

Greetings World Council,

As a follow up to the recent announcement of the World Council AGM, The Exec would like to make clear a few points.

### **The Meeting**

The meeting will be held electronically, this shouldn't be new to the vast majority, but just to make sure everyone knows; it works like this:

The meeting will be open for a specific amount of time. Each resolution will have its own topic, posted as a poll. The resolution will be outlined in a specified format & each WC member will have the opportunity to cast their vote.

The one, obvious, major benefit of such a system is that each WC member gets the opportunity to cast their vote, no need to organise proxies.

The agenda for the meeting will be published & circulated between 17 & 21 August 2006.

### **Resolutions**

Resolutions for the meeting can be proposed by any member of the WC. The Exec has no right of veto or to alter the proposal. If it's from a WC member, in the correct format, then it's in.

As resolutions are proposed, they will be posted to the public forums. Hopefully any questions will be raised & dealt with, by the proposer, prior to the meeting. Only the proposer can amend or withdraw the proposal.

The proposals likely to come from the Exec will be centred on ensuring the class rules continue to deliver the intentions of the class. Mostly dealing with changes to the ERS & RRS as well as incorporating rule interpretations.

How an IOM is built, regulated, measured, sailed, competed etc. is the responsibility of your membership. This is your opportunity to put the needs and desires of the IOM sailors that you represent to all IOM sailors around the world and make a difference. This is the purpose of an ICA, make it count!

### **Responsibilities of World Council Members**

As a WC member of IOMICA you have a few responsibilities above and beyond representing your membership.

Specifically:

If you wish to make a proposal it must be in the correct format (a form is available for download from the website, or email me & I'll send you one) and it must be received prior to the closing date of 17 July 2006 00:00 GMT.

You must provide details of your voting strength as per regulation 4.9 by 21 August 2006 00:00 GMT. Failure to do so will preclude you from voting on any resolution.

You must ballot Certified Owners for special resolutions as per regulation 4.17 and Registered Owners for ordinary resolutions that change either the IOMICA Regulations or the Class Championship Rules. Information about whom to ballot for what, if at all, will be posed with the resolution.

It should be noted that even if a resolution doesn't require balloting, don't let that stop you if you feel the need.

You must provide lists of owner votes on any ballots you have taken for special resolutions prior to voting as per constitution 8.8.1. There is no closing date for this submission, other than prior to the vote. Failure to do so will require you to abstain from voting on that resolution.

### **And Finally...**

I cannot urge you strongly enough to use this opportunity to further the class, make the views of your membership heard and ensure the IOM continues to enjoy its popularity.

Please feel free to ask if there's anything you're not sure about. Most of you have been here before and are quite capable of organising what's required of you. For those that are uncertain, please use the forums, your WC colleagues will, I'm sure, be only too pleased to point you in the right direction.

If you're still here, well done! Thanks for reading all way to the end.

Enough from me, I'm off to sail my boat.

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