



International Radio Sailing Association

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The Executive Committee of IRSA have just concluded the 2013 Annual meeting which took place via the EC Forum. The Minutes of the meeting, together with the Officers Reports are available on the IRSA website www.rudiosailing.org.

There has been considerable activity from around the world concerning our sport.

IRSA are pleased to welcome Israel and Turkey as new members to our organisation. Chile's application is in the process of being ratified, increasing our membership to thirty one (31) active members.

Jim Atkinson is our new Regional Officer for the Americas and we all look forward to his input in such an important developing area for radio sailing. Jim's background and profile will soon be appearing on the web site.

The 2013 IOM World Championship will be held between the 11th and 19th October in Israel.

The Netherlands has applied to run a Radio Marblehead World Championship in 2014. To stimulate competition in the 10Rater and Radio A classes we wish to encourage applications to host International and World Championships from our members.

We hope that new classes, such as the R65, RC Laser, Micro-Magic and similar groups will consider joining the IRSA family and developing our joint exposure throughout the world.

We intend introducing the supply of or providing the hosts with the necessary graphics to produce flags and banners locally for future major events. Hopefully this will raise the profile of IRSA within the radio sailing fraternity. In future hosts of IRSA events will be required to include the IRSA logo on the website and competition documents. We would also like future hosts to comply with the IRSA requirement to compile a report of the event, including the results, venue and organisation details. These reports will be useful for future hosts and should encourage other countries to share the load of organising world-class events for our sport.

Members are continuing to use the forum, where their views and ideas can be aired for general inspection and the IRSA officers in particular. This media should speed up the exchange of ideas and allow us to develop our sport to suit the needs of the membership. The Executive Committee of IRSA look forward to receiving any comments concerning the latest meeting - comments should be sent to the Secretary or posted on the forum.

Robert Hobbs, Publicity Officer 20th May 2013