

Report to the ISAF-Radio Sailing Division General Assembly 2009

The ISAF – Radio Sailing Division (ISAF-RSD) was formed to carry out the “objects of ISAF in the sport of radio sailing”.

Although the name might make somebody think otherwise, ISAF-RSD has always been an independent organisation. ISAF has given the RSD a temporary permission to use “ISAF” in the name to provide RSD with a platform to work from while preparing the integration of radio sailing into IYRU. ISAF has also given RSD, as an Affiliated Member, a special permission to run up to three annual ISAF approved world championships.

The tasks to be carried out by the RSD were to develop a Radio Sailing Appendix to the International Yacht Racing Rules – which were adopted by ISAF as Appendix E – and to rewrite the Class Rules of the RSD classes to ISAF standard and format. In the mean time the Division Members (DMs) were requested to establish an organisational relation to respective ISAF Member National Authority (MNA).

When these tasks were completed the owners of RSD class boats were requested to form International Classes Associations (ICAs). Unfortunately only the International One Metre International Class Association (IOMICA) was formed and the integration work was brought to a halt. Two attempts to hold GAs failed due to too little DM response.

After an all too long delay the RSD Permanent Committee (PC) proposed that the Division should be converted into an International Multi Class Association for the RSD classes that had not formed ICAs. The PC however cancelled this proposal when the DMs declared in a vote that the PC was not legitimate due to the time limit for a General Assembly having been passed.

I would like to thank the PC members for their work since the last GA and especially those that stayed on after the failed GAs although they were not standing for re-election.

It is a relief to see that there are now nominations for all PC posts and I wish the new RSD PC the best of success with their work.

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