portofino, Tall Ships Regatta to Ireland, Denmark and Norway with our Sea Scouts on board capped the sailing activities for the year.

Ushering the year and commemorating the visit of IPIC Sergio Santi to the Philippines on January 24 to February 1, 2016, RC Oye Valarao chartered 8 new Fleets. Thereafter we had our Area 3 AGM in Auckland on February 3-7 hosted by that New Zealand Fleet which was well represented by members from all over the Regions led by A3C Kerran Campbell and the respective RC's in the Area including an unprecedented presence of 5 International Commodores past and present namely: PIC Ken Winter, PIC Bryan Skinner, PIC Terry Stretton, IPIC Sergio Santi and IC Jun Avecilla, the most ever assembled. A joyful and memorable PCC at the Bay of Islands ensued from February 8-10 hosted by our Fleet there.

The First South American Area 2 GM was held in Buenos Aires organized by IRC Guillermo Arteta and RC Angie Mesistrano on April 6-10 attended by members of our Fleets in Argentina, Chile, Uruguay and Equador.

Another first is the he 1st Adriatic and Ionian Fleets Meeting was held in Budva, Montenegro on April 22-25 that saw the gathering of Fleet members from Croatia, GB & I, Greece, Italy, Slovenia and Turkey and highlighted by the twinning ISEF with HIF Montenegro Squadron and Albanian Squadron Chartering. This first was organized by FC Enzo Pirato and IS Vincenzo Rinaldi and led by IRC Bob and First Mate Ann. The wonderful affair was culminated by a day's sailing in Kotor Bay.

On the other side of the Globe almost simultaneously, the Osaka Bay Fleet enjoyed the Doutombori River Cruise on April 23 in Osaka City where 45 IYFR members and friends gathered led by RC Kozo Kajino.

On May 17, RC Kerran Campbell and First Mate Carol visited the Philippines on the invitation of RC Oye Valarao to officiate the chartering 3 new fleets bringing a total of 11 new fleets this year.

IC Jun established the first Philippine Fleet in 2009 and took him 3 years to form 10 fleets but RC Oye did 11 in 7 months



	<p>bringing a total of 20 fleets with 344 members as of this date.</p> <p>Again across the globe, the Carnolia Rotary Regatta was held from May 28-31 in Slovenia that is popular among IYFR members there.</p> <p>Forthcoming Activities:</p> <p>IC Jun reported that the Hellenic Aegean Fleet will be chartered in Athens Greece this coming July 1-3, where he and IRC Bob will do the officiating. The Fleet was organized by Hellenic Ionian Fleet VC Katerina Kostali-Papadimitriou.</p> <p>IC Jun stated that on October 7-9 the Area 1 AGM will be held in Potsdam, Germany and that he will be attending the meeting on the invitation of IRC Bob. The Affair is being handled by Germany Region Secretary Eckhardt Fisher.</p> <p>IC Jun disclosed the transfer of Area 1 account from Unicredit Bank in Italy to HSBC in Glasgow has been made and is being handled by A1T Annette Lewis. Area 2 account remains with Wells Fargo Bank in Kirkland and is being managed by A2T George Futas. A3T Jayson Herrero takes care of the Area 3 account with UCPB. Our 3 ATs report to IT Andre Gorgemans who has overall control of the accounts. The latest Financials prepared by IT Andre will later be reported by Jayson on his behalf.</p> <p>IC Jun reminded everyone of the next Annual Dues to be sent out by July 1 of this year and that the Grants will also be given out this year.</p> <p>He ended by enjoining everyone to rise for a moment of silence and prayer for PIC Bert Collins who passed on last November 14 at the ripe age of 94 and for the untimely passing of Liz Hansen the wife of RC David Hansen of New Zealand on May 1 due to a cerebrovascular accident.</p> <p>IC Jun turned over the microphone to IRC Bob who called upon AT Jayson to present the Financial Report (attached) prepared by IT Andre.</p>
5 Financial Report	<p>Jayson presented the financials as at April 30.</p> <p>IRC Bob made an inquiry on the \$21,000 deduction in the statement as of April 30 that IC Jun also observed. Under the current GR on Grants, grants will be paid every other year, and is schedule to be made at the end of the year thus will clarify with Andre about the \$21,000 deduction. It was pointed out that IC Jun, Bob and Guillermo have yet to</p>

	<p>receive their allowances for the year. All other inquiry will be forwarded to IT Andre as another report will be generated as at June 30, 2016.</p> <p>There being no more questions on the Financials, IRC Bob requested the IVC, the IRC and AC to take turns to make their reports.</p>
6 IVC Guillermo Arteta Report	IVC Guillermo read his report attached herewith.
7 IRC Bob Burns Report	IRC Bob read his report attached herewith.
8 A3C Kerran Campbell Report	<p>IC Jun on behalf of AC Kerran delivered his report in power point presentation (attached).</p> <p>IC Jun acknowledged presence of RC Oyie Valarao of the Phil Fleet and her staffs and IS Cesar Ortiz who came in late. He thanked Cesare who arranged the Formal Dinner River Cruise on board the Ellan Cruiser on June 1 and reminded everyone of the 7.30 pm assembly time and the venue including how to get there.</p>
9 Changes Procedures and Regulations	<p>An issue was raised concerning the epaulets wherein the number of stars of FC (3 stars) tends to give it higher authority than the RC and the AC which has lesser stars (1 and 2 respectively) as the color of the epaulet are hardly distinguishable. The IRC Bob exclaimed that the EC has been aware of this and studies are being made to find a way to rectify the matter. It will be introduced in the bi-annual review of the rules for possible amendments this year.</p>
10 2017 Atlanta AGM and PCC	<p>IRC Bob commented that AGMs has been well attended in the past and was expecting that Seoul will have a better turnout. The absence of a Fleet and local support made the preparations there difficult and affected the turnout. IC Jun thanked FM Youngshin Watkins who arranged the PCC tour to Busan where about 12 mariners have signed up. Cesare advised that in order to avoid the same problem in Atlanta the group should make a quick decision in selecting and booking the hotel and related functions as early as possible. IC Jun expressed that he has a sister who lives in Atlanta and would be helping in the preparations for the AGM while RC Roger Lingard will be working on the PCC with the support of the Emerald Coast and Compass Rose Fleets in Florida. Charleston and Pensacola are places that were mentioned as well as a Cruise to Bahamas or Cuba being explored.</p> <p>RC Kozo Kajino advised that the Area 3 GM will be held in Kobe, Japan in November in deference to Area 1 GM that will accordingly be held in Alicante, Spain the month before</p>



	<p>in October.</p> <p>IC Jun suggested that Area affairs be they Fellowship or Area meetings or Regattas or conventions should be outlined by the Area Commodores and included the 2017 Calendar of Activities in the website and printed in the Rotafloat for everyone's information to avoid conflicts in schedule.</p>
12 Other Matters	<p>Area1 Regalia Officer Ann Lockhart, proposed to put all non-moving inventory to fire sale and recommended a British company that can tailor their needs in their area. She also suggested re-pricing the inventory in US to avoid confusion. IC Jun welcomed the idea and said that they have also an accredited supplier where they can order or buy the IYFR uniforms in Area 3.</p> <p>RC Oyie sought the floor and spoke briefly of the goal of the Philippine Region to establish a Fleet in every Rotary District in the country. Right now there are 20 Fleets in 6 of the 10 districts in the Philippines. She is also working on a coffee table book to document the history of the Philippine Fleet. Beach Cleanup and Artificial Reefs Planting are two of the environmental projects that the Fleets are engaged in. Grand Fellowships which strengthen the bonds between Members and Fleets like during the visits of IPIC Sergio and AC Kerran also foster camaraderie and goodwill with International Officers. More importantly, the members are pursued and put to their task of paying their dues on time.</p> <p>IC Jun encouraged everyone to submit articles to Editor Zeev Matar for printing in the Rotafloat. IRC Bob commented that in his opinion people feel that the newsletter is too much of a reading that they actually do not read it. While IC Jun tends to agree, he said that it serves as the archive of the Fellowship activities for member's and our historian's ready and future reference. IC Jun suggested creating a link where the Newsletter can be sent via email to members and friends, and posted in social media where they can readily be downloaded and read at their convenience. FM Bruce Hall suggested creating an App similar of a FB friendly format. IC Jun took Bruce's advice and said he will discuss with his techie staff how to go about it.</p>
13 Adjournment	<p>There being no other matters to discuss the meeting were adjourned at 11:43AM. IC Jun thanked IRC Bob everyone for coming and requested the group for a picture taking.</p>

Prepared By:

Jayson Herrero
Meeting Secretary



**Financials per April 30th 2016 (US\$)****30 April 2016****30 June 2015****ASSETS****Current Assets**

Paypal	683.00	0.00
Unicredit \$	67 298.00	64 204.59
Unicredit €	22 833.00	13 919.39
Wells Fargo	9 557.00	3 318.84
Uruguay	0.00	2 671.16
Philippines	19 668.00	17 504.90
HSBC (30.3.2016)	5 894.00	
Petty cash	0.00	0.00

Total current**125 933.00****101 618.88****Other Assets**

Prepaid	0.00	0.00
Inventory Area 1	10 694.00	8 937.60
Inventory Area 2	6 554.00	6 123.52
Inventory Area 3	7 073.00	5 394.29
Other receivables	0.00	0.00

Total other assets**24 321.00****20 455.41****TOTAL ASSETS****150 254.00****122 074.29****LIABILITIES****Current liabilities**

Accrued expenses	36 424.00	9 474.00
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Total**36 424.00****9 474.00****EQUITY**

Accumulated funds	112 600.00	137 679.37
Net income	1 230.00	-25 079.08

Total Equity**113 830.00****112 600.29****Total liabilities & equity****150 254.00****149 831.61**



Profit & Loss

for the year 1.7.2014 / 30.6.2015

	Actual 30.4.2016	Actual 2014/2015	Budget 2015/2016
Revenues			
Fleet Dues & regalia (net)	35 197.00	27 979.14	30 000.00
Regalia sales	0.00	13 366.75	7 000.00
Cost of sales	0.00	23 463.92	5 000.00
Net	0.00	-10 097.17	2 000.00
Other income	15.00	0.00	0.00
Total income	35 212.00	17 881.97	32 000.00
G&A expenses			
Administration	1 165.00	391.07	2 000.00
Bank fees	1 236.00	1 469.33	2 000.00
Internet expenses	581.00	0.00	1 000.00
IB allowances	10 000.00	10 133.41	10 000.00
Various fees	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total expenses	12 982.00	11 993.81	15 000.00
Net available income	22 230.00	5 888.16	17 000.00
Convention revenues	0.00	0.00	0.00
Convention expenses	0.00	1 542.80	0.00
Net	22 230.00	4 345.36	17 000.00
Exchange Losses	0.00	925.90	
Grants	21 000.00	28 498.54	20 000.00
Net Income (loss)	1 230.00	-25 079.08	-3 000.00

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CHIEF OF STAFF REPORT



As the Area Commodores reports have already punctually described, 2015-2016 it has been a very successful year for IYFR. Memorable Area AGM has been celebrated and so Region and Fleet Meetings have maintained a high profile throughout the world. This is a general BRAVO ZULU!

However, I believe that it has to be pointed out that in this year, sometimes, generosity and enthusiasm do not necessarily have navigated alongside the good organization rules that in the past had characterized our Fellowship. In the enthusiasm of building up new Fleets after new Fleets, in certain cases the old and sound rules contained in the "HOW TO FORM A FLEET" directive pamphlet have been totally ignored. The result is a less than ideal situation in which an exceptional result has been partially obscured and impaired by the uncertain and personal procedures adopted that in the end have proved unsatisfactory.

I take the occasion to point out that during the year, the approved changes to the IYFR General Rules, have not been translated in all of the languages of the Fellowship. This is something that RCs should consider of the highest priority, given the fact that only a minority of the Fellowship Members can speak English.

Finally, an excellent procedure has been established in all the three Areas for paying and tracing the source of the annual fees. Hopefully this will limit the excruciating reconciliation job that the International Treasurer is called upon each year.




IYFR AREA 1 MEETING

7th - 9th October 2016

Postdam - Germany



**On behalf of Robert Burns, IRC and A1C
we announce the official program of Area 1 Annual Meeting of IYFR**

Postdam is the capital city and largest city of the German Federal State of Brandenburg. It directly borders the German capital Berlin and is part of the Berlin/Brandenburg Metropolitan Region. Postdam is situated on the River Havel, 24km. southwest of Berlin's City Center.





Program
IYFR Area 1 Meeting
in Potsdam – Germany

Friday October 7, 2016



Till 1600 Individual arrival at **Kongresshotel Potsdam**
<http://www.kongresshotel-potsdam.de>

1645 Meeting point in the lobby of **Kongresshotel Potsdam**



1700 – 2100 **Boat Tour with MS Potsdam from/to Kongresshotel**
Buffet on board



2100 – until late at the Hotel Bar

Saturday October 8, 2016

0945 Meeting point in the lobby of **Kongresshotel Potsdam**



1000 – 1600 **Guided bus tour Potsdam from/to Kongresshotel**
with lunch break



1630 – 1900 **Area 1 General Meeting – Kongresshotel**
for IYFoRians only



1930 – until late **Kongresshotel – Gipfel – Stüberl: Oktoberfest Buffet – Bayerische Brotzeit**



Costs for Friday and Saturday - without beverages

p/p Euro 165,00



**IYFR Area 1 Meeting
Optional Program on Sunday**
- Minimum participants: 40 -

Sunday October 9, 2016

0945 Meeting point in the lobby of **Kongresshotel Potsdam**



1000 – 1600 **Sightseeing Tour City of Berlin from/to Kongresshotel**



Including **Asisi Panorama Berlin – Check Point Charlie**
<http://www.asisi.de/de/panoramen/the-wall/photo-gallery-de.html>



Reichstag – House of German Parliament (Bundestag)
followed by lunch break in „Käfer Dachgarten-Restaurant“
on the top of the Reichstag
<http://www.feinkost-kaefer.de/berlin>

Costs excluding lunch break (on your own expense) p/p Euro 40,00



Program
IYFR Area 1 Meeting
in Potsdam – Germany

Notes:

Hotel reservation has to be made individually with Kongresshotel Potsdam

with an extra booking form **Hotel reservation IYFR Area 1 Meeting EN.doc**
Double room comfort: Euro 95,00; single room: Euro 65,00; Breakfast included

Travel Information / Airport Service Berlin-Schönefeld and Berlin-Tegel
can be found on the website of Kongresshotel Potsdam.

Obligatory registration and money transfer

have to be made until **July 31, 2016** with

PRC Hans-Georg Führer - e-mail: hg.fuehrer@t-online.de

All costs have to be transferred to:

Hans-Georg Fuehrer "IYFR AGM"

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JOIN ALL OF US IN POTSDAM

**PARTICIPATE IN THE GATHERING MEETING OF OUR
IYFR FELLOWSHIP**

JOIN YOUR FLEET FRIENDS AND MAKE NEW FRIENDS

SEE YOU IN POTSDAM



Hellenic Aegean Fleet Chartering Event



On Friday 1/7/2016 21.00 at the National Athletic League (NAL) – Salty in Piraeus was held this historic Chartering event with over 170 participants seated along long tables viewing the spectacular marina and its surroundings organized and partially sponsored by RC Koropi.

For the recognition of this special event had arrived and been presented among the new chartered Hellenic Aegean Fleet Fellowship many Rotarians and PDG from District 2740. The International Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians was present by distinguished guests from the International Bridge headed by IC Jesus "Jun" Avecilla, IRC and Area 1 Commodore Robert (Bob) Burns, FC Ann Lockhart Clyde Fleet from Scotland, RC Selda Gerson from Turkey, Vincenzo Rinaldi IC Special Assistant / Adriatic Fleets Coordinator from Italy and Zeev Matar IC special Assistant / Rotafloat Magazine Editor from Israel.

The Hellenic Aegean Fleet was presented for the chartering ceremony by FC Katerina Kotsali-Papadimitriou, VC Grigorios Grigoropoulos, RFC Takis Dalianis, Fleet Treasurer Anthony Matthew and Fleet Vice Treasurer Stamatis Zizis and Fleet Secretary Evita Kargioti.

Wonderful atmosphere mostly enjoyed by fantastic Greek food and most enjoyable Greek music which had made this event become unforgettable.

The ceremony was started by a prayer given by DG 2470 Apostolos Mamatas 2016-2017 followed by the Chartering ceremony held by IC Jesus "Jun" Avecilla and IRC Robert Burns Area 1 Commodore. After having chartered the Hellenic Aegean Fleet Bridge IC Jun had presented a special plate award to FC Katerina Kotsali-Papadimitriou for her dogged determination and exemplary leadership following the founding of the second Fleet in Greece which is formed by 64 Rotarian members and Rotaractors from District 2740 & District 2484.

Exchanges of donations, occasion to meet old and new friends, infinite toasts, hugging pictures and Greek songs which had passed through our veins as oxygen of loving Greek hospitality.

**LET US GREET THE HELLENIC AEGEAN FLEET
GO ON SAILING UNDER IYFR BURGEE
CHEERS & YAMMAS!**

Pictures from the event

IYFR Bridge Fellowship



International Commodore Jesus "Jun" Avecilla & wife Lil



Vincenzo Rinaldi & Eleonora , Daniella & Luciano Sambongna



George Papadimitriou & Katerina Kotsali-Papadimitriou



From left to right Zeev Matar, Sevinc Kuyas, Selda Gerson



From left to right Ann Lockhart, Vincenzo Rinaldi & wife Eleonora



From left to right Sevinc Kuyas, Lena Loverdou, Selda Gerson



George Papadimitriou & Lila Schliebener - Kyriakopoulou



Maria Delivoria & Ayoub Mahmoud Ayoub



From left to right DGN Dora Kemos next to Lydia Constadinides (wife of late John Constadinides)



Vice Commodore of the Hellenic Aegean Fleet with his wife Irma





Music entertainment

Wonderful Greek band and great singer had embraced all the public with the best music covers of Greek songs. Poetics and soul music mixed with Sirtaki and Rembetiko dances had brought the audience joy to be expressed by so many applauses as by joining to the songs.



Zeev Matar special request to sing Glykeria - Thessaloniki

The Chartering Ceremony

Hellenic Aegean Bridge



From left to right evening presenter Panayiotis Katrougalos & DG 2470 Apostolos Mamatas 2016-2017



IC Jesus Jun Avecilla giving his speech



FC Katerina Kotsali-Papadimitriou giving a speech



IRC Robert (Bob) Burns Area 1 Commodore giving his speech





Center - FC Katerina Kotsali-Papadimitriou

Center - FVC Grigorios Grigoropoulos with burgee



Fleet Vice Treasurer Stamatis Zizis gets the charter

Center - FVC Grigorios Grigoropoulos with charter



IC Jesus Jun Avecilla charter Fleet Secretary Evita Kargioti

The Hellenic Aegean Fleet



The Donations



Dances at evening closing



Special banner exchange

IC Special Assistant & Rotafloat Editor from Rotary Haifa Club in Israel District 2490 donates Club Banner to his friend Ayoub Mahmoud Ayoub from Rotary Cairo in Egypt District 2451



Articles from the press



«Η ΦΩΝΗ ΤΩΝ ΠΕΙΡΑΙΩΤΩΝ» Πέμπτη 14 Ιουλίου 2016

Τελετή Ίδρυσης Ελληνικού Στόλου Αιγαίου ΔΙΕΘΝΗΣ ΣΥΝΑΔΕΛΦΩΣΗ ΡΟΤΑΡΙΑΝΩΝ ΦΙΛΩΝ ΣΚΑΦΩΝ ΑΝΑΨΥΧΗΣ (IYFR)

Ο Διεθνής Commodore Jesus «Jun» E. Avecilla, από τις Φιλιππίνες, επέδωσε την Χάρτα Ίδρυσης του Ελληνικού Στόλου του Αιγαίου στην Commodore Κατερίνα Κοτσαλή-Παπαδημητρίου, προ-Διοικήτρια της Περιφέρειας Διεθνούς Ρόταρυ, στις 14 Ιουλίου 2016, στον Ναυτικό Σύνδεσμο (ΝΑΣ) Πειραιά.

Ο Στόλος ιδρύθηκε στα πλαίσια της Διεθνούς Συναδέλφωσης Ροταριανών Φίλων Σκαφών Αναψυχής, με την κα από τις δύο ελληνικές ροταριανές Περιφέρειες. Οι ροταριανές αναδείχθηκαν ως οι ιδρυτές ομάδες.

Ο νέος Στόλος, με δυναμικότητα 64 ιδρυτικών μελών, είναι ο μεγαλύτερος στην περιοχή.

Την τελετή παρακολούθησαν 170 επισκέπτες, ανάμεσά τους και πολλοί ξένοι. Οι λοιποί Αξιωματούχοι της Γέφυρας είναι ο Γρηγόρης Γρηγορόπουλος, Vice Commodore, Τάκης Δαλιάνης, Rear Commodore, προ-Διοικητής της 2470 ΠΔΡ, Εβίτα Καργιώτη, Γραμματέας του Στόλου, Αντώνης Ματθαίου, Ταμίας, και Σταμάτης Ζήσης, αναπληρωτής Ταμίας. Την οργανωτική επιμέλεια της εκδήλωσης είχε ο Ροταριανός Όμιλος Κορωπί.

Ο Διεθνής Rear and Area





...ανών με κοινά ενδιαφέροντα.

Στο πρόγραμμα δράσεων του Στόλου εντάσσονται εκδηλώσεις, ως ιστιοπλοϊκοί αγώνες, εκδρομές σε παραθαλάσσιες ή παραλί- τις περιοχές, εκπαίδευση νέων σε αθλήματα που σχετίζονται με την άδρα κ. ά. Στόχος, μέσα στα πλαίσια των ροταριανών δυνατοτή- τη, η προβολή του φυσικού κάλλους της χώρας μας, η προσέλκυση ροταριανών φίλων σκαφών αναψυχής από άλλες χώρες, η εδραίωση των φίλων και η προβολή του Ελληνικού Ρόταρυ πέρα από τα γεω- γραφικά πλαίσια της χώρας μας.

Ο Διεθνής Commodore Jun Avecilla εξήρε τη συμβολή της Κατε- ρινας Κοτσαλή-Παπαδημητρίου στην ίδρυση του ιστορικά πρώτου Ελληνικού Στόλου του Ιονίου τον Μάιο 2015, του οποίου και υπήρξε η Commodore με την αποφασιστικότητα και αποτελεσματικότητά της στην ίδρυση, ένα χρόνο μετά, και του δεύτερου Ελληνικού Στόλου, του Αιγαίου, τοποθετώντας έτσι την Ελλάδα ως μέλος, στο ευρύτερο χάρτη της Διεθνούς Συναδέλφωσης Ροταριανών, Φί- λων Σκαφών Αναψυχής (International Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians).

Commodore, Bob Burns από την Μεγάλη Βρετανία, είχε την ευθύνη τήρησης της τελετουργικής διαδικασίας, μαζί με τους Διεθνείς Αξιωματούχους Zeev Matar από το Ισραήλ, Vincenzo Rinaldi από την Ιταλία και την Regional Commodore Selda Gerson από την Τουρκία.

Την όλη εκδήλωση τίμησαν με την παρουσία τους από την 2470 Πε- ριφέρεια Διεθνούς Ρόταρυ ο Διοικητής Απόστολος Μαμάτας, οι π. Διοικητές Γιάννης Μαυρούλιας, Λορέντζος Χαζάπης, Μάρη Δεληβο- ριά, μέλος του Στόλου, η Υποδεξιμένη Διοικήτρια Ντόρα Κέμου και από την 2484 Περιφέρεια Διεθνούς Ρόταρυ η Εψηφισμένη Διοικήτρια Χρύσα Τσελέπη. Επίσης ο Εκπρόσωπος Ρόταρυ στον Σύνδεσμο Αραβικών Χωρών, Ayoub Mahmoud Ayoub.

Επίσης τις κυρίες και τους Κυρίους, Πόπη Δικαίου - Κοσσυφάκη, Πέτρο Παπαδόπουλο, Φωτεινή Καζιτόρη, Νταϊάνα Λυκουρέζου, Δημήτρη Αθανασίου, Άρη Κοτσαλάκο, Ρένα Βασιλάκη, Δημήτρη Μέξη, Θόδωρο Κοκκινιώτη.

Ευχόμαστε καλοτάξιδοι ο Στόλος και ευημερία και πρόοδο σε όλους.

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Τελετή Επίδοσης Χάρτας Ίδρυσης του Ελληνικού Στόλου Αιγαίου, στα πλαίσια της Διεθνούς Συναδέλφωσης Ροταριανών, Φίλων Σκαφών Αναψυχής (IYFR)

Την 1η Ιουλίου 2016, στον Ναυτικό Αθλητικό Σύνδεσμο (ΝΑΣ), ο Διεθνής Commodore Jesus "Jun" E. AVECILLA, παρουσία πολλών αξιωματούχων του διεθνούς στόλου, από τις Φιλιππίνες, επέδωσε την Χάρτα Ίδρυσης του Ελληνικού Στόλου του Αιγαίου στην Commodore Κατερίνα Κοτσαλή-Παπαδημητρίου, πΔ της 2470 Περ. Δ. Ρ..

Ο Στόλος ιδρύθηκε στα πλαίσια της Διεθνούς Συναδέλφωσης Ροταριανών, Φίλων Σκαφών Αναψυχής, με μέλη και από τις δύο ελληνικές ροταριανές Περιφέρειες. Οι ροταριανές συναδελφώσεις αφορούν ομάδες ροταριανών με κοινά ενδιαφέροντα. Στο πρόγραμμα δράσεων του Στόλου εντάσσονται εκδηλώσεις, όπως ιστιοπλοϊκοί



αγώνες, εκδρομές σε παραθαλάσσιες ή παραλίμνιες περιοχές, εκπαίδευση νέων σε αθλήματα που σχετίζονται με την θάλασσα κ. ά. Στόχος, μέσα στα πλαίσια των ροταριανών δυνατοτήτων, η προβολή του φυσικού κάλλους της χώρας μας, η προσέλκυση ροταριανών φίλων σκαφών αναψυχής από άλλες χώρες, η εδραίωση δεσμών φιλίας και η προβολή του Ελληνικού Ρόταρ πέρα από τα γεωγραφικά πλαίσια της χώρας μας. Την οργανωτική επιμέλεια της εκδήλωσης είχε ο Ροταριανός Όμιλος Κορωπί.

Κατά τον χαιρετισμό του ο Διοικητής Απόστολος τόνισε:

«Η Ελλάδα είναι χώρα θαλασσινή. Η ίδρυση του Ροταριανού Στόλου Ιονίου και η σημερινή του Αιγαίου, στα πλαίσια της Διεθνούς Ομάδας Συναδέλφωσης Yachting, αντανakλά την αγάπη του Έλληνα Ροταριανού προς το υγρό στοιχείο, με το οποίο είναι συνυφασμένο η ύπαρξή του, ο πολιτισμός και η ιστορία του.



Όμως στην σημερινή Ελλάδα, την Ελλάδα της οικονομικής κρίσης και της ρευστής αξιακής, πολιτιστικής και κοινωνικής ατμόσφαιρας, η δημιουργία στόλου Yachting θα μπορούσε να αποτελέσει πρόκληση και ευκαιρία για δυσμενή σχολιασμό ελιτισμού, αν στοχεύει σε ψυχαγωγική και μόνον δραστηριότητα και δεν καταφέρει να κάνει πράξη το Ροταριανό Ιδεώδες, να αξιοποιήσει τις διεθνείς γνωριμίες με προγράμματα και έργα στον τόπο μας και να μεγιστοποιήσει την Ροταριανή προσφορά μας στην Ελλάδα. Κάτω από αυτό το πρίσμα, η Περιφέρεια μας χαιρετίζει με τον πιο θερμό τρόπο την ίδρυση του Ελληνικού Στόλου Αιγαίου και εύχεται καλά και αποδοτικά Ροταριανά ταξίδια.»

Την όλη εκδήλωση τίμησαν με την παρουσία τους ο Διοικητής της 2470 ΠΔΡ Απόστολος Μαράτας, ο Εκπρόσωπος Ρόταρυ στον Σύνδεσμο Αραβικών Χωρών, Αγουβ Μαημουδ Αγουβ, ο τ Διοικητής Γρηγόρης Γρηγορόπουλος, οι π.Διοικητές Γιάννης Μαυρούλιας, Λορέντζος Χαζάπης, Μάρη Δεληβοριά, μέλος του Στόλου, η Εψηφισμένη Διοικητής της 2484 ΠΔΡ Χρύσα Τσελέπη και η Υποδεδειγμένη Διοικητής της 2470 ΠΔΡ Ντόρα Κέμου.





I HAD A DREAM

To bridge the divides between people so that the sea can unite nations which oceans separate and bring Greece among IYFR Fleets

PERSONAL COMMENT

Some two years ago following the creation of the Israeli Fleet I had called our Immediate Past International Commodore (IPIC) Sergio Santi letting him approve my dream of creating the first two IYFR fleets in Greece. I had emphasized my will to create the fleets according to the two Greek Rotarian Districts, idea which was approved by strong exclamation "do you really believe it will come true after various previous attempts which had failed"? Yes, Ναι/ Μάλιστα it will be done!

Having had for long year's profound feelings towards Greece and its people while having opportunity to visit the country more times, it was hard for me to understand how come the long sailing heritage of the Greek history is not present in our International Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians.

My basic idea was to create two Fleets, one for District 2470 and one for District 2484, idea which was changed for creation of two Fleets based on the Ionian Sea and the Aegean Sea, as both districts had front sea looking to the Ionian & Aegean Sea.

Long interim with my dear close friend PDG 2470 Katerina Kotsali-Papadimitriou, who had accepted to assist me. Katerina was so helpful to publish my letter in the Greek in both Districts journals action followed by my arrival to Thessaloniki Rotarian Zone 20B on 29-30 November for the Public Image 2014, to introduce IYFR and to announce that on 2015 is programmed the Chartering ceremony in Preveza of the Hellenic Ionian Fleet for which she was not only very active for but also becoming FVC of the Hellenic Ionian Fleet.

The Greek IYFR Fleets dream had become reality with the establishment of the Hellenic Ionian Fleet last year on Saturday 2nd May 2015, followed by the Chartering of the Hellenic Aegean Fleet on 1st July 2016.

The Chartering evening in Piraeus had presented me the occasion to meet for the first time with Lidia Constandinides the wife of late PDG 2470 John Constandinides, the honorable Rotarian with whom I had started the work in District 2470, but never gone to end due to his sickness and death. Meeting Lidia with whom I had short conversations in the past, made me deeply feel her husband loss and embrace the lovely lady feeling her sorrow in her soul crossing our eyes deepen by tears.

From my bottom of my heart I wish to the Hellenic Aegean Fleet and to its Fleet Commodore and dear friend Katerina Kotsali-Papadimitriou the best wishes for success, [Go on Sailing](#).

For the event I had written and read the following poem

AEGEAN FLEET - POEM

Here in Piraeus among old and new friends
To share our common love for the sea
Within our International Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians
Port for our sailing values to keep and deeply breathe.

What a joyful moment when dreams come true
Greece part of my love since young child
Athens and Piraeus deep in my heart
As Gelikeria and Haris Alexiou and all of you.



Let us charter with immense joy
The Aegean Fleet born by long Greek sailing heritage
To become IYFR lighthouse
Sailing in your gracious Aegean Sea.

Let us dream, you all and me
Sharing the words of Nikos Kazantzakis from Zorba the Greek
"Happy is the man, I thought, who before dying,
Has the good fortune to sail the Aegean Sea".

Let's toast for each of you
And deeply thank to all of you
Viva to the Hellenic Aegean Fleet
Wishing you joyful activity with infinite fun.

Efharisto poli to my dear friend Katerina Kotsali-Papadimitriou
Congratulations to all the new members of the Fleet

Go on sailing with the benedictions of Poseidon and IYFR burgee
Yammas with Mabuhay Toast for our common dream just signed.

When my dreams are coming true as now
I find myself willing to rest on a floating yacht
Moving by the waves in peaceful rest
With Aphrodite in one hand and Ouzo glass in my other hand.

Zeev Matar
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Saturday July 2nd 2016

IYFR

Visit to the archeological site of Sounion Poesidon Temple



Sunny Saturday, a promising interesting day of organized tour along the coast 70 Km south – southeast from Athens to Sounion to the Archeological site of the Temple of Poseidon. We had been kindly guided during the bus travel by Maria Delivoria who had given us a very interesting detailed historical explanation about the site and its importance for the Greek heritage.



We arrived to impressive archeological site viewing the ancient Greek temple site of Poseidon the God of the sea, earthquakes, storms, and horses in the Classical mythology, located at the southernmost tip of the Attica peninsula in Greece, surrounded on the three sides by the sea.

The Poseidon temple is considered to be built around 440 BC in the period of the ascendancy of the Athenian statesman Pericles, who is well known for having rebuilt the Parthenon in Athens. The temple was constructed over ruins of an old temple was built above the sea at height of 60 meters.





The Poseidon temple is a rectangular building with colonnade on all four sides of 34 Doric order columns out of which we note today only 15, having 6.10 m high with diameter of 1 m at the base and 79 cm at the top made of white marble.



In 413 BC, during the Peloponnesian War against the Spartans, the Athenians fortified the site with a wall and towers to prevent it from falling into Spartan hands which had tried to prevent grain supply to site. Athens' supply situation had become critical since the city's land supply lines had been cut by the Spartan fortification of Dekeleia, in north Attica. However, not long after, the Sounion fortress was seized from the Athenians by a force of rebel slaves from the nearby silver mines of Laurium (Laurium – Lavrio was famous in Classical antiquity for its silver mines, which was one of the chief sources of revenue of the Athenian state. The metallic silver was mainly used for coinage).



Poseidon

Poseidon was considered second only to Zeus (Jupiter), the supreme god himself. His implacable wrath, manifested in the form of storms, was greatly feared by all mariners. In an age without mechanical power, storms very frequently resulted in shipwrecks and drowning.

The temple at Cape Sounion, Attica, therefore, was a venue where mariners, and also entire cities or states, could propitiate Poseidon by making animal sacrifice or leaving gifts.



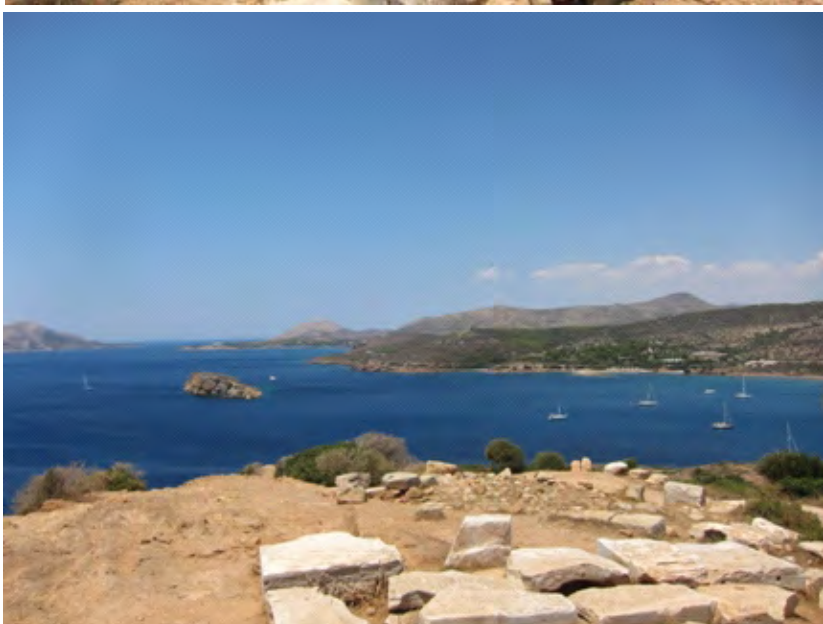
Poseidon or Zeus

Poseidon Cape Mythology

According to Greek Mythology, Cape Sounion is the spot where Aegeus, king of Athens, leapt to his death off the cliff, thus giving his name to the Aegean Sea. The story goes that Aegeus, anxiously looking out from Sounion, despaired when he saw a black sail on his son Theseus's ship, returning from Crete. This led him to believe that his son had been killed in his contest with the dreaded Minotaur, a monster that was half man and half bull. The Minotaur was confined by its owner, King Minos of Crete, in a specially designed labyrinth (Labyrinth, which was an elaborate maze-like construction designed by the architect Daedalus and his son Icarus, on the command of King Minos of Crete). The Minotaur was eventually killed by the Athenian hero Theseus. . Every year, according to the myth, the Athenians were forced to send seven men and seven women to Minos as tribute. These youths were placed in the labyrinth to be devoured by the Minotaur. Theseus had volunteered to go with the third tribute and attempt to slay the beast. He had agreed with his father that if he survived the contest, he would hoist a white sail on his return. In fact, Theseus had successfully overcome and slain the Minotaur, but tragically had simply forgotten about the white sail.



Minotaur in the labyrinth



Lunch in Greek restaurant next to the bay





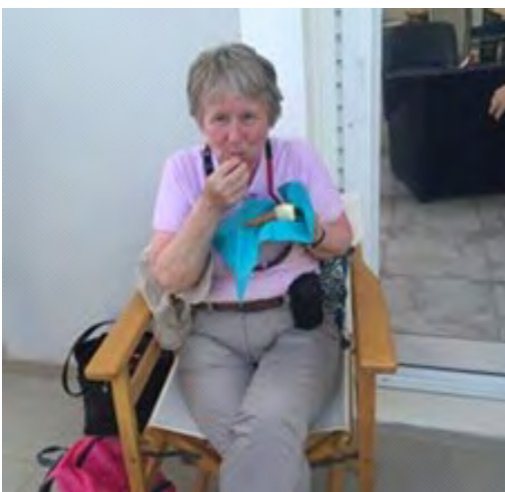
Hosted by Maria Delivoria & Makis Vassiliades at home

Great afternoon hosted by Maria Delivoria and her husband Makis [Vassiliades](#) with warm heart hospitality.

Soft drinks, cakes, ice cream, fruits and atmosphere of friendship among all the present.

Rotarians, IYFR International Bridge representatives, all together toasting,
speaking, laughing and having more than good time







From left to right IC Jun Avecilla, Renzo Rinaldi, Makis Vassiliades, Zeev Matar



From left to right Lelina Kassimati, IC Jun Avecilla, Ayoub Ayoub, Maria Delivoria, Zeev Matar

Viva Greece



On behalf of IYFR headed by the International Commodore Jesus "Jun" Avecilla & wife Lil and the International Rear Commodore and Area 1 Commodore Robert (Bob) Burns & wife Ann Lockhart, Region Commodore Turkey-Israel-Greece Selda Gerson , Vincenzo Rinaldi Adriatic Fleets Coordinator & wife Eleonora & Zeev Matar Rotafloat Editor & IC Special Assistant and our friends IYFR Istanbul Fleet Sevinc Kuyas and Luciano & Daniella Sambongna from Italy, we what to thank deeply Katerina Kotsali-Papadimitriou Fleet Commodore of the Hellenic Aegean Fleet and to all Fleet members and Rotarian friends for the worm hospitality received from our arrival till our departure from your lovely Greece.

To Lelina Kassimati who had guided us from Athens to Cape Sounion giving us historical lecture about the sites which we were going to see on our way and especially about our visit to the archeological site of Poseidon temple. To the exceptional couple Maria Delivoria & Makis Vassiliades our warm gratitude for the wonderful kind hosting in their beautiful house for an unforgettable afternoon.

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Sailing day from Piraeus to the Islands

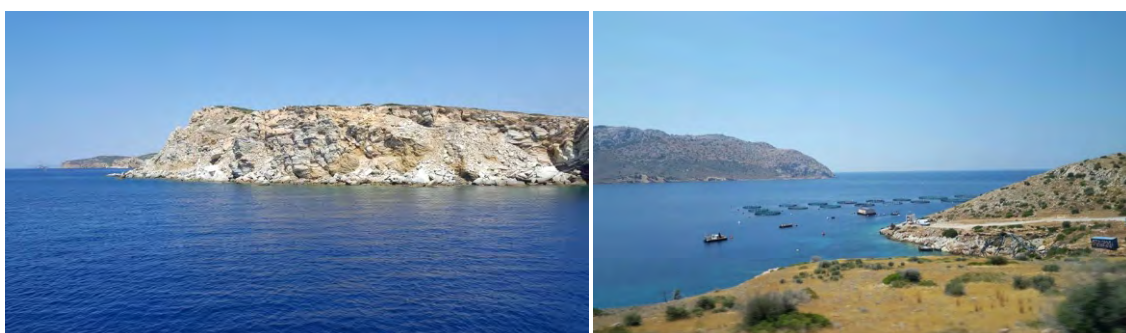
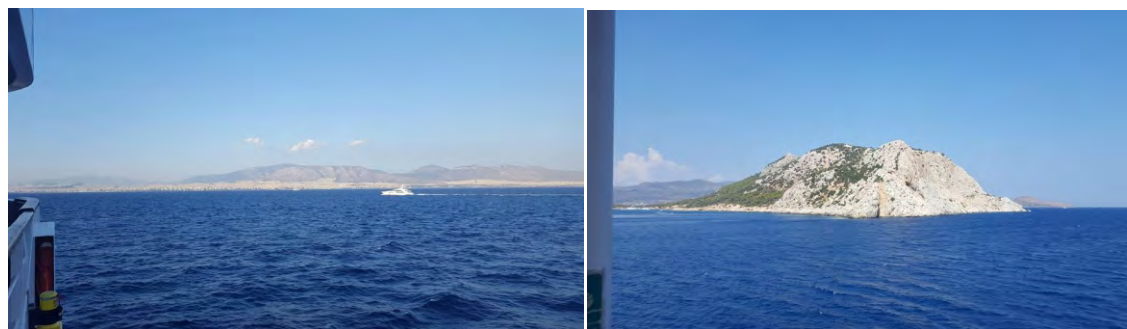
Sunday July 3rd 2016

Saronic Gulf



The sailing day was based on a regular cruise ship which carries about 200 hundred people to three islands in the Saronic beautiful gulf, starting from the Marina of Piraeus. The participants were about 30 Iforians from the Hellenic Aegean Fleet and all the invited from the International Bridge.

We had left the big Marina where are moored Yachts and Mega yachts, cruise ships and some military old ships.





From left IRC Rob, IC Jun, Rotafloat Editor Zeev, Balkan Fleets Coordinator Vincenzo



Hydra Island – First visit

After two hours navigation we arrived to Hydra Island located between the Saronic Gulf and the Argolic Gulf which is separated from the Peloponnese by a narrow strip of water. The Island of 52 km² is considered by the Greeks as a very fashionable Island with beautiful villas of whose and who.

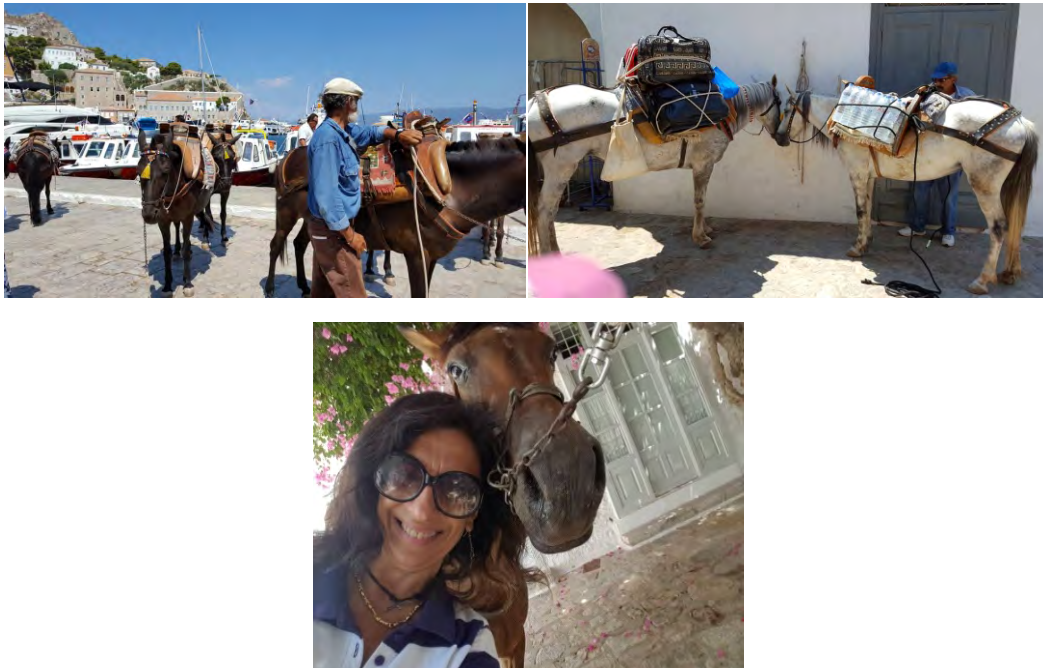
In 2007, a National Geographic Traveler panel of 522 experts rated Hydra the highest of any Greek island (11th out of 111 islands worldwide) as a unique destination preserving its "integrity of place".

We moored in the only city in the Island named Hydra port and went through this small city from the port zone towards steep stone streets climbing up the hilly passes. We could sense the old time calm friendly neighborhood life. No cars, no smog in the fresh sea air, while transportation is based upon donkeys or bicycles.

We had soft drinks; ice-cream and our stop in the Island had ended while sun.







Poros Island – Second visit

The second island in which we had moored was Poros which 33 km² called in ancient times as Calauria, Poseidon (God of the Sea) Island.

We got to know that in the War of Independence against the Turks in 1821, Poros fought alongside the other islands, and in 1830 became Greece's first naval base.

We had very short break in the island and being together with my IYFR friends what we could do was to take coffee and take ice-cream in this burning hot hour.





Aegina Island – Third visit

We had a guided bus round trip in a small portion of the Island. The highlights of this short visit taken one hour had given us the chance to drive along the coast till a small marina traveling next to the small house of the world famous author Nikos Kazantzakis who wrote the book of Zorba the Greek.

From the coast we had climbed a serpentine road within green fine trees forest to face an incredible isolated stone houses in opposite mountain of the road called Palaiochora Hill. The houses built in slop hard to reach had defended the people from invasion of strangers.

Our main tour was in the monastery of Agios Nektarios up on a hill in the inland area known as Kontos on Aegina Island, just a few miles from the port. Agios Nektarios of Aegina died in 1920 (1846-1920). Agios Nektarios is one of the most widely known Greek Orthodox Saints. He was officially recognized as a saint by the Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople in 1961. Each month, thousands of people visit the tomb of Agios Nektarios, to pray to him, or ask for his blessings, which always seem to be answered. His memory is celebrated by the Church on his name day the 9th November.





The house of Nikos Kazantzakis

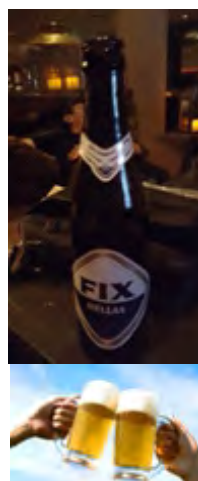


Palaiochora Hill





**On behalf of IYFR International Bridge we wish to thank the
Hellenic Aegean Fleet Fellowship by toasting for all of you with Greek Fix Beer
Cheers & Yamass**



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Slovenia Fleet



REGATTA CARNIOLA 28/5/2016 – 31/5/2016



Rotary Club Ljubljana Carniola with the support of Slovenian IYFR fleet organized the traditional Carniola Rotary Regatta on the Dalmatian route SPLIT – ŠOLTA – VIS – HVAR – SPLIT in Croatia.

The event took place from 28th to 31st May in sunny weather with quite changeable wind conditions with the participation of 25 Iyforians from the Slovenia Fleet and 4 Iyforians coming from Germany.

Saturday was spent for arrivals, taking over the charter boats of Hanse 445 and Bavaria 46 and free sailing in light winds to island Šolta. At Maslenica marina a pretty young lady Anđelina (Croat name for "angel") welcomed us, and every man-sailor wanted to make selfies with her.

The first regatta leg from island Šolta to Vis we had strong south-east wind (sirocco) that raised also sea on the open channel between islands. But all the boats passed 23 nautical miles very fast and without any technical or human accidents. So, you can imagine that the windy afternoon at Kut on Vis Island was filled with hot discussions about the experiences of the participants. We finished the day in the garden of one of the best Dalmatian restaurants "Pojoda", where we enjoyed the rich sea food and listen to the songs of "Viška klapa" (Dalmatian singers).

During the night wind died and next day our fleet moved to the aquatorium of Hvar Island, where we made only one technical leg (the pole) in light afternoon breeze. For the second "pole" leg there was simply not enough wind and time any more. In the evening we were guests of marina Palmižana on Pakleni Islands. The night was full of Rotarian friendship, food, drinks, music, dances and of course - discussions about maneuvers and tactics from the regatta field. The organizers announced all the winners and awarded them with traditionally modern designed cups.

Last night was definitely too short due to early departures of the boats to be delivered back to the charter agency at Split on time. Most participants promised to come next year again...

If we summarize briefly the statistics: 20 boats carried 150 participants of 4 nationalities. Our charity project this year was to support the purchase of the adjusted car for the handicapped swimmer Rok Smolej. We collected 15.000€. To this amount, Darko Đurić added his 5.000€ - and here, dear friends, we can explain you **another Rotary story**:



Darko Đurić is the Slovenian Paralympics swimmer, who has only one hand and no legs. He was the winner at London Olympic Games four years ago and he is also to compete in Rio this September 2016. Few years ago he could not afford to buy the proper prosthesis replacing him legs, because the price was close to 80.000€. We, on our Rotary regatta Carniola, together with the RC Ljubljana Carniola collected him 15.000€. With this first installment for the prosthesis he found next donator at Telekom Slovenia. As he already saved half of the requested amount, the Slovenian TV challenged the State Health Insurance Agency and they finally approved to Darko new prosthesis. But Darko did not want to use the money of his donators for other purpose. As an honest person he wanted to return us also our Rotarian donation. As we did not want back the charity money, which was collected from the regatta participants, Darko decided to join us. He became the member of Rotary Club Ljubljana Carniola. And this year he joined to our charity project with his personal donation. Yes, Darko is not only handicapped person and great Olympic sportsman; he is one of the heartiest men! We are proud, he joined to us.





Andjela (angel from Marina Maslenics) and Marko Kajzer president of RC Ljubljana Carniola in role of the Regatta leader



The crew of the Matjaž Loborec Slovenian new Fleet Commodore. Matjaž Loborec is the first from the right second from the left Marko Kajzer the past president of RC Ljubljana Carniola



The winning team of Damjan Rotter



Our next event will take place on the last weekend of May 2017.

Please be part of our coming event sending us subscription e-mail
around January – February 2017.

We are looking forward to welcome all of you
while please remember we are limited up to 150 participants.

Please address your request for participation to the following:

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“JADRANJE ZA JUTRI”

Sailing for tomorrow



Slovenian IYFR fleet with the support of three Slovenian Rotary Clubs (RC Škofja Loka, RC Medvode and RC Idrija) already for the third year coordinated the logistics and financed participation for the children with special needs from three schools (Škofja Loka, Medvode-Topol and Institute for blind and partially sighted children Ljubljana) in the sailing humanitarian and social project “Jadranje za jutri” (Sailing for tomorrow).

By our help 18 children with 6 companions joined to the fleet of 6 sailing boats from other Slovenian schools. With volunteered skippers children safely enjoyed their first sailing experience. The event took place from 25th to 28th of May South of Istria peninsula in Croatia. The fleet was based at marina Pula making daily sailings around. Children visited Brioni islands, Zoo and Aquarium, met dolphins and divers, magician taught them magical tricks, they tried to swim, to paddle, to row, they did sing and dance, but also took care for cleaning the boats, preparing meals and even steered the boats. Who learnt sailing skills was by the pirates' captain Hook accepted to sailors. And this means something!

We do receive many thanks from the schools' management every year and let us share with you some impressions children noted this year:

LUKA: “It was veryyy well, because there was no classical tuition. The first time I sailed and saw dolphins.”

SARAH: “My favorite was swimming.”

TINA: “In my memory at most remained our tour to the Zoo on island Brion.”

MAJA: “Most I liked the boat ride and swimming in different bays.”

TEVŽ: “I liked the visit of Zoo, eating on the boat deck and the adventure when we ran out of gas on our boat.”

JON: “It was unforgettable and so beautiful.”







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The Dardanelles Strait



The Dardanelles strait is named by the ancient city of Dardanus on the Asian shore of the strait which had taken its name from Dardanus the mythical son of Zeus and Electra, is well known to sailors as a natural narrow strait which connects the Sea of Marmara with Aegean and the Mediterranean Seas.

The ancient Greek name of the Dardanelles means “Sea of Helle” which was the ancient name of the strait. It was so called from Helle, the daughter of Athamas, who was drowned here in the Greek mythology.

The contemporary Turkish name is “Çanakkale Strait”, named after Çanakkale city which means “Pottery Fort” —from Çanak (pottery) + Kale (Fortress) — in reference to the area's famous pottery and ceramic wares, and the landmark Ottoman fortress of Sultante.

The Dardanelles located in Northwestern Turkey are considered as one of the world's narrowest straits used for international navigation. It is the passage to the Black sea through the Bosphorus strait which form together the Turkish Straits.

The strait is located at approximately **40°13'N 26°26'E / 40.217°N 26.433°E / 40.217; 26.433**.

Water flows in both directions along the strait, from the Sea of Marmara to the Aegean via a surface current while in the opposite direction via an undercurrent.

The Dardanelles being a very narrow and winding shape of the strait is more akin to that of a river. It is considered one of the most hazardous, crowded, difficult and potentially dangerous waterways in the world. The currents produced by the tidal action in the Black Sea and the Sea of Marmara are such that ships under sail must await at anchorage for the right conditions before entering the Dardanelles.

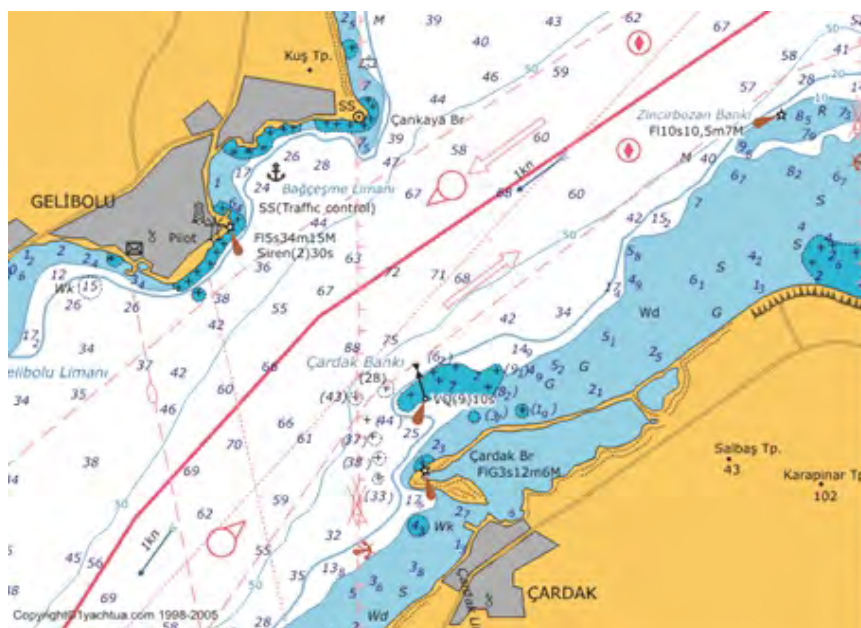
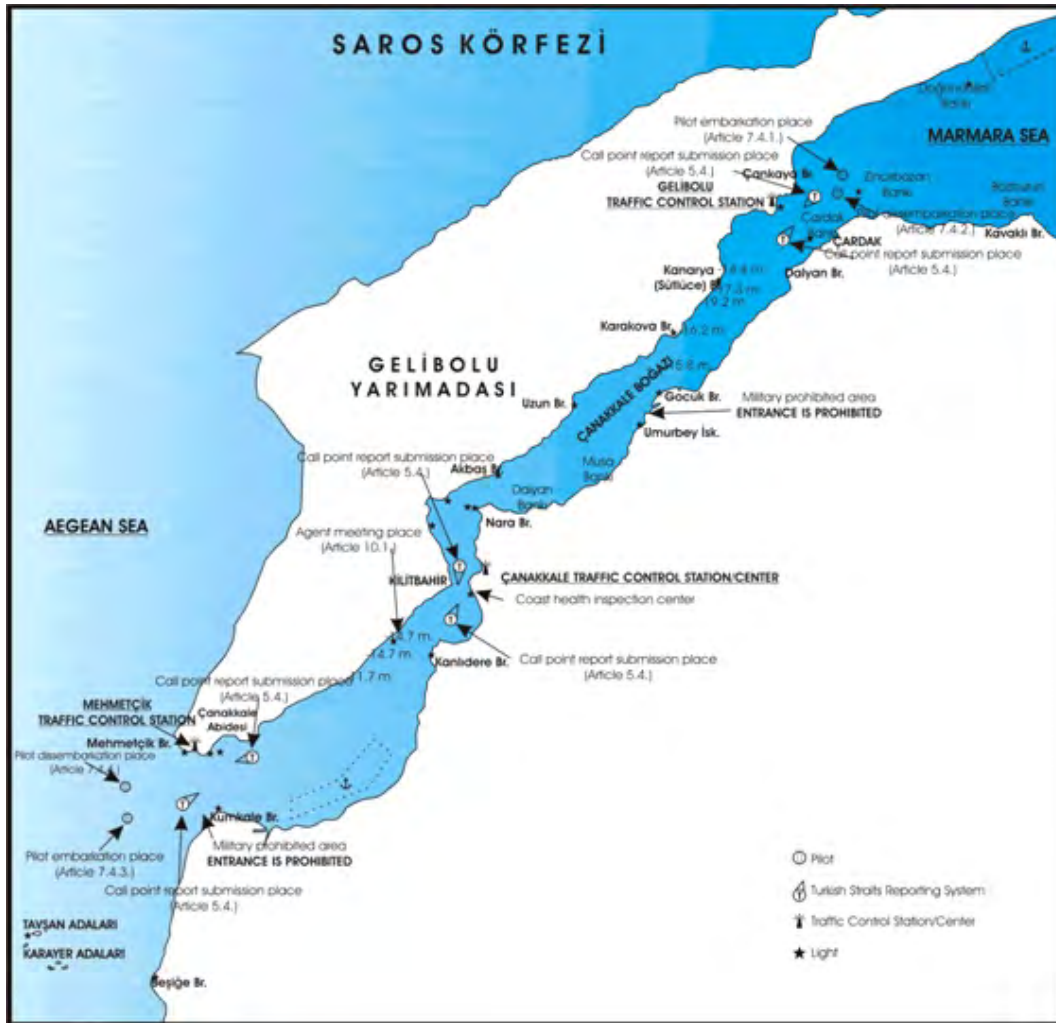


Considered as boundary between Europe and Asia the strait separates European Turkey from Asian Turkey, the northern shores of the strait along the Gallipoli Peninsula are sparsely settled while the southern shores along the Troda Peninsula are highly danced population in Çanakkale's city.



Satellite image of the Gallipoli peninsula and surrounding area

The strait is 61 Km (38 miles) long and 1.2-6 Km (0.75-3.73 miles) wide with 55 -103 meters (180-338feet) depth.



The Dardanelles is a strategic strait being the only connection sea access from the Mediterranean Sea via the Aegean Sea to the Black Sea around which are located Romania, Bulgaria, Ukraine, Russia, Georgia , Turkey.



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ARGENTINA

Delta Fleet

Change of Watch ceremony



On August 12 2016 in a nice dinner in the city of Tigre, Argentina, Mrs. Miriam Caudullo had been appointed as Commodore of the Fleet Delta. It was a night of camaraderie and friendship wishing Miriam the best of success. The Delta Fleet is composed by Fleet Commodore Miriam Caudullo, Vice Commodore Sergio Gomez and Rear Commodore Carlos Barrios.

Congratulations dear friends from Ecuador

El 12 de agosto, en una simpática cena en la ciudad de Tigre, República Argentina, ha asumido la señora Miriam Caudullo como Comodoro de la Flota Delta. Fue una noche de camaradería y amistad donde auguramos a Miriam el mayor de los éxitos. Acompañan a Miriam, el Vice Comodoro Sergio Gomez y el Contra Comodoro Carlos Barrios.

Felicitaciones queridos amigos de Ecuador



*From left to right Past Fleet Commodore Miguel Angel Prieto,
International Vice Commodore Guillermo Arteta Fleet Commodore Miriam Caudullo*





International Vice Commodore Guillermo Arteta and Fleet Commodore Miriam Caudullo



*From left to right Past Fleet Commodore Osvaldo Galmozzi,
Past Fleet Commodore Miguel Angel Prieto and Fleet Commodore Miriam Caudullo.*

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ARGENTINA

Rio della Plata Fleet



Rotafloat Magazine congratulates the Fleet. Go on sailing!

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CHILE

Puerto Varas Fleet



Sea Scout Cristian Peña awarded scholarship voyage with Christian Radich Tall ship



Sea Scout is awarded a scholarship by IYFR Chile Puerto Varas Fleet, to participate in the regatta Tall Ships Belgium -Portugal –Spain

Cristian Peña , a Scout enthusiastic sailor, member of the successful program developed by the Chile Puerto Varas fleet, could participate for 38 days aboard the great Norwegian sailing ship "Christian Radich" He had sailed for over 1900 nautical miles from Antwerp Belgium, via Lisbon Cadiz and la Coruna.

More than 150,000 visitors appointment to the arrival of the tall ships at ports of call were given.

When asking Cristian about his experience, he replied : "it was extraordinary , unique , I could share with other young people, build friendships , and never thought that the second place cup obtained in this race , was going be received in his hands.

Cristian Peña had thanked the valuable support of the scholarship grant from IYFR , without it would have been impossible had come true this wonderful experience.



Joven Scout Marino es becado por IYFR Flota Chile Puerto Varas, para participar en la regata Tall Ships Bélgica -Portugal -España

Cristian Peña, un entusiasta Scout marino miembro del exitoso programa, que desarrolla la flota Chile Puerto Varas, pudo participar por 38 días a bordo del gran velero noruego “Cristian Radich”, donde navegó más de 1900 millas náuticas desde Amberes Bélgica, pasando por Lisboa, Cádiz y la Coruña. Más de 150.000 visitantes se dieron cita a la llegada de los grandes veleros en los puertos de recalada.

Al consultar a Cristian por su experiencia, señaló que fue extraordinaria, única, que pudo compartir con otros jóvenes, crear amistades, y nunca pensó que la copa del segundo lugar obtenida en esta regata, la iba a tener en sus manos.

Agradeció además el valioso apoyo de la Beca que IYFR le pudo otorgar que sin ella hubiese sido imposible haber hecho realidad esta maravillosa experiencia.





Christian Radich vessel is a full-rigged three –masted steel hull 62,5 meter long, with over all length of 73 meters having width of 9.7 meter and displacement at full load of 1050 tons.

Built at Framnaes shipyard in Sande fjord, Norway it was delivered on 17 June 1937.

The Christian Radich is named after Norwegian ship owner which belongs at present to The Christian Radich Sail Training Foundation.

The vessel has a crew of 18 officers and sailors and can accommodate 88 passengers.



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Rotafloat Magazine congratulates Cristian Peña Adding IYFR compliments for Puerto Varas Fleet initiative Go on sailing!

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ECUADOR

Guayaquil Fleet

Change of Watch ceremony



On the night of July 21, in the beautiful city of Guayaquil in Ecuador, the Guayaquil Ecuador fleet it has conducted the Change of Watch.

The new Bridge is formed by Commodore Cesar Sicco, Vice Commodore Nelson Dossman and Rear Commodore Hugo Klopstein.

On this occasion Guayaquil Ecuador fleet has signed an agreement aid with León Becerra Hospital and the Meritorious Child Protection

Congratulations dear friends from Ecuador

En la noche del 21 de Julio, en la bella ciudad de Guayaquil, en Ecuador, se ha llevado a cabo el cambio de autoridades de la flota Guayaquil Ecuador. Ha asumido el nuevo Comodoro Cesar Sicco, el Vice Comodoro Nelson Dossman y el Contra Comodoro Hugo Klopstein.

Felicitaciones queridos amigos de Ecuador. En esta ocasión la flota Guayaquil Ecuador ha firmado un convenio de ayuda al Hospital León Becerra y a la Benemérita Protección a la Infancia

Felicitaciones queridos amigos de Ecuador



From left to right Fleet Rear Commodore Hugo Klopstein, Fleet Captain Vice Admiral German Yopez, Fleet Commodore Cesar Sicco, Past Fleet Commodore Rafael Quintero, Fleet Vice Commodore Nelson Dossman, Mr. Ricardo Kenny Hospital Leon Becerra President and Fleet Secretary Laurita Maldonado



From left to right Past Fleet Commodore Rafael Quintero, Fleet Rear Commodore Hugo Klopstein, Captain Vice Admiral German Yepez and Fleet Commodore Cesar Sicco.



From left to right Captain Vice admiral German Yepez, Hospital Leon Becerra President Mr. Ricardo Kenny and Fleet Commodore Cesar Sicco



From left to right Captain Vice Admiral German Yepez, Fleet Rear Commodore Hugo Klopstein, Fleet Vice Commodore Nelson Dossman, Fleet Commodore Cesar Sicco, Past Fleet Commodore Rafael Quintero, Fleet Secretary Laurita Maldonado, Fleet treasure Lebe Burbano and Captain Francis Dykmans.



From left to right Mariner Alejandro Goren, Past Fleet Commodore Jose Barcelona, Captain Vice Admiral German Yeppez, Fleet Rear Commodore Hugo Klopstein, Fleet Rear Commodore Nelson Dossman, Fleet Commodore Cesar Sicco, Past Fleet Commodore Rafael Quintero, Fleet Secretary Laurita Maldonado, Fleet Treasure Lebe Burbano, Mariner Maria Elena Andrade, Mariner Ana Zapata de Herrera and Captain Francis Dikmans.

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Rotafloat Magazine congratulates the Fleet. Go on sailing!

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Uruguay

Punta del Este Fleet

Change of Watch ceremony



In June 25 2016, during a beautiful bright midday sun, at the Golf Club Punta del Este, Uruguay, Punta del Este Fleet had appointed the new Fleet Bridge. We enjoyed the friendship and camaraderie while we welcomed our lyfirians, Commodore Felix Riestra, Vice Commodore Edgardo Gargano and Rear Commodore Esteban Pellejero.

Congratulations dear friends. Let us enjoy, Lets work and continue to grow

El 25 de Junio, en un hermoso mediodía de brillante sol, en el Golf Club de Punta del Este, en Uruguay, ha asumido el nuevo puente de la flota Punta del Este. Disfrutamos de la amistad y el compañerismo mientras dimos la bienvenida a las nuevas autoridades, Comodoro Felix Riestra, Vice Comodoro Edgardo Gargano y Contra Comodoro Esteban Pellejero.

Felicitaciones queridos amigos. A disfrutar, a trabajar y a seguir creciendo



From left to right District Governor Nominated Nicolas Canepa, District Governor Elect Alfredo Delgado, District Governor Luis Barros, Past Fleet Commodore Nelson Scleidorovich, Fleet Commodore Felix Riestra, Region Commodore Angie Mesistrano, Fleet Rear Commodore Esteban Pellejero



From left to right Region Commodore Angie Mesistrano, Fleet Vice Commodore Edgardo Gargano, District Governor Nominated Nicolas Canepa, District Governor Elect Alfredo Delgado, District Governor Luis Barros, Past Fleet Commodore Nelson Sclidorovich, Fleet Commodore Felix Riestra, Fleet Rear Commodore Esteban Pellejero



From left to right Past Fleet Commodore Nelson Sclidorovich, Fleet Commodore Felix Riestra



From left to right Past Fleet Commodore Nelson Sclidorovich, Region Commodore Angie Mesistrano, Fleet Commodore Felix Riestra



From left to right Fleet Vice Commodore Edgardo Gargano, Fleet Commodore Felix Riestra, Fleet Past Commodore Nelson Scleidorovich, Fleet Rear Commodore Esteban Pellejero and Region Commodore Angie Mesistrano



Fleet Commodore Punta del Este, Felix Riestra

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Rotafloat Magazine congratulates the Fleet. Go on sailing!

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Western Lake Erie Fleet

Chartered it's

Eastern Squadron

On April 13th, 2016 IYFR – Western Lake Erie Fleet officially chartered its' Eastern Squadron. The event took place at the Crow's Nest on Buck Road in Port Clinton. The Eastern Squadron will be led by Captain Ron Guerra of the Sandusky Rotary Club. The Squadron was formed with approximately fifteen members. The Eastern Squadron will represent IYFR Mainers east of an artificial line from Port Clinton toward Tiffin along SR 53. All IYFR Fleet members residing in the Eastern Squadron area are automatically a member of both the Fleet and the Squadron. Captain Ron will represent the Squadron on the Fleet Bridge.

We want to thank the Fleet Bridge and especially Maris Brenner for their efforts to make this happen. We feel the IYFR Mariners in the eastern portion of the fleet will be able to have more Squadron events in an area closer to their home Rotary Club and marinas.

Congratulations to all.



**Lake Erie is the 4th largest of the 5 Great Lakes and the 12th largest freshwater lake in the world
Lake Erie is 241 miles long, 57 miles wide, 60 feet deep**



*From left Tracy Guerra, Squadron Capitan Ron Guerra,
Hunter Sears Fleet treasurer, Jim Page Fleet Chief of Staff*



From left John Lippus, Jennifer Link Lippus, Mrs. Link, Ron Guerra



From left Lowrll Johnson, Sandra Reyes



From left Pam Brumbaugh, Audrey Smith, Jim Collet, Michael Brumbaugh



From left Hunt Sears, Barry Vincent, PDG Joe Ludwig, Becky Vincent, Cheri Sears



From left PDG/PC John Kurfess, Barbara Smith, Paul Smith



From left PDG Joe Ludwig, Becky Vincent

**Rotafloat Magazine sends its best wishes to Western Lake Erie Fleet
for chartering Eastern Squadron
Go on sailing with IYFR burgee**

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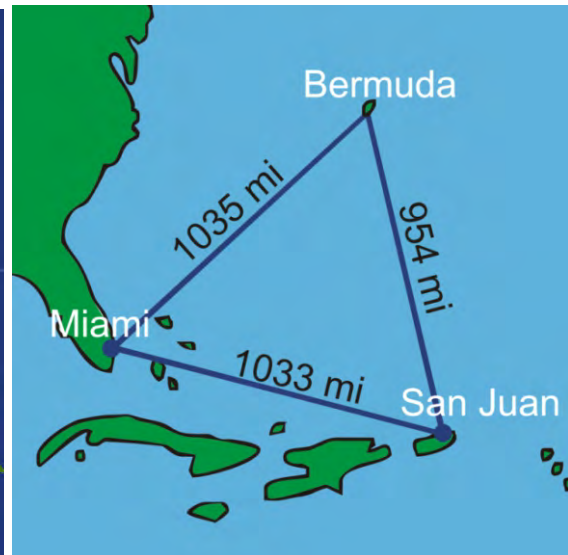


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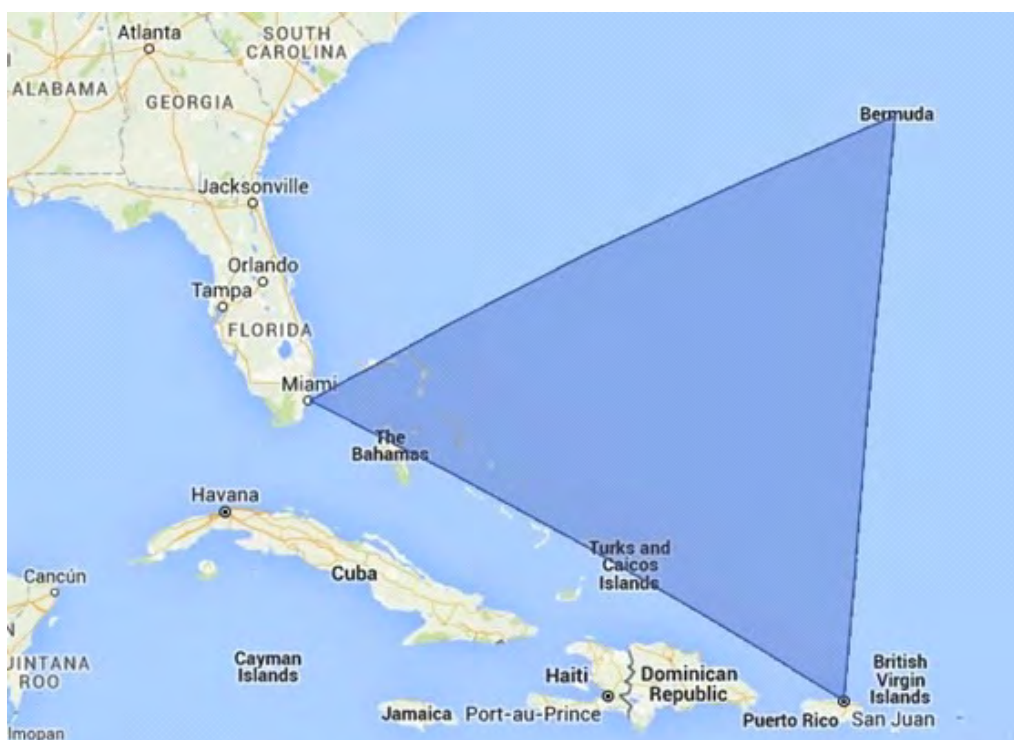
The Bermuda Triangle

Myth or Reality



The Bermuda Triangle called the Devil's Triangle is located in the western part of the North Atlantic Ocean with three vertices: in Miami, Florida peninsula, in San Juan in Puerto Rico and in the mid-Atlantic island of Bermuda. The total area concerned as the Bermuda triangle is estimated according to different triangle sizes from 1,300,000 km² – 3,900,000 km².

Even though the United States Board on Geographical names does not recognize the Bermuda triangle and it is not drawn on maps, the legacy of that area is covered by so many stories of “sea mysteries” of loss of ships and planes at that area.



In 1952 Fate magazine had published an article by George X. Sand, "Sea Mystery at Our Back Door" about the loss of several planes and ships including Flight 19, a group of five U.S. Navy Gummman TBM Avenger torpedo bombers on training mission.

In 1962 of the American Legion magazine was publish by Allan W. Eckert the following: "we are entering white water, nothing seems right. We don't know where we are, the water is green, no white".

Is the Bermuda Triangle a myth or has it to do with real facts making the mentioned are a dangerous sailing and flying area? So let me bring also the other side of these myth facts.

"The Bermuda Triangle Mystery" written in 1975 by Lawrence David Kusche conclusion was that number of ships and aircrafts reported missing in that area was not significantly greater proportionally speaking than in any other part of the ocean. The author says that even the area is frequented by tropical cyclones the number of disappearances are neither disproportionate and nor mysterious.

In 1992 the marine insurance Lloyd's of London had confirmed that Lloyds does not charge higher rates for passing through this area as not dangerous waters for shipping.

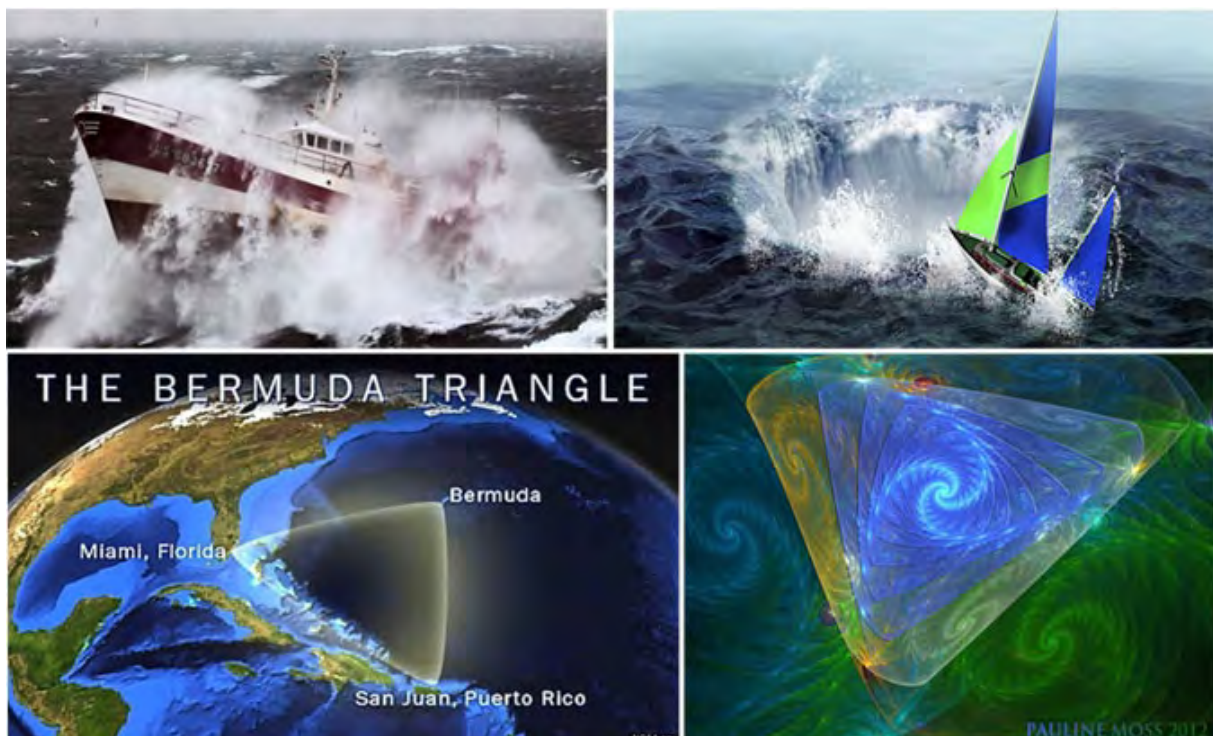
In a 2013 study, the World Wide Fund for Nature identified the world's 10 most dangerous waters for shipping, but the Bermuda Triangle was not among them.

Can we explain the Bermuda Triangle phenomena mentioning that the Gulf Stream originated in the Gulf of Mexico and then flows through the Straits of Florida "creates" a river in the ocean? A river which carries floating objects on the surface by about 2.5 meters by second which can carry fast away a ship having engine trouble or does it have to do with human errors to "create" myth?

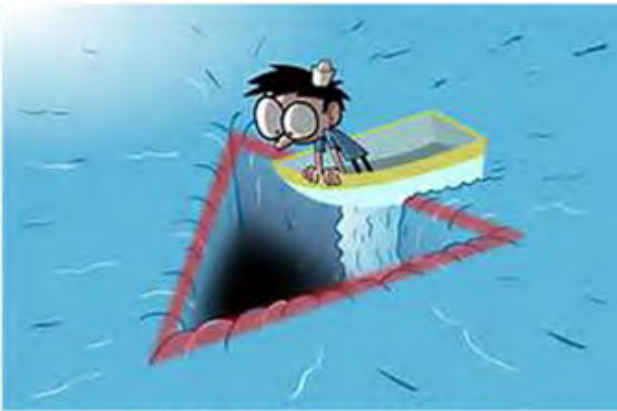
No doubt that the violent weather in the area caused Tropical cyclones which create powerful storms can be considered as the Devil's Triangle cause.

A powerful downdraft of cold air was suspected to be a cause in the sinking of the Pride of Baltimore on May 14, 1986. The crew of the sunken vessel noted the wind suddenly shifted and increased velocity from 32 km/h (20 mph) to 97–145 km/h (60–90 mph).

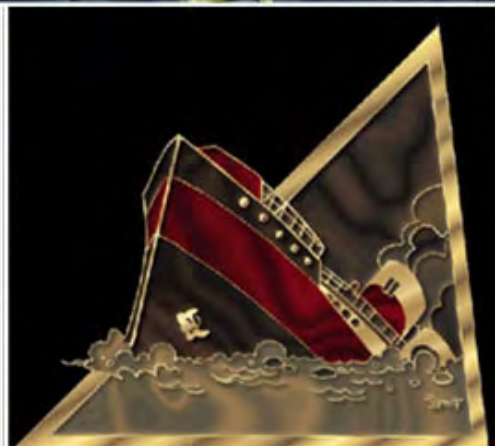
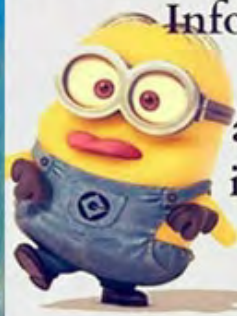
A National Hurricane Center satellite specialist, James Lushine, stated "during very unstable weather conditions the downburst of cold air from aloft can hit the surface like a bomb, exploding outward like a giant squall line of wind and water.



Cartons & Comics



My brain is like The
Bermuda Triangle...
Information
goes in
and then
it's never
found
again.





BERMUDA TRIANGLE POEM

We decide to get away
And have some fun
Book a room and catch a flight
For two weeks in the sun
She says, "Hawaii's too expensive."
I say, "Barbados isn't bad."
She says, "I'd love to see Bermuda."
And I say, "Woman, are you mad!"

Bermuda Triangle It makes people disappear
Bermuda Triangle Don't go too near
But she Doesn't see my angle
And she thinks I'm being dumb
So Bermuda Triangle
Here we come!

Lying with my woman on The island sand
I look up and see her with
A stranger, hand in hand
I see her sitting on his blanket
I see them going for a swim
And when I run to find my woman
I find her running after him!

Bermuda Triangle
Makes my woman disappear
Bermuda Triangle Don't go too near
Looking At it from my angle
Do you see why I'm so sad
Bermuda Triangle Very bad!

Lying lost and lonely on
The island sand,
When a lovely stranger says
Hello and takes my hand
And soon she's sitting on my blanket
And then we're going for a swim
When I say, "what about your boyfriend?"
She turns and waves goodbye to him!

Bermuda Triangle It makes people disappear
Bermuda Triangle Don't go to near
But look at it from my angle
And you'll see what I'm so glad
Now Bermuda Triangle Not so bad!

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BERMUDA TRIANGLE

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Bass Strait



Bass Strait is a sea strait separating Victoria, Australia, from the island of Tasmania on the south. Its 500 km long with maximum width of 240 km (150 miles) and its depth is 50–70 m (180–240 feet). King Island and the Indian Ocean lie at its western extremity, and the Furneaux Group is at its eastern end. Banks Strait is the southeastern opening to the Tasman Sea. Another small group, the Hunter Islands is located on the northwestern tip of Tasmania.



The exact borders definition of the strait are acknowledged as by the following:

On the West: The eastern limit of the Great Australian Bight [being a line from Cape Otway, Australia, to King Island and thence to Cape Grim, the northwest extreme of Tasmania].

On the East: The western limit of the Tasman Sea between Gabo Island and Eddystone Point [being a Line from Gabo Island (near Cape Howe, 37°30'S) to the northeast point of East Sister Island (148°E) line from Gabo Island (near Cape Howe, 37°30'S) to the northeast point of East Sister Island (148°E) thence along the 148th meridian to Flinders Island; beyond this Island a line running to the Eastward of the Vansittart Shoals to [Cape] Barren Island, and from Cape Barren (the easternmost point of [Cape] Barren Island) to Eddystone Point (41°S) in Tasmania].



The strait was named in 1798 after George Bass the surgeon-explorer after he and Matthew Flinders the English navigator had passed through it while circumnavigating Van Diemen's Land (now named Tasmania) in the Norfolk in 1798–99. Due to Mathew Flinders' recommendation, the Governor of New South Wales, John Hunter, named the stretch of water between the mainland and Van Diemen's Land "Bass's Straits", which later had become officially known as Bass Strait.

Bass Strait is notoriously rough due to its limited depth as well as strong currents between the Antarctic-driven southeast portions of the Indian Ocean and the Tasman Sea's Pacific Ocean waters provide a strait of powerful, wild storm waves. To illustrate its wild strength, Bass Strait is both twice as wide and twice as rough as the English Channel. The shipwrecks on the Tasmanian and Victorian coastlines number in the hundreds, although stronger metal ships and modern marine navigation have greatly reduced the danger.



Bass Strait, Cape Otway, Australia

Many vessels, some quite large, have disappeared without trace, or left scant evidence of their passing. Despite myths and legends of piracy, wrecking and alleged supernatural phenomena akin to those of the Bermuda Triangle, such disappearances can be invariably ascribed to treacherous combinations of wind and sea conditions, and the numerous semi-submerged rocks and reefs within the Straits.

Despite the strait's difficult waters it provides a safer and less boisterous passage for ships on the route from Europe or India to Sydney in the early 19th century. The strait also saved 1,300 km distance on the voyage.



A lighthouse was erected on **Deal Island** in 1848 to assist ships in the eastern part of the Straits, but there were no guides to the western entrance until the **Cape Otway** Lighthouse was first lit in 1848, followed by another at Cape Wickham at the northern end of **King Island** in 1861.





Bass Strait. Bridport, Tasmania



Bass Strait Islands, Tasmania



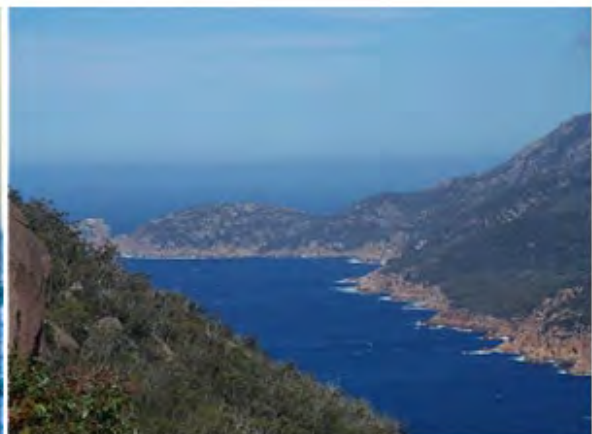
Bass Strait Island Hopper



Bass Strait Island Hopper



Cape Schanck Lighthouse over Bass Strait's stormy seas at pre-dawn

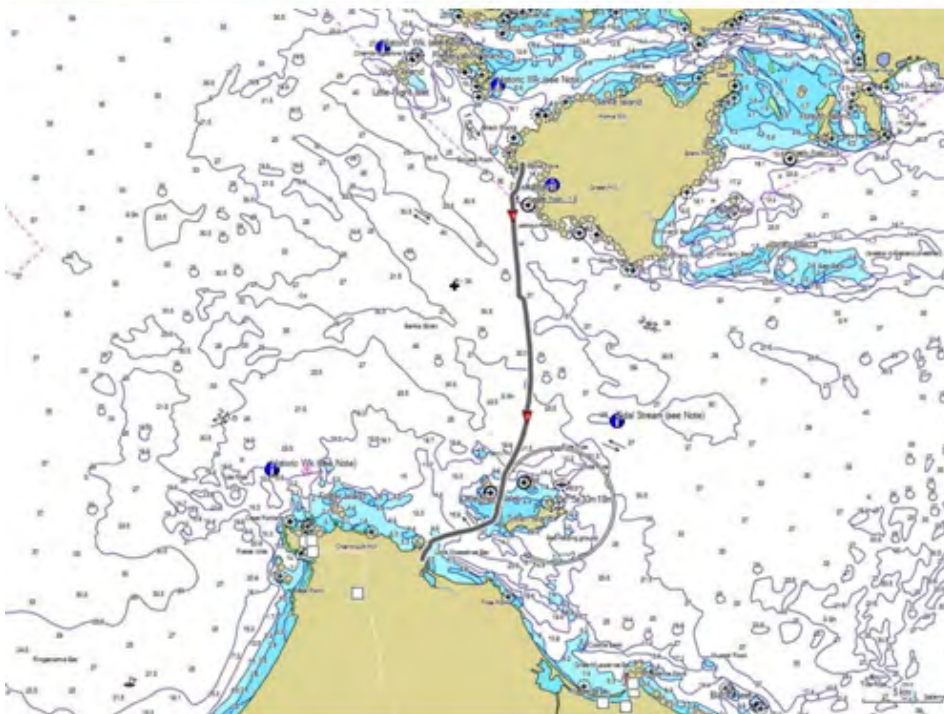


Bass Strait – Wineglass Bay Lookout



Kent Group Bass Strait





Kayaks across Bass Strait





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Sailboat Types

General type's description

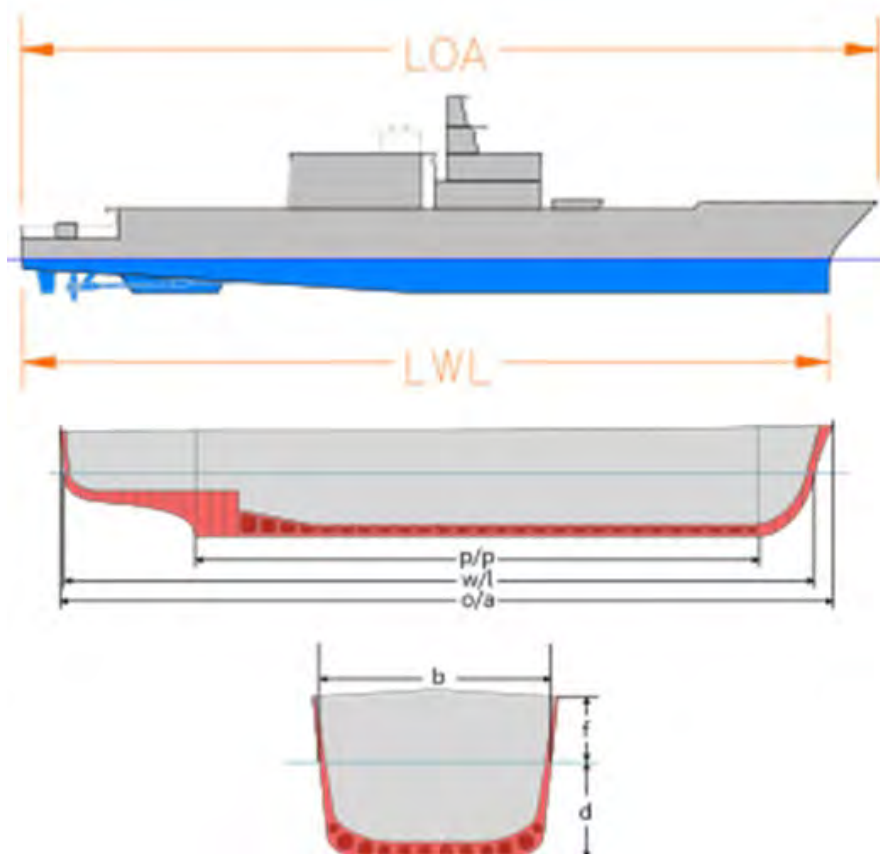


The sailing world market is offering a vast range of boats but essentially we speak about sailboats which are powered by sails using the force of the wind to cross the waters.

First article

The various sailing boats are referred to dinghies, boats and yachts, depending on their size length, the beam and weight.

The length is often abbreviated as LOA (length overall) - The maximum length of the boat and LWL (length on the waterline) - The boat's length measured at the waterline.





Length overall, often abbreviated as (**LOA**, **o/a**, **o.a.** or **oa**) is the maximum length of a vessel's hull measured parallel to the waterline. This length is important while docking of the boat. It is the most commonly used way of expressing the size of a boat, and is also used for calculating the cost of a marina berth.

LOA is usually measured on the hull alone. For sailing boats, this may exclude the bowsprit and other fittings added to the hull. This is how some racing boats and tall ships use the term LOA. However, other sources may include bowsprits in LOA. LOA has different meanings as: "Sparred length", "Total length including bowsprit", "Mooring length" and "LOA including bowsprit" are other expressions that might indicate the full length of a sailing ship.

Often used to distinguish between the length of a vessel including projections (e.g. bow sprits, etc.) from the length of the hull itself, the **Length on Deck** or **LOD** is often reported. This is especially useful for smaller sailing vessels, as their LOA can be significantly different from their LOD.

LOH

In ISO 8666 for small boats, there is a definition of LOH, or length of hull. This may be shorter than a vessel's LOA, because it excludes other parts attached to the hull, such as bowsprits.

LWL

Another measure of length is LWL (loaded waterline length) which is more useful in assessing a vessel's performance. In some cases (particularly old yachts or vessels with bowsprits) LWL can be considerably shorter than LOA.

The **waterline length** (originally **Load Waterline Length**, abbreviated to **LWL**) is the length of a ship or boat at the point where it sits in the water. It excludes the total length of the boat, such as features that are out of the water. Most boats rise outwards at the bow and stern, so a boat may be quite a bit longer than its waterline length. In a ship with such raked stems, naturally the waterline length changes as the draft of the ship changes, therefore it is measured from a defined loaded condition.

In sailing boats, longer waterline length will usually enable a greater maximum speed, because it allows greater sail area, without increasing beam or draft. Higher beam and draft causes higher resistance against the water.

BEAM

The **beam** of a boat is its width at the widest point as measured at the ship's nominal waterline. The beam is a bearing projected at right-angles from the fore and aft line, outwards from the widest part of ship. Beam may also be used to define the maximum width of a ship's hull, or maximum width plus superstructure overhangs.

Generally speaking, the wider the beam of a ship (or boat), the more initial stability it has, at expense of reserve stability in the event of a capsize, where more energy is required to right the vessel from its inverted position.

BOC

BOC stands for Beam On Centerline. This term is typically used in conjunction with LOA (Length overall). The ratio of LOA/BOC is used to estimate the stability of multihull vessels. The lower the ratio is the greater the boat's stability.

The BOC for vessels is measured as follows: For a catamaran: the perpendicular distance from the centerline of one hull to the centerline of the other hull, measured at deck level. For a trimaran: the perpendicular distance between the centerline of the main hull and the centerline of either ama, measured at deck level.

Sailboat Types

There are many different types of boats for sailing, differentiated by three distinctive characteristics:

Hull Type (monohull, catamaran or trimaran)

Keel Type (fin keel, wing keel, bilge keel, daggerboard, or centerboard)

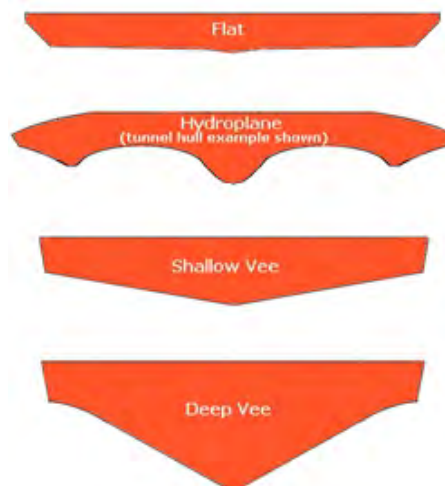
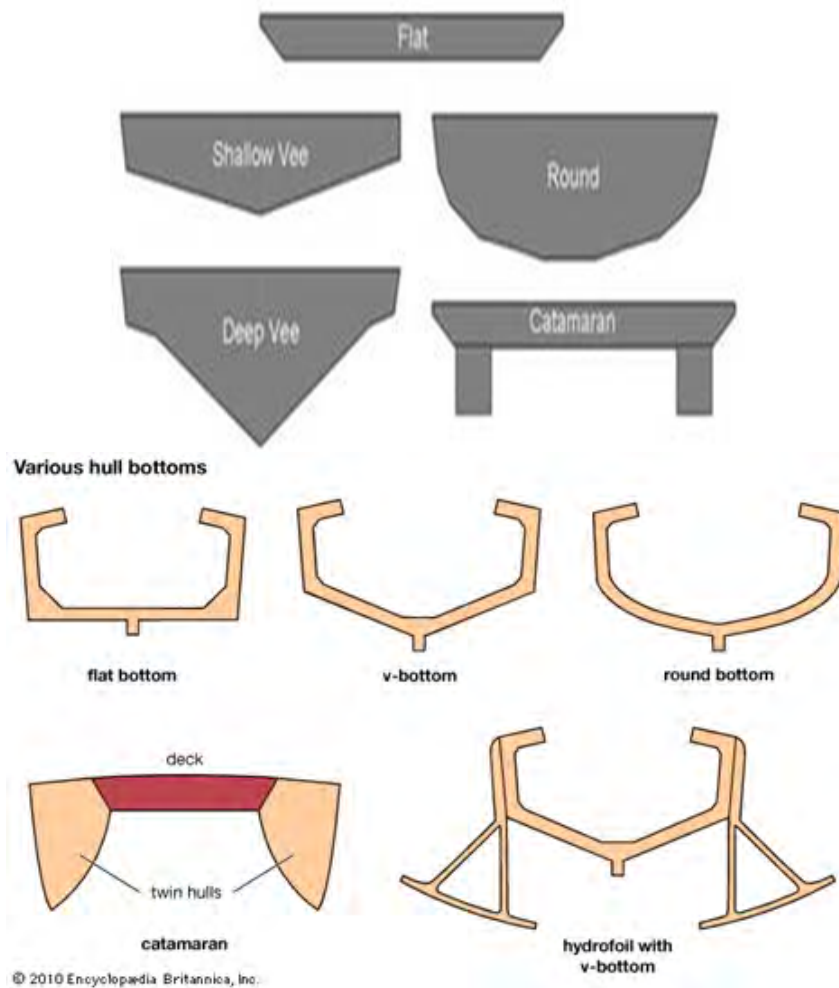
Mast Configuration and Sails (sloop, fractional rig sloop, ketch, schooner, yawl, cutter, cat)

Hull types

The hull is the main part of a sailboat, which is usually made of fiberglass, aluminum, steel, wood or composite.

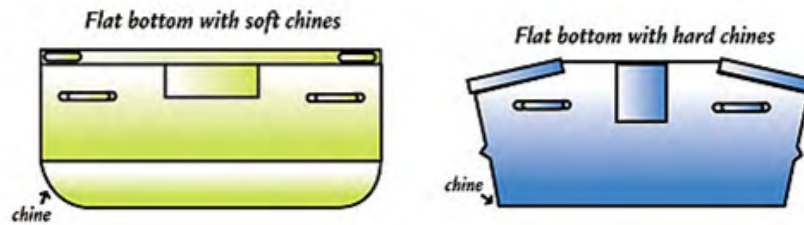
The boat hull shape is important for sea kindness, safety, load carrying capacity and speed efficiency in a particular speed range and operating conditions.

General shape Hull designs



Flat Bottom

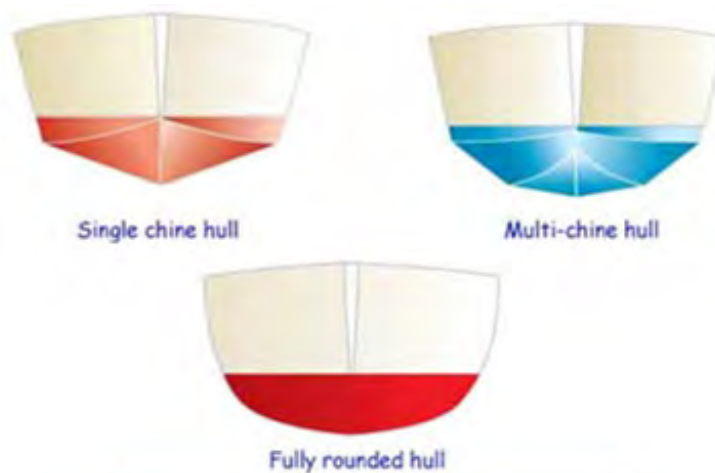
Stable in calm weather because of its flatter bow we note a rougher ride which make the boat sail on top of the water than through the water.



Rounded bottom

In comparison to the flat hull the rounded moves efficiently through the water at low speeds due to the bow wave they create while pushing through the water.

This hulls are usually used for canoes/kayaks & sailboats.

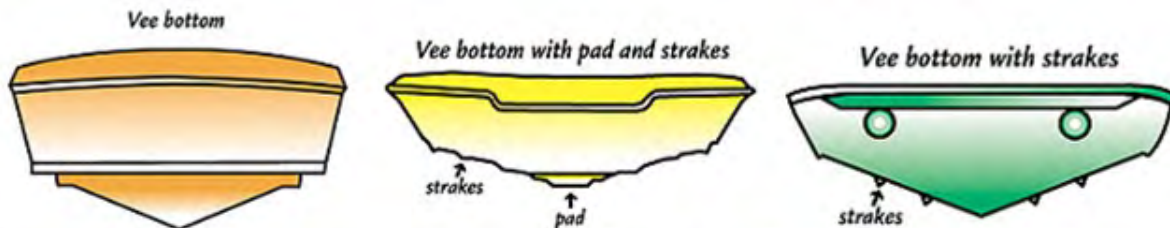


Metal rounded bottom sail boat

. Deep-V

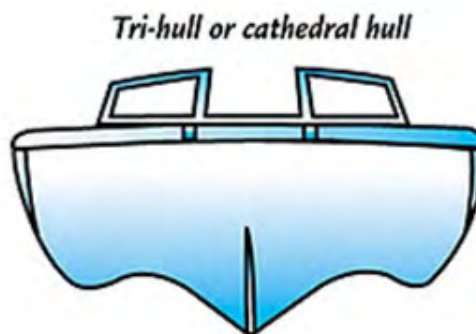
The V hull allows the boat to cut through the water to minimize slapping and provide some grip in turns.

The angel of the V is called the dead rise and tends flattens out toward the stern where the angel of the boat run. The V at the stern will be a big factor in exterminating the boat planning capabilities.



. Cathedral hull

This kind of hull is used for power boats providing more stability and better handling and some more claim lift, due to the air pockets between the mini-hulls.

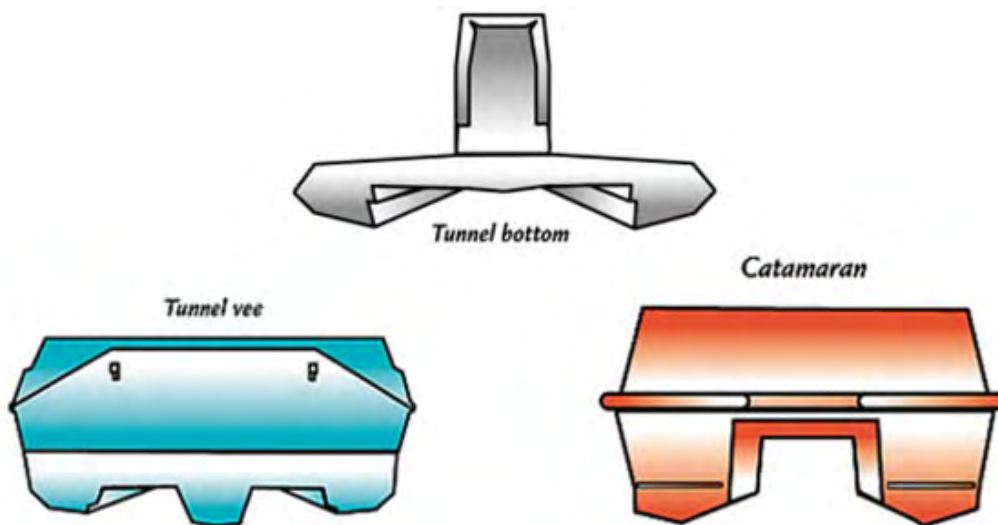


. Tunnel hull

Tunnel hulls or catamaran tunnel hull boats are the go fast boats. This design is used for supper fast racers as well as for dinghy's . The tunnel hull has a sharp inner corner or a 90 degree inside the hull but is rounded to the outside. The Tunnel shape provides exceptional grip in tight turns and allows for fast planing.

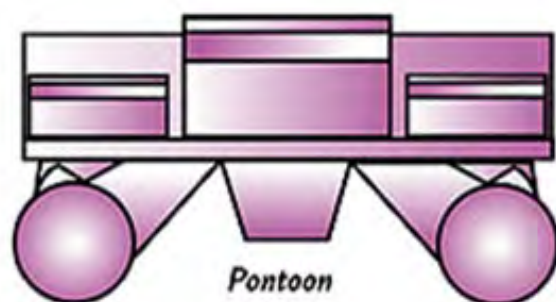
Tunnel boats have been designed to trap a cushion of air beneath the hull to reduce drag on the outside hulls. This design is different from a catamaran bottom because the inner edges of the outside hulls have sharp corners to improve the handling of these boats at very high speeds.

Many race boats are constructed with tunnel hulls and are sometimes called "hydroplanes".



. Pontoon

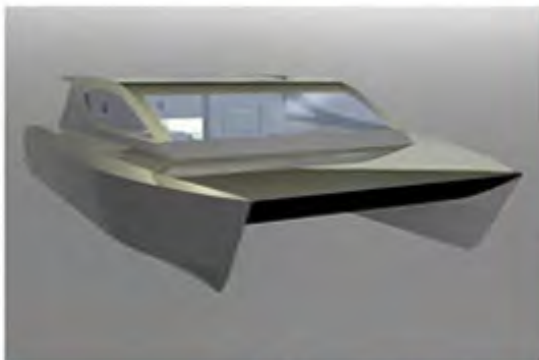
This simple hull design which allows for a flat deck to lounge around on. It's like catamaran but think of it as a deck with a line of drums tied to either side. This hull shape is great on calm water.





. Multihull

This term is associated with Catamaran & Trimaran sail boats which defines simply number of hulls with two or three of rounded bottom hulls respectively. The hulls distance is calculated for major stability.



Sailing boat Types

Hull Types : monohull, catamaran, trimaran

Monohull



Catamaran



Trimaran



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**Dear friends,**

Another three month had quickly passed and here comes the moment to write again our editor's note for September 2016 Issue. I find myself writing to all of you, while I have to admit that I would love to meet more of you and address you this note personally, but who can do it, to travel around our Globe to visit each IYFR Fleet and handgrip as many possible of you dear friends and exchanges banners and Fleet burgees.

So here I am to greet all of you Iforians at this particular moment while seasons are changing and between our hemispheres we are going from summer to autumn and vice verse winter is welcoming spring, so Mabuhay and Cheers.

Our task to publish every three month Rotaflat Newsletter is commitment not only towards our International Commodore and its Bridge but towards al our Fellowship, addressing you besides IC Message more information of what is going around our International Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians.

Schedule events from wherever we are informed or searching to be informed as well publishing articles of successful events that can interest our friends wherever you are.

We had introduced a new Sailing section which will cover with the time Sailing boat & accessories and more of this subject, so to make more of our friends be acquainted with the item as the subject is very wide and I assume that not all know the more.

For years our Rotaflat editions had been considered Newsletter but being very dedicated to Rotaflat Newsletter I had found myself more and more writing, editing and publishing a Newsletter under format of a Magazine.

I take this occasion to inform officially that from this Issue 103 our publication is Rotaflat Magazine for the International Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians.

We are approaching in September and October different Holly festivities celebrated among or Fellowship members,so please accept my best wishes for our distinguished friends of different faith addressing and blessing them and their dear families.

Let me wish our Fellowship friends of Muslim faith Happy Eid al – Adha for the 12 of September 2016 , which is known as the Feast of Sacrifice or Festival of Sacrifice as it commemorates Ibrahim's (Abraham) willingness to sacrifice his son to God. Let me wish our friends by the words **Eid Mubarak**.



Let me add best wishes to my Jewish friends happy Rosh Hashana which starts on the first day of Tishrei (or Tishri), which is the seventh month in the Jewish calendar, and may last for three days 2-4 October 2016. Holyday which is sometimes called the Day of Remembrance or the Day of Blowing the Shofar (A ram's-horn trumpet formerly used by Jews as an ancient battle signal and now used in Jewish religious festivities).

Let me wish my Jewish lyforians **Shana Tova** and add for **Yom Kippur** holiday which is the 10th day of the month of Tishrei (or Tishri) in the Jewish calendar 11-12 October 2016 known as the Day of Atonement and Repentance, which is dedicated to fasting and praying, adding **L'Shana Tova Tikatevu**.



To our
International Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians
Successful Fleets activities guided by true friendship and love for the sea
Go on sailing
MABUHAY

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THE FISH OF THE SEA

Come all you young sailormen, listen to me
I'll sing you a song of the fish in the sea,
and it's...

*Windy weather boys, stormy weather, boys
When the wind blows we're all together, boys
Blow ye winds westerly, blow ye winds, blow
Jolly sou'wester, boys, steady she goes.*

Up jumps the eel with his slippery tail,
Climbs up aloft and reefs the topsail,
and it's...

*Windy weather boys, stormy weather, boys
When the wind blows we're all together, boys
Blow ye winds westerly, blow ye winds, blow
Jolly sou'wester, boys, steady she goes.*

Then up jumps the shark with his nine rows of teeth
Saying, 'You eat the dough boys, and I'll eat the beef!'
and it's...

*Windy weather boys, stormy weather, boys
When the wind blows we're all together, boys
Blow ye winds westerly, blow ye winds, blow
Jolly sou'wester, boys, steady she goes.*

Up jumps the lobster with his heavy claws,
Bites the main boom right off by the jaws!
and it's...

*Windy weather boys, stormy weather, boys
When the wind blows we're all together, boys
Blow ye winds westerly, blow ye winds, blow
Jolly sou'wester, boys, steady she goes.*



Up jumps the halibut, lies flat on the deck
He says, 'Mister Captain, don't step on my neck!'
and it's...

*Windy weather boys, stormy weather, boys
When the wind blows we're all together, boys
Blow ye winds westerly, blow ye winds, blow
Jolly sou'wester, boys, steady she goes.*

Up jumps the herring, the king of the sea,
Saying, 'All other fishes, now you follow me!'
and it's...

*Windy weather boys, stormy weather, boys
When the wind blows we're all together, boys
Blow ye winds westerly, blow ye winds, blow
Jolly sou'wester, boys, steady she goes.*

Up jumps the codfish with his chuckle-head,
He runs out up forward and throws out the lead!
and it's...

*Windy weather boys, stormy weather, boys
When the wind blows we're all together, boys
Blow ye winds westerly, blow ye winds, blow
Jolly sou'wester, boys, steady she goes.*

Up jumps the whale... the largest of all,
'If you want any wind, well, I'll blow ye a squall!'
and it's...

*Windy weather boys, stormy weather, boys
When the wind blows we're all together, boys
Blow ye winds westerly, blow ye winds, blow
Jolly sou'wester, boys, steady she goes.*

*Windy weather boys, stormy weather, boys
When the wind blows we're all together, boys
Blow ye winds westerly, blow ye winds, blow
Jolly sou'wester, boys, steady she goes.*

This shanty probably originated as a Scottish fisherman's song.
It was also popular with Gloucester fishermen in the American Northeast.
This was a capstan shanty, and sailors would take turns with verses,
giving a new fish each time for as long as was necessary.



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Balclutha (1886)



Balclutha also known as Star of Alaska or Pacific Queen as well as Sailing Ship Balclutha was built in 1886 as a steel full rigged ship. Built for Robert McMillan of Dumbarton, Scotland ,by Architect Charles Connell and Company of Scotstoun in Glasgow.

Her namesake is said to be the eponymous town of Balclutha, New Zealand, but her name also refers to her first homeport, Glasgow, Scotland, which is a "City on the Clyde" - the meaning of her name derived from the Gaelic Baile Chluaidh. Designed as a general trader, Balclutha rounded Cape Horn 17 times in thirteen years. At present since 1988 she is mooring at Hyde Street Pier of the San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park.

Lunched in 6th December 1886 and in service from 15 January 1887 is three-masted full-rigged ship. Length 92 m' (301 ft) , Beam 11.8 m' (38.6 ft) , Height 44 m' (145 ft), Draught 6.2 m' 9 20.3 ft), Depth of hold 6.9 m' (22.7 ft), Tonnage 1,689 GT & 1,614 NT, Displacement circa 4,100 tons while Tons burthen 2,650 tons.

Propulsion with 25 sails of rigged with royal sails over double top & single topgallant sails, careening 26 - man crew.





Historical name changes

Balclutha

Balclutha started its first period as cargos carrier of wine, case oil, and coal from Europe and the East Coast of the United States to various ports in the Pacific. These included Chile for nitrate, Australia and New Zealand for wool, Burma for rice, San Francisco for grain, and the Pacific Northwest for timber.

In 1899 Balclutha transferred to the registry of Hawaii, and traded timber from the Pacific Northwest to Australia, returning to San Francisco with Australian coal.

Star of Alaska

In 1902 Balclutha was chartered to the Alaska Packers' Association (APA). After having struck a reef off of Sitkinak Island near Kodiak Island on May 16, 1904, she was renamed the Star of Alaska when bought by APA for merely \$500. After extended repairs she joined the salmon fishing trade, sailing north from the San Francisco area to the Chignik Bay, Alaska, in April with supplies, fishermen, and cannery workers, and returned in September with a cargo of canned salmon, for which it carried over 200 crew and passengers.

In 1911 the poop deck was extended to the main mast to accommodate Italian and Scandinavian workers. This expansion is called the shelter deck. In the tween deck, bunks for Chinese workers were built. Her last voyage in this trade was in 1930, when she then was laid up after her return home.

Pacific Queen

In 1933, Star of Alaska was renamed **Pacific Queen** by her new owner Frank Kissinger.

As Pacific Queen the vessel had appeared in 1935 in the American film “Mutiny on the Bounty”, considered one of the biggest hits of its time and the best cinematic work inspired by the mutiny. The drama starring Charles Laughton and Clark Gable, directed by Frank Lloyd based on the Charles Nordhoff and James Norman Hall novel Mutiny on the Bounty.

She then eked out an existence as an exhibition ship, gradually deteriorating, and was for a while exhibited as a "pirate ship".

Balclutha

In 1954, Pacific Queen was acquired by the San Francisco Maritime Museum, which restored her and renamed her Balclutha. Since 1988 she was moved for mooring at Hyde Street Pier of the San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park.







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