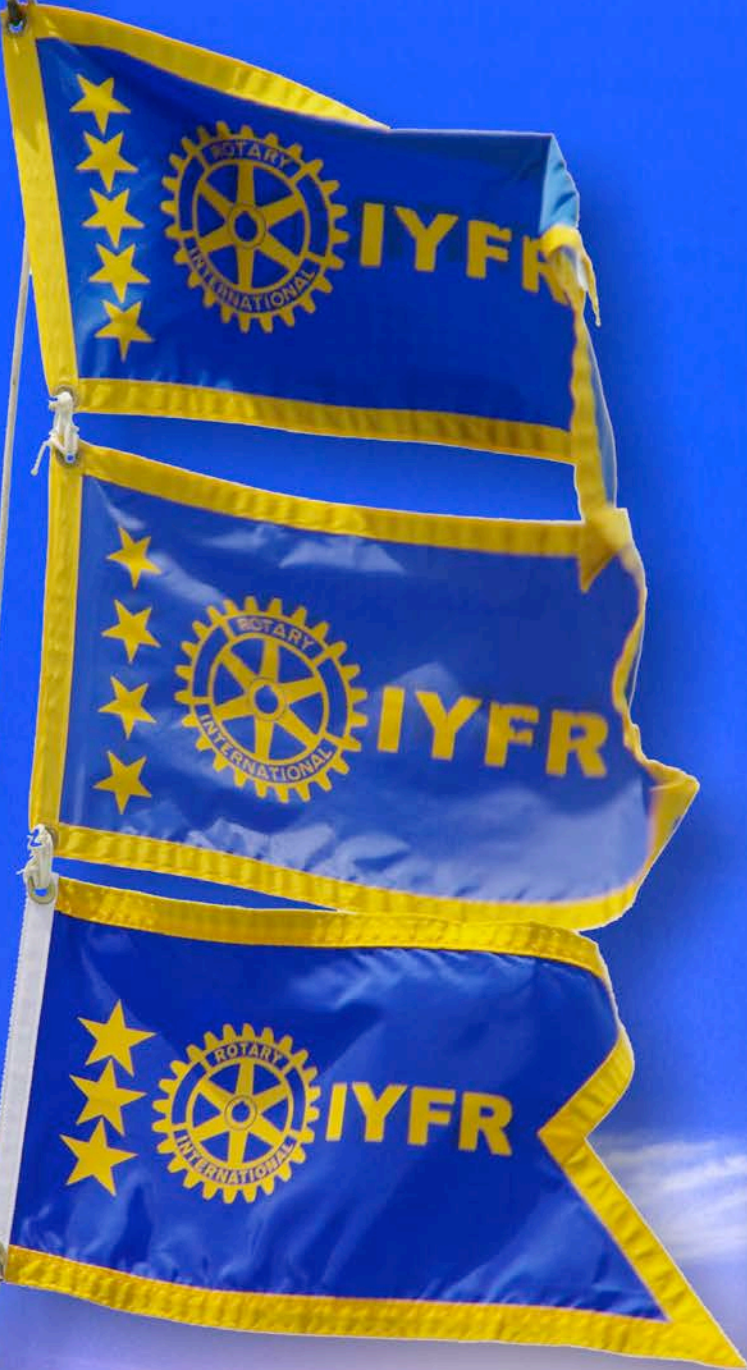


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A NEW DAWN...  
TOGETHER WE SAIL





## INTERNATIONAL COMMODORE'S MESSAGE

*My dear Fellow Mariners,*

I will start my first letter quoting the Area 1 Commodore Bob Burns, who addressing to the Region Commodores about to participate to this year Area General meeting says: *the sailing season is coming to a close for many of us, it is that time of the year when we start to reflect on the season which has just passed. We look back on the good times enjoyed and those where the weather might have been kinder. I hope it has been a good season for you and one to bring back happy memories throughout the winter months.*



As far as the EC and the IB, this first part of summer has not been the most relaxed one ever: also if we had tried to get started in advance, as all of you clearly understand, one thing is flying a flight simulator and another thing is actually pushing the throttle full forward and release the brakes for the take off run.

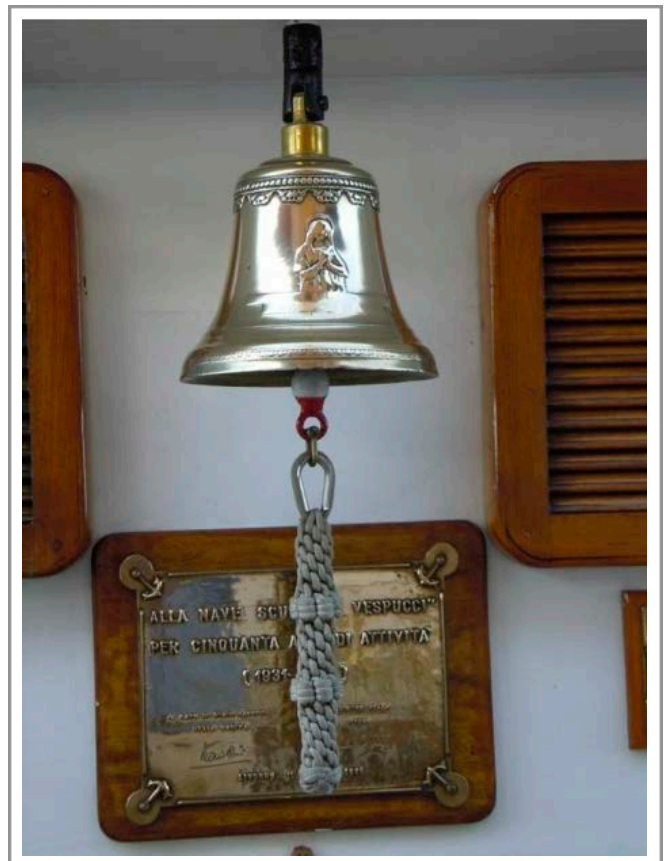
Not willing to maintain the Pay Pal payments of difficult access for someone, the first thing that we had to take care has been a virtual POS that could allow our Commodores or any IYFORIAN to transfer any sum for any reason directly to the IYFR 2013- 2015 Bank in Turin using their personal or Fleet credit card. You got no idea of how many papers have been filled and signed but finally now we have an account in Euro, one in USD and a POS.

The second issue that we had to face was the reorganization of our website that, as

most-of you know, we owe to the good will of our PIC Clint Collier. Not willing to leave this burden on his capable shoulders for the rotating Rotarian principle, we had to do and are still doing a difficult job of realigning it with more modern and more easily manageable capabilities that will in the future ease



the handing over to any new Administration. The renewed site when fully operating should be more appealing, accessible as much as possible to the NES (non-English speaking Members), and manageable not only by the Webmaster who remains the general coordinator, but also from other selected IB Officers. The web site is actually the only means as to reach any IYFORIAN in the world and any effort to make it better and handy for everybody must, in our opinion, been undertaken and pursued. All of the EC and the IB hope that you will be finding it more appealing.





We also had to face a vital problem that affects IYFR: the care and follow up of our Independent Members (IMs) that are especially present in North America.

Personally I believe that this category of Fellow Mariners, in the internet era, has no reason to exist any more since if it had a common sense until ten –



fifteen years ago when we were linked only by a paper printed ROTAFLOAT and standard paper communications, now, frankly, in the era of the E Club ... an IM is as obsolete as an octant in a world of satellites giving you a precision of 10 yards.

The EC, the IB and the Area Commodores are now discussing as how to temporarily host all the good will IMs of the world in a virtual E Fleet whose Commodore could be the CoS and the Treasurer would be the International Treasurer. It will have no sense any more to ask the Members at large 3 times as much the standard annual fee also because we are not giving them anything different from a standard Fleet Mariner. At the end of the next Area 1 Meeting we will have a clearer view of what to do.

The other vital problem is the perfect knowledge of the Members/Fleets/IMs still delinquent in honouring their annual monstrous debt of 10/30 USD per person towards the Fellowship; no invoice will be sent anymore to any Fleet Treasurer (that in 75% of the cases does not even understand English). It has always been written in the GR that the Area and Region Commodores have to play a relevant and significant role in this issue and... this is exactly what the EC expects them to do. The Regional Commodores WILL remind their Fleet Com-

modores (they are supposed to know both English and their Fleets languages) that they have an obligation to honour within the month of September, the ways to pay and the indication that the sum forwarded must correspond to the number of Members



reported in the official Roster. Nothing can be simpler than that. The Regional Commodore will report the Area Commodores "operation complete" ASAP after having controlled the compliance by each Fleet; he can maintain track of the payments, so that the situation is always under control by the Region, Area Commodores and the Treasurer.

This has been what the IB has processed and is being processing before this 2013 Summer turns into Autumn. Also getting organized and organizing can sometimes be FUN... but this is another history!

Yours,





By: Luigi Norsa  
Chief of Staff

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**ABOUT THE COVER**

The boat is the ORSA MAGGIORE (Great Bear or Big Dipper constellation) is a ten years old 28,3 meters ketch with a Crew of 22 belonging to the Italian Navy and is the largest of the IT NAVY training sailing boats. The picture was taken during the Monaco "Portofino Regatta, southwest of Genova, by IC Sergio Santi on DINDI (Hansen 47') owned by FVC Salvatore Sarpero. Background setting of La Spezia Gulf, showing Portovenere and the Palmaria Island on the left is digitally superimposed.

A New Dawn Together we sail with the IC, IVC and IRC burgees bind together in unison is an apt cover of the 1<sup>st</sup> Edition of the Rotafloat under the helm of IC Sergio following PIC Ferit Biren's motto of "fellowship, service and fun".



IYFR.net website is an essential tool to link the lyforians around the world. It will undergo a refitting in order to make easier to frequently update and add some more new features, in one month you will be able the new website, but something new is already in and perhaps not all the lyforians are aware of what they can get from it. First, in the "Fellowship news" page, where you can find a flash about the main events around the world, then in the "events" page you can find a calendar where you can see the rendezvous that happen somewhere on a specific date – if you are planning a vacation abroad, you can check there if there is any IYFR event you could attend to know new friends. On Sydney 2014 page you can know what IYFR is organizing during and after the RI convention in May/June in Sydney and how to register for the next AGM and for the Post Convention Cruise. Look at it the programme is impressive!

In the members only section you have a unique opportunity to discover who are the other lyforians in the world: you can see all the fleets and their members, but you can also make searches, not only by name, but also by city, by Rotary club, by boat type: again if you are planning to travel abroad check on the website which lyforian you can contact to meet them and broad the number of your friends.

That's for now but we invite you soon to discover the future new look of the website and to check it at least monthly to discover what happens in the fellowship!



## Financial Accounts and the Budget Proposal



*By: Andre Gorgeman,  
International Treasurer*

### Analysis of the financial counts over the last 10 years

The report hereunder shows the evolution over the last 10 years and takes into account the preliminary figures provided by Beri Kasper and could change when the final will in the end be provided.

#### 1. Cash

The cash balance has been depleted substantially in the last 2 years (less US\$ 37450). The recent decrease explained by the accumulated losses of the last 2 years and the increase in the purchase of regalia inventory.

#### 2. Regalia inventory

The inventory at the end of June 2013 is the highest since the last 10 years. A complete and exact inventory will be available by the end of October.

#### 3. Membership dues

Revenues from fleet dues have decreased by about 15 % last year. This is the first time since 2007 that one experiences a decline in fleet dues revenues, One could expect some analysis and suggestions from the previous I.B. for this unusual trend.

#### 4. Income from regalia sales

The last 2 years have shown a loss on the sale of regalia. Again this trend is unexplained and concerning. A new procedure needs to be set up to have a better grip and control over the flow of cash related to this source of revenues. This has already brought up to the attention of the IB in previous years.

#### 5. Administrative costs

Seem under control and rather constant

#### 6. Accumulated loss for the years 2012/2013

The loss recorded for the last 2 years equals US\$ 30,742



### Analysis of financial accounts - IYFR

	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2006/2007	2004/2005
Fleet dues	29'150	21'212	31'828	27'387	24'726	25'222	45'764	45'999
I.M.	30	210	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	1'886	840
Regalia sales	10'707	7'842	N.A.	N.A.	14'016	25'145	18'334	32'229
Cost of regalia	6'705	12'907	N.A.	N.A.	8'268	27'516	29'529	16'358
Net ( Loss )	4'002	-5'065	10'667	3'435	5'748	-2'371	-11'195	15'870
Adm costs	22'964	3'126	13'804	12'085	9'130	15'457	20'954	20'088
Grants	25'367	23'789	18'550					
Profit ( Loss )	-16'368	-14'374	10'493	18'738	24'428	15'118	21'220	35'554
<b>Cash</b>	123'026		160'476		131'614		88'289	37'337
<b>Regalia stock</b>	19'025		14'876		15'215		13'379	5'816



<b>Budget Proposal (US\$)</b>	<b>2013/2014 Budget</b>	<b>2012/2013 Actual</b>
Fleet dues	31'000	29'150
IM	270	30
<b>Total</b>	<b>31'270</b>	<b>29'180</b>
Regalia sales	12'000	10'707
Cost of sales	10'000	6'705
<b>Net</b>	<b>2'000</b>	<b>4'002</b>
<b>Total income</b>	<b>33'270</b>	<b>33'182</b>
<b>G&amp;A expenses</b>		
Administration	1'000	876
Bank fees	2'500	2'095
Internet expenses	3'000	
IB allowance	10'000	20'679
Various fees	500	40
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>17'000</b>	<b>23'690</b>
<b>Net available income</b>	<b>16'270</b>	<b>9'492</b>
Convention revenues	50'000	68'207
Convention expenses	50'000	68'430
<b>Net</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-223</b>
<b>Net before grants</b>	<b>16'270</b>	<b>4'269</b>
Grants	30'000	25'637
<b>Net loss</b>	<b>-13'730</b>	<b>-16'368</b>



## International Bridge Directory



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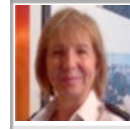
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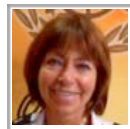
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# The Regalia Store

## REGALIA REQUEST TO AREA 1 REGALIA OFFICERS

The Ship's Store at the website is momentarily closed and will be opened as soon as the stock inventories are put in order. It is intended that the regalia sales is decentralized with each Area maintaining stocks to minimize costly handling and movement of goods. Area 1 provides a list herewith that members may order for the time being. IRC Guillermo is taking control

of the stocks in Area 2 and as soon as accounted for will also soon open the store, Area 3 maintains very limited stock but with the help of IPFC George Hsia to source manufacture and supply from China, IVC /A3C Jun will soon be able to accept orders to service the members need in its Area.

	ITEM		PRICE	Qty	TOTAL €		ITEM		PRICE	Qty	TOTAL €
1		Member Burgee F Officer Burgee	€21.00 €21.00			6		Casket Std Officer	€ 13.00 € 10.00 € 13.00		
2		Lapel Pins	€5.00			7		Polo Shirt	€17.00		
3		Ladies Wheel Pin	€9.00			8		White Epaulette Shirt Cotton S	€25.00 €33.00		
4		Decal Emblem	€1.00			9		IYFR Tie	€21.00		
5		Blazer Emblem Standard Metallic Gold B Buttons set	€9.00 €10.00 €21.00 €45.00			10		IYFR Ladies Cross Over	€9.00		
<b>TOTAL</b>						<b>TOTAL</b>					
<b>GRAND TOTAL = €</b>											

SHOULDER BOARDS			T SHIRTS		
Fleet Officer		€ 18,00	Sizes XL L M		€ 10,00
Squadron O		€ 18,00			
QTY		PRICE €	QTY		PRICE €

SIZE	XXS	XS	S	M	L	XL	XXL
UK/USA M	12 1/2	14 1/2	14 ½ -15	15 ½ 16.	16 1/2	17- 17 1/2	18 – 18 1/2
EUROPE	32-34	35 -36	37- 38	39 - 40	41 - 42	43 - 44	45 - 46
UK/USA F				11 - 12	13 -15	16 -18	19 - 20
QTY Fe/Male							

Members Name:	
Fleet Name:	
Country:	
Email:	
Phone: Inc Country Code	

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**REGALIA REQUEST TO AREA 2 and 3 REGALIA OFFICERS**

**PRICES QUOTED IN US DOLLARS**

**MEMBER ONLY PURCHASES**

	ITEM		PRICE	Qty	TOTAL \$		ITEM		PRICE	Qty	TOTAL \$
1		Member Burgee F Officer Burgee	\$25.00 \$25.00			6		Casket Std Officer	\$18.00 \$12.00 \$15.00		
2		Lapel Pins	\$5.00			7		Polo Shirt	\$20		
3		Ladies Wheel Pin	\$8.00			8		White Epaulette Shirt Cotton S	\$30.00 \$40.00		
4		Decal Emblem	\$2.00			9		IYFR Tie	\$25.00		
5		Blazer Emblem Standard Metallic Gold B Buttons set	\$10.00 \$25.00 \$32.00 \$70.00			10		IYFR Ladies Cross Over	\$10.00		
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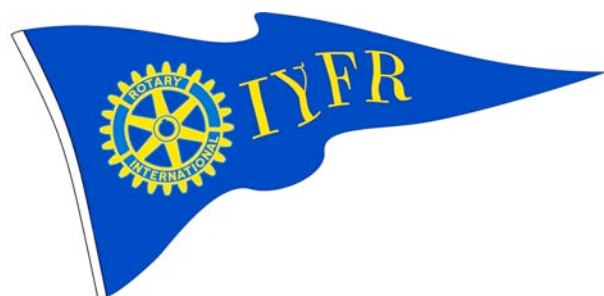
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SIZE	XXS	XS	S	M	L	XL	XXL
UK/USA M	12 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2 -15	15 1/2 16.	16 1/2	17- 17 1/2	18 – 18 1/2
EUROPE	32-34	35 -36	37- 38	39 - 40	41 - 42	43 - 44	45 - 46
UK/USA F				11 - 12	13 -15	16 -18	19 - 20
QTY Fe/Male							

Members Name:	
Fleet Name:	
Country:	
Email:	
Phone: Inc Country Code	

Send order to:

[guillermo.arteta@gmail.com](mailto:guillermo.arteta@gmail.com) if A 2  
[jeajr.selmagroup@gmail.com](mailto:jeajr.selmagroup@gmail.com) if A 3



## WELCOME

Thank you for your interest in Rotary’s boating Fellowship. The International Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians is the oldest and largest of the Rotary Fellowships. It began in England in 1947 and has grown to 98 fleets, with more than 3000 members in 31 Countries.

## MEMBERSHIP

All Rotarians and Rotaractors can join IYFR. The only requirement for joining is an active interest in boating (ownership of a boat is not required). Fleets are located worldwide. If there is not a fleet in your area, you are invited to start building up a Squadron of the nearest Fleet and to join as a Member of that Fleet to enjoy benefits of membership. Inquiries should be sent via email to: [info@iyfr.net](mailto:info@iyfr.net)

## FELLOWSHIP AND SERVICE

Boating with fellow Rotarians and friends is a delightful way to share ideas, improve your seamanship, provide support for Rotary service activities, make lasting friendships and practice the ideals of Rotary.

Help to advance Rotary’s goal of “International understanding, goodwill and world peace.”

- Meet interesting people with a common interest in boating, make great contacts and establish lasting friendships.
- Access to the “IYFR Roster of Members,” which puts you in touch with Rotary Mariners and fleets worldwide. Contact them – become involved, and enjoy Rotary Mariner Fellowship.
- Keep in touch with what is happening in IYFR through our IYFR website and “Rotafloat” newsletter.

- Enjoy boating and social events (on land or water) with other IYFR members locally, regionally and internationally.
- Each Fleet in IYFR plans and hosts its own activities and events for Fleet members and their partners and guests. Exchange visits by members of other IYFR Fleets and Independent Members are actively encouraged. Typical events include “raft-ups” on the water, cruises, regattas, service activities and a wide variety of social events on shore. The theme of all activities is fellowship.
- Enjoy the IYFR activities at International Rotary Conventions, including the Annual General Meeting and IYFR Post Convention Cruise.
- IYFR regalia, available only for member purchase, identifies you as a Rotary Mariner at home or abroad.

Annual IYFR dues for Fleet/E Fleet Members are \$10 USD per Member, payable through the Fleet/or as specified. Most Fleets also charge an additional membership fee to cover their own administration costs.

Members at large can register with the E-Fleet whose Commodore is the IC’s Chief of Staff and the Treasurer is the International Treasurer.

## IYFR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (M) (F)

Spouse/Partner: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State/Region/Province: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Rotary Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Rotary District: \_\_\_\_\_

Rotary Member No: \_\_\_\_\_

Boat Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Boat Type: (Sail) (Power) (None) Length: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Port/Marina: \_\_\_\_\_

Send this Membership Application to the appropriate Area Commodore (see other page) who will forward it to the nearest existing Fleet. The Fleet Commodore will let you know what to do.



Send any E-Membership Application to the International Commodore's Chief of Staff [chiefofstaff@iyfr.net](mailto:chiefofstaff@iyfr.net) copying in Cc the IC [commodore@iyfr.net](mailto:commodore@iyfr.net) and the International Treasurer [treasurer@iyfr.net](mailto:treasurer@iyfr.net)

From July 1 2013 until June 30 2015 transfer the sum to:

**UNICREDIT BIC SWIFT CODE UNCRITM1BD4**

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Beneficiary **INTERNATIONAL YACHTING FELLOWSHIP OF ROTARIANS**

or contact for further instruction the International Treasurer [treasurer@iyfr.net](mailto:treasurer@iyfr.net).

### OBJECTIVES OF IYFR

Rotary Mariners combines an acceptance of the principles of Rotary with a love of boats and the sea, rivers and inland waters, and use the shared interest of yachting and seamanship as an opportunity to encourage and foster the objectives of Rotary.

Mariner objectives are:

- To advance international understanding, goodwill and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideals of service.
- To promote Rotary fellowship through cruising, yachting, racing, sailing, kayaking and other activities involving boats and boating.
- To promote high standards of seamanship and abide by recognized yachting customs and etiquette on the water.
- To support Rotary service projects and opportunities, on and off the water.

**2013 – 2015**

**INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE**

**International Commodore**

Sergio Santi – Italy

**International Vice Commodore**

Jun Avecilla - Philippines

**International Rear Commodore**

Guillermo Arteta - Argentina

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- Bulgaria

- East Africa
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Great Britain & Ireland
- Italy
- Luxembourg
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- Netherlands
- Poland
- Slovenia
- Sweden
- Switzerland
- Turkey
- Ukraine
- Spain
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  - Brazil
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  - Uruguay
  - Ecuador
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  - Australia
  - China
  - French Polynesia
  - Japan
  - New Zealand
  - Philippines
- Members at large who are currently affiliated with the E-Fleet

## IYFR International Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians



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## YOU ARE INVITED!

### PUT YOURSELF IN THE PICTURE

YOU are invited to join the IYFR Post Convention Cruise 2014 to be held in SYDNEY, the gateway to AUSTRALIA, host of the 2000 Olympics and voted by many as the most beautiful harbour in the world.

Our shore base and accommodation will be in the prestigious private club, the Royal Automobile Club of Australia, a beautiful heritage building located alongside Sydney Harbour, the Harbour Bridge and Opera House.

Each day, we will embark on a sightseeing and dining adventure including a visit to the Australian Maritime Museum at Darling Harbour, inspect former Naval ships and submarine, cruise Sydney Harbour on fully restored coal fired steam/sail Heritage Fleet vessels, dine on the authentic and luxurious paddle wheeler: **Sydney Showboat**, visit the world heritage listed Blue Mountains, ride the steepest railway in the world to the bottom of the canyon, and visit the Australian Wildlife sanctuary to have a photo taken with Koala bears and Kangaroos.

**The cost of your passage ticket at AU\$1200-00 pp\* includes transfer costs to events, admittance to all attractions, four nights accommodation, all breakfasts, one lunch and three dinners.**

We expect there to be heavy demand for this wonderful and memorable 'cruise' and adjacent hotel accommodation at a small extra cost\* may be required, so you are advised to book early. Accommodation will be allocated on a 'first to register' basis. We have limited single rooms at no extra cost.

For further information, please contact Region Commodore Robert Eaglesham via email [rje@iprimus.com.au](mailto:rje@iprimus.com.au) or telephone 61-2-46512415.

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Sydney is one of the most beautiful and vibrant cities of the world. Its natural surroundings and glorious harbour make it a "must-see" destination.

From the dramatic silhouette of the Sydney Opera House, the Arch of the Sydney Harbour Bridge and the World Heritage Listed Blue Mountains outside of Sydney, this city will leave you captivated.

### **IYFR Annual General Meeting**

**"MEET and GREET"**: Saturday afternoon 31st May 2014 between 1600-1800 hrs in the Club Lounge of the 'New South Wales Masonic Club' in Sydney.

**"IYFR AGM & Commodores Gala Dinner"**: This combined function will be held in the "Cello's Grand Dining Room" of the NSW Masonic Club on Tuesday evening 3rd June 2014.

### **Registration Form for the Sydney 2014 IYFR AGM GALA DINNER**

### **IYFR Hotel Accommodation during RI Conference:**

IC Sergio has requested RC Robert Eaglesham in Sydney, to locate suitable accommodation at a reasonable cost for our IYFR members to stay at during the Rotary Convention period ie. 31st May to 5th June 2014. Although 'block bookings' having been placed on most hotels by the RI Convention travel agency, we have secured some good rooms at a cost well below that offered by RI, details outlined below.

Our IYFR Hotels are reserved in the name of RC Robert with whom bookings must be made in the first instance [rje@jprimus.com.au](mailto:rje@jprimus.com.au) All tariff is in AUD with a minimum stay 5 nights.

### **PARK REGIS CITY CENTRE HOTEL:**

This Hotel is an Older Style 22 floor 3.5 star hotel located just around the corner from The Castlereagh Boutique Hotel and NSW Masonic Club where the "Meet & Greet" and "Commodores AGM Gala Dinner") will be held.

It is located in the Central Business District, rail and bus only 50 metres away at the Town Hall and is next to all major shopping plaza's. Plenty of cafes and hotels are located nearby including major hotels, Sydney Hilton, Sheraton on-the-Park etc.

The rooms are clean, beds appear comfortable and rooms reasonably quiet, bathrooms ok. The corner

rooms (Executive King) face NE and have nice views overlooking part of Hyde Park. It has a small foyer and although it has no dining facilities, there are plenty adjacent. It has a rooftop pool and observation deck with 360degrees views of Sydney.

As of today, all our reserved Executive King rooms have now been taken but we still have some Premier Queen Rooms available @ AUD 165-00 per night, room only. It may be possible to obtain a 2 room suite with 1 x King Bed @ AUD 240-00 per night, if desired.

Have a look at the website, [www.parkregishotels.com](http://www.parkregishotels.com) click on 'hotels' then Sydney City Centre, then on the 'Video' tab. Click on each gallery photo.

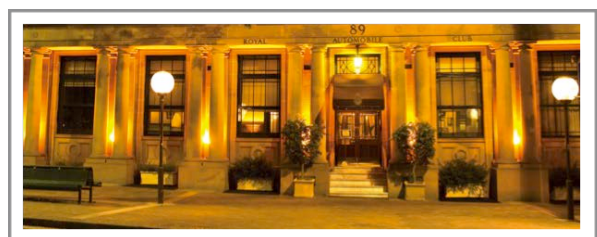
### **THE CASTLEREAGH BOUTIQUE HOTEL:**

This lovely 4 star hotel is where our functions will be held (NSW Masonic Club) located in the same building which is just around the corner from Park Regis. Website is [www.thecastlereagh.com.au](http://www.thecastlereagh.com.au)

The rooms are nicely furnished and you will have temporary membership of the Club to use the Lounge Bars and the Dining Room.

RC Robert has reserved some Deluxe Queen rooms @ AUD 199-00 per night room only and some standard Twin rooms @ AUD 189-00 per room only. Breakfast is available in the dining room

**Any queries, please email RC Robert Eaglesham at [rje@jprimus.com.au](mailto:rje@jprimus.com.au) Tel. 61-2-4651 2415**



Our host Regional Commodore, Robert Eaglesham, has arranged our base and "main deck" accommodation to be in the beautiful Heritage Listed building of the Royal Automobile Club of Australia (RACA) at Sydney Cove, Circular Quay, a prestigious Private Club right alongside Sydney Harbour and the Opera House.

There are limited rooms available here so you need to register early. Overflow accommodation, if needed, will be at a nearby hotel but an additional fee will be payable.





**DAY 1. Thursday 5th June.**

This afternoon, we embark on our "2014 Post Convention Cruise" at the RACA from 1400 hrs. An Orientation Meeting and Cruise Briefing will be held in the RACA members lounge at 1600 hrs. Tonight we enjoy a "Welcome Dinner" to be held in the Club building.

**DAY 2. Friday 6th June.**

Short Morning Walk (Optional)

Continental breakfast in the Harbour Dining Room of the Club at 0800hrs and receive the morning briefing.

Later cruise by ferry to the Australian Maritime Museum at Darling Harbour to inspect the museum and its floating display of vessels, including former Navy warships and submarine.



Visit the many shops and venues around the precinct.

Tonight we embark on the paddlewheel "Sydney Showboat" to view Sydney Harbour and its lights by night whilst enjoying a sumptuous 3 course dinner and a spectacular international cabaret show as we cruise the Harbour. Romantics can go outside on the decks and listen to the paddlewheel whilst enjoying the views.

See website [www.sydneypaddleboats.com.au](http://www.sydneypaddleboats.com.au)

Return to/from the RACA by Sydney Harbour ferry.

**DAY 3. Saturday 7th June.**

Early breakfast. Depart by coach to the Blue Mountains taking in spectacular scenery, riding the steepest railway in the world to the floor of the canyon, a short walk through a rainforest along the elevated tree walk before riding the cableway back up to the top and viewing selected locations.

Lunch is by own arrangement then on our return to Sydney, we stop at the Featherdale Wildlife Park to view Australian birds and animals, including Crocodiles,



Kangaroo's and Koala Bears (maybe a photo opportunity with a Koala).

The evening is a free night to enjoy dinner at the Club or at a local waterside restaurant.

**DAY 4. Sunday 8th June.**

Today we enjoy a cruise around Sydney Harbour aboard chartered 102 year old fully restored steam vessel(s) of the Sydney Heritage Fleet and enjoy a light lunch on board.

After "Happy Hour" in the RACA, we prepare for our "farewell dinner" to be held aboard the former Manly ferry "SS South Steyne" a fully restored and operational ocean ferry sailed from Scotland and now used as a floating Restaurant in Cockle Bay, Darling Harbour. Return to/from the RACA by Sydney Harbour ferry.

**COST:**AUS\$ 1,200

(which includes accommodation at the RACA, all breakfasts, three dinners and one lunch, most transfers to/from events, admission fees to Maritime Museum and Wildlife Park, Scenic Railway and Cableway rides, all cruise and coach charters)Accommodation at the RACA is limited. An additional accommodation charge of AU\$100will be charged if you are required to stay at the overflow hotel.

**Any queries to "IYFR 2014 PCC Sydney" [rje@iprimus.com.au](mailto:rje@iprimus.com.au)**





# AREA 1 NEWS

## IYFR MARINER GRANT AND ROTARY PROJECT IN TURKANA LAKE KENYA, AFRICA



**PROVEER DE 20 BARCAS Y REDES, ENSEÑAR A PESCAR Y EDUCAR A LOS NATIVOS. Donación de 36.923 USA\$**

La Fundación Rotaria Internacional, el distrito 2201 y sus dirigentes Eduardo Sanmartin de la Fundación, José Ramon Echevarria Gobernador 2012-13, Bernardo Rabassa Comodoro de la Región de Iberia de la fellowship de la IYFR (Mariners), con el liderazgo de Gabriel Perez Castillo del R.C. Madrid Ptª de Hierro, verdadero factor de toda la subvención, y con la participación de los clubs Majadahonda, Norte, Serrano, Velázquez Internacional y Muthaiga (Kenya), con el padre Fernando Aguirre de la Missionary Community of Saint Paul the Apostle-Todonayang, a través de la Ex Gobernadora Maria Eugenia Lapeira que nos convenció aunque la pesca en el lago es peligrosa, porque en él se encuentra la mayor colonia de cocodrilos de toda África.

### Nuestros objetivos:

1. Mejorar la situación capacitando a 150 pescadores a buenas prácticas pesqueras, manipulación higiénica de los peces, la conservación y comercialización del pescado, e introducir los temas de liderazgo y la dinámica de grupo para las cooperativas pesqueras así como el mantenimiento de registros
  2. Aumento de la pesca del día y un aumento de los ingresos en un 30% para las familias que han recibido barcos, redes y herramientas.
  3. Construir 20 barcos de 20 familias que están a la pesca profesional, capacitándolos en buen mantenimiento de los barcos
  4. Comprar redes y herramientas para 20 familias.
  5. Reparar 15 barcos que se descomponen
- Los habitantes de la zona mejorarán su dieta al consumir más pescado, verán mejorados sus ingresos económicos, diversificar la economía de subsistencia prevalente en la zona, que gira en torno a la ganadería nómada, erradicar el hambre del cuerno de África. Mediante las charlas se forma y cohesionan a la comunidad local.



**By: Bernardo Rabassa Asenjo**  
*Regional Commodore of Iberia*

**20 BOATS PROVIDED, NETWORKS, TEACH AND EDUCATE NATIVE TO FISH. U.S. \$ 36, 923 Donation by sponsors.**



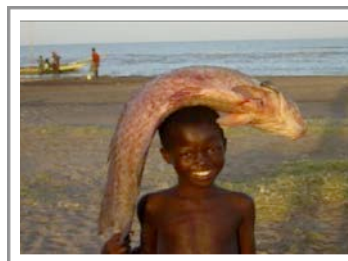
International Rotary Foundation, District 2201, Commodore Bernardo Rabassa Iberia Region of the Fellowship of the IYFR (Mariners), under the leadership of Gabriel Perez Castillo from RC Madrid Ptª de Hierro, and with also the clubs Majadahonda, North, Serrano, Velázquez Internacional Muthaiga (Kenya), with Father Fernando Aguirre of the Missionary Community of Saint Paul the Apostle-Todonayang, with the Ex Governor Maria Eugenia Lapeira.

Fishing in the lake is dangerous, because it houses the largest colony of crocodiles in Africa.

### Our objectives:

1. Improve the training situation 150 fishermen fishing good practices
2. Increased catch of the day and revenue by 30% for families receiving boats, nets and tools.
3. Build 20 boats for 20 families in the fishing trade, training them in good maintenance of ships. Buy networks and tools for the 20 families to repair 15 ships that decompose.

The people of the area will improve their diet by eating more fish and their income will be improved.





## IYFR GRANTS IN SCOTLAND 2012/13 SUBVENCIONES (GRANTS) DE IYFR EN ESCOCIA 2012/2013



**By: Bob Burns**  
*Area 1 Commodore*

Last year the Clyde Fleet, in Scotland, decided to make two separate applications for IYFR grants. The East of Scotland Fleet, had no particular applications in mind, and so fully supported both applications. They were each for US\$ 2000.

One was to provide funds to help buy an Access sailing dinghy to allow disabled sailors to learn and enjoy sailing on a fresh water loch near Glasgow. The centre which runs this facility functions under the 'Royal Yachting Association Sailability' scheme, which is run at centres throughout Great Britain, to allow disabled people to take to the water. The scheme is new in Scotland and more boats are very much needed to enable it to become established.

The other application was to provide funds to help purchase new sails and equipment for trimarans used by the 'Challenger Disabled sailing Group' based at Helensburgh Sailing Club on a sea loch opening into the River Clyde. This scheme has been running for some time now and again enables disabled people to enjoy the pleasures of sailing. They badly needed new equipment to help them continue to function efficiently.

The Commodore and members of the Clyde Fleet were delighted when, not one, but both grant applications were approved. Commodore, Tom Clark, presented the cheques at the Clyde Fleet Laying-Up Supper in Greenock in November last year. Tom and members of the Clyde Fleet were also present at the naming ceremony for the new Access dinghy at Lochwinnoch. The name of the boat was chosen by a school from which the disabled sailors come.

Both grants are very much appreciated by the recipients and when one sees what pleasure they have brought, it demonstrates just how valuable the IYFR grant scheme really is.



**Por: Bernardo Rabassa Asenjo**  
*Regional Commodore of Iberia*

Durante el año pasado, la Clyde Fleet, decidió utilizar una subvención (Grant) de 4000\$, dividida en dos becas separadas, ya que la East of Scotland Fleet no tenía ningún objetivo específico para ese año. Así se dividió en dos becas de 2000\$ cada una.

La primera de ellas, se dedicó a dar fondos, para ayudar a a comprar un pequeño bote velero (dinghy) adaptado para discapacitados, a fin de que estos aprendieran a navegar y asimismo disfrutaran de este fenomenal deporte, en un Lago de aguas dulces, cercano a Glasgow. La instalaciones de amarre, de ese lago, están dirigidas por la "Royal Yachting Association Sailability" (Real Yachting Asociación de capacitación para la vela), que tiene centros de formación por toda Gran Bretaña, a fin de que las personas con discapacidad, puedan navegar, incluso en campeonatos, que se llaman de vela adaptada, en la que participan, incluso discapacitados con alto nivel de ceguera, ayudados por un guía, por ejemplo. Para Escocia este tipo de barcos, es toda una novedad, y se necesitan muchos más para atender a las necesidades de navegación de las personas con este tipo de problemas.

La segunda, fue para comprar velas nuevas y equipos, para trimaranes usados por el "Challenger Disabled Group" (Grupo de competición de discapacitados) del Club de Vela de Helensburgh, en un Lago abierto al mar, en la desembocadura del río Clyde. Este sistema ha estado funcionando desde hace ya algún tiempo y permite nuevamente a las personas con discapacidad, disfrutar de los placeres de la navegación. Necesitan con urgencia nuevos equipos, para ayudarles, a seguir funcionando de manera eficiente.

El Commodore y miembros de la Clyde Fleet quedaron muy satisfechos cuando se aprobaron las dos solicitudes de subvención. El Commodore, Tom Clark, presentó el plan y los cheques en una Cena de la Clyde Fleet en Greenock en noviembre del año pasado. Tom y algunos miembros de la Clyde Fleet también estuvieron presentes en la ceremonia de botadura y bautizo, de la nueva embarcación auxiliar de acceso a Lochwinnoch (Lago Winnoch). El nombre de la embarcación fue elegido por la escuela de la que procedían, los marineros con discapacidad.

Ambas subvenciones ha sido muy apreciados por sus destinatarios y uno se admira, cuando uno ve la felicidad que han causado, lo que demuestra lo valioso que es el programa de subvenciones (Grants) de la IYFR .







## Mirno More 2013



*By: Marko Murn  
Past commodore of IYFR Slovenia  
Organizer of second Rotary participation  
within Mirno more 2013*

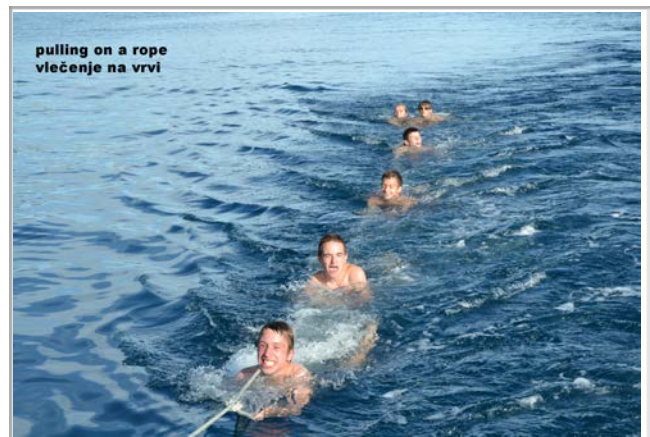


**105 sails in a fleet formation for Peace  
105 jadrnic v floti za Mir v svetu**

This year the biggest humanitarian event for social endangered youth and children with special needs took place from September 14th to 21st. There were 105 sailing boats with 980 participants from 18 nations learning about the friendship, tolerance and peace in the wonderful Adriatic aquatorium of Middle Dalmatia. We sailed from Split to Rogoznica, Trogir and island Šolta. The young crew members have learned basic marine skills and passed the exam for »junior skipper«. More information about the event are published on the pages [www.mirnomore.org](http://www.mirnomore.org).

Among international fleet sponsored by many humanitarian organizations there were also **3 ROTARY sailing boats with IYFR crews**. Quite significant financial funds collected from IYFR grants, aids of local Rotary districts of Slovenia and Bavaria, and Rotary Clubs RC Škofja Loka, RC Medvode and RC München-Flughafen enabled participation of 15 children with special needs accompanied by 6 teachers and 6 rotarians - skippers from Slovenian IYFR fleet. The children of age between 12 - 16 years came from two Slovenian special ground schools POŠ Jela Janežiča - Škofja Loka, POŠ Topol - Medvode

and the youth educational institution Birkeneck - Hallbergmoos at München. All children have sailed for their first time and within a week they enjoyed the swimming on anchorages, berthing at marinas, gathering with children from different countries. Even very unsocial individuals became engaged with the rest of crew members

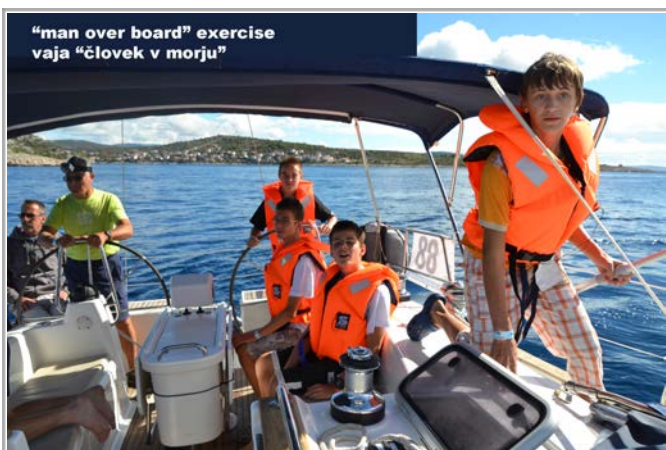


**pulling on a rope  
vlečenje na vrvi**

and developed to a strong team, helping to each other. Our rotarian skippers have taken care for a safe sailing and trying to teach the children as much of seamanship as they could embraced.

Thanks go to rotarians Uroš Kajnč and Marko Murn from RC Škofja Loka, Polona Renko and Samo Krivic from RC Medvode, Georg Huber and Manfred Rudolf from RC München-Flughafen who either supported the preparations and organization of the project or gave their personal skipperage as volunteers within Mirno more 2013. But without the major financial support from IYFR the project could not come through !

As I cannot describe all the feelings about the happiness of young mariners, I will just say that the **shining eyes of children were our success and the biggest award for all of us.**



**"man over board" exercise  
vaja "človek v morju"**





## DE MARICHALAR, UNA AVENTURERA A BENEFICIO DE ROTARY Y POLIO PLUS DE MARICHALAR, SEA EXPEDITION TO BENEFIT ROTARY AND POLIO PLUS



**Por: Bernardo Rabassa Asenjo**  
**Regional Commodore of Iberia**

Recibí el mensaje del PDG Miguel A. Taús, Presidente Comité Rotary Foundation Distrito 2201 de R I sobre el proyecto solidario de Alvaro de Marichalar de cruzar en moto acuática, desde Japón a Panamá, bordeando el Pacífico Norte. Ayudado por los clubs rotarios Madrid Serrano y Ptª de Hierro, junto con la Fundación Rotaria y Mariners y con los clubs rotarios y fleets of IYFR dce ese itinerario. Lleva los anagramas de Rotary, End Polio Now y Mariners y nuestros objetivos solidarios y los manifestará, en cuantas entrevistas televisivas, radiofónicas y escritas realice, en cada puerto, documentales para National Geographic y otras TV de todo el mundo.

Se llevarán a cabo, estudios científicos sobre la calidad del agua. La pequeña embarcación de unos 2,5 metros (moto acuática) en la que hay que viajar de pie, de este gran navarro y español se llama NUMANCIA y lo realiza por el V Centenario del Descubrimiento europeo del Pacífico por Vasco Núñez de Balboa el 25 de septiembre de 1513, Navegará en solitario sin asistencia de barco de apoyo. Supondrá un nuevo récord mundial de navegación y la mayor distancia jamás recorrida a bordo de una embarcación como esta, 20.000 Km, desde julio al 25 de septiembre de 2013. Tokyo; Sendai; Petropavlosk Kamchatskiy; Anorage; Vancouver; Seattle; Tacoma; Portland; San Francisco; San José; Santa Cruz; Monte Rey; Arroyo Grande; Goleta; Santa Bárbara; Los Ángeles; San Diego; Tijuana; Cabo San Lucas; Mazatlán; Puerto Vallarta; Manzanillo; Acapulco, Ciudad de Panamá

El Commodore International Sergio Santi ha dado todo el apoyo a la iniciativa, de la que como Regional Commodore de la Península Ibérica, me he tenido que ocupar encantado, pues Alvaro es sensacional. Bueno, pues nos recibieron en un solo día los embajadores de Japón Rusia y Panamá, ya que los de Canadá y USA no estaban disponibles, uno ausente, el otro pendiente de tomar posesión. Su ayuda y sus banderas junto a la española acompañaran a Alvaro en su periplo. Por la noche le homenajeamos los Rotary Mariners cenando con él que nos explicó en vivo y en directo su programa.



Visit <http://pacificdiscoveryexpedition.com/>

IYFR Iberia made, with Miguel Angel Taus de RI Foundation, a solidarity project, supported on Alvaro de Marichalar, crossing from Japan to Panama in a jet ski, along the entire North Pacific. The Rotary Clubs Madrid Serrano and Ptª Hierro, with Rotary clubs and fellowships existing from Japan to Panama. He brings with him: Rotary End Polio Now, and Mariners flag, and manifest our objectives, in TV, radio, National Geographic etc.

The small boat, 2.5 meters (jet ski) NUMANCIA, perform on the occasion of the V Centenary of the European Discovery of the Pacific Ocean by Vasco Nunez de Balboa the September 25, 1513. He sails alone. No support boat. 20.000 Km, July 12 at September 25 2013.

The Commodore International Sergio Santi give full support to the initiative, which me, Regional Commodore of Iberia. Also for the ambassadors of Japan, Russia and Panama. We honor him, having dinner with the R I Mariners of Madrid Fleet in July.



*The ambassador of the Russian Federation presents the Russian flag to Alvaro.*



*The Japanese Embassy in Spain has appointed the Expedition as "Official Project of the "Dual Year Spain-Japan"*



## Monaco to Portofino Regatta



**By: Luigi Norsa**  
**Chief of Staff**

### A vela per i bambini

*Una regata da Monaco a Portofino per aiutare gli alunni della Marafiki Primary School in Kenya*



L'ultimo fine settimana di agosto ha visto la seconda edizione della regata Monaco-Portofino che IYFR promuove ogni due anni. La regata combina l'evento velico con una charity che quest'anno beneficia di una scuola nell'isola di Kadania in Kenya - una scuola che i bambini raggiungono in barca dai villaggi delle piccole isole di fronte a Malindi.

Trenta nove barche a vela da 8,5 mt a 32,8 mt, divise in sei gruppi per LFT hanno partecipato a questa edizione che ha preso il via il Sabato 24 agosto davanti a Monaco. Le barche sono state ospitate dallo Yacht Club Monaco, che ha come presidente il Commodoro onorario della flotta



IYFR Monaco, Sua Altezza Serenissima il Principe Alberto II di Monaco. Quest'anno la regata ha visto anche la partecipazione di sette barche a vela della Marina Militare Italiana con equipaggi composti dai cadetti dell'Accademia di Livorno della Marina Italiana. Più di 300 velisti hanno partecipato a questa regata di 80 miglia che è stata scortata dal pattugliatore Cassiopea della Marina Militare Italiana

### Racing for the Kids

*A regata from Monaco to Portofino to help pupils of the Marafiki Primary School in Kenya*

The last weekend of August has seen the second edition of the Regatta Monaco-Portofino that IYFR promotes every two years. The regatta combines the sailing event with a charity that this year benefits a school in the island of Kadania in Kenya – a school that the children reach by boat from the villages of the little islands in front of Malindi.



Thirty nine sailboats from 8,5mt to 32,8 mt, divided in six groups by LOA participated to this edition that started on Saturday 24 August in front of Monaco. The boats were hosted by the Yacht Club Monaco, which President is the Honorary Commodore of the Monaco IYFR Fleet, His Serene Highness Prince Albert II of Monaco. This year the regatta has seen also the participation of seven sail-



boats of the Italian Navy with crews composed by cadets of the Italian Navy Academy. More than 300 sailmen attended to this 80 miles regatta that was escorted by the patrol boat Cassiopea of the Italian Navy. Wind more than 20 knts from the south, thunderstorms and wind gusts have characterized this second edition. Very chal-





Vento oltre 20 nodi da sud, temporali e raffiche di vento hanno caratterizzato questa seconda edizione. Molto impegnative le ultime 8 miglia, quando il vento di poppa ha lasciato lo spazio ad un pesante temporale sulla costa ligure, e le barche hanno affrontato raffiche contrarie, pioggia battente e fulmini.



*Portofino: l'arrivo di Kauris*

Prima ad arrivare a Portofino è stata Kauris III, la barca a vela più grande, che ha completato la traversata in otto ore e sette minuti, stabilendo il nuovo record della gara. Prima tra le barche a vela IYFR è stata Dindi del viceCommodore Salvatore Sarpero della flotta Italia NW che ha raggiunto Portofino in 12 ore e 47 minuti.

Domenica 25 sera la cerimonia di premiazione presso l'Excelsior Palace di Rapallo, con una lotteria organizzata per raccogliere fondi a favore della Marafiki Primary School, con premi quali due crociere offerte da Costa Crociere, un lingottino d'oro, un week-end presso l'Excelsior Palace, un paio di orecchini ...

La Regata Monaco - Portofino 2013 è stata un'edizione che sicuramente rimarrà nella memoria di molti per le emozioni che ha dato alla partenza, durante la navigazione, all'arrivo e alla cerimonia di premiazione. Un evento di vela, di amicizia e di solidarietà che ha meritatamente ottenuto la ribalta internazionale.

lenging had been the last 8 miles, when the downwind left the space to an heavy thunderstorm on the Ligurian coast, and the boats faced contrary gusts, beating rain and thunderbolts.

First you get to Portofino was Kauris III, the biggest sailboat, who completed the crossing in eight hours and seven minutes, establishing the new record of the race. First among the IYFR sailboats was Dindi of the Italy NW fleet viceCommodore Salvatore Sarpero who reached Portofino in 12 hours and 47 minutes.

On Sunday 25 night the Award ceremony at the Excelsior Palace of Rapallo, with a raffles organized to collect funds in favor of the Marafiki School, with prizes like two cruises



*Il premio IYFR a Salvatore Sarpero*

offered by Costa cruise, a small gold ingot, a weekend at the Excelsior Palace, a pair of earrings...

The Regatta Monaco-Portofino 2013 was an edition that undoubtedly will remain in the memory of many for the emotions that gave at the start, during the sailing, at the arrive and at the award ceremony. An event of sailing, friendship and solidarity which deservedly got the international limelight.





## Al Mondiale di Vela d'Altura ORC World Championship



*By: Francesco Filoni  
Commodore, IYFR Italia  
Adriatico Centrale Fleet.*

E' stato l'evento sportivo più atteso dell'estate marchigiana quello che ha ospitato centinaia di vele ed equipaggi da ogni parte del Mondo. Si è trattato dell'ORC World Championship, il Mondiale di Vela d'Altura 2013 che ha avuto luogo ad Ancona dal 21 al 29 giugno.

Il Comitato Organizzatore ha voluto dare spazio alla solidarietà, ricordando che lo sport è un importante strumento di integrazione sociale e cooperazione.

In questo contesto la ns. **Flotta IYFR "Adriatico Centrale"** è stata partner dell'evento e ... durante le giornate del Mondiale, ha avviato una serie di progetti e attività:

ha aderito e si è impegnata in favore del Progetto **"Un giubbotto per la vita"** promosso dalle flotte italiane dell'IYFR per la raccolta di giubbotti salvagente dismessi o in disuso, ma in buone condizioni, che saranno destinati alle comunità di pescatori e di bambini africani (Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, ecc.) dove questo mezzo di sicurezza è spesso sconosciuto.

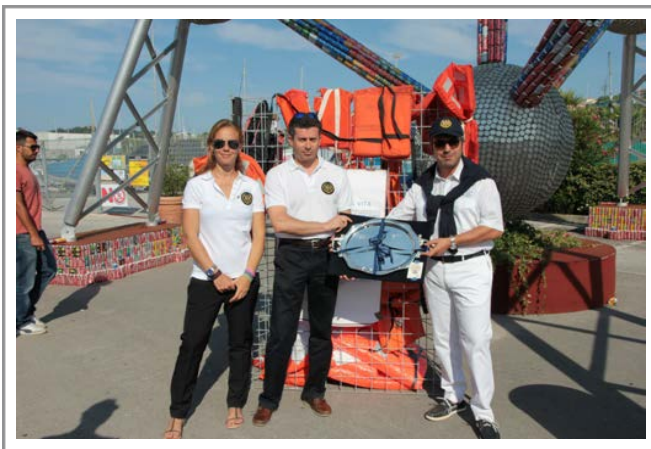


The event of the Marches summer, hosting hundreds of sailing boats and crews from all over the world. The ORC World Championship 2013 took place in Ancona from 21 to 29 June.

The organising committee wanted to make room for solidarity, regarding sport an important tool for social integration and cooperation This is why our Fleet IYFR "Adriatico Centrale" was a partner to the event and each day during the Championship set up a series of projects and activities.

Took part in the project "A life jacket for life" promoted by the Italian Fleet IYFR which consisted in collecting life jackets no longer in use, but in good condition, to be donated to communities of fishermen and children in Africa (Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania etc) where these safety measures are virtually unknown. Around 2000 life jackets were collected during the Championship.

Thanks to the generosity of some friends of our Fleet



**Durante le giornate del mondiale abbiamo raccolto circa 2000 giubbotti salvagente !!!**

nei giorni di regata abbiamo organizzato, grazie alla generosa disponibilità di alcuni amici della ns. Flotta IYFR, che hanno messo a disposizione le loro barche, delle uscite in mare per vedere e vivere da vicino i campioni di vela sfidarsi tra le onde dell'Adriatico;

la ns. Flotta, ActionAid e i tre club Rotary di Ancona hanno deciso di collaborare per sensibilizzare i più giovani ai valori che coniugano la passione per il mare con la solidarietà, la promozione, il rispetto e la tutela dei diritti umani fondamentali elaborando il progetto **"Un mare di diritti e solidarietà"** una **proposta educativa** che ha coinvolto gli alunni degli Istituti Comprensivi di Ancona



IYFR, who gave us the use of their boats, we were able to organise sea trips to watch the experts challenging the waves of the Adriatic.



con un percorso didattico che riguarda in particolare il diritto al cibo e lo spreco alimentare.

Il mondiale di vela è stato dunque il trampolino di lancio di questo percorso formativo che durerà tutto l'anno scolastico e i più piccoli sono stati coinvolti attraverso diverse iniziative. Primo tra tutti, il **concorso di disegni "Un mare di diritti e solidarietà"** rivolto a bambini dai 6 ai 12 anni. I bambini sono stati invitati ad esprimere la loro fantasia per raccontare come attraverso il mare è possibile difendere i diritti e portare solidarietà a persone vicine e lontane. I lavori ricevuti sono stati esposti durante le giornate del **Mondiale c/o lo stand IYFR** allestito c/o Marina Dorica e poi sono stati premiati il **25 giugno** al termine di un pomeriggio durante il quale sono stati organizzati laboratori e attività rivolte ai più piccoli. Grazie al sostegno della Flotta IYFR "Adriatico Centrale" e i dei tre Rotary Club di Ancona, gli Istituti Comprensivi di Ancona hanno aderito e adottato il percorso formativo di ActionAid **"Io Mangio Tutto! No al cibo nella spazzatura"** e realizzeranno in classe laboratori per riflettere su questo importante tema nell'ottica della lotta alle cause della povertà e dell'educazione a nuovi modelli di vita più sostenibili, a partire dalle nuove generazioni.

Dopo 9 giorni ricchissimi di emozioni sportive e di attrattive collaterali, il Mondiale di Vela d'Altura si è concluso decretando i vincitori e salutando Marina Dorica e Ancona.

A chiudere la manifestazione è stata la cerimonia di premiazione, svoltasi in una piazzetta di Marina Dorica affollata come non mai.

Tanti sono stati i premi consegnati alla presenza di un folto pubblico e di diverse autorità che si sono avvicendate sul palco per rendere omaggio ai vari vincitori.

A me, in rappresentanza della ns. Flotta, è toccato il piacere di consegnare un premio speciale, il nostro Trofeo IYFR per il Mondiale di Vela d'Altura - ORC World Championship 2013 che è andato a Sara Antonicelli, in quanto più giovane timoniera donna.

A presto amici e ... buon vento !!!

*Francesco Filoni*

Commodore Fleet IYFR "Italia Adriatico Centrale"

Our Fleet, ActionAid and the three Rotary Clubs of Ancona, decided to collaborate in teaching the younger generations the values of mixing passion for the sea, solidarity, respect and care of fundamental human rights by creating a project "A sea of rights and solidarity", an educational proposal involving pupils of comprehensive schools in Ancona.

Particular attention was paid to the right to food and the wasting so food. The world of sailing, therefore, became a launching pad to this training program which will last all the academic year. The younger children took part in different initiatives. First of all a drawing contest called "A sea of rights and solidarity" for children between 6 and 12 years of age. The children had to use their creativity to show how, through the sea, people's rights could be defended. Their work was put on display during the Championship at the IYFR stand at Marina Dorica and were judged on 25 June in the afternoon when some activities we're organised for younger children. Thanks to the Fleet IYFR "Adriatico Centrale" and the three Rotary Clubs of Ancona, the comprehensive schools took part in the project of ActionAid called "I eat everything! No to wasting food!". They carry out laboratory work in class in order to reflect on the important issue of fighting the causes of poverty and finding more sustainable ways of life, starting from the new generations.

After 9 days of intense sport emotions and activities, the ORC Championship ended, proclaiming the winners and saying goodbye to Marina Dorica Ancona. The awards ceremony concluded the event in the square of Marina Dorica in front of crowds of people. So many awards were given in the presence of numerous dignitaries that they had to take turns in going on stage. As representative of our Fleet, I had the honour of presenting a special award, our Trophy IYFR for ORC World Championship 2013, to Sara Antonicelli, the youngest female skipper.



Hoping to see you all again soon.

*Francesco Filoni*

Commodore Fleet IYFR "Italia Adriatico Centrale"





## Buon Vento dal SE FUN, FUN, FUN WITH THE ITALY SW FLEET



By: *Sergio Santi*  
*International Commodore*



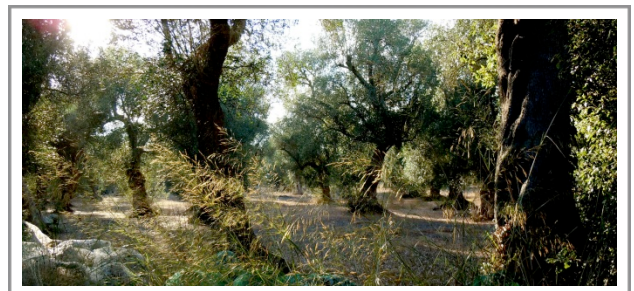
Visitare gli Amici della Flotta del SE sta diventando una simpatica tradizione settembrina. Cogliendo l'invito di Patrizio Cardone, PFC ed attualmente Presidente del RC Bari Mediterraneo e del Commodoro Giuseppe Garrisi, Laura ed io abbiamo deciso di trascorrere qualche giorno lontano dai problemi famigliari. Abbiamo quindi partecipato ad una riunione di quel Club allo scopo di promuovere l'IYFR. Eccellente risultato immediato: 2 nuovi iscritti e tanta gente consapevole di cosa fa l'IYFR oltre che ad andare per mare.

Taking the occasion of a conference to promote IYFR in the South of Italy with the Bari Mediterraneo RC and a Regatta for charity purposes to be held in Gallipoli a couple of days later organized by the 2120 IT District Governor, the Gallipoli Yacht Club, the IYFR ITALY SE Fleet and his indefatigable Fleet Commodore Giuseppe Garris,



Simpaticissima e calda, secondo le più nobili tradizioni del sud, l'Accoglienza riservataci dal PFC Patrizio e da Rita, sua Moglie; peccato che per motivi di lavoro e famigliari non ci abbiano potuto seguire nel resto della visita.

Laura and I left aside the Family cares for a great five days' vacation in the sunny South. Two new IYFORIANS and a significant Service for young diabetics in cooperation with the 2120 District, 2500 km of easy drive, plus a lot of sightseeing and fun, fun, fun, was the outcome of this visit. We have been royally hosted by PFC Patrizio and Rita Cardone in Bari. In Muro Leccese, an ancient little town close to Maglie, Duke Ferdinando Basurto and Lady Giuliana (not yet Rotarians), old friends of Laura's, most generously hosted us in their farm among centennial olive trees.







L'infaticabile Commodoro Giuseppe intanto si dava da fare nell'organizzazione della 6 edizione della regata denominata Coppa del Governatore che si svolge a Gallipoli, sulla costa occidentale in uno scenario meraviglioso baciato costantemente da una favolosa brezza. Quest'anno il service connesso con la regata era a favore dei giovani affetti da diabete. Bella e combattuta regata, bel vento ed ingaggi fin sulla linea di arrivo.

Don Ferdinando Basurto e sua Moglie Giuliana, vecchi amici d'infanzia di Laura, ci hanno generosamente ospitati nella loro masseria Lacco, vicino a Muro Leccese, circondata dagli ulivi e da boschi di lecci.

I nostri Amici YFORIANI hanno avuto modo di gustare antichi e tradizionali piatti locali sapientemente rivisitati dall'eccellente e giovane cuoco dell'agriturismo annesso alla masseria, Matteo, figlio di Ferdinando e Giuliana. Particolarmente graditi alla fine di una lauta e raffinatissima cena, i liquori della casa prodotti da Ferdinando, che se non fosse stato per problemi di sobrietà necessaria alla guida, sarebbero stati accuratamente drenati dalla simpatica compagnia. Un ringraziamento finale a tutti gli Amici Fellow Mariners non nominati ma che, con la loro presenza, hanno reso memorabile questa visita.

The sumptuous and refined final dinner was the occasion to taste Matteo's, the young Duke, ability in preparing ancient local dishes. Were it not for the afterwards necessary safe driving home, the fantastic homemade liquors by Ferdinando, would have completely drained.

What a nice occasion to enjoy our Fellowship!







## Area 1 AGM at La Spezia



**By: Alberto Bagnasco**  
*Administrative Officer*

I.Y.F.R. - AREA 1 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Oct 3-7 La Spezia Italy							
Day	Time	Event	Location	Attire	Max Pax	Cost p/p €	Payment Due Date
<b>Thursday 3</b>	all day	Arrival and settling down in the preferred Hotels/House	La Spezia and neighbourhood		150	variable	to each hotel individually booked
	20.00 - 2300	Welcome Rotarian Dinner	NH Hotel La Spezia	Businnes	80	40	cash registering at the entrance
		Night at the preferred Hotel/house	La Spezia and neighbourhood				
<b>Friday 4</b>	morning	Free shopping, pier activities, free lunch. REGISTRATION FOR THE AGM					
	1500 - 1730	ITALIAN NAVY MUSEUM VISIT	Navy Arsenal Viale Armeno	casual	50-60	3	Museum entrance
	1500 - 1750	LIA CIVIC MUSEUM VISIT	Via del Prione	casual	50-60	7	Museum entrance
	afternoon	free activities, visits, shopping					
	1930 - 2300	pizza and lot more at the Warrant Officers Club Night at the preferred Hotel/house	Piazza d'Armi 15 - La Spezia La Spezia and neighbourhood	smart casual	150	25	cash registering at the entrance
<b>Saturday 5</b>	morning	free activities, pier walking, limited possibility to visit a new IT Fregate	Muggiano arsenal	smart casual / TWL	10		
	1200 - 1330	lunch on board of Nave Italia IYFORIANS and Guests only	Nave Italia	TWLNT	80	40	
	1345 - 1530	Commodores Reports / Question time	Nave Italia	TWLNT	60		
	1540 - 1700	Ceremonies: Change of Command, Adopt a Sail, on board check in for those sleeping on board	Nave Italia Nave Italia	SW or Businnes casual	80 16	80	Checking out Monday morning
	2000-2300	Gala dinner at the Navy Officer Club. Charter of new Fellowships Night at the preferred Hotel/house/on board of Nave Italia	Officers Club La Spezia and neighbourhood	SW or Formal Businnes	120	40	
	<b>Sunday 6</b>	morning	Free Visit to ITS AMERIGO VESPUCCI and/or ITS PALINURO		casual		
0900 - 1745		Visit to 5 Terre by Boat /in case of good weather		casual	100	20	plus lunch at Monterosso
0900 - 1800		Visit to Pisa (Train is suggested)		casual	NL	15-25	
0900- 1800		Visit to the Carrara marble quarries & to the Luni Archeological Site -Museum Free Dinner		casual	40	30	plus lunch in Colonnata (lard)
<b>Monday 7</b>		1000 - 1430	Check out at the hotel on board of Nave Italia, tall ships parade, good bye lunch and return to pier		TWLNT / casual	50	40
	1500 on	individual/group departure to destination					

TWL - Tropical White Long  
TWLNT - Tropical White Long No Tie  
SW - Service White  
See Page16 - IYFR Flags, Uniforms







## German Fleet Northeast Handover Ceremony

*By: Hans - Georg Führer  
Past Commodore Deutschland 2005/2007  
Secretary and Treasurer Flotte NordOst.*

Ämterwechsel standen im Juli auch bei der International Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians (IYFR) an. So übergab am 19. Juli 2013 bei der Flotte NordOst der Pastcommodore Michael Menzel, RC Finsterwalde an den Commodore 2013 – 2015 Reinhard Thiessen vom RC Ueckermünde-Pasewalk.

Das Bild (links Rot. Thiessen, rechts Rot. Menzel) zeigt die beiden Iforians beim Flaggentausch. Die Flotte NordOst besteht seit nunmehr 15 Jahren und hat zurzeit 29 Mitglieder. Gut 1/3 von Ihnen trafen sich vom 18. bis 21. Juli 2013 im Seegebiet um Warnemünde zum Ämterwechsel. Wie auch in den anderen 5 deutschen Flotten wird jährlich ein Sommermeeting aktiv verbunden mit dem Wassersport und im Winterquartal ein Meeting für die Geselligkeit mit viel Kultur durchgeführt. Die Flotte NordOst beheimatet fast ausschließlich Wassersportfreunde des Distrikts 1940.

In July the leadership of the International Yachting of Rotarians (IYFR) changed hands. Commodore Michael Menzel (RC Finsterwalde) from the German fleet NorthEast relinquished the command to Reinhard Thiessen (RC Ueckermünde – Pasewalk) for the period 2013-2015. Rotarian Menzel (right in the picture) handed over the flag to Rotarian Thiessen (left). German fleet NorthEast, founded 15 years ago, currently has 29 members. Eleven members convened for the occasion from the 18th to the 21st July 2013 in the marina "Yachthafenresidenz" near Rostock in Warnemünde on the Baltic Sea. In the tradition of the other 5 sections in Germany the annual meeting in summer was supplemented by aquatic sports (sailing and boating). The winter meeting accompanied by cultural events. Fleet NorthEast is home mainly to aquatic sportsmen of the German Rotary district 1940.



## Great Britain & Ireland Charter Fleet

Fleet Commodore Chris Witt leads the founding members of the New Southwest Fleet in GB & I in the Chartering of the new fleet on September 28, 2013 in a Charter Dinner officiated by A1C Robert Burns on behalf of IC Sergio Santi.

Founding members include: Anthony Aggett, Hilary Bastone, David Boardman,



*By: Bob Burns  
Area 1 Commodore*

Brian Budden, Brian Chudley, Tracey Cunningham, Anthony Filmer, Robert Humphry, Christopher Mason, Tom Neville, Peter Ripley, Peter Robinson, Bruce Simmonds, Martin Taylor, Simon Whattler, Richard Williams.

Elected Bridge Officers will be announced in the succeeding issue.



# AREA 2 NEWS

## Punta del Este Fleet



Nuestra Flota Punta del Este nació hace 1 año y medio con 39 marineros, hoy somos 74. A la propuesta de FUN FUN FUN agregamos WORK. Así mientras disfrutamos la náutica, desarrollamos los programas de servicio a la comunidad. Otorgamos becas a niños para aprender a navegar. Llevamos a navegar a niños de escuelas de bajos recursos. Becamos a un joven para navegar en la regata de los grandes veleros en el Mediterráneo. Hacemos náutico terapia con niños y adultos de capacidades diferentes. Organizamos un concurso de expresión plástica entre los jóvenes, "La náutica y el mar".

La obra ganadora será transferida a uno de los muros de Prefectura Nacional Naval y llevará el logo de Rotary y de nuestra agrupación. Tenemos dos escuadrones y en la Convención de Lisboa nos hemos hermanado con la flota Italia North West. Tenemos una ahijada, la joven flota Guayaquil Ecuador. No todo es trabajo en nuestra flota, hemos despedido el invierno con una fiesta de carnaval carioca. Existen muchas formas de disfrutar a Rotary. La nuestra es una de las mejores. Tenemos el doble placer de servir a la comunidad mientras hacemos lo que más nos agrada Navegar!!!



*By: Angelica Mesistrano  
Fleet Commodore  
Punta del Este Fleet.*

Our Fleet Punta del Este was born 1 year and a half ago with 39 mariners, currently we are 74. To the proposed FUN FUN FUN, we add work. So while we enjoy sailing, develop service programs to the community. We grant scholarships to children to learn to sail. We sail with school children of low-income. We grant to a young man a scholarship to sail in the regatta of tall ships in the Mediterranean sea.



We make nautical therapy with children and adults with special needs. We organize a contest of artistic expression among young people, "The nautical and sea". The winning work will be transferred to one of the National Naval walls and will have the logo of Rotary and the our fellowship. We have two squadrons and in the Lisbon Convention we brotherhood with the fleet Italy North West. We have a goddaughter, the Guayaquil Ecuador fleet. Not all is work in our fleet, we have dismissed winter with a Rio carnival. There are many ways to enjoy Rotary. Ours is one of the best. We have the double pleasure of serving the community while doing what pleases us most **Sailing!**





## America's Cup



**By: Clint Collier**  
**Immediate Past International**  
**Commodore**



As many mariners know, the road to the 34<sup>th</sup> America's Cup races here in San Francisco Bay has been a rather bumpy ride. Too much politics and a bad economy resulted in a number of challengers dropping out and the preparations to be unnecessarily delayed. Worst of all was the near destruction of two boats during practice, one of which resulted in the tragic loss of one of the sailors; Bart Simpson.

But the racing has pressed on, the Louie Vuitton started to build to a bit more excitement and by their end, many of the locals including IYFR members who sail or cruise on the bay were looking forward to final races of the challenge. I am writing this between the 4<sup>th</sup> race and the 5<sup>th</sup>; Oracle is down one to three... and that doesn't take in to account the two points they were penalized for actions during the preliminaries so it isn't looking that rosy for them.

By far the best seat in the house is in front of our 65" TV; the coverage of the races and their ability to encompass



everything from views on the boats, views on the water and views from the air really gives an air of excitement to the sailing. But it isn't the same as being there so a mix of the two is certainly called for! If you are a boater, you

can't have the America's Cup in "your" bay without going out at some point to watch close up on the water!

I don't know about all members of the SF Fleet but I started my watching from the Golden Gate Bridge while conducting a Rotary student exchange walk across that icon of San Francisco. The western marks for the races are just off the south end of the bridge and the view from there is almost like being in an airplane. The 34<sup>th</sup> races are rather unique being held in a Bay like San Francisco's. There are hundreds of locations around where people, with no boat access, can get good views of the racing. Every day I get questions from friends who suddenly seem to have an interest in sail boat racing.

Two weeks later found me and my boat idling off the east marks to watch the boats race. There is no question of it; these boats are fast! You see that on the TV but you don't fully appreciate it until you see them coming down on a mark and you're right behind it. There is no ques-



tion about it, watching these boats come up 30 to 40 knots, up out of the water on their foils, and gibing around the mark is an adrenaline pumping experience just to watch!

So what's next? Well this coming Saturday the San Francisco Fleet has organized a "watch the racing party" out on the course. It will be all aboard one of the party boats owned and operated by one of our members for a day on the bay, a great lunch and, hopefully some great views of the racing with IYFR friends!

San Francisco Bay is a challenging place to sail. To combine that with these boats that challenge boat design and no question but you get some exciting racing.

**Editor's Note:** Oracle Team USA staged a most incredible comeback in a winner take all race after trailing 8-1



# AREA 3 NEWS

## REPORT FROM JAPAN FLEET



*By: Kozo Kojino  
Regional Commodore  
Japan Fleet.*

First of all we, all Japanese IYFR members, celebrate the birth of the new International Bridge of IYFR.

Last Saturday we had a commodore's meeting of Japanese fleets at Kobe, and the annual meeting of Kobe fleet was held yesterday. Officers are changed. **New Commodore of Kobe Fleet is Mr. Yasushi Morimura ([rjicho@ohmura-hp.net](mailto:rjicho@ohmura-hp.net)) and the New Secretary is Mr. Ichiro Saeki ([i-saeki@ryoby.co.jp](mailto:i-saeki@ryoby.co.jp))**

We had the pleasure of a visit from IVC Jun Avecilla and First Mate Lilia from August 22 -26 and they had the opportunity to meet our Osaka Fleet FC and Hon. Councilor Katayama Ippo, FS Deguchi Tochi and FC Haruo Shirai of Kyoto Lake. Also, we had a formal Lunch meeting with the Japan Bridge where they also met with PFC Isao Obase, FVC Koichi Matumoto, FS Kouki Tani, FM Shoji Kajiwara, FM Kimio Yukawa, FM Hiroo Imai and his wife, and Rtn. Rev. Takatomo Mukada. We had great fellowship with a unique boating experience at the Arashimaya river and brought them sightseeing at the Golden Pavillion, Ryoanji Temple, Shinkyogoku Shopping street and Nishiki Market and other places.



## Hong Kong Fleet Boating Fellowship



FC Joann Tse, IPFC Douglas Hsia, PFC Cassidy Lam enjoy a summer sailing around Middle Island in Hong Kong.

The pictures speak a thousand words and for itself of the fun fun fun.







## Invitation from Auckland New Zealand Fleet



**By: David Hansen**  
*Auckland Fleet Commodore*



*Rangitoto Island in the Hauraki Gulf of Auckland*

The Auckland Fleet is inviting members attending the 2014 PCC in Sydney to come across the 'ditch' to Auckland and enjoy some boating (winter weather permitting) and kiwi hospitality while on their way home. With this in mind the Auckland Fleet is planning a weekend event on the 15 & 16 June. Of course members can come earlier or later according to their travel plans. For information/advice and, if desired, to arrange home hosting please contact Terry Stretton on +64 9 4182005 or [tamstretton@hotmail.com](mailto:tamstretton@hotmail.com)



## Chartering of Subic Bay Fleet



**By: Jayson P. Herrero**  
*Subic Bay Fleet Member*

In an informal Ceremony commemorated by the annual International Coastal Cleanup where the members of the new fleet headed by Fleet Commodore Joycelin Antolin Torres and FS Mark Thomas participated, the Chartering and induction of the new fleet was held at the Admiral Room of the Lighthouse Marina Resort on September 21, 2013., IVC Jun AVECILLA signed the Charter Documents on behalf of IC Sergio Santi who could not come for the affair. The induction of the 31 enthusiastic members was done by Zambales Vice-Governor and Rtn. Ramon Lacbain. The members of the Fleet include PDG Vitt Gutierrez, AG Imelda A. Ramos, Pres. Virgilio Suniga, Jr.III, PP. Joven Salut, IPP Marissa Cerrada, PE Andrea Muelhan, Tres. Jerly Thomas, Eleanor Cortez, Pres. Neric Bada, Pres. Ruth Dagayos-Roque, PP. Erlinda Arzadon, Pres. John Baguilat, CP Raul Peralta, Pres. Gina Diesto, Rino Dabu, Rosemary Balagtas, Emily Castillo-Fancuberta, Guadalyn Sicat, PP Joyce Caguioa, PP Babylyn Sagum-Enat, Noli Gajol. Zedrik AVECILLA, Jozen Curva, Jayson Herrero, Marc Tan, Christoffer Dumlao, Jean Cagungun and David Bayarong were from the Cubao West Fleet who are moving to their new station.. FC Joycelin advised that a formal gathering will be held in December with the induction of their Bridge in complete gala Uniforms.







## FIRST CLASS FLEET CHARTER AT CUBAO WEST INDUCTION



By: **Jozen Curva**  
**FRC Subic Bay Fleet**



*FC Josie Garcia, the newly inducted President of the First Class Fleet together with her fleet members.*

In March 18, 2009 with the charter of the first IYFR fleet in the Philippines, the Cubao West Fleet, the First Class Fleet becomes the 8 Fleet in the country. Founded by PP Jun Avecilla who was its Charter and First Commodore. Now 4 years later, hardworking President of RC Cubao West (RCCW) and incumbent FC of the Cubao West Fleet was instrumental in forming the latest fleet amongst her peers. On August 29, 2013 at the Glass House, the 31 member fleet was chartered LED FC Josie M. Garcia elegantly garbed in white IYFR uniform while the rest of the members of the fleet are in their Hawaiian motif. It's members and bridge headed by FC Neil Valenton were inducted by IVC Jun Avecilla representing IC Sergio Santia after being charged by Honorable FC PDG Penny Policarpio. Other HFCs present were District Gov. Francis Rivera, PDG Jess Cifra and PDG Ambo Gancayco.

The list of members include First Class Presidents (FCP) of various clubs in D3780: Secretary, FCP Ma Cecilia Rodriguez, FCP Josie Garcia, FCP Anna Millonado, FCP Pocholo Jaimalin, FCP Grossman Uy, FCP Dennis Yap, FCP Rene Santos, FCP Mario Marfal, FCP Manny Ferrer, FCP Eiu Bong Jung, FCP Luis Domalaon, FCP Fernando Pine, FCP Rene Trinidad, Robert Camba, FCP Nestor Cortez, FCP Chito Doctor, FCP Violeta Giron, FCP Andy Almendral, FCP Vicente Turdanes, FCP Nestor Andal, FCP Amy Robles, FCP Cris Yenco, FCP Jessie Castillo, FCP Dorie Abella, FCP Leonardo Regencia, FCP Jed Tiongson, FCP Yony Quan and FCP Vilma de Ono. FCP Milo Lucenarion, FCP Raymund Calsado and FCP Neil Valenton.

**A3 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

November 28-December 3, 2013  
Boracay, Philippines

**AGM Dinner & Fellowship**  
November 29, 2013





*By: Bob Greenelsh  
Secretary  
IYFR Queensland Fleet.*

### **Issue 3 - September 2013**

#### **September Meeting - Colmslie Hotel/Motel, 4 September, 2013**

Commodore Russell Harrop welcomed 18 members and first mates. The first mates were Joanne Dore, Narelle Fox, Merrill Rylance, Mary Spork and Sheryl Windsor. Apologies were received from Michael Bailey, Albert Benfer, John Burkett, Keith Cogzell, Jim Fern, Peter Heathwood and Bob Keers.

#### **Annual General Meeting**

Commodore Russell Harrop announced that the following nominations had been received for 2014-15: Commodore - Pat Galligan, Vice Commodore - David Fox, Treasurer - Bruce Douglas, Secretary - Bob Greenelsh. There being no other nominations the nominees were declared duly elected. There was no nomination for Rear Commodore.

It was moved by Bob Greenelsh and seconded by Bruce Douglas that any two of Russell Harrop, Michael Bailey, Pat Galligan, Bruce Douglas and Bob Greenelsh are authorised to sign bank cheques for the Fleet's ANZ bank account. This was carried.

There being no further business the meeting was closed.

#### **Visit of New South Wales Fleet**

Commodore Russell Harrop advised that he had been contacted by Commodore John Milne regarding a visit by the New South Wales Fleet early next year. After discussion it was agreed that this was a good idea and that the visit should proceed.

#### **Venue**

Commodore Russell Harrop asked that members advise him after the meeting as to the suitability of the Colmslie Hotel/Motel for the Fleet's monthly meetings. It was later agreed that the venue was suitable.

#### **Fergie's Piscatorial Pleasures**

Commodore Russell Harrop invited PC John Ferguson to talk on his favourite topic. Before getting down to business, John reported on the successful Shag Islet Cruising Yacht Club annual event recently held near Shag Islet. Six hundred yachties attended and \$40,000 was raised for prostate cancer research.

On board the Annabelle at Vanuatu: The Annabelle is a 78ft vessel built by Norman Wright that cruises at 11.2k. John described, the boat, life on board, the local protocols and the fishing.

Montes Reef Resort near Cape Gloucester: The resort is right on the beach and has a laid-back style which enables guests to catch and eat copious quantities of fish and mud crabs. John described the fishing and crabbing and gave a general overview of where the best spots are.

The talk was illustrated with many fine photos of boats, big fish, buckets of large crabs, dinner plates full of beautifully cooked fish and crabs, fine sunsets, sandy beaches and John and his friends enjoying a relaxing time.

The vote of thanks was moved by PC Bruce Dore who thanked John for sharing his two holidays with us and complemented him on his fine photographs.

***NOTE: Piscatorial, a; addiction to fishing  
- Oxford Dictionary***



## 21st Birthday Gippsland Lakes IYFR

**By: Jeff Fuller**  
**Commodore**  
**Gippsland Lakes IYFR**

July 17, 2013

Dear Bryan,

I am writing to you to invite you to our 21st Birthday Celebration to be held at the Metung Yacht Club on the 25th August 2013 at 12pm. We wish to honour two of our foundation members **Bob and Betty Dack** with Life Membership on this day.

As in most organisations, there is always those few that through hard work and commitment make it prosper and survive. Bob and Betty fill this roll in our fleet and for this we would like to recognise them both.

They have held many positions in our fleet including Commodore, Secretary, and Regional Commodore to mention a few. They have attended world conventions and visited many overseas IFYR and hosted in exchange. On many occasions their yacht the Spray provided transport on the Gippsland Lakes being able to accommodate all members.

I am aware that through the tyranny of distance you may not be able to attend but we certainly hope you can as you made many friends on your last visit. I know that the you would probably like to congratulate and acknowledge Bob & Betty's contribution.

Yours sincerely,

**Jeff Fuller Commodore Gippsland Lakes IYFR, PHF, PP**



**Certificate for Betty and Bob Dack**  
Signed by: Bryan Skinner PIC and Chris, Ken Winter PIC and Bente & Sergio Santi IC last August 2013.



## Queensland Fleet New Members



**By: Graham Werrell**  
**IYFR Queensland Fleet**



Queensland fleet together with their two new members.

Last September 12, 2013, two new fleet members were inducted for the Queensland fleet. This is the success of targeting Rotary club members. A third couple will be inducted next meeting.







## The Tampa Bay Fleet has a new Commodore - Randy Swanson!!

*By: Dick Schultz,  
IYFR Tampa Bay Fleet Treasurer*

Randy will lead us into a new era of FUN with folks interested in all things nautical. A fine dinner and very short meeting was enjoyed last night by ten of us at BONEFISH GRILL. Commodore Swanson was presented with his Commodore Flag and a new Burgee.

Several other Officer Positions (Rear Commodore) are available to be filled. Dick will be our Treasurer this next year and fill in as Secretary until one of you steps forward to enjoy this opportunity. Joe Zammataro has graciously

accepted being our Vice Commodore. Appropriate Officer Flags will shortly be acquired and presented.

We also want to welcome aboard the new International Officers. Go to <http://www.iyfr.net/t1/rotafloat/index.php> and click on "Current Issue" of Rotafloat for all the happenings at the Lisbon convention just held. Mike & Jocelyn report a fine time was had by all. Sydney is next year. And, congratulations and a big "thank you" goes out to our now Past Commodore Clint Collier; job well done!



## Editor's Note



*By: Jun Avecilla,  
International Vice Commodore  
Area 3 Commodore  
Rotafloat Editor and Publisher*

Our July-September quarter issue is a product of hard work and dedication of our Editorial Staff to meet the schedule of newsletter's first release. I would like to thank them for a magnificent job. On the other hand, without the contribution of our members we would not have been able to bring you a wide range of news that are of interest to everyone. I therefore thank them as well and hope that their enthusiasm would be contagious that more members will contribute in the forthcoming issues. You will note A FIRST in Rotafloat, Articles from Area 1 has been provided translation by the authors in Spanish or Italian for the benefit of the more than 60 percent of our members that do not speak English. The same thing with Area 2 Latin America with Punta del Este FC Angie's Article in Spanish and English. For lack of time, we were unable to get RC Kozo's

translation of his Article in Japanese for the consumption of his Japanese Fleet. In some Articles that do not have translation, our Editorial Team has tried Google Translate but we dared not try in Nihongo. I do not know how accurate they are. In any case, in some English articles that do not have any translation perhaps our members who do not understand English can use the website to translate into their language the articles that they may at least have some idea what they are all about. Evidently pictures speak a thousand words so we try to make use of most of them. I hope you enjoy reading our newsletter as our team enjoyed preparing them for you. If there is anything we missed please write us a short note and any suggestion is welcome to improve the same. Send email to: [editeam.rotafloat@gmail.com](mailto:editeam.rotafloat@gmail.com).



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