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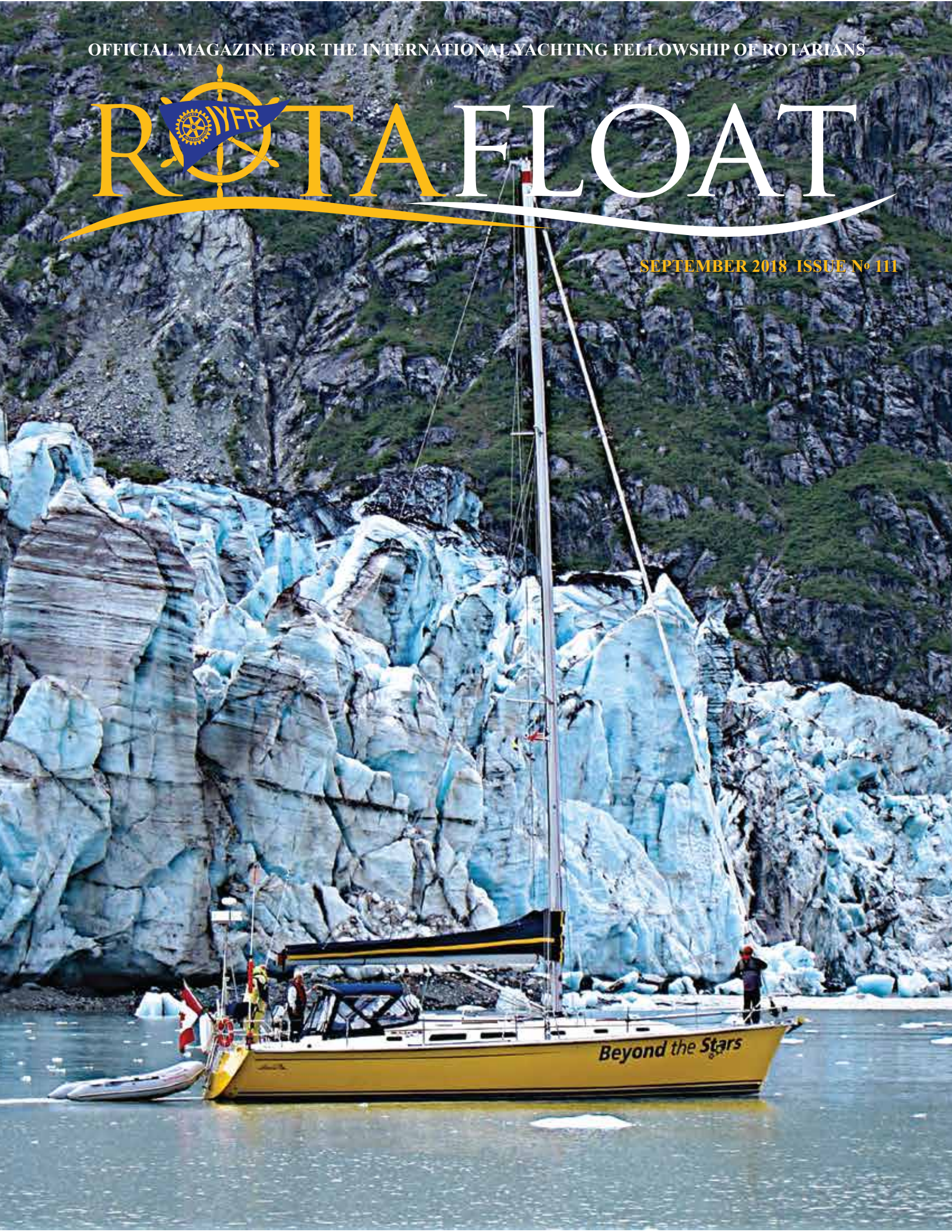


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About the cover:

David and Marianne Scott on their Hanse 411, Beyond the Stars, in front of Lamplugh Glacier in Alaska's Glacier Bay National Park.

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Thanks to the collaboration of the Rotafloat's correspondents, this edition has been possible. Our public gratefulness. That's the fellowship spirit we love to keep sailing!

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INTERNATIONAL COMMODORE'S MESSAGE

Guillermo Arteta

INTERNATIONAL COMMODORE



Dear friends and IYforians,

The period I have to review started with the AGM in Toronto. The process included the three usual steps: a Meet and Greet, the AGM proper and a Gala Dinner.

The hotel in which we were located was a rather good one and the best thing was also that we could do everything without the need of going to some other place.

The PCC took place in Victoria, on the West coast of Canada. Our hotel was placed on its famous harbor and we were at walking distance from the most beautiful places of that wonderful city.

The first thing we did was to accept Patrick Hunt's invitation to his place at "The Castle" where we had a wonderful time together.

After three days of enjoying the city, we were taken by some local members to Sydney, where most people have their boats. Many Americans came for the "Hands across the Border" traditional celebration, in which both Canadian and American fleets meet once a year for friendship and fun.

After that and up to now, the most important event we had was the AGM in Area 3. I have asked its Area Commodore, IRC David Hansen to prepare a review of how it was. Thank you David.

Guillermo

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INTERNATIONAL YACHTING FELLOWSHIP OF ROTARIANS 2018 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING TORONTO, CANADA

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

- Held on Tuesday June 26, 2018 in Toronto, Canada. The meeting place was in Duncan Suite of the Westin Prince Toronto Hotel.
- 2:30 pm Call to order
- International Commodore Guillermo Arteta's welcome and appointment of the Chairman of the Annual General Meeting 2018.
- Welcome by the Chairman Alfonso Bolio, FC Cancun Ocean and Sand Fleet.
- Greetings by the International Commodore Guillermo Arteta
- The reports of Area 1, Area 2 and Area 3 were reported.
- AC 1: IVC and A1C Robert Burns
- AC 2: It was read by IPIC Jun Avecilla
- AC 3: IRC and A3C David Hansen
- Presentation of the program for the Rotary International Convention Hamburg 2019, Germany; and the Post Convention Cruise 2019. In charge of Linn Lenné FC Germany South Fleet.
- IRC David Hansen presented the America's Cup program for the year 2021
- The meeting continued with the apologies of the participants who could not attend.
- IVC Robert Burns asked a special time to deliver to IPIC Jun Avecilla a Past International Commodore's Medal specially made by PIC Brian Skinner, as is tradition.
- Question time
- IC Guillermo Arteta gave us his final message
- At 4:20 p.m., the closure of the AGM 2018 was carried out by IC Guillermo Arteta, who thanked for the attending for participate to AGM 2018.



● AREA 1 REPORT

The overall membership in Area 1 has actually increased slightly during this past year, in spite of falling membership in a number of fleets. This is, happily, due to the formation of new fleets in new areas. In February this year, I had the great pleasure of chartering three new fleets in Turkey, all in the one evening, an unusual, but extremely enjoyable event. Shortly after this, in May, another fleet was added, in the north of Greece, in Kavala. Both of these charters not only gave everyone most enjoyable events, but they provided wonderful introductions to IYFR for their new members. Unfortunately, IYFR is not as healthy in other parts of the Area. It is still not clear what the future of the Rwanda Fleet will be and the Croatians have lost a good number of members during the past couple of years. Other fleets around the area also have declining numbers. We must, therefore, always be looking for new areas into which we can expand. In this context I am delighted to say that there are new fleets on the horizon. I had the pleasure to address an Inter-zone meeting in Bahrain in April explaining the history, structure and fellowship of IYFR and from that other opportunities have arisen. Katerina Kotsali-Papadimitriou, Commodore of the Hellenic Aegean Fleet, has since given a presentation to a District conference in Paphos, Greece. We must keep telling Rotarians about IYFR and explain the fun that is to be enjoyed in the Fellowship.

In terms of fellowship, there was an extremely successful Area 1 Meeting in Alicante in October, where 9 of the 12 Regions in Area 1 were represented. There were members from about 14 different countries present, which achieved the object of the meetings in bringing members from all around the Area together to enjoy both Rotary and sailing. The meeting got off to a flying start, with a meal at the yacht club, which had everybody mixing and getting to know one another right from the off. Things kept on a high throughout the next few days, with a walking tour of the Old Town, a Gala Dinner with flamenco dancers and the highlight, of course, the start of the Volvo Ocean Race. We were all on the one commercial boat and the skipper managed to get us right on the start line, which gave us all a spectacular view of the start. The full report can be read in the December edition of 'Rotafloat' and highlights what a wonderful time was had by all. Bookings are now being taken for the next area 1 Meeting, which will be held in Portsmouth, England, in September 2018, which will highlight the naval history of Great

Britain, with the Gala dinner being on the gun deck of 'HMS Warrior', the first metal warship to be built, having both engine and sails. Details can be found in the latest edition of 'Rotafloat'

A number of regular regattas have taken place again in Area 1 waters, organized by Rotary clubs and IYFR. The Carniola Regatta, organized by the Slovenians and sailed in Croatia, was another great success in June and is now regularly fully booked well in advance, with applicants being turned away once the places are all booked. The Polish members have held another successful regatta on the Masurian Lakes and the Croatians another Zadar Regatta in October. However, more applicants would be appreciated for this latter regatta. I am aware that some members are not interested in regattas, no matter how little importance is placed on the race results, so we are looking into the possibility of cruise in company events, which I hope might attract members from various countries to sample different waters, with no objective, other than having fun.

On the service side, there were no grants this year, although it is hoped that money may be available later in 2018, depending on the state of the finances. However, some fleets have continued with a number of ongoing projects. The Italians are continuing with Operation Barracuda, to provide life jackets for children and fishermen on Lake Victoria in Kenya and the Slovenians have just completed another 'Sailing for Tomorrow' event, in which 44 pupils from 7 institutions greatly benefitted from a four day sailing programme. There are many other service projects continuing throughout the Area.

Therefore, all things considered, I am delighted to report that Area 1 is in good heart and the members are continuing to enjoy the benefits of the Fellowship.

ROBERT BURNS

INTERNATIONAL VICE COMMODORE
AREA 1 COMMODORE



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● AREA 2 REPORT

I am pleased to report that in this year 2017-2018 we have continued with wind in favor.

Our balance in Area 2 is positive in all the indicators.

In membership the good news is that, we have not lost any fleet. On the contrary, we have grown. A new flag has joined our Area 2; Mexico has been accompanying us for a few months. In November 2017, we welcomed the new Cancun Ocean and Sand fleet. It is more, two new squadrons have been created in 2018, the Pelotas squadron, from Brazil, and the Montevideo squadron from Uruguay. Both squadrons belong to the Punta del Este fleet. Area 2 currently has 23 fleets, 684 members, our fleets are in nine countries of the Americas, and we have two squadrons in two other countries, Venezuela and Brazil, which increases our presence to 11 countries out of 35 countries in the Americas.

Although we have grown in number of fleets and squadrons, the membership of Area 2 has remained the same. This is because half of the fleets in North America have decreased their membership between 15% and 20%, while other NA fleets and the Latin America's fleets have grown. We are paying special attention to two North American fleets that currently have very few members. However, they are making an effort to incorporate new IYForians. The previous year I reported that Area 2 had the second largest fleet in the world, the wind in favor continued; today we have in Area 2 the largest fleet of the fellowship with 110 members.

Due to the growth of the current Latin American Region, from July 1, will be divided into two Regions. The Latin America West and Latin America East regions will be formed. To complete the regional authorities, starting on July 1, FC Miriam Caudullo will be appointed Region Commodore. She will take over the Eastern Latin America Region.

The Latin America AGM 2018 has been held between 9 and 13 May in Chilean Patagonia, sailing through the fjords in a vessel rented exclusively for us.

We invite the incoming Rotary International President Barry Rassin to share our AGM. Barry and his wife Esther were unable to attend due to schedule problems, but they sent us a warm greeting with their wishes for success. The AGM has really been a success. The organization was impeccable, was in charge of the Chile Puerto Varas fleet. Attended 100 IYForians belonging to 15 countries. We had the presence of all the EC members, of two Past International Commodores and all the fleets of Latin America. The working day of the AGM was

celebrated on board the motor ship Skorpios. The fleets have presented their social, cultural, sports and community service activities, all the exhibitions have been excellent. During the working day the twinning of Guayaquil Ecuador and Chile Puerto Varas fleets was carried out and the IC invested the new Captain of the Pelotas squadron. During the AGM we also carry out rotary activities. We disembarked on the Chiloé island where we inaugurated a monument that is a smaller size copy of the Cape Horn monument. In addition, we donated 350 books to the school library on the island, where its director received us, and the students delighted us with music and typical dances. At the Gala Dinner of the AGM, the IC gave us a few words of thanks for the beautiful moments shared and the work done in the organization. The next AGM 2019 will be in Ecuador. We will arrive to Guayaquil, we will spend four days in Salinas city and then, we have scheduled an optional tour to Galapagos. All the IYForians are invited to participate. The AGM 2020 will be in the magic city of Cartagena de Indias, in the Colombian Caribbean. All our fleets are excited to welcome us in their respective cities. At the AGM we have enjoyed the friendship and wonderful camaraderie of our fellowship.

The fleets have developed different community service programs this year. Some are new; other fleets have continued to carry out the programs already started. These activities take care of the quality of drinking water, take care of marine diversity, navigating with people of different abilities, donation of wheelchairs, donation of dental office, assistance to villages of very needy fishermen, beach cleaning, marine scouts program, nautical therapy, organization of fundraising events, social visits between fleets, visit of the Mobile Bay fleet exploring Cuba, Duck Dodge sailboat race on Lake Union, University of Washington Husky Football by boat, Seattle Boat Show, Clipper Around the World Presentation and Potluck, Opening Day of Boating at the Seattle Yacht Club, Fire Department Fireboat tour, collaboration with their boats in the underwater cleanup of Newport Harbor, Bay cleanup with collaboration of Rotaractors thus bringing the youth of Rotary to our fellowship and many more activities. All programs are very good and deserve our congratulations. Some fleets have collaborated with Rotary clubs that have obtained global grants from The Rotary Foundation, complementing their projects.

We thank the Vancouver Island fleet and especially Patrick Hunt for his valuable collaboration in organizing the Post

AREA 2 REPORT

Convention Cruise 2018 in Victoria, British Columbia. This year the Post Convention Cruise coincides with the celebration of the well-known 36th Hands Across the Border Rendezvous event of Rotary Mariners from British Columbia and Washington State, USA - the Pacific Northwest Region.

We especially thank Area 2 Treasurer George Futas, who has also collaborated heavily with the special events corresponding to the Rotary international convention that took place in Area 2 for the second consecutive year. All fleets A2 have paid their annual fee. The A2T George has delivered an early surrender of the balance sheet as of March 31st. Our finances are healthy. The regalia sales have been working well. The complete inventory of the articles available at this time was delivered, which we add to this report.

We have prepared a brochure to be delivered in our booth at House of Friendship. These brochures can be used to promote our fellowship in presentations, District Conferences, District Assemblies, Rotary Institutes, visits to Rotary clubs, etc. If you wish, you can ask me for the brochure file to print it in your countries. With pleasure, I will send it by mail. Our booth at the House of Friendship has been decorated and prepared this year by the FVC Edgardo Gargano from Punta del Este fleet. We have redesigned the Rota float at the beginning of this Rotary year.

The diffusion of public image in our Area has been excellent. We have been present in graphic media, television, radio, online channels, social networks, in the Governor's Letter, in Rotary club newsletters, etc. Rotary International has asked us for a note and photos to be published on its website, we have sent it. A fleet service project has been published in Rotary showcase, and for the first time a fleet has participated in the public image diffusion contest of Rotary 23 B and C zones.

A promotional booth of our fellowship will be presented at the Rotary Institute of Montevideo (Uruguay) where a large number of Rotarians from different countries will attend. In the Velas Latinoamérica 2018, Tall Ship regatta that circumnavigates South America and Central America, thanks to the idea and work of Amaury Benedetti, FVC of Cartagena de Indias fleet, in each port that the regatta docked, the Rotarians could visit them, they toured the ships exchanged pennants and invited sailors to their Rotary clubs.

The excellent news that transcends Area 2 but I want to mention, is that in this international Rotary convention, for the first time, Rotary International dedicates a parallel session to the Rotary Fellowships. Its name: Fellowships, the hidden gem of Rotary. Our organization begins to make known the importance of the fellowships and we are its reference.

I am pleased to report that in membership, finances, social, cultural and community service activities; diffusion of public image, international events, fellowship and friendship, our Area 2 is enjoying good winds, lots of water under the keel and good health; thanks to the collaboration of each and every one of its members.

ANGIE MESISTRANO

AREA 2 COMMODORE

Read by **JUN AVECILLA**

IMMEDIATE PAST INTERNATIONAL COMMODORE



● AREA 3 REPORT

Area 3 comprises Australasia, the Pacific and Asia with Fleets in Australia, New Zealand, Philippines, Hongkong and Japan.

Area Overall

It primarily has been a year of 'business as usual', with total membership for the Area remaining unchanged at 1136. Within this there has been a slight decline in Australia which has been picked by small increases in most other countries. Payment of dues has been a more challenging situation. Fleets were advised to remit their dues to the Area 2 account

(for reasons I will explain shortly) and George Futas has been very helpful by advising my Area 3 Treasurer (Peter Johns) what payments had been made. However, some Fleets did as they did last year and paid into the account in the Philippines. Current data shows that 40% of Area 3 Fleets have not paid their dues. I have no doubt that the situation is not as bad as this but Fleets who have not paid will be required to pay both their 2017/18 and 2018/19 dues together. Failure to pay will have repercussions for these Fleets.

Regional Commodores are appointed for all regions

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Financial

What I have learned since taking up this position is that the Anti Money Laundering Laws have made opening a US\$ bank account impossible in New Zealand. Also, my Treasurer has no direct access to overview either the Philippine or Area 2 account. Rather than rely on the goodwill of members in other countries I have been endeavouring to open a US\$ account dedicated to Area 3 under the Hongkong Shanghai Bank umbrella – that is operated by Area 1. My conclusion is that the world of banking has changed and the era of each International Commodore opening accounts in their Country is pretty much gone. In all probability we will need to settle on perhaps two fixed banking locations for our international accounts.

Fleet Health by Country

Australia: A number of the Fleets have our generations challenge – aging members and no new members which is reflected in the 5% decline in membership. The Whitsunday and Tasmania Fleets were saved by Regional Commodore action, again demonstrating what a little intervention can achieve. I am fortunate to have a great group of Regional Commodores supporting me. Ian Jackson has stepped in as Regional Commodore for NSW and Capital Territories, relieving Kerran Campbell who had been temporarily holding this position.

Japan: The Fleets are active and have seen a slight increase in numbers. In November, Area 3 had the pleasure of holding their AGM in Kobe, Japan. Those attending had a wonderful time and enjoyed an event that was superbly organised. Kozo Kajino has stepped down as Regional Commodore, being replaced by Shunsuke Okura.

Hongkong: We continue to try and contact this Fleet

Philippines: Membership numbers remain very close to last year.

Over 50% of the Area 3 membership is in this region and this has all happened under the leadership of Immediate Past International Commodore (IPIC) Jun Avecilla. This rapid growth has led to some growing pains and some administration routines still to be bedded in. As a consequence, the payment of dues situation is not totally clear – some Fleets paid the Area 3 Treasurer at the Area 3 AGM while others have paid their dues into the Philippines account set up during Jun's time as International Commodore (as they did last year). Others have possibly not paid their dues.

New Zealand: Membership numbers remain similar to last year with Auckland Fleet being very active. Peter Rowell has taken up the position of Regional Commodore, taking over from David Hansen.

Thanks

I wish to thank my Regional Commodores, George Futas, my Treasurer and IPIC Jun Avecilla for their support in the past year. I would also like to acknowledge the cooperation and support of the Executive team.

DAVID HANSEN

INTERNATIONAL REAR COMMODORE
AREA 3 COMMODORE



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● INTERNATIONAL COMMODORE MESSAGE AGM 2018

Dear friends

The person named to act as Chairman of the meeting is FC Alfonso Bolio. This is very special because he is at the head of the most recently created fleet of the Americas, that was chartered on November 15th the previous year. Also, as his fleet was in a new country, Mexico, it forced us to change the old name of the Region of South America (Mexico is not in it), to Latin America.

Regarding to the reports of the area commodores.

Area 1 is always very special because it is the most numerous and also it has people of different nationalities and religions. There are many who don't speak English. It was explained that in general there happens that new fleets compensate for those that are disbanded or not grow. The new fleets were mostly in Greece and Turkey.

The Area 2 report was read by IPIC Jun Avecilla as Area commodore Angie could not come to Toronto a cause of her mother's health. There are a lot of good news in the Area with a greater number of members and fleets. Presently, there are 14 fleets in North America and 9 in Latin America. By the way, this latter was divided into two, according to the enormous extension that is best suited for two Regional commodores than to only one. All 23 fleets have paid their fees, without exception.

Area 3 has more or less stable numbers of fleets and members. As they could not open a bank account in Auckland, as it was their first intention, they were using special accounts provided for them by areas one and two. They are still keeping the old bank account in Manila for use for collecting fees from Philippine fleets.

Regarding the Treasure Report, there was no report for the period 2016/2017. The Treasurer for that period, André Gormans, sent a communication saying that as he is moving to a new house to be built and all his papers concerning the Fellowship are in an storage deposit, he cannot get in touch with them until March of next year.

For these reasons, the EC asked the new Treasurer to prepare an approximate balance sheet for the period up to 2017 and the same for the current period of 2018, before the end of September next.

To promote the next Convention in Hamburg in June 2019, FC Linn Lenné, representative of the German organizers gave us an ample information.

I encourage to all of you to enhancing the great possibilities of growing and complying with our duties to the different communities in which we are present.



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FINANCIAL REPORTS

2017-2018

Dear IYforians

Herewith the Balance Sheets for the period ending June 30th 2018 .

We have 3 Balance Sheets, one for each Area and the Consolidated Balance for the whole Fellowship.

We used the available information, not in all cases properly detailed.

The change rates used for A1 were: 1 Eu = 1.18 U\$S and 1£ = 1.27 U\$S.

For the next period 2018-2019 we propose to have quarterly balances for each Area in the given format, together with the back up support information. For this period that information was not completely provided.

In Area 3 we need to verify the real possibility of collecting the unpaid dues.

Finally please find below the Auditor Comments.

Thank you and Best Regards.

Roberto Celentano

IYFR INTERNATIONAL TREASURER

AUDITOR COMMENTS

1- Balance sheets were analyzed according the provided information.

2- In Area 1 and Area 2 the given information reasonably represents the operational activities.

3- In Area 3 we got information without the supporting documents so we cannot properly audit the operations.

Graciela Susana Marchesano

CPA (Certified Public Account)

Treasurer District 4895 (2019-2020)

Cadre Technical Coordinator Financial

Auditors of the Rotary Foundation

● AREA 1 IYFR

Assets		
Current Assets		
Bank HSBC (Libras to dólar)	13564.53	
Bank HSBC (Euros to dólar)	26435.52	
Bank HSBC Dólar	15731.06	
Bank HSBC Dólar	50050.69	
Total Current Assets		105781.8
Other current assets		
Stock Regalias		7876.25
Undeposit Funds		0.00
Total Other Current Assets		0.00
Total assets		<u>113658.05</u>
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Account Payable		0.00
Owed IYFR Officers and Fleet		0.00
Total Liabilities		0.00
Equity		
Opening Balance	5087.30	
Unrestricted Net Assets	101869.30	
Net Income	6700.85	
Total Equity		113657.45
Total Liabilities and Equity		<u>113657.45</u>

● AREA 2 IYFR

Assets		
Current Assets		
Pay Pal	3219.57	
Bank-Wells fargo	19164.2	
Total Current Assets		22383.77
Other current assets		
Undeposit Funds	1540	
Total Other Current Assets		1540
Total assets		<u>23923.77</u>
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Account Payable	6619.47	
Owed IYFR Officers and Fleet	2500	
Total Liabilities		9119.47
Equity		
Opening Balance	4420.19	
Unrestricted Net Assets	9503.29	
Net Income	880.82	
Total Equity		14804.3
Total Liabilities and Equity		<u>23923.77</u>

SPECIAL EVENTS

● AREA 3 IYFR

Assets		
Current Assets		
Bank	2417.81	
Bank HSBC		
Unpaid accounts	3750	
Total Current Assets		6167.81
Other current assets		
Undeposit Funds	261.63	
Total Other Current Assets		261.63
Total assets		
		6429.44
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Account Payable		
Owed IYFR Officers and Fleet		
Total Liabilities		
Equity		
Opening Balance	5923.15	
Unrestricted Net Assets	-349.41	
Net Income	856.2	
Total Equity	6429.94	
Total Liabilities and Equity		
		<u>6429.94</u>

● CONSOLIDATED BALANCE 06/30/2018

Assets		
Current Assets		
Bank HSBC Area 1	13564.53	
Bank HSBC Area 1	26435.52	
Bank HSBC Area 1	15731.06	
Bank HSBC Area 1	50050.69	
Bank-Wells Fargo	19164.2	
Pay Pal	3219.57	
Bank Area 3	2417.81	
Total Current Assets		130583.38
Other current assets		
Stock regalia Area 1	7876.25	
Unpaid Accounts	3750	
Undeposit Funds	1801.63	
Total Other Current Assets		13427.88
Total assets		
		144011.26
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Account Payable	6619.47	
Owed IYFR Officers and Fleet	2500	
Total Liabilities		9119.47
Equity		
Opening Balance	15430.64	
Unrestricted Net Assets	111023.28	
Net Income	8437.87	
Total Equity		134891.79
Total Liabilities and Equity		
		<u>144011.26</u>

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SPECIAL EVENTS

INTERNATIONAL YACHTING FELLOWSHIP OF ROTARIANS

IYFR

Rotary World Convention **HAMBURG** Germany, 2019, June 1-5



and

TALL SHIP



Post Convention **CRUISE** 2019, June 5-9

PROGRAM
2019
MAY 31 TO JUNE 9
MORE INFORMATION AT WWW.IYFR-2019.DE



● FRIDAY, MAY 31

17.00-18.30 h Arrival + Welcome Drinks (hotel bar, Novotel)

19.00-21.00 h **Non-official Get-Together "Schifferboerse"**
(direct paying at own charge, p.P. 15-20 € + beverages)



○ TRADITIONAL NORTHERN GERMAN CUISINE WITHIN AN AUTHENTIC MARITIME SETTING. A PLACE WHERE PAST AND PRESENT JOIN INTO A DELIGHTFUL UNITY

● SATURDAY, JUNE 1

13.00-17.00 h **IYFR-Infopoint "Eye of the Wind" Sandtorkai**



○ EYE OF THE WIND WILL BERTH RIGHT IN FRONT OF THE LANDMARK ELBPHILHARMONIE IN THE HAFENCITY QUARTER, HAMBURG'S TOURISTIC HOTSPOT. IN ADDITION TO THE IYFR PROMOTION BOOTH IN THE HOF, THIS AUTHENTIC TALL SHIP WILL HOIST A HUGE IYFR-FLAG AND SERVE AS AN OUTPOST INFO-STAND FOR RIC-VISITORS INTERESTED IN OUR FELLOWSHIP ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE RI WORLD CONVENTION.

17.00-20.00 h **Bistro-Evening onboard "Eye of the Wind"**
tall-ship's berth at Sandtorkai, in front of "Elbphilharmonie"
(pre-booking, max. 40 Pers., 25 € + beverages)



○ ... ONE OF THE LAST TRADITIONAL SAILING SHIPS OF OUR TIME! BEING ON BOARD THE MORE THAN HUNDRED-YEAR-OLD BRIG EYE OF THE WIND YOUR PHANTASY WILL TAKE YOU ALREADY TO THE OCEANS OF THE WORLD. FIND OUT THE CHARM OF THIS MAGNIFICENT SHIP, OWNED BY IYFR FLEET GERMANY SOUTH MEMBER ROLAND HERKERT.

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21.00-24.00 h **St. Pauli, Hamburg's world-famous famous nightlife district 'Reeperbahn'**
casual walk through in small guided groups (direct paying at own charge)



○ DISCOVER THE VARIETY OF HAMBURG'S OLD SUBURBIA ST. PAULI, ITS TIES TO THE RIVER, AND THE HARBOR, ITS SMALL SIDE STREETS ARE HOME TO ARTISTS, ANARCHISTS, POLITICAL ACTIVISTS, DREAMERS, MISFITS, HOOKERS, PUNKS, REFUGEES, RETIRED SAILORS, FAILED MUSICIANS, COMING STARS. DISCOVER THE PLACE WHERE THE BEATLES HAD THEIR BREAKTHROUGH!

● SUNDAY, JUNE 2

17.00-18.30 h **Dinghy-Sailing on the Alster-Lake**
in downtown Hamburg (4-5 persons / boat)
(pre-booking, "Barca" p.P. ca. 9 €, direct paying at own charge)



○ THE "OUTER ALSTER" LAKE, FACING THE CITY CENTER, IS SURROUNDED BY ANCIENT TREES, GREEN PARKS AND BEAUTIFUL MANSIONS. WE WILL ENJOY SAILING TOGETHER WITH SMALL KEELBOATS AND POSSIBLY EVEN SLIDE INTO SOME CASUAL REGATTA COMPETITION

19.00-22.00 h **Meet and Greet dinner at "Alsterlounge"**
next to "Barca" boat rental peer at the Alster-Lake
(pre-booking, p.P. 56 € + beverages)



○ THIS MARITIME CLUBHOUSE PROVIDES A BREATHTAKING VIEW ACROSS THE 'AUSSENALSTER', THE BIG LAKE RIGHT IN THE HEART OF HAMBURG. WITH ITS PERSPECTIVE ON THIS LAKE, THE ALSTER-STEAMBOATS, SAILING BOATS, AND THE SKYLINE OF HAMBURG, WE CAN'T CELEBRATE OUR 'MEET&GREET' MORE WONDERFUL.

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● MONDAY, JUNE 3

17.00-19.00 h **"International Maritime Museum"**
incl. English guided tour and ship-simulator
(pre-booking, 25 € p.P.)



○ THE INTERNATIONALLY RENOWNED MUSEUM IS HOUSED IN THE HERITAGE LISTED BUILDING "KAISPEICHER B". THREE THOUSAND YEARS MARITIME HISTORY AND TRADITION ARE DISPLAYED ON NINE 'DECKS' WITH PRECIOUS EXHIBITS, MODEL SHIPS, AND PAINTINGS. WE WILL ALSO VISIT THE NEW SHIP-SIMULATOR. BECOME PART OF THE WORLD OF CONTAINER VESSELS AND CRUISE SHIPS AS CAPTAIN, HELMSMAN, OR PILOT. TRY TO NAVIGATE A CONTAINER VESSEL INTO HAMBURG HARBOR BY YOURSELF.

19.00-22.00 h **Dinner "Catch of the Day"**
in the "Int'l. Maritime Museum" building
(pre-booking, p.P. 25 € + beverages)



● TUESDAY, JUNE 4

11.30-13.30 h **Harbor-Cruise with snack on board / on Pier**
(pre-booking, direct paying at own charge, p.P. 25 € + beverages)



○ ENJOY AN EXCITING HARBOR TOUR AND EXPLORE THE CITY OF HAMBURG FROM THE WATER. LEARN INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT HAMBURG AS YOU CRUISE ALONG HISTORIC WAREHOUSES IN THE "SPEICHERSTADT" (UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE), THE GROWING URBAN HAFEN-CITY, THE NUMEROUS BRIDGES OVER THE ELBE RIVER, BIG SHIP YARDS, AND THE BUSY CONTAINER TERMINALS.

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15.00-17.00 h **AGM, "Novotel City Alster"**
pre-booking, no charge



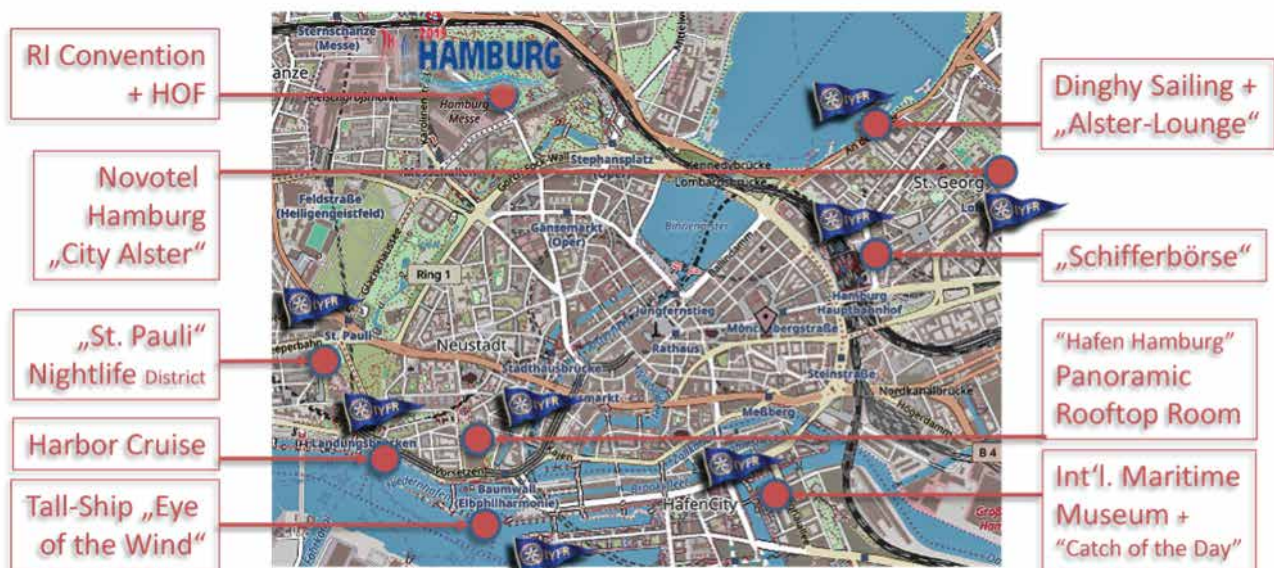
19.00-22.00 h **Gala / Formal Dinner & Turnover Ceremonies**
In panoramic rooftop room with breathtaking harbor view, Hotel "Hafen Hamburg"
pre-booking, p.P. 86 € incl. beverages (beer, wine, soft drinks, water)

Hotel "Novotel City Alster"



○ "NOVOTEL CITY ALSTER" HAS BEEN ASSIGNED BY RI FOR IYFR FOR STAYING DURING THE ROTARY WORLD CONVENTION IN HAMBURG. THE ALSTERLOUNGE (15 MIN-WALK), SHOPPING ARCADES AND MUSEUMS, THEATRES, OPERA, EXHIBITION, AND THE CONGRESS CENTER (RIC VENUE) ARE ALL WITHIN ONLY A 2 TO 4 KILOMETERS DISTANCE (8 MINUTES SUBWAY). THE UNDERGROUND STATIONS U1/U3 CAN BE REACHED IN ONLY A FEW STEPS.

● Hamburg Downtown Map with RIC and IYFR venues





● SCHEDULE HAMBURG AND PCC 2019

IYFR, RIC and PCC program

Time	Friday, 5/31/2019	Saturday, 06/01/2019	Sunday, 06/02/2019	Monday, 06/03/2019	Tuesday, 06/04/2019	Wednesday, 06/05/2019	Thursday, 06/06/2019	Sunday, 06/09/2019
	RIC-HH IYFoR	RIC-HH IYFoR	RIC-HH IYFoR	RIC-HH IYFoR	RIC-HH IYFoR	RIC-HH IYFoR	Friday, 06/07/2019 Saturday, 06/08/2019	PCC Cruising days
10:00		Opening House of Friendship	Opening Ceremonie 1	General Session - Fairground	General Session - Fairground	General Session - Fairground	PCC Cruising days	approx. 7:30 - 10:00 - BREAKFAST ON BOARD AT „TIESSSENKAI“-PIER IN KIEL-HOLTENAU / Check out / Individual departure
11:00								
12:00						Harbour Cruise with snack on board		
13:00		IYFR-Infopoint „Eye of the Wind“ Sandtorkai	Opening Ceremonie 2					
14:00				Breakout Session - Fairground	Breakout Session - Fairground	Breakout Session - Fairground		
15:00						AGM „Novotel“ City Alster		
16:00								
17:00						Closing Ceremonies (not possible for IYFR-PCC participants)		
18:00	Arrival + Welcome Drinks (Hotel bar)		Dinghi Sailing Alster-Lake	Rotary Orchestra and Chorus at the Elb-Philharmonie	Host-Hospitalities of Hamburg RCs	Transfer Hamburg - to Kiel		
19:00	Get-Together „Schiffer-Boerse“ spontaneous	Event at Chamber of Commerce	Meet and Greet dinner at „Alster-lounge“	„International Maritime Museum“ Dinner „Catch of the Day“ in Intl. Maritime Museum Bldg.	Gala Dinner Turnover Ceremonies „Hafen Hamburg“ Hotel	Welcome - Buffet on Board Tall-Ship „Artemis“		
20:00								
21:00								
22:00								
23:00								

● WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5

17.30-19.30 h Leaving from Hamburg to Kiel-Holtenau for Post-Convention-Cruise
by shuttle-bus directly from Novotel hotel to tall-ship peer p.P. 14 € (approx. 1 hour)



○ WELCOME ON BOARD: IYFR REGION GERMANY COMMODORE GEORG HAGEMEYER AND THE 2019 RIC/PCC ORGANISATION COMMITTEE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING THE INTERNATIONAL GUESTS ABOARD THE GLORIOUS TALL-SHIPS „ARTEMIS“, „EYE OF THE WIND“, AND „ABEL TASMAN“

19.30-21.00 h Welcome - Buffet on Board Tall-Ship „Artemis“
for IYFR-Guests of all three Tall-Ships and all ext. IYFR yacht crew (max. 100 Pers.) IYFR tall-ship guests: included in PCC-charge + beverages. IYFR ext. yachts crews: p.P. 35 € + beverages



○ DO YOU WANT TO MAKE YOUR DREAM OF SAILING ON A WINDJAMMER COME TRUE AT LAST? THIS SHORT IYFR POST-CONVENTION TALL-SHIP-CRUISE IS AN EXCELLENT WAY TO GET A TASTE OF REAL TRADITIONAL SEAFARING ADVENTURE IN AN UNBEATABLE COMBINATION WITH TOURISTIC HIGHLIGHTS AND SIGHTSEEING AT WONDERFUL CHARMING PLACES !



● CRUISING AREA :

German Baltic Sea "Kiel Bay" / Danish Archipelago "South-Sea"

From Kiel-Holtenau, we will sail along Baltic Sea coast within sight of the coastline. At this time of the year, only low waves and moderate wind speeds are to be expected in this area of the Western Baltic Sea. We guarantee plenty of fresh air, but certainly no 'hell ride' in gale-force winds. Even in these few days at sea, you will enjoy the comfort and excellent on-board cuisine and experience genuine traditional seamanship.



Please consider the following notes on the itinerary: The indicated ports are optional. The ship's management reserves the right to change the itinerary at short notice depending on wind and weather conditions.

● Kiel-Holtenau



○ NUMEROUS OLD TALL-SHIPS AND SCHOONERS ARE MOORED ON THE TRADITIONAL HOLTENAU "TIESSENKAI"- QUAY IN THE KIEL BAY. YOU CAN OBSERVE THE LIVELY COMING AND GOING AT THE LOCKS OF THE KIEL CANAL: OCEAN LINERS AS WELL AS SPORTS YACHTS ARE PASSING THE WORLD'S BUSIEST ARTIFICIAL WATERWAY. ON THE WALK TO THE FAMOUS OLD LIGHTHOUSE, YOU WILL GET A TASTE OF THE NOSTALGIC HARBOR ATMOSPHERE WITH SMALL SOUVENIR-SHOPS, TINY BARS AND HISTORIC "CAPTAIN'S HOUSES"

● Eckernförde



○ THE SMALL GERMAN TOWN ECKERNFÖRDE DATES BACK MORE THAN 700 YEARS. FROM THE HARBOR TO THE SHOPS, FROM THE SHOPS TO THE FINE SANDY BEACH, EVERYTHING IS AT CLOSE QUARTERS. THE IDYLIC HARBOR WITH ITS SAILING YACHTS AND FISHING BOATS HAS AN INVITING PROMENADE THAT WINDS AROUND THE EDGE. JUST AT A STONE'S THROW, THERE ARE SHOP-LINED STREETS ENTICING VISITORS TO TAKE A RELAXING STROLL.

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● Ærø / Marstal



○ MARSTAL IN THE SOUTHEAST OF THE DANISH ISLAND OF ÆRØ HAS A REPUTATION OF THIS SEAPORT AS DENMARK'S SAILING SHIP HUB. THE SEAMEN'S HOUSES ARE BUILT CLOSE TO THE HARBOR. IN BETWEEN, THE NARROW STREETS AND ALLEYS TWIST AND WIND IN A CHARMINGLY DISORDERED MANNER. THE HARBOR IS HOME TO THE INTERNATIONALLY RENOWNED MARITIME MUSEUM, WHICH HOUSES MORE THAN 200 SHIP MODELS AND OTHER EXHIBITS FROM ALL SEVEN SEAS. NEARBY ARE THE RENOWNED PICTURESQUE BEACH HOUSES OF ÆRØ ISLAND.

● Sønderborg



○ ON THE DANISH ISLAND OF ALS, SØNDERBORG'S MAJOR ATTRACTION IS THE ROYAL CASTLE (A PRIMAL MEDIEVAL FORTRESS) WITH ITS PARK AND HABITUALLY THE ROYAL DANISH YACHT "DANNEBROG". A WALK ALONG THE HARBOR ROW WITH THE HISTORIC MERCHANT'S HOUSES AND A STROLL THROUGH THE OLD TOWN WITH ITS TYPICAL DANISH TRANQUILITY SHOULD NOT BE MISSED. IN SØNDERBORG YOU'LL FIND COZY WALKING STREETS WITH A SELECTION OF SHOPS AND A CAFÉ AREA.

● SATURDAY, JUNE 8

19.00-24.00 h **Farewell-Dinner and Party - "Luzifer"** am Tiessenkai, Kiel-Holtenau incl. dinner, beverages, music etc:
for tall-ship guests: included in PCC-charge, for ext. yacht-crews p.P. 75 €



● SUNDAY, JUNE 9

until 10.00 h **Breakfast on Board "Tiessenkai"**-Pier in Kiel-Holtenau and individual Departures after 10.00 h



This Program was made possible by
the IYFR 2019 RIC/PCC Organization Committee:

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NOMINATION FOR THE INTERNATIONAL REAR COMMODORE

Announcement to All Members



In accordance with Article 9 of our Procedures and Regulations, I am calling for submission of nomination for the International Rear Commodore starting from September 1, 2018. The Deadline for Submission will be on February 28 2019. The nomination form can be downloaded from our website *www.iyfr.net* under documents. Please submit your nomination thru the RC's and FC's and I wish to remind everyone that the nominee should come from Area 2, unless there is none, nomination for IRC coming from other Areas will be considered by the EC. Please send the completed nomination form by email to the undersigned at *selmajea@mozcom.com*. For everyone's information and guidance.

Sig.

Jesus E. Avecilla

IMMEDIATE PAST INTERNATIONAL COMMODORE

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GERMANY-NORTH FLEET SUMMER MEETING JUNE 1ST TO 3RD 2018 IN KIEL

By Albrecht Schmidt VC Germany North Fleet

The IYFORians of the Northern Fleet and their first mates and many Rotaractors met this year for the wellcome party at the clubhouse of the NOK water sports community in Holtenau. Commodore

Sönke Meesenburg warmly welcomed all 93 participants (21 yachts) and especially the many Rotaractors who were guests this year.

The mild summer evening and the alcoholic soft drinks let us experience a wonderfully relaxed and cheerful welcome evening with many interesting conversations among the old and new sailing friends.



The next day we were greeted by bright sunshine and a gentle wind for the competition squadron ride, which began around 0930. The sailing instruction leads the squadron divided into two groups in and against the clockwise circle on a course in the Bay of Kiel. During the regatta several tasks had to be solved.

The calm at noon occasionally led to the hot up of balloon sails, later even to the use of VOLVO sails and to considerable shortening of the track. Nevertheless all crews had a lot of fun: swimming ahead of the yacht, dinghiing, singing and relaxing.



Punctually at 1800 the Commodore opens the meeting and welcomes the German Commodore, Georg-Maria Hagemeyer and the Commodores of the fleet Germany-South, Linn Lenné and the fleet Germany-North-East, Martin Doller. He reports that he himself and the VC visited many RAC clubs on the occasion of his annual motto "Fleet-N meets RAC" and presented IYFR there and invited them to our event. He is happy about the good response: 20 young sailors, ROTARACT, ROTEX and friends take part in our summer meeting.



GERMANY-NORTH FLEET SUMMER MEETING JUNE 1ST TO 3RD 2018 IN KIEL

VC Frank Scholl announces 22.-24.2.2019 for the winter meeting of our fleet. We will meet in Wismar.

After the official meeting, the festive evening was opened at Strandhotel Strande. More than 83 guests could be seated in the restaurant and enjoyed a sumptuous maritime cold and warm buffet.

Before the dessert our Commodore Sönke MEESENBURG thanks his first mate Birgit and the officers of his bridge for the support during his year in office and hands over the bell to his successor Frank SCHOLL, who introduces Jasper GLÜCK as new fleet secretary and Albrecht SCHMIDT as VC. In the further course of the evening the award ceremony of today's squadron ride will take place. To very late hour a wonderful festive evening ends, which finishes in some places still in the cockpit with singing.

At breakfast on Sunday morning the fleet members say goodbye and again an IYFR weekend comes to an end with a lot of fun and joy in the common hobby, during which many friendships were deepened or newly made.



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WINTERMEETING 2018 SOUTH GERMANY FLEET

By Linn Lenné FC South Germany

Arriving at the hotel "Karwendelblick" in Urfeld, Bavaria in bright winter weather, which is located idyllically only a few meters above Lake Walchensee. From the hotel we have an excellent view of the mountains and lake.

We had various program on the weekend:
Visiting the nearby Benediktbeuern monastery. Father Johannes Neuner lead us through the buildings, including the Gothic cloister from 1493 and the baroque basilica. He gave us a marvelous inside about the monastery. Furthermore, we visited the Walchensee power station, an early technical masterpiece by Oskar von Millers, which has been reliably producing green electricity for almost 100 years.

Prof. Dr. Theodor Strobl (RC Germering), Emeritus at the Chair of Hydraulic Engineering and Water Management at the Technical University of Munich, gave us an introduction to the power plant model.

Following the power plant, we had an excellent guided tour at the Franz Marc Museum. Franz Marc founded the Blaue Reiter together with Wassily Kandinsky. There after we drove through the idyllic "Blau Land" to Murnau to visit a chocolate factory. At the Krönner chocolate factory, the chocolatier chef guided us through the production process and proved that chocolate really makes one happy with a taste or two of exotic varieties from Asia and Africa!

Highlight was the Fleet Meeting of the Fleet South and the evening gala dinner where the Commodore of Germany Caroline Kirchhoff passed her duties to vice Commodore Georg-Maria Hagemeyer, who will lead the Germany Bridge for the next two years. The new Vice Commodore will be Martin Doller of the Northeast Fleet. Georg-Maria looks forward with anticipation and optimism to the great journey ahead and emphasizes that next year's term of office will include in particular the Rotary Convention in Hamburg.



 IYFROFIANS IN FRONT OF WATER TURBINES

WINTERMEETING 2018 SOUTH GERMANY FLEET

At the convention itself and at the subsequent Post Convention Cruise, the German fleets will have a wonderful opportunity to present themselves and exchange ideas with each other and with IYFoRians from all over the world.

Georg-Maria and Martin Doller jointly present the "Sailing with 2.4's" project for the disabled and promote support for the next Rotary year in a short film presentation.

While outside on the terrace the grill was fired up in light snowfall, friend Prof. Dr. Herwig Paretzke (RC Munich International, Fleet South) gave us an impressive presentation from his world sailing tour with his deep-sea catamaran "Jonathan".



 CAROLINE KIRCHHOFF HANDS THE HELM OVER TO
GEORG-MARIA HAGEMEYER.

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ARONA 2018

By Michele Clemente FM Italy NW Fleet



Saturday, July 7, a blue lake like never seen before, a clear sky and a light north breeze are really stimulating, today. On the Arona Section of the Lega Navale (Italian Naval League) pier, many sailing friends Lions, Leos Members, and Navy League Members, coordinated by Rotarians and IYFORIANS, but above all 19 special kids escorted by their trainers coming from the disabled young Lions and Leo Club camp. This is a Sailing experience with no equal born in 2011 in Cannobio thanks to the President of that time Lions Club, the great sailor Mrs Giulia Zaccheo.



From 2018 the sailing day has moved to the lower part of the lake: Arona. The figures speak clear: 12 boats with perfectly integrated crews, everyone trained to perform everything, the disability no longer exists, WE ALL ... ARE SAILORS. Diversamente Lago (= a different way to be a lake) is also this, an experience that fills the hearts and gives all of us the stamina to continue our Service. In my opinion TO BE AN IYFORIAN is also this: to provide our boats, our experience to teach our crews the value of integration, disabled and non-disabled linked together to leave the next buoy abaft and to sail towards the gate of a proud arrival. Hear the roar of a rewarding "I Y F R HIP, HIP, HIP, HOORAY !!!!!" shouted at unison by the Committee Boat.

FAIR WINDS





ARONA 2018

Sabato 7 luglio, un lago azzurro come non mai, il cielo terso e lui, un leggero vento da nord, leggero ma stimolante.

Sul pontile della Lega Navale sezione di Arona tanti amici con spille diverse, Lions, Leo e Lega Navale con il coordinamento tecnico di Rotariani e Yforiani, ma soprattutto 19 ragazzi speciali con i loro accompagnatori ospiti del campo giovani disabili del Lions e Leo Club.

Esperienza velica senza eguali nata nel 2011 a Cannobio grazie al presidente del lions club di allora la velista Giulia Zaccheo. Dal 2018 la giornata velica si è trasferita nel basso lago ad Arona.



I numeri parlano chiaro, 12 barche con a bordo equipaggi perfettamente integrati, tutti facevano tutto, la disabilità non esisteva più, tutti eravamo diversamente Velisti.

Anche questo è Diversamente Lago, un'esperienza che riempie il cuore e che ci dà la carica per continuare il nostro Service.

Essere IFORIANI a mio parere è anche questo, mettere a disposizione le nostre barche la nostra esperienza per insegnare ai nostri equipaggi il valore dell'integrazione, disabili e normodotati insieme per superare la boa e veleggiare verso il cancelletto dell'arrivo orgogliosi di sentire a gran voce dalla barca Comitato: IYFR HIP HIP HIP URRÀ!!!

BUON VENTO



*Michele Clemente
Mariner; ITALY NW FLEET*

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IYFR ACTIVITIES AT TORONTO'S CONVENTION

At the 2018 Rotary International Convention in Toronto IYFR held its usual activities; A promotional booth in the House of Friendship, a Meet and Greet function for Members, the International Annual General Meeting and a member's formal Gala dinner.

As usual the booth looked great, was well positioned amongst other Fellowship booths and as always attracted a lot of attention from roving Rotarians. Most wanted to chat but some wanted to join the Fellowship.



Manning the booth is always a significant task – a big thank you to all that helped with this.

The three activities were held in the Westin Prince – Toronto, which was where most of IYFR members stayed. Attendance was down on previous years with just over 20. Those present enjoyed themselves and it was great to catch up with friends but we missed our European regulars.



The AGM was a small gathering of less than 20 and there were no items of significance to deal with. Reports for each Area were given plus a Regalia Report for Area 1. The International Commodore noticed that some new Fleets were chartered in the last year and there are prospects for new Fleets in the 2018-19 year. The ex International Commodore for the period ending June 2017 could not present his statement. The meeting asked the current International Treasurer to try to present a financial report before the end of September even if he lacks all the necessary information. With this objective set the current International Treasurer will ask all three Areas to provide the needed information.



After the AGM all attendees plus some other members all enjoyed the Gala Dinner, looking very smart in their uniforms. A very enjoyable evening for all present and a big thank you to those that organised these events for the Fellowship.

FUN, FUN, FUN...



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VICTORIA POST CONVENTION CRUISE

By Jun Avecilla IPIC

A whole bunch of Mariners and Mates (including the last minute six registrants from the Philippine Fleet who had run into problems with their Canadian Visas) arrived in Victoria June 28th, the day the RI Convention/IYFR AGM in Toronto ended. A relax spontaneous greet happened out of the programme with drinks and barbecue at the Spencer Castle, home of Hosts/Organizers PRC Patrick and Deborah Hunt at six in the evening. The PCC coincided with the annual Hands Across the Border Rendezvous between the Rotary Mariners from British Columbia and Washington State, USA in the Pacific Northwest now on its 36th year. At the same time Canada observed its 151st founding year on July 1st so the Victoria Harbour bursted with many exciting weekend festivities.



WELCOME RECEPTION AT SPENSER CASTLE



VICTORIA POST CONVENTION CRUISE



MEET AND GREET AT
GRAND PACIFIC HOTEL

Members and guests including a couple of VIPs, a local District Municipality Mayor and Councillor, (one of which was surprisingly to be inducted member of the Victoria Fleet) huddled in Fellowship and friendship with IYFR members. Despite the participants were scattered in various motor yachts and sailboats moored at the Victoria inner Harbour, in different hotels downtown and at the official IYFR billet The Grand Pacific, car pools and pickups by volunteers to and from the event venue which was about 20 minutes away were conveniently arranged. Thus, everyone enjoyed each other's company and Trevor Holzapfel's grill with delectation and delight, asserting that he is not just known to be the "Australian Barbecue King" for nothing. But of course, behind everything is a queen, Robyn Bright giving the feminine touch to the barbecue. Free flowing British Columbia ales, merlots, cabernets and roses were perfect lubricants that downed the great steaks quickly with ease. When the party ended people were driven back to their accommodations. Deborah drove us back to the hotel as Patrick who picked us up had the courtesy of pointing her for giving up her extra wine glass so that we drove back safely. A great evening!



VICTORIA POST CONVENTION CRUISE



SAIL/CRUISE TO COLE ISLAND



The Meet and Greet cocktails on the following day at the Grand Pacific worked as a wonderful catchup among friends and fresh acquaintances with new members from around the globe. It also allowed the members to get to know the skippers and the boats where they were assigned for the trip to the historic Cole island the following day and to Port Sidney Marina on July 1st Canada Day for the Closing Banquet.

VICTORIA POST CONVENTION CRUISE

Although the Victoria summer weather did not cooperate during the 5-mile sail/cruise to Cole Island, it did not dampen the spirits. Members, skippers and crew of the six boats that ventured out in the cold and rainy mid-morning were still in high spirits. The pre-planned lunch at anchor off Esquimalt Harbor for our sailboat 'Boomerang' did not materialize and the half-frozen crew had reservations to disembark on precarious small rubber dinghies to explore the island. As the weather remained miserable the consensus was, "safety and comfort is the better part of valor" and Skipper Mike turned around and headed back to Victoria Harbor while we enjoyed the delicious pastrami, turkey and cheese sandwiches prepared by Sue McNab. Fedva Dikmen tried to keep the ladies warm throughout offering hand warmers, extra blankets and foul weather gears.



GALA DINNER,
TURNOVER OF
COMMAND AND HANDS
ACROSS THE BORDER
CEREMONIES



VICTORIA POST CONVENTION CRUISE

We were privileged to be with the veteran Bluewater sailor and Past Commodore of the Royal Victoria Yacht Club David Scott who helped Mike navigate with his vast local knowledge and share wonderful stories along the way. His wife Marianne wrote an article on Pacific Yachting Magazine about the Island's upgrade and preservation. Some chose to be warmer and drier on board; the most adventurous, disembarked and enjoyed the excursion of the preserved historic site and kept the program schedule.



With everyone getting back in time for the Gala evening affair at the Grand Pacific Ballroom, the show started promptly with the grand entrance of Capt. Everybody looking dandy and chick in full white dock uniform and blazers for men and formal dress code for the ladies. Roger Hind piping the tune of the 'Old 6/8 from Mull' to the delight of the crowd, marching in circles around the room towards the Head table with the reception VIP's. The night's host and emcee Patrick welcomed the Members and Guests as everyone settled down and quickly proceeded with the program of the evening. The Change of Command Ceremonies of the Vancouver Fleet began with Commodore Ernie delivering his farewell speech and thereafter presenting his successor VC Richard Michaels. IC Guillermo Arteta officiated the changing of the watch and the installation of the new Commodore. After making his acceptance remarks FC Richard introduced Saanich City Councilman Fred Haynes as the first new member recruited under his helm.

RECEPTION AND CLOSING BANQUET, THE TENT @ SIDNEY MARINA



VICTORIA POST CONVENTION CRUISE

PIC Bill spoke briefly about the history of Hands Across the Border Rendezvous which has been going on for over three and a half decades and the tradition of the passing of the Rotary Wheel. In a simple but solemn ceremony the new Vancouver Fleet Commodore Richard Michaels gave the symbol of lasting Fellowship and Friendship to the next year's rendezvous Host, the soon incoming Commodore VC Pete Delaunay from Seattle Mariners Fleet.

The banquet closed with an inspiring message from IC Guillermo immediately followed by a sumptuous buffet dinner. It is noteworthy that five international Commodores, Past and Present graced the affair. PIC's Bill Robinson, Terry Stretton, Clint Collier, Jesus Avecilla and the current Guillermo Arteta and the other members of the EC IVC Bob Burns and IRC David Hansen. One of the largest gatherings of International Commodores in a single IYFR event. The Fun and Fellowship began for the still early night!

Call time for the sail to Port Sidney varies from as early as 8 o'clock to late in the morning. Wind, tide and boat speed were challenging for some boats, though the weather was fine some needed the head start. The late starters gave its members and crew an opportunity to watch the exciting Victoria Harbor Ferry Water Ballet from the comfort of the boats at the dock. Others including us chose the fastest route to Sidney Marina which was a mere 30 minutes' drive from downtown Victoria. While the weather was clear it was still cold specially for those like myself who are use to warm weather. We got the chance to watch the ballet too, celebrate the 151st Canada Day with brunch at the food trucks lineup in front of the Parliament Building. We enjoyed the sceneries along the way and check in at the Sidney Pier Hotel and Spa and exploring the lovely small town with plenty spare time.

All the boats arrived finally safely and secured at the Marina and all members and crew were on time for the Reception and Closing Banquet under a huge tent on a barge at the Port Sydney docks. Wines and beers canapes greeted the early birds in an informal gathering and got on a roll as the venue filled in. The program opened with the usual short welcome greetings and briefs by Patrick and Richard. Richard introduced his 2nd new member, Henry Ogwudere who was given his membership certificate. Guillermo and the Past Commodores including myself took turn in delivering their acknowledgements and thanks. After the casual ceremonies, people lined up to reach the salad bar and the grill where the barbecue special's salmon and lamb and quickly ran out. Harry hooked a Karaoke on his smart phone to the sound system and broke the ice with Country and Elvis songs together with Dan and everybody went wild. Audience participation was encouraged by the mariners and mates dancing to the tunes. Another lovely and memorable fellowship and fun fun fun evening.

There was no sign of the previous night's euphoria at the final morning breakfast which was subdued and somber as farewells and goodbyes. For a quick throwback in between the events, we had the opportunity to visit other interesting places like the Royal B.C. Museum, China Town, Market Square, Fan Tan Alley, the Fish Market, Butchart Gardens, Church of our Lord, Craigdarroch Castle etc. or simply stroll around the marina, take the harbor ferry, or Hop on hop off tour buses. It was truly a memorable experience albeit short stay. FC Richard mustered the people for the last group picture for posterity. Hugs and warm adieus and incessant exchanges of not goodbyes but so long until we meet again. Until the next AGM in Hamburg and exciting PCC in Kiel in June 2019.



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MEN AND WOMEN BEHIND THE GREAT VICTORIA PCC SUCCESS

By Jun Avecilla IPIC

Patrick Hunt is known for meticulous planning and the knack for going through every minute detail to perfection. He is the "John "Hannibal" Smith" of his own A-Team and lives with the same "I love it when plan comes together" phrase. Patrick put together his unsung heroes and spent long hours, days and months in preparation. The whole team's commitment, dedication and hard work and his leadership are the key ingredients to the huge success of the event. Aside from the love for what he is doing he's got the love of his life Deborah Hunt constantly by his side. Not only does she prepare and marinate the steaks and prawns, drives the guests to the functions, she is his trusted Chief Mate and did so many things for the cause and to support Patrick during the PCC and the months leading up to it.



Harry Lepp (picture below left), although is not a Rotarian, lives the Rotary motto "Service Above Self" and is Patrick's very good friend. "Harry the Helmsman" was part of his crew 30 years ago when they won their division winter distance series 3 years in a row at RVYC. Harry volunteered to set up Spencer Castle for the BBQ and helped Dan Kelly at the bar, drove guests to various functions, got the karaoke going using his BlackBerry on the Barge on Sunday, purchased and served the "Farwell Breakfast" on Monday July 3.

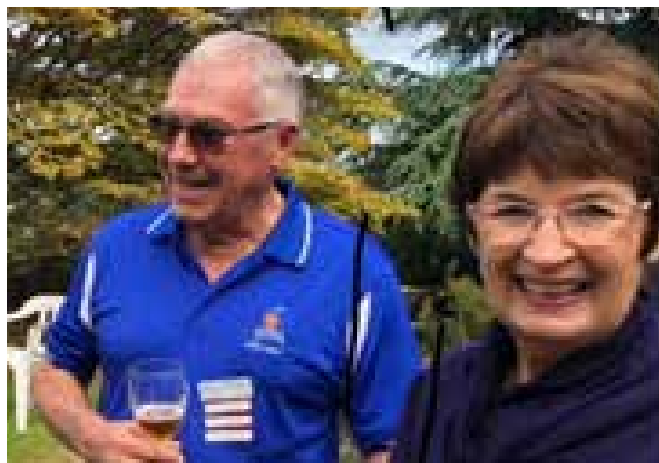


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Dan Kelly (picture above right) - he sang the Elvis Presley karaoke songs at the Reception and Closing banquetto entertain the group and encouraged members to a 'Sing Along'. He set up and ran the bars at the Thursday BBQ and Sunday night dinner on the barge. He also provided the flags and banners for Hotel Grand Pacific and set them up on the barge for Sunday and cleaned up on Monday. Dan is a Member of the Victoria Harbourside Club and Past Fleet Commodore of the Vancouver Island Fleet.



Marianne Scott and her husband David Scott, the two other non-Rotarians who helped out were guides to the Cole Island RN Magazine on Saturday. Marianne wrote the "Pacific Yachting" article on Cole Island which was circulated to all attendees in the spring. Marianne travelled with Jun's sister Gigi aboard "Wonderer" (her husband Armando kindly transferred to "Nordic Mist" so two of the Atlantic Philippine fleet members could travel together). David Scott is a Past Commodore of RVCY. They have done 30,000 open oceans miles together over the last 30 years. David provided local knowledge on the Saturday but his boat did not make it to Cole Island.



Trevor Holzaphel and Robyn Bright, the Australian couple who did a great job manning the "Australian/Canadian BBQ" on the Thursday. One of Trevor's business is manufacturing and selling BBQs for the boating/RV/camping trade, so he was well qualified to cook everything to perfection.



Norm Azevedo, who was staying with Patrick and Deborah at Spencer Castle, braved finding his way around Victoria's crooked streets to drive guests to various functions in their van, which he and Mary had driven from Walnut Creek, California.



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Acknowledgements:

To the Skippers and Crew of the boats who have given our members the opportunity to go sailing/cruising from Victoria Harbour to Cole Island and to Port Sidney Marina. Some have sailed or motored all the way from Seattle and Washington Islands and some from Vancouver. Starting with "Boomerang" Skipper Mike Obyrne with sxxFedva Dikmen and Sue McNab. "Corvette" Skipper Pete Delaunay and John Steckler. "It's About Time" with John and Lynnda Kilpatrick. "Nordic Mist" with Roger and Shirley Hind. "Resolute" with Bill and Katia Robinson. Last but not the least, "Wanderer" with Phil Auger and Barbara Dolbec. Thank you all for a wonderful and memorable fellowship on the water.



Finally, to my good friend George Futas, our Area 2 Treasurer who does the arduous task of keeping up with the AGM and PCC registration payments and making a quick and accurate accounting not only of the recent activities but for the whole Area. It's always a pleasure to work with him and I always enjoy his company and the ride in his Cardinal whenever I visit Seattle.

N.B.

Patrick provided me the information about his A-Team and I just did little edit, copied and pasted without permission. Literally he is co-author of this article and deserves the credit.



I AM AWED BY THIS BEAUTIFUL PICTURE THAT MARIANNE SENT TO ME OF DAVID AND HER ON THEIR BOAT AT THE GLACIER BAY NATIONAL PARK IN ALASKA THAT I WOULD LIKE TO SHARE WITH THE GROUP.

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APPOINTMENT OF REGIONAL COMMODORE LATIN AMERICA EAST

By Angie Mesistrano A2 Commodore



In a nice ceremony that took place in the San Fernando city, Argentina, International Commodore Guillermo Arteta invested the recently appointed Regional Commodore Miriam Caudullo.

Regional Commodore Miriam has successfully completed her two years as Fleet Commodore in charge of the Delta fleet. This fleet has been revitalized and dynamic under the guidance of Miriam. They have increased their membership and have worked on cultural projects and community service. They have actively participated in national and international meetings collaborating in the activity of the Region.

The new Delta Fleet Commodore, Sergio Gomez, assumed his functions to continue the programmed activities. At the same meeting, the 14th anniversary of the founding of Delta fleet was celebrated.

We wish Sergio Gómez the best in this new responsibility. To Regional Commodore Miriam Caudullo we augur to success in this new position, with the assurance that Latin America East Region will be in very good hands.

**Good winds and lots of water under
the keel, dear Miriam!**

MIRIAM CAUDULLO COMODORO REGIONAL LATIN AMERICA EAST
MIRIAM CAUDULLO REGIONAL COMMODORE LATIN AMERICA EAST



NOMBRAMIENTO COMODORO REGIONAL LATIN AMERICA EAST

En una simpática ceremonia que tuvo lugar en la ciudad de San Fernando, Argentina, el Comodoro Internacional Guillermo Arteta invistió a la recientemente nombrada Comodoro Regional Miriam Caudullo.

Comodoro Regional Miriam ha completado exitosamente sus dos años como Comodoro al frente de flota Delta.

Esta flota se ha visto revitalizada y dinámica bajo la conducción de Miriam. Han aumentado su membresía y han trabajado en proyectos culturales y de servicio a la comunidad. Han participado activamente en reuniones nacionales e internacionales colaborando en la actividad de la Región.

El nuevo Comodoro de flota Delta, Sergio Gomez, asumió sus funciones para continuar con las actividades programadas. En la misma reunión se celebró el 14 aniversario de la fundación de flota Delta.



Deseamos a Sergio Gómez lo mejor en esta nueva responsabilidad. A Comodoro Regional Miriam Caudullo le auguramos éxitos en esta nueva posición, con la seguridad de que la Región Latin America East estará en muy buenas manos.

**Buenos vientos y mucha agua
bajo la quilla, querida Miriam!**



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TRIBAL JOURNEYS FROM SEATTLE MARINERS FLEET

By PFC Don Russell

Tribal Journeys of 2018 to the Puyallup Territory of the Medicine Creek Nation in Washington State

My wife, Pat Garrison attended this all-day ceremony of the greeting of the canoes by the Suquamish Indian Tribe in Suquamish across Puget Sound from Seattle, Washington. It is an impressive event and carries a on long tradition in waters of northwest Washington and southwest British Columbia, Canada. Each year the Indian tribes' journey by canoe to a final meeting place stopping at tribal communities along the way. Some of the canoes left weeks ago and have paddled over 300 miles from British Columbia, Canada, on the way to the final gathering in Puyallup, Washington. A map of the routes with the location of the tribes is included with the photos. The final destination alternates between a location in Washington and a location in British Columbia so next year the final destination with be somewhere in British Columbia.

The Suquamish Tribe expected to host over 70 canoes with their support teams for several nights before the canoes leave for their next destination. The support teams drive to each of the stopping points to meet the canoes and set up a tent city for the paddlers. The host tribe provides space for the tent city, a great salmon, clam and crab dinner with entertainment in the form of speeches and tribal dances. And, the whole event is open to the public.



TRIBAL JOURNEYS FROM SEATTLE MARINERS FLEET

They also provide a way to transport the canoes off the beach for overnight storage. The tide was rather low this year so carrying the canoes from the beach to the ceremonial grounds was a challenge. However, the local Navy and Marine volunteers (in the colored tee shirts) from the nearby bases were fully up to the task.

The tribes are very involved in encouraging the younger generation and females to take on the “pulling”/paddling of the canoes to give them an understanding of the significant physical and mental challenge of traveling by canoe that is integral to their tribal traditions. Fortunately, this year the weather has been relatively calm, so the paddlers have not had to experience the challenges of stormy weather.

This ceremony is a very interesting and enlightening. Information is available online and we highly recommend you attend sometime in the future.



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PUNTA DEL ESTE FLEET BRIDGE CHANGE 2018 / 2020 - JULY 2018

By FC Edgardo Gargano Punta del Este Fleet



On Saturday, 21 July, at the Scotiabank Parador, Parada 31 La Mansa, Punta del Este, the Punta del Este Fleet's Bridge changed.

Our partner and friend from Rotary Club Maldonado Este, AG Oscar Sánchez officiated as Master of Ceremony and at 21:15 hours he asked Commodore Félix Riestra to give the initial bell to start the ceremony.

We appreciate the presence of the IYFR authorities, Commodore Area 2 Angie Mesistrano, Special Advisor Osvaldo Galmozzi, Commodore Regional Latin American East Miriam Caudullo, Past Commodore Delta Fleet Miguel Angel Prieto and his wife María Inés. We also want to thank Rotary participants: Governor D4980 Gonzalo Baranda, President Fellowship Committee Nicolás Cánepa and his wife, EGD Fernando Cairo and his wife Ana Margarita, Governor Assistant Sandra Pacheco and his partner Antonio, Cono Rossi and his wife Marta, Daniel Techera (President RMB Fellowship Uruguay) and Oscar Sánchez and his wife Gabriela.

As guests of the Fleet, we received the Prefect of Maldonado's Port C/F Wilson Espíndola and his wife and the 2nd. Chief Battalion Eng. No. 4 "Ventura Alegre" Major Mario Scatone

and his wife; Maldonado's Este Rotary Club President Eduardo Carrera and his wife; Rotary club Buceo partner José Luis Romero and his wife. We also host Martin Ferrario and Nelson Reimundo Rotary club Maldonado and from Rotary club Uruguay D4980 Cecilia Rienzi. In between our guest we welcome the members of Delta Fleet: Walter Ramaglia and Mrs. Dolores, Martin Gil and Mrs. Renée, the Past Commodore Punta del Este Fleet Nelson Scleidorovich and his wife Viviana, Captains of the Majadahonda Squadron Alfredo Montes Niño, his wife Victoria and their daughter Rosario; from Escuadrón Montevideo Andrés Almansa and his wife Silvia and from Rocha Bruno Pellejero Squadron.



PUNTA DEL ESTE FLEETBRIDGE CHANGE



We counted as well with representatives from the Marine Scout Group of our Fleet in charge of Lucia Conde, the other Rotanauts fellows, spouses, friends and family. In short, our sincere thanks to all our 103 attendants.

Our Commodore Felix gave us a beautiful message, mentioning the service tasks developed in his period, expressing his special gratitude for those who worked and supported his management. Then he proceeded to the transfer of epaulettes and pennants, the Commodore Area 2 Angie Mesistrano, proceeded the ceremony between the outgoing Commodore and the Commodore 2018 - 2020 Edgardo Gargano.



Then Commodore Edgardo called the other members of the Bridge: Vice Commodore Esteban Pellejero, Rear Commodore María del Carmen Gotta, Secretary Claudia Isaza, Pro Secretary Susana Maidana, Treasurer Angela Garcia and Pro Treasurer Esther Weinberg. The other officers were named: Juan Martinez, Roberto Batista, Zoraida Vela, Ricardo Trujillo and the squad captain Andres Almansa, Alfredo Montes Niño, Maria Laura Tonial and Bruno Pellejero.



During his speech Commodore Edgardo highlighted being integrated from its foundation, on March 21, 2012, thanks to the management of our founder and Past Commodore Angie, counting today with Rotarians from different clubs, districts and countries of the World, with very clear objectives: Friendship, Fellowship and Service.

Next, new Rotanauts were admitted: Aparecida Motta of Rotary club Gramado, Ethel Flores, Gustavo Brozia and Susana Coirolo of Rotary club Maldonado Este and Daniel Techera of Rotary club San Carlos. Welcome !!

For the closing ceremony, we counted with our Regional Commodore Latin America East Miriam, Commodore Area 2 Angie and Rotary the President Committee Fellowship Nicolás and the Governor District 4980 Gonzalo. Afterwards, we enjoyed a great dinner, the anniversary of the month of the Rotanauts was celebrated with Ron, a pleasant meeting with good live music, dancing and surprises, joy and fun. Special thanks for everyone, who came from so far away, Friends of Argentina, Brazil, Spain, and for those always close: Rotary clubs. Thanks rotanautas, thanks Friends and family.

DREAMS ARE POWERFUL WHEN WE BELIEVE THEY CAN BECOME REALITY, EMPTY DREAMS BELONG TO THE REALM OF FANTASY, DREAMS OF LEADERS BELONG TO THE REALM OF THE POSSIBLE!



FLOTA PUNTA DEL ESTE CAMBIO PUENTE 2018 2020 JULIO 2018

El sábado 21 de julio en las instalaciones del Parador Scotiabank, Parada 31 La Mansa, Punta del Este se realizó el cambio de Puente de la Flota Punta del Este.

Nuestro compañero y amigo del Club rotario Maldonado Este, AG Oscar Sánchez ofició como Maestro de Ceremonia y a las 21:15 horas le solicitó al Comodoro Félix Riestra dar el campanazo inicial para comenzar la ceremonia.

Se agradece la presencia de las autoridades de IYFR: Comodoro Area 2 Angie Mesistrano, Special Advisor Osvaldo Galmozzi, Comodoro Regional Latin American East Miriam Caudullo, Past Comodoro Flota Delta Miguel Angel Prieto y su señora María Inés. Agradecemos también a los presentes por Rotary: el Gobernador D4980 Gonzalo Baranda, Presidente Comité Agrupaciones Nicolás Cánepa y su señora, EGD Fernando Cairo y su señora Ana Margarita, Asistentes Gobernador Sandra Pacheco y su compañero Antonio, Cono Rossi y su señora Marta, Daniel Techera (Presidente Agrupación RMB Uruguay) y Oscar Sánchez y su señora Gabriela.

Como invitados de la Flota recibimos al Prefecto del Puerto de Maldonado C/F Wilson Espíndola y su señora y al 2do Jefe Batallón Ing. Nro.4 "Ventura Alegre" Mayor Mario Scatone y su señora; al Presidente del Club Rotario Maldonado Este Eduardo Carrera y su señora; a los compañeros del Club Rotario Buceo José Luis Romero y su señora, del Club Rotario Maldonado Martin Ferrario y Nelson Reimundo y del Club Rotario Uruguay D4980 Cecilia Rienzi.



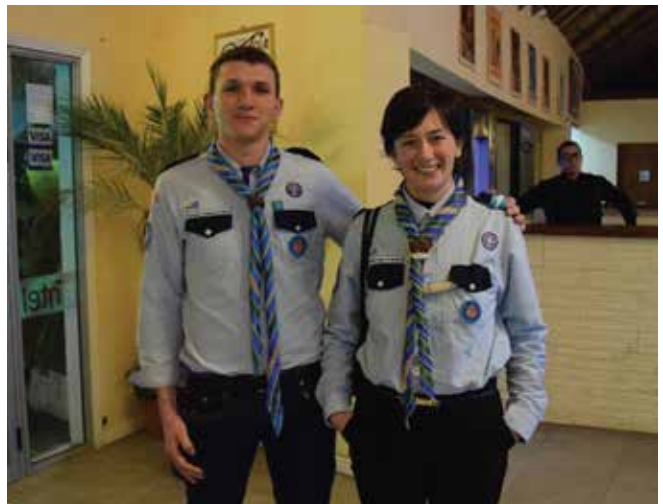
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Recibimos además con beneplácito a los integrantes de Flota Delta: Walter Ramaglia y señora Dolores, Martin Gil y señora Renée, al Past Comodoro Flota Punta del Este Nelson Scleidorovich y su señora Viviana, Capitanes del Escuadrón Majadahonda Alfredo Montes Niño, su señora Victoria y su hija Rosario; del Escuadrón Montevideo Andrés Almansa y su señora Silvia y del Escuadrón Rocha Bruno Pellejero. Participaron también representantes del Grupo Scout Marinos de nuestra Flota a cargo de Lucia Conde, compañeros rotanautas, cónyuges, amigos y familia. En fin, nuestro sincero agradecimiento a los 103 participantes.

Nuestro comodoro Félix nos impartió un hermoso mensaje, mencionando las tareas de servicio desarrolladas en su período, agradeciendo especialmente a quienes trabajaron y apoyaron su gestión, entregando para ellos, reconocimientos. A continuación se procedió al traslado de charreteras y banderines, la Comodoro Area 2 Angie Mesistrano, procedió a realizarlo entre el Comodoro saliente y el Comodoro 2018 - 2020 Edgardo Gargano. Acto seguido el Comodoro Edgardo llamó a los demás integrantes del Puente: Vicecomodoro Esteban Pellejero, Contracomodoro María del Carmen Gotta, Secretaria Claudia Isaza, Prosecretaria Susana Maidana, Tesorera Angela Garcia y Pro Tesorera Esther Weinberg.



Se nombran a los demás oficiales: Juan Martinez, Roberto Batista, Zoraida Vela, Ricardo Trujillo y a los capitales de escuadrones Andrés Almansa, Alfredo Montes Niño, Maria Laura Tonial y Bruno Pellejero.



Al hacer uso de la palabra el Comodoro Edgardo destacó estar integrado desde su fundación, un 21 de marzo de 2012, gracias a la gestión de nuestra fundadora y Past Comodoro Angie, contando hoy con rotarios de diferentes clubes, distritos y países del mundo, con objetivos muy claros, Amistad, Compañerismo y Servicio.

A continuación se dio ingreso a nuevos rotanautas: Aparecida Motta de Club Rotario Gramado, Ethel Flores, Gustavo Brozia y Susana Coirolo de club rotario Maldonado Este y Daniel Techera de club rotario San Carlos. Bienvenidos !!

Para dar el cierre protocolar hicieron uso de la palabra nuestra Comodoro Regional Latin America East Miriam, Comodoro Area 2 Angie y por Rotary el Presidente Comité Agrupaciones Nicolás y el Gobernador Distrito 4980 Gonzalo.

Para terminar, se disfrutó de la cena, en la que también se celebró el cumple del mes de los rotanautas brindando con Ron, una amena y agradable reunión, buena música en vivo, baile y sorpresas, alegría y diversión.

Resta agradecer a todos, a quienes vinieron desde tan lejos: amigos de Argentina, Brasil, España, y a los que clubes rotarios que participaron desde. Gracias rotanautas. Gracias Amigos y familia.

¡LOS SUEÑOS SON PODEROSOS CUANDO CREEMOS QUE PUEDEN CONVERTIRSE EN REALIDAD, LOS SUEÑOS VACÍOS PERTENECEN AL REINO DE LA FANTASÍA, LOS SUEÑOS DE LOS LÍDERES PERTENECEN AL REINO DE LO POSIBLE!

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CANCUN OCEAN AND SAND FLEET NEWS

By Alfonso Bolio FC Cancun Ocean and Sand Fleet. México

When we talk about companionship and friendship, we talk about the most important things in life.

Rotary through IYFR has allowed us to transcend in many ways, both in the part of coexistence and in the social part.

Our fleet, which is one of the youngest of the IYFR, has concentrated on achieving navigation to become a moment of sharing.

It is very rewarding when we all carry something to eat and drink and share an international buffet with the culinary art of our IYForian ladies. Our members not only come from different parts of our country but also from Uruguay.

A few days ago, we had the opportunity to sail to the southernmost tip in Isla Mujeres, which is the easternmost island of Mexico, where our country receives its first ray of sunlight. Its turquoise blue waters invite us to enter an incredible marine world full of corals and marine species.

On our way back we had the opportunity to watch the sunset, tired of swimming, but with the satisfaction of a joyful day, we returned home along with the crew of Catamaran Sagitario which always make us smile with their kind and emotional treatment.



CANCUN OCEAN AND SAND FLEET NEWS

These days we also had the opportunity to attend Cozumel, which is the largest island in Mexico. We aim to visit ARC Gloria, School Ship of Colombia which takes part of Velas Latinoamérica 2018 Regatta. Attendees enjoyed the kindness of the Colombian crew, friendly and happy people. We had the opportunity to give a small recognition as a present and make pennants exchange.

At Cozumel we also had the great opportunity to see other Tall Ships, part of the 2018 Velas Latinoamérica.

Mexico's Veracruz beautiful port was the ending point of this long journey from the south of the continent.

Rotary has united us, and navigation has become a key to strengthen the ties that bond us worldwide.

Friends, let's not miss the opportunity to get to know each other more, to share more, to be happy and to make this world a better world.

From Mexico a fraternal embrace to all world's fleets.



FLOTA CANCÚN OCEAN AND SAND

Cuando hablamos de compañerismo y de amistad hablamos de las cosas más importantes de la vida.

Rotary a través de la IYFR nos ha permitido trascender de muchas maneras, tanto en la parte de convivencia como en la parte social.

Nuestra flota que es una de las más jóvenes de la IYFR se ha concentrado en lograr que la navegación se convierta en un momento de compartir.



Es muy bonito cuando todos llevamos algo de comer y beber, al final terminamos en un bufet de altura internacional. Siendo nuestros integrantes de diferentes partes del país y una integrante de Uruguay, llega el arte culinario de nuestras damas IYForians.

Hace unos días tuvimos la oportunidad de navegar hacia la punta sur de Isla Mujeres que es la isla más oriental de México, dónde recibimos el primer rayo del sol en el país. Sus aguas color azul turquesa invitan a adentrarse en un mundo marino increíble lleno de corales y especies marinas.

A nuestro regreso tuvimos la oportunidad de ver la puesta de sol, cansados de nadar, pero con la satisfacción del día vivido, regresamos a casa. La tripulación del Catamarán Sagitario siempre nos deja una sonrisa con su trato amable y emotivo. También en estos días tuvimos la oportunidad de asistir a Cozumel, que es la isla más grande de México. El propósito fue visitar al ARC Gloria, Buque Escuela de Colombia, integrado al recorrido Velas Latinoamérica 2018.

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Los asistentes disfrutaron de la amabilidad de la tripulación Colombiana, gente amable y feliz. Tuvimos la oportunidad de entregar un pequeño reconocimiento y hacer el intercambio de banderines, entregando el de nuestra flota. Este día en Cozumel se tuvo la oportunidad de ver a las demás embarcaciones parte del recorrido velas 2018, llenando de alegría a todos los visitantes.

México, con su puerto en Veracruz, formó parte de este largo recorrido desde el sur del continente llegando a su conclusión en este bello puerto.

Rotary nos ha unido y la navegación se ha convertido en una clave para fortalecer estos lazos que nos unen a nivel mundial. Amigos, no perdamos la oportunidad de conocernos más, de compartir más, de ser felices y hacer de este mundo un mundo mejor.

Desde México un abrazo fraternal a todas las flotas.

*Alfonso Bolio
Comodoro
Flota Cancun Ocean and Sand*



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MARINE SCOUTS "BAHÍA DE MALDONADO" PUNTA DEL ESTE FLEET ACTIVITY

By PC Félix Riestra



On Sunday, July 22, the NGO "SOS, Rescue of Marine Wildlife", carried out an activity to release marine species, after being rescued at risk, recovered and fortified. For this activity, our Marine Scouts Bahía de Maldonado were specially invited, in knowledge that one of the fundamental objectives or purposes of our group is to contribute to the preservation of our marine flora and wildlife. For more than a year, these children are being trained in these issues, by specialists in the field. Through theoretical and practical classes, what has achieved in them a great sensitivity, concern and dedication for the conservation and preservation of the marine environment.



On the morning of Sunday 22 were present at the place, our Marine Scouts, accompanied by their leaders and members of the Punta del Este Fleet, and together with the heads of the NGO, proceeded to the release of species such as seagulls, wolves marine and turtles. Our Scouts were also responsible for controlling the large audience that congregated in the place, in order to facilitate the release of the protected species and to avoid the stress of the animals.

Undoubtedly it was a very rewarding activity. It fills us with pride when we see that children at such an early age are committed to such a noble cause and that without doubt they are an example to be imitated by adults. And we are doubly proud that our Punta del Este Fleet is contributing genuine values to these children, who are the present and the future of our society.

ACTIVIDAD SCOUTS MARINOS “BAHÍA DE MALDONADO” FLOTA PUNTA DEL ESTE

El domingo 22 de julio la ONG “SOS, Rescate de Fauna Marina”, realizó una actividad de liberación de especies marinas, luego de ser rescatadas en situación de riesgo, recuperadas y fortificadas.

Para esta actividad, fueron especialmente invitados nuestros Scouts Marinos Bahía de Maldonado, en conocimiento que uno de los objetivos o propósitos fundamentales de nuestro grupo, es aportar en la preservación de nuestra flora y fauna marina. Desde hace más de un año, estos niños están siendo capacitados en estos temas, por especialistas en la materia.



A través de clases teóricas y prácticas, lo que ha logrado en ellos una gran sensibilidad, preocupación y dedicación por la conservación y preservación del medio ambiente marino.

En la mañana del domingo 22 se hicieron presentes en el lugar, nuestros Scouts Marinos, acompañados de sus líderes e integrantes de la Flota Punta del Este, y conjuntamente con los responsables de la ONG, procedieron a la liberación de especies tales como gaviotas, lobos marinos y tortugas. Nuestros Scouts también se responsabilizaron de controlar al numeroso público que se congregó en el lugar, de modo de facilitar la liberación de las especies protegidas y de evitar el estrés de los animalitos.

Sin dudas fue una actividad muy gratificante. Nos llena de orgullo cuando vemos que los niños a tan temprana edad, están comprometidos con tan noble causa y que sin dudas ellos son un ejemplo a imitar por los adultos.

Y nos sentimos doblemente orgullosos, que nuestra Flota Punta del Este, esté aportando valores genuinos a estos niños, que son el presente y el futuro de nuestra sociedad.



*Félix Riestra
Past Commodore*

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OYIE IN MEMORIAM

By Jun Avecilla IPIC



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A3AGM HOW TO DO BUSINESS AND HAVE FUN!

By David Hansen, Area 3 Commodore

Area 3 has held its AGMs in a variety of interesting places – Bali Indonesia, Boracay Philippines, Hongkong, Auckland New Zealand, Kobe Japan and just recently Singapore(August 14th). Singapore is a dynamic and interesting place, very special to the writer because of living and working there for 7 years in the late 70s/early 80s. Much has changed but people I worked with are still the same, just a little more 'experienced'. An example of the change is my hotel room which was name as a Bay View room. When the hotel was built that name would have truly honour the Bay, but now reclamation and development has taken away the Bay view and substitute it with a River view. (much better than it would have been in the early 80s!)

The Area 3 AGM follows a similar format to the Post Convention Cruise (PCC) : Meet & Greet, AGM and a Gala (Formal) dinner to close. Attendance of Regional Commodores (RCs) was down this year but this was more than made up by the large group from the Philippines –which were over 35 in total at our Gala dinner.

This year we chose to conduct our AGM in a different way, the RC reports were circulated in advance and read at the meeting. RC's could still speak if there was something special to impart, but no one did, giving plenty of time to spend on important Fellowship matters. The Treasurer presented the Area accounts for 2017-18 and then the International Rear Commodore spoke and set the scene for discussion. A number of important issues were then thoroughly discussed, with the intention that the meeting could and should send Remits on important issues to the relevant IYFR international forums ie Convention AGM, Rules change process, etc.



Membership – A very active member in the Philippines passed away not long before our AGM. It is likely that we will lose some of the Fleets she was looking after, but there are probably another 3 Fleets getting ready to be formed, so in total expecting some lose here. In Australia some Fleets are doing well, while others struggle. Combined with New Zealand the current situation is overall a small gain. Likewise Japan is a small gain. So the overall picture is better than expected. Some good discussion followed about how to gain members. See Communication below.

Finance – A robust discussion was held about dues payment/non payment, Area 3 accounts and overall IYFR accounting. The meeting was briefed that Area 1 had obtained HSBC approval to open a second US\$ account, which will be solely for Area 3 use. All Area 3 dues will go into this account, making overview of paid dues and payments easy to track/manage (with the advent of anti money laundering legislation it is impossible in many countries to open the sort of account IYFR needs) The writer expressed his view that this may be the final configuration of IYFR banking – Wells Fargo in the US and HSBC in the UK.

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An important point was the quality of IYFR accounts during the terms of recent International Commodores and the need for an independent review of these accounts. The meeting passed a remit on this matter which will be forwarded to the Rules Changes process, overseen by IVC Robert Burns.

Communication and Cooperation – Improvement was sought. Members were not aware that anyone who has been on a Rotary Programme is eligible to join a Fellowship. (Rules change needed).

The AGM and the Gala dinner were held at the Republic of Singapore Yacht Club and we all enjoyed a good evening. Certificates of Appreciation and gifts were presented to two long standing RCs who were stepping down. Roger Lingard, also for organising all AGM to date and Grahame Werrell for Chairing the AGMs to date. Replacements have been appointed.



*David Hansen
Area 3 Commodore*

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