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Chairman's Report

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Following the 2009 General Assembly meeting, the new PC Committee meet up with ISAF to establish its position within ISAF following the failure of the previous committee being unable to resolve the situation with International classes and its links to ISAF. The new committee was charged with reorganising itself and reporting back to ISAF at the end of a two year period.

Things started with a request from ISAF to reconsider our name, as the inclusion of ISAF within our title ISAF/RSD was causing concern. This we did and the new name of International Radio Sailing Association (IRSA) was established.

The Committee set about dealing with matters outstanding, particularly within the Technical, Racing and Organisation and Policy sections. These three sections have worked hard to re-establish relationships with the various International Classes and ISAF and have succeeded in nearly all cases. A new constitution has also been prepared and has meet with approval from ISAF and will now need voting on at this meeting

With a strong presence from the Publicity section we have had regular reports being circulated to the DNM's, magazines and other organisations. The website has been reorganised and a forum for the DNM's has been put in place.

We have welcomed new member Countries to our organisation and are very much looking forward to more joining.

On the racing calendar IOMICA have held a World Championship event during this period and a Marblehead Worlds is in place for later on this year, there is also talk of another IOMICA Worlds for 2013. There has also been interest from other classes outside of our organisation to join and establish their own Worlds, which the committee is keen to encourage.

Links with Naviga have been looked at, but as yet no conclusion has been made.

IRSA PC conducted a meeting with ISAF at their headquarters to complete their request and I am pleased to report that IRSA was successful in meeting their requirements. ISAF agreed to direct all future topics and enquiries concerning radio sailing to IRSA, thus confirming our position within the ISAF organisation as the Affiliated member responsible for all aspects of radio sailing.



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IRSA have now been asked to encourage new countries to join and also the introduction of a tiered structure for new and or smaller classes. These classes to possibly be granted recognised status before hopefully heading on to hold full International status and the chance to run World Championships.

My thanks go to all those on the PC committee and to others who have contributed to the success of the work carried out during this period.

Mike Clifton
PC Chairman

Footnote - the text of this document was extracted in its entirety from the DNM forum (post #764) on 7th December 2014 and republished on the main IRSA web site. The IRSA EC apologies for not having carried out this action prior to now.