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Hamburg await us!



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INTERNATIONAL COMMODORE'S MESSAGE



Guillermo Arteta
INTERNATIONAL COMMODORE



Dear IYforians friends,

We have a lot of news to comment... Some from Area 2, was a District Forum of the Region's fellowships in Buenos Aires and the visit of Eckhardt Fisher and his first mate Ingrid to this same place.. Eckhardt is presently organizing the events in Hamburg, in his native country.

Numerous are the news we got from the scouts in the Area . The ones in Punta del Este have many achievements registered. In Chile, a Marine Scout received a scholarship to travel to Antarctica. In Ecuador, the local group organized a party to entertain the grand parents and gave them happy moments.

We got lot of news from many fleets of the IYFR world, telling us of their different activities: Among them: Flotta Italia Sud Est. Two fleets from Germany had their Winter meetings: the North West and the D-North, this later in Wismar, and finally about the Hellenic Aegean in Piraeus.

In the Philippines, we learned that a new and today the largest fleet in the country has recently been formed, the Cubau West Fleet. It was officially chartered by RC Edmond Aguilar and PIC Jun Avecilla on January 31st.

On the personal side we have two wonderful news; The first one, the wedding of our International Commodore, Bob Burns with Ann Lockhart, today, Ann Burns. Both are very well loved so the news was very well received.

The second is the nomination of our Area 2 Commodore, Angie Mesistrano, as Rear International Commodore. Guillermo Arteta, in the name of the International Bridge receives the new member of it. She will assume her new position at the Gala Dinner in the Hamburg AGM.

My final words are to remind everybody that in two months our meeting in Hamburg will start. We are very much looking forward to it.

Kind regards

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2017 – 2019

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ROTARY WORLD CONVENTION AND PCC PROGRAMME

HAMBURG

JUNE 1-5 2019

Friday, May 31

17.00-18.30 h Arrival + Welcome Drinks (hotel bar, Novotel)

19.00-21.00 h **Non-official Get-Together "Schifferboerse"**
 (direct paying at own charge, p.P. 15-20 € + beverages)



Traditional northern German cuisine within an authentic maritime setting. A place where past and present join into a delightful unity

Saturday, June 1

13.00-17.00 h **IYFR-Infopoint "Eye of the Wind" Sandtorkai**



Eye of the Wind will berth right in front of the landmark Elbphilharmonie in the Hafencity quarter, Hamburg's touristic hotspot. In addition to the IYFR promotion booth in the HOF, this authentic tall ship will hoist a huge IYFR-flag and serve as an outpost info-stand for RIC-visitors interested in our Fellowship on the first day of the RI World Convention.

17.00-20.00 h **Bistro-Evening onboard "Eye of the Wind"**
 tall-ship's berth at Sandtorkai, in front of „Elbphilharmonie“
 (pre-booking, max. 40 Pers., 25 € + beverages)



... one of the last traditional sailing ships of our time! Being on board the more than hundred-year-old brig Eye of the Wind your phantasy will take you already to the oceans of the world. Find out the charm of this magnificent ship, owned by IYFR Fleet Germany South member Roland Herkert.

21.00-24.00 h **St. Pauli, Hamburg's world-famous nightlife district 'Reeperbahn'**
 casual walk through in small guided groups (direct paying at own charge)

Discover the variety of Hamburg's old suburbia St. Pauli, its ties to the river, and the harbor, its small side streets are home to artists, anarchists, political activists, dreamers, misfits, hookers, punks, refugees, retired sailors, failed musicians, coming stars. Discover the place where The Beatles had their breakthrough!

Sunday, June 2

17.00-18.30 h Dinghy-Sailing on the Alster-Lake
 in downtown Hamburg (4-5 persons / boat)
 (pre-booking, „Barca“ p.P. ca. 9 € , direct paying at own charge)



The "Outer Alster" lake, facing the city center, is surrounded by ancient trees, green parks and beautiful mansions. We will enjoy sailing together with small keelboats and possibly even slide into some casual regatta competition

19.00-22.00 h Meet and Greet dinner at "Alsterlounge"
 next to "Barca" boat rental peer at the Alster-Lake
 (pre-booking, p.P. 56 € + beverages)



This maritime clubhouse provides a breathtaking view across the 'Aussenalster', the big lake right in the heart of Hamburg. With its perspective on this lake, the Alster-Steamboats, sailing boats, and the skyline of Hamburg, we can't celebrate our 'Meet&Greet' more wonderful.

Monday, June 3

17.00-19.00 h "International Maritime Museum"
 incl. English guided tour and ship-simulator
 (pre-booking, 25 € p.P.)



The internationally renowned museum is housed in the heritage listed building "Kaispeicher B". Three thousand years maritime history and tradition are displayed on nine 'decks' with precious exhibits, model ships, and paintings. We will also visit the new ship-simulator. Become part of the world of container vessels and cruise ships as captain, helmsman, or pilot. Try to navigate a container vessel into Hamburg harbor by yourself.

19.00-22.00 h Dinner „Catch of the Day“
 in the „Int'l. Maritime Museum“ building
 (pre-booking, p.P. 25 € + beverages)





Tuesday, June 4

11.30-13.30 h **Harbour-Cruise** with snack on board / on Pier
(pre-booking, direct paying at own charge, p.P. 25 € + beverages)



Enjoy an exciting harbor tour and explore the city of Hamburg from the water. Learn interesting facts about Hamburg as you cruise along historic warehouses in the "Speicherstadt" (Unesco World Heritage), the growing urban Hafen-City, the numerous bridges over the Elbe River, big ship yards, and the busy container terminals.

15.00-17.00 h **AGM**, "Novotel City Alster"
pre-booking, no charge



19.00-22.00 h **Gala / Formal Dinner & Turnover Ceremonies**
In panoramic rooftop room with breathtaking harbor view, Hotel "Hafen Hamburg"
pre-booking, p.P. 86 € incl. beverages (beer, wine, soft drinks, water)



Hotel "Novotel City Alster"



"Novotel City Alster" has been assigned by RI for IYFR for staying during the Rotary World Convention in Hamburg. The Alsterlounge (15 min-walk), shopping arcades and museums, theatres, opera, exhibition, and the Congress Center (RIC venue) are all within only a 2 to 4 kilometers distance (8 minutes subway). The Underground stations U1/U3 can be reached in only a few steps.



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Rotary World Convention **HAMBURG** Germany, 2019, June 1 - 5

Hamburg Downtown Map

Hamburg Downtown Map

with RIC and IYFR venues



Schedule Hamburg and PCC 2019

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IYFR, RIC and PCC program

Time	Friday, 5/31/2019	Saturday, 06/01/2019	Sunday, 06/02/2019	Monday, 06/03/2019	Tuesday, 06/04/2019	Wednesday, 06/05/2019	Thursday, 06/06/2019	Sunday, 06/09/2019	
	RIC-HH IYFR	RIC-HH IYFR	RIC-HH IYFR	RIC-HH IYFR	RIC-HH IYFR	RIC-HH IYFR	Friday, 06/07/2019 Saturday, 06/08/2019	PCC Cruising days	
10:00		Opening House of Friendship	IYFR Booth at HOF open 9:00 - 18:00	Opening Ceremony 1	General Session - Fairground	General Session - Fairground	PCC Cruising days	approx. 7:30 - 10:00 - BREAKFAST ON BOARD AT „TIESSENKAI“ PIER IN KIEL-HOLTENAU / Check out / Individual departure	
11:00									
12:00									
13:00			IYFR-Infopoint „Eye of the Wind“ Sandtorkai						
14:00			Opening Ceremony 2	Breakout Session - Fairground	Breakout Session - Fairground	Breakout Session - Fairground			
15:00									
16:00									
17:00	Arrival + Welcome Drinks (Hotel bar)			Dinghy Sailing Alster Lake	„International Maritime Museum“	Closing Ceremonies (not possible for IYFR-PCC participants)			Transfer Hamburg - to Kiel
18:00	Get-Together „Schifferbörse“ spontaneous	Event at Chamber of Commerce	Bistro-Evening onboard „Eye of the Wind“	Rotary Orchestra and Chorus at the Elb-Philharmonie	Host-Hospitalities of Hamburg RICs	AGM „Novotel“ City Alster			Welcome - Buffet on Board Tall-Ship „Artemis“
19:00			St. Pauli walk through nightlife district	Meet and Greet dinner at „Alster-lounge“	„Catch of the Day“ in Intl. Maritime Museum Bldg.	Gala Dinner Turnover Ceremonies „Hafen Hamburg“ Hotel			On Saturday: FAREWELL-DINNER followed by FAREWELL Party Both at: „LIZIFER am Tiessenkai“ Kiel-Holtenu
20:00									
21:00									
22:00									
23:00									



Wednesday, June 5

17.30-19.30 h **Leaving from Hamburg to Kiel-Holtenau**
for Post-Convention-Cruise
by shuttle-bus directly from Novotel hotel to tall-ship pier
p.P. 14 € (approx. 1 hour)



Welcome on Board: IYFR Region Germany Commodore Georg Hagemeyer and the 2019 RIC/PCC Organisation Committee look forward to welcoming the international guests aboard the glorious tall-ships „ARTEMIS“, „EYE OF THE WIND“, and „ABEL TASMAN“

19.30-21.00 h **Welcome - Buffet on Board Tall-Ship „Artemis“**
for IYFR-Guests of all three Tall-Ships and all ext. IYFR yacht crew (max. 100 Pers.)
IYFR tall-ship guests: included in PCC-charge + beverages
IYFR ext. yachts crews: p.P. 35 € + beverages



Do you want to make your dream of sailing on a windjammer come true at last? This short IYFR Post-Convention Tall-Ship-Cruise is an excellent way to get a taste of real traditional seafaring adventure in an unbeatable combination with touristic highlights and sightseeing at wonderful charming places !

Cruising Area :

German Baltic Sea „Kiel Bay“ / Danish Archipelago „South-Sea“

From Kiel-Holtenau, we will sail along Baltic Sea coast within sight of the coastline. At this time of the year, only low waves and moderate wind speeds are to be expected in this area of the Western Baltic Sea. We guarantee plenty of fresh air, but certainly no 'hell ride' in gale-force winds. Even in these few days at sea, you will enjoy the comfort and excellent on-board cuisine and experience genuine traditional seamanship.



Please consider the following notes on the itinerary: The indicated ports are optional. The ship's management reserves the right to change the itinerary at short notice depending on wind and weather conditions.



TALL SHIP

Post Convention CRUISE 2019, June 5 - 9



Kiel-Holtenau



Numerous old tall-ships and schooners are moored on the traditional Holtenau "Tiessenkai" - quay in the Kiel Bay. You can observe the lively coming and going at the locks of the Kiel Canal: Ocean liners as well as sports yachts are passing the world's busiest artificial waterway. On the walk to the famous old lighthouse, you will get a taste of the nostalgic harbor atmosphere with small souvenir-shops, tiny bars and historic "captain's houses"

Eckernförde



The small German town Eckernförde dates back more than 700 years. From the harbor to the shops, from the shops to the fine sandy beach, everything is at close quarters. The idyllic harbor with its sailing yachts and fishing boats has an inviting promenade that winds around the edge. Just at a stone's throw, there are shop-lined streets enticing visitors to take a relaxing stroll.

Ærø / Marstal



Marstal in the southeast of the Danish island of Ærø has a reputation of this seaport as Denmark's sailing ship hub. The seamen's houses are built close to the harbor. In between, the narrow streets and alleys twist and wind in a charmingly disordered manner. The harbor is home to the internationally renowned Maritime Museum, which houses more than 200 ship models and other exhibits from all seven seas. Nearby are the renowned picturesque beach houses of Ærø Island.

Sønderborg



On the Danish island of Als, Sønderborg's major attraction is the royal castle (a primal medieval fortress) with its park and habitually the Royal Danish Yacht "Dannebrog". A walk along the harbor row with the historic merchant's houses and a stroll through the Old Town with its typical Danish tranquility should not be missed. In Sønderborg you'll find cozy walking streets with a selection of shops and a café area.



Saturday, June 8

19.00-24.00 h **Farewell-Dinner and Party**

„Luzifer“ am Tiessenkai, Kiel-Holtenau

incl. dinner, beverages, music etc :

for tall-ship guests: included in PCC-charge, for ext. yacht-crews p.P. 75 €



Sunday, June 9

until 10.00 h **Breakfast on Board**

„Tiessenkai“-Pier in Kiel-Holtenau

and individual Departures after 10.00 h



This Program was made possible by the IYFR 2019 RIC/PCC Organization Committee:

- Georg Hagemeyer *Commodore Region Germany*
- Martin Doller *Vice-Commodore Region Germany*
- Ewert Cramer *Special Advisor IB, RPC Germany*
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- Linn Lenné *Toronto Ambassador, FC Germany South*
- Bob Burns *Coordinator IB, Area 1 Commodore*

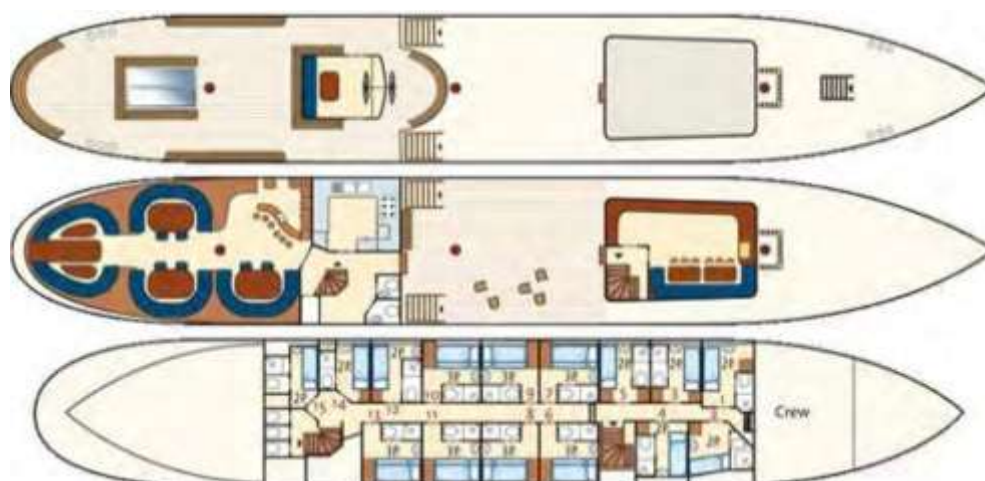


„ARTEMIS“

“ARTEMIS”



Dining Salon and Bar



Salon 2 on Main Deck

The triple masted barque Artemis is a beautiful example of maritime tradition. The ship was built in Norway in 1926 as a whaler. The Artemis radiates security & originality while boasting an exceptional standard of comfort and luxury on board. The barque has a well - equipped kitchen and two spacious salons, one with bar, that breathe a warm maritime ambiance.

Category: **“Comfort”**

Rigging:	triple masted barque	Year Built:	1926
Length overall:	59 m	Beam:	7.00 m
Draft:	3.40 m	Sail area:	1.050 sq m

2 Salons (one with Bar) for 80 resp. 30 Guests
Daytrips / in harbor up to 120 guests

16 cabins (each with toilet / shower and bunk beds)
37 berths max. available
32 berths when occupied only as double-cabins

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=otgU11jt3lo>



Double Cabin





TALL SHIP

Post Convention CRUISE 2019, June 5 - 9



„Eye of the Wind“

“EYE OF THE WIND”



Dining Salon and Bar Upper Deck



Salon Lower Deck

The Eye of the Wind is a gem among the last original, historic tall ships of our time. The oceangoing ship has spent more than a century on all the oceans of the world, and is still being sailed in a traditional way. The owner is IYFoRian Roland Herkert (IYFR-Fleet Germany South). This authentic brigantine has been featured in several Hollywood-movies e.g. “White Squall” and “Tai-Pan” etc.

Category: **“Luxury”**

Rigging:	Brig	Year Built:	1911
Length overall:	40.23 m	Breadth:	7.01 m
Draft:	2.70 m	Sail area:	750 sq m

2 Salons
Daytrips: 18 guests, in harbor up to 40 guests

6 cabins (all with private shower and WC)
12 berths when occupied only as double-cabins



Double Cabin

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4obb4kXaDQY&index=5&list=PL79rStdwq2bo1nK CJF1buUcUxUMAegiv0>

ROTARY WOLRD CONVENTION HAMBURG REGISTRATION

Registration **opens 23 June**. Our convenient online system makes registering easy for Rotary members, Rotaractors, and Rotary club and district employees.

Download a detailed guide on how to register

<http://www.riconvention.org/en/hamburg/register>

Important deadlines

27 June 2018: Last day for special promotional discount

15 December 2018: Last day for early-registration discount

31 March 2019: Last day for preregistration discount

30 April 2019: Last day to request to cancel registrations or tickets

5 June 2019: Last day for online registration

Registration fees

Register early to take advantage of discounted rates. Go to registration fees in the link above for information about rates, cancellations, and refunds, and what your registration includes.

Registration for Children (Age 18 and younger)

Please use the Registration and Parent Consent Form for Children to register those of age 18 or younger. This form must be completed by the Parent or Legal Guardian of the Child Registrant.

Group registration

Groups of 25 or more Rotary members, Rotaractors, and club and district employees may register as a group. All fees must be submitted in full in a single payment using a credit card or check (drawn from a U.S. bank only), or through an international office or fiscal agent.

Review the group registration guidelines and download the group registration form. After 31 March 2019, additional group members can be added only on-site at the convention.

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AREA 1 MEETING ATHENS, GREECE

4TH - 6TH October 2019

The Area 1 Meeting this year will be held in Athens, Greece from the 4th to 6th October.

It will allow people to appreciate the great history of Greece and to enjoy the beautiful scenery of the coast and islands off Athens. Instead of heading home immediately after the meeting, there will also be an opportunity to charter a yacht and take a leisurely sail around the islands for 3 or 4 days at your own pace.

Here is a preview of the draft Programme : -

Friday 4th October 2019

Hotel Golden Age: Reception and Registration

21.00 Dinner in a typical Greek Restaurant (taverna) with traditional Greek music at the old town of Athens, *Plaka*

Saturday 5th October 2019

10.00 Departure for guided tour at Acropolis Archeological Site

Free Time – Options suggested

15.00 Meet at Golden Age Hotel

16.00-18.00 Business Meeting at Hotel

19.00 Departure for Acropolis Museum

20.00-21.15 Private Guided Tour at Acropolis Museum

21.20 Dinner at Acropolis Museum Restaurant

23.30 Transportation to Hotel

Sunday 6th October 2019

10.00 Departure for Piraeus Port

11.00 Departure for Aegina Island by boat

12.00 Visit of Aegina Island and archaeological site

14.00 Lunch at seaside restaurant

16.00-17.00 Departure for Athens

Monday 7th October 2019

Option of 3 or 4 days yacht charter to explore the islands at your own pace.

Details (Including costs and booking forms) will follow very shortly



{ PLEASE SAVE THE DATE IN YOUR DIARY! }

IC Guillermo Arteta and the International Bridge is welcoming on board Angie Mesistrano elected IRC from Punta del Este Fleet and Area 2 Commodore. The assumption of the IRC will take place in IYFR Gala Dinner convention in Hamburg.

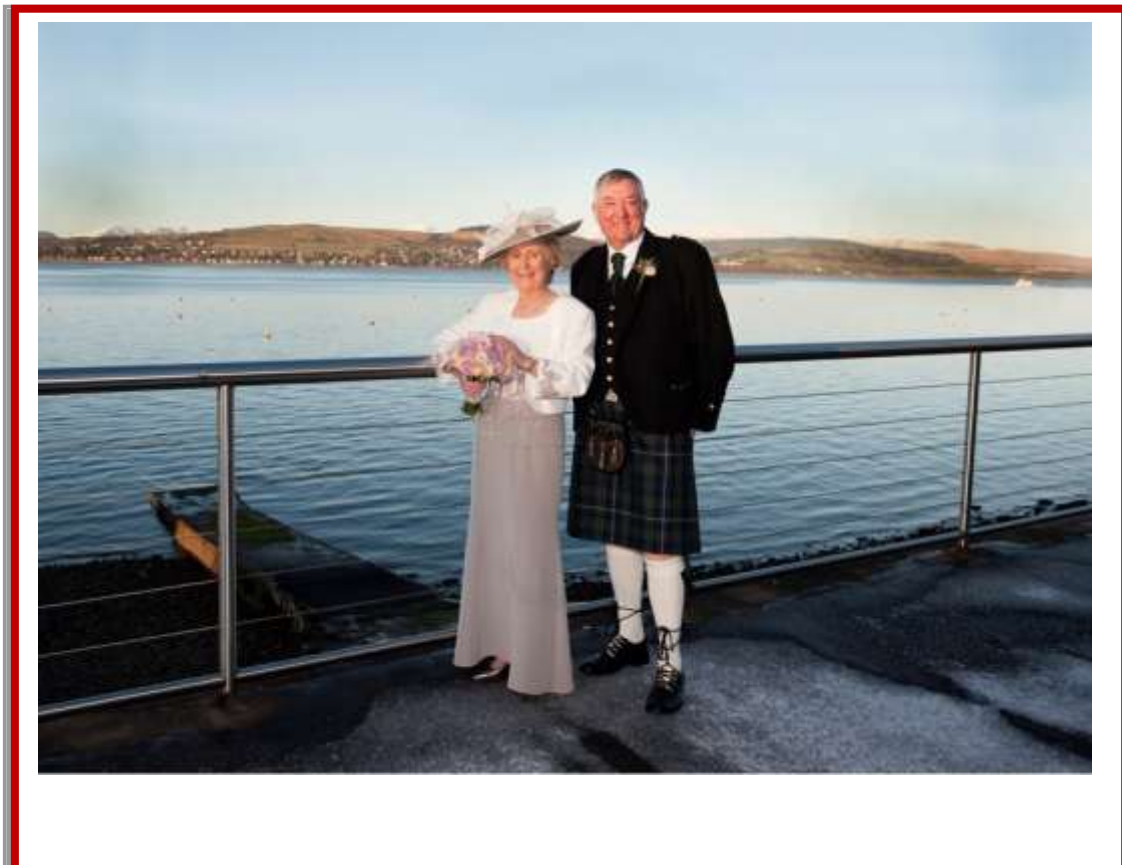
THANKS FOR GOOD WISHES

Ann and I would like to thank everyone for their good wishes on the occasion of our marriage in February.

We have been quite overwhelmed by the number of people who have emailed or sent messages of congratulations on Facebook. News of our small and quiet wedding seems to have reached the farthest corners of the World!

We had a wonderful day and the enjoyment has been greatly enhanced by the warmth of the good wishes we have received, so our most sincere thanks go out to you all.

Robert and Ann Burns



D-Nord Fleet Winter meeting

Wismar, February 2019

Commodore Frank Scholl is happy about the many promises for this winter meeting. More than 50 participants gather and greet each other Friday evening in the hotel lobby.



The aperitif works as a bridge that shortens the distance to the Brauhaus am Lohberg. For the first round of Axel and Heidrun Theuer we send our thanks and best regards to their holiday and we continue with the beer tasting. Braumeister Beck introduced us with Pils, red Erik and Mumme three of the 7 beers that are brewed in the house throughout the year. After thanking the master brewer and eaten the food we spent a friendly evening at the tables and the hotel bar.



With the Hanseatic triad of the winter half-year, we started Saturday after shower and extensive breakfast punctually in the middle of the morning a guided tour by Wismar. It was suppose to be "Störtebekers Wismar" - and it was: we learned so much about the urban development of Wismar, the still visible wealth in as well as from the Hanseatic period and so many stories from Störtebekers time ("is that also true?") that a suitable reproduction even in the beginning would already be measured in this report.



And with another insight we stopped for refreshment in the old Sweden: not as cold as in Bremen is still really cold. The mulled wine and grog orders almost reached new records. The cosy atmosphere in the old walls was enriched by Anja Düvel (FC St. Pauli sailing) and Heiko Reh (wheelchair adventure trips). They reported impressively on their commitment to enabling people with disabilities to sail on the Alster or to take a short holiday in Hamburg with full-time care. Possibilities of an IYForian support were to be discussed in the evening meeting.



Well strengthened the way led us into another old vault. We visited the Hanse Sektkellerei as the northernmost sparkling wine cellar in Germany. The company's roots go back to the year 1648. In addition to the brewery, Wismar also looks back on a wine trade tradition. The geographical location was decisive for the transshipment and storage of wines on the way to the Baltic Sea region. Today, about 15,000 bottles per year are prepared in the vault for the still predominantly regional sale in the champagne process with a lot of manual work and at least 9 months of bottle fermentation.

Punctually at 18:00 clock the Commodore rang for the official beginning of the meeting. Frank Scholl welcomed the IYForians friends as well as Georg-Maria Hagemeyer and Martin Doller from Deutschland-Bridge.



Another nice evening event marked the end of this winter meeting. In the vaulted cellar of the castle with background music, we enjoyed the buffet. Ewert Cramer called for registration for the IYFR's events on the convention weekend and presented the highlights.

Many conversations went deep into the night until the next morning when it was time to go back home. Most went for a last walk to the harbour, buying fresh fish and having a last look: yes, the new season can already be seen!



*We are looking forward to seeing you
In Hamburg and the summer meeting*

THE FORTHCOMING CHARTER OF THE CHERKASY UKRAINE FLEET



❖ **On Pontoon Ukraine**

This summer, on the shores of majestic Dnipro, in the city of Cherkasy, the Rotary Fleet of Ukraine begins its history. The idea of its creation came to yachtsmen of Cherkassy Yacht Club who were in love with sailing and members of Rotary Club Cherkasy.

The base of this event is the nearly fifty-year history of Cherkassy Yacht Club, which became famous in Ukraine and abroad thanks to yachtsmen and skippers who preserve the knowledge of sailing and pass on their experience to new generations improving and multiplying it.

And most of members of Cherkasy Rotary Club, among whom there are Rotary yachtsmen, who have their own extensive experience in leisure and traveling under sail, and have repeatedly participated in Cherkassy Yacht Club events dedicated to preserve nature and to keep river water pure.

Therefore, it is natural that the idea of creating the Rotary Fleet of Ukraine was harmoniously born precisely on the banks of Dnipro in our native city of Cherkasy.

Cherkassy Yacht Club is a non-profitable sports organization, and Rotary Club Cherkasy is a public organization of caring citizens who have a common goal - to promote sailing and tourist recreation on the water, to implement the preservation of the environment Program.

Therefore, our yacht club is an example of stability and progress - at the same time.



❖ **Ukrainian children**

Cherkasy Yacht Club is a symbol of Cherkasy sailing competitions on the widest part of Dnipro River near the Kremenchug reservoir, where unique for our country 12 annual sailing regattas are held.



❖ Crew members

Cherkasy sailors take part in regattas in almost all sailing centers of Ukraine, and repeated victories in regattas in Kyiv, Dnipro, Zaporizzhya, Mykolayiv, Odessa inspire us not to stop there.

Experience and love for maritime business contributes to the creation of conditions for promoting sailing and a healthy lifestyle among young people.

We know that almost two hundred sunny and

warm days in Cherkasy per year are unlimited opportunities for eco-friendly recreation on the Dnipro.

The wide river is a place of unity with nature and invincible water, where you can both test yourself for strength and relax under the sails.

Without remaining aloof from socially significant issues, for 3 last years Cherkasy Yacht Club together with Rotary Club Cherkasy have supported many charitable initiatives.

So, yachtsmen and Rotarians take care of young patients of the Regional Center for Pediatric Oncology and Hematology of Cherkassy Regional Oncology Dispensary, support volunteer programs for organizing leisure activities for displaced children from Donetsk and Luhansk regions, take part in the psychological and sports rehabilitation of Ukrainian soldiers and their families.

Next step for spreading Rotary movement in Cherkasy and Ukraine is the implementation of Cherkasy Ukrainian Fleet project!

After all, the creation of Ukraine Rotary Fleet is a great opportunity to involve Rotarians from all over the world not only for a good rest under Rotary sails on the waters of the legendary Dnipro in the heart of the historic Cossack region, but also to make the Rotary

movement become known in Ukraine along with the rotary ministry principles in order to implement using the association of caring people and benefactors of good deeds the residents of Cherkasy benefit. Welcome aboard!



❖ Rounding the mark Ukraine

Start very soon : June 15-17, 2019 during the Ukraine Rotary Fleet foundation and the Love Sail Ukraine!

GERMAN FLEET NORTHWEST 30 YEARS OLD

By Phyllis Åhrberg, first mate of Dr. Björn Åhrberg, RC German NW Fleet

On the second weekend in February 2019 forty-three Iyforians, first mates and guests gathered in Münster to celebrate the founding of our fleet at its place of birth on April 8th, 1988. The three days in Münster were dedicated to *Art* and the *Art of Sailing*.



Prof. Dr. med. Bernd Brinkmann (RC Münster-Rüschhaus, Vice Commodore Fleet North West) and his wife Caroline Kirchhoff-Brinkmann (RC Münster-Rüschhaus and Past Regional Commodore of Germany) invited the fleet members to the anniversary celebration and winter meeting, which gave us a chance to renew our friendships and welcome prospective members.

It all started on Friday evening when we gathered at Aasee and set the meeting in motion : from there on *“we were on the move”*

Prof. Dr. med. Hans-Werner Bothe held a presentation on *“Certified Sailing”* — the RYA Yachtmaster Offshore and Yachtmaster Ocean, certificates of competence which are the ultimate in navigation.

Speaking from his own experience Prof. Bothe made quite clear that British seafaring has a deeply imbedded tradition going back over 500 years. To acquire either certificate knowledge and skippering skills are assessed during the qualifying cruise. As opposed to the German equivalent (Sportseeschifferschein , SSS) no theoretical examination is required before the

practical trip takes place. Proficiency in theory must be proven during the course of the two-day trip in addition to boat handling, navigation and seamanship. A highlight of Prof. Bothe’s presentation was the best way to rescue a man overboard.





Fortified by the insights into the art of sailing we turned our attention on Saturday to Art.

We were on the move again; everything was in motion. Our guide through Münster's St. Paul's Cathedral, Dr. Maria Galen (RC Münster-Rüschhaus), introduced us into the medieval / Renaissance world of the astronomical clock, which has been telling me almost consistently since 1542. Well, not just time — the position of the planets, the phases of the moon, the signs of the zodiac. The lower part behind a grill is a perpetual calendar where the years are enumerated from 1540 to 2071.



We were allowed a rare visit in the glazed tile room of the cathedral — also called the blue room — normally off limits to the general public. Some of the tiles warmed the boat-lovers' hearts.

On the move again we headed for the Dominican Church to view the perpetual motion of the Foucault Pendulum or rather the work of art created by the painter and sculptor Gerhard Richter entitled "Two grey double mirrors for a pendulum". Indeed, it is not the pendulum itself that should be at the center of our interest, but the interaction between the reflections of the double grey mirrors hanging opposite each other in the center of the church and the movement of the pendulum. It all has to do with one's individual perception of reality.



Foucault's pendulum was conceived by the French physicist Léon Foucault as an experiment to demonstrate the Earth's rotation. What is special here is that Gerhard Richter presented his installation as a gift to the city of Münster. He is one of the most important artists of the 20th and 21st centuries and on the art market his works are the most expensive of any living artist.

After a light lunch our next stop was the Picasso Museum. All of these places are situated within walking distance of each other, so we were able to catch a breath of fresh air as we pondered on the varied works of art on our program. The Picasso Museum is quite unique in that it is the only Picasso Museum in Germany. It is located in two historically protected houses joined together and on one side of the indoor shopping Arcade right in the center of the old town.

The current exhibition entitled “*A feast for the eyes*” was indeed just that. Everything on exhibit comes from a private collection bringing together diverse eras of art. One particular sculpture, which seemed to be doors you could walk through or around, called to mind the juggling with reality that we experienced with Richter. The icing on the cake, however, were the caricatures of Honoré Daumier — the human comedy. His acute description of human weaknesses is as true today as it was 150 years ago.

It was an exciting day and there was more to come.

After the official IYFR meeting we were to encounter the ultimate in the art of sailing. Our founding Commodore, Georg-Wilhelm Kirchhoff took us back to the year 1979.

His retrospective of the drama of the Fastnet Race in which he took part that year demonstrated a masterful reaction to life-threatening situations. His thoughtful remarks carried the imprint of a disastrous storm that took the lives of fifteen participants.

The catastrophe claimed a total of twenty-one lives and sank five ships. Twenty-four ships were abandoned. We are all grateful to Georg-Wilhelm for impressing upon us the significance of skill and sound judgment in the face of unavoidable threats. The certificates Prof. Bothe described on Friday are one side of the coin. Georg-Wilhelm's mastery of the situation is the reality of the other side.



The evening closed with a surprise. Germany's Regional Commodore Georg Maria Hagemeyer (German South Fleet) presented our Commodore Dr. Erich Brinkema (RC Leer) with a specially designed banner to honour our 30th anniversary. We forgive you for the date 1989, Georg Maria. You couldn't know we were in the midst of an extended celebration that began last year in April and extended until now. After all we turn 31 first on 8th April. The organization of our jubilee depended on our meeting taking place in Münster with our Rear Commodore. Our heart felt thanks for the original idea; we deeply appreciate it.



There was one surprise left for the evening. Heike Schumacher (first mate of Helmut Schumacher RC Coesfeld) had a photo book in the making — a collection of 30 years of photos depicting our cruises in summer and meetings in winter. Not to mention the fact that five members of our Fleet have held the position of German Regional Commodore. We eagerly passed the prototype around in anticipation of the final product this coming summer.

Three days in Münster stood on the program. And the great finale was on Sunday.

We visited the exhibition “Bauhaus and America“ in the Landesmuseum Westfalen-Lippe. *“Imagine molding and shaping with light.”* A quotation taken from the wall in the exhibition which centered on the Bauhaus experiment in light and movement, stage set design and dancing. Our guide was a jumping jack right out of a Bauhaus stage set design, her explanations an expressive performance.

That was it. Imagine three days of motion and emotion. Three days of looking back, looking forward, turning things inside out and upside down.

Our thanks go to Bernd Brinkmann and Caroline Kirchhoff-Brinkmann for the well-tuned organization: for the retrospect and insight. To Georg-Wilhelm Kirchhoff for founding the Fleet and to Prof. Dr. Horst Kiel for all of the wonderful photos that will keep this weekend alive for years to come.

FLOTTA ITALIA SUD EST IYFR CELEBRATES ROTARY ANNIVERSARY

By Enzo Pirato FC Italia South East



IYFR celebrates Rotary International Anniversary honoring with the maximum rotarian recognition “Paul Harris Fellow” the submersible command and Smg. Primo Lomngobardi Fleet.

The ceremony took place in a *lupi di mare day* near the Submersible School Di Taranto with the Rotary International Governor District 2120 attendance Donato Donnoli along with Submersible Captains: admiral Andrea Petroni, CV Giorgio Cossiga , Comandante del SMG CC Antonio de Masi, and the DEI Italian submersible Admiral Giuseppe Arena dean.

Through the ceremony Enzo Pirato FC Italia Sud Est, recalled the common values between the military Marina and IYFR : service activity and solidarity towards the entire humanity and above all friendship and peace among world. Enzo Pirato remembered 23rd February as an important day for Rotary which matches his birth date. As for the Military Marine, the 23.02 1902

is remembered for being the day in which for the first time the sailor’s prayer, so beloved for all sailors was read on the Corazzato Cuiase “Garibaldi”.

Our governor Donato Donnoli pointed out some common values between Rotary and Military Marine : friendship, diversity, service, integrity and leadership. These



values have a powerful importance for society, military Marine, homeland and entire humanity.

Good winds,

Enzo Pirato
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HELLENIC AEGEAN FLEET CUTTING OF THE VASILOPITA



Lila cutting the cake

On Saturday 23rd February, the Hellenic Aegean Fleet gathered at the Nautical Club of Greece, in Piraeus, Athens, for the annual cutting of the ‘Vasilopita’. This is a rich sponge cake, which is traditionally cut in Greece at New Year. It contains a coin and the person who gets the slice of the cake containing the coin, is guaranteed to have good luck for the year ahead.

It was a special pleasure to have Dimosthenis Iordanidis, Commodore of the Hellenic North Aegean Fleet, present, along with some of his members, who had made the trip down to join in the party! International Vice Commodore Robert Burns and his First Mate (and Area 1 Regalia Officer), Ann were also present. The surroundings were magnificent and the welcome was very warm and made up for the weather, which was extremely wet and windy – just to make Bob and Ann feel at home! There were several Optimist dinghies being raced off the club, but I’m afraid it was great to renew old friendships and make new ones and

there was a real fun atmosphere at the clubhouse.

Everyone was there to have a good time and once they had all arrived, an excellent three course meal was enjoyed. As an extra bonus, two new members were admitted into IYFR, one living locally, and one, Michail Kyriakidis, currently living in Russia. He hopes that he may be able to form a squadron there. It is always a pleasure to welcome new members into IYFR.

A big moment came when it was Commodore Lila Kyriakopoulou-Schliebener turn to cut the cake.

There was a great expectation as people lined up for their piece, wondering who would get the coin.



❖ **New Member, Rachel**



❖ **Lucky man Kostas
With the prize**

In order to ensure that the whole cake was cut and the coin was found, the slices were of a substantial size – it was not the time to think about diets!

The Hellenic Aegean Fleet Vice Commodore, Costas Zaharakopoulos, was the lucky man for 2019. He even won a prize for finding the coin.

Finally, it was time to courageously face the weather and return home, especially as some had a 12 hour drive back up north, with possible snow at higher ground – certainly no good luck there! It was no doubt a great gathering and there's always next year to find the coin.



❖ **Queuing for the cake**



“Il Mito del mare” IYFR interclub Italy South East Fleet By Enzo Pirato FC Brindisi

"A man whose horizon is the sea in which values and quality are recognized".

Thus the Commodore of the IYFR, the Italian South-East Rotary Fleet, Enzo Pirato presented the meeting speaker dedicated to the theme "The Myth of the Sea", held on 19 January at the Royal Hall of the International Hotel of Brindisi in collaboration with the Rotary Clubs Brindisi, Valesio Brindisi and Brindisi Appia Antica and with the Inner Wheel Brindisi and Inner Wheel Club Brindisi port of the East.

Such incipit, after the ritual greetings to the Rotarians, civil and military, immediately created the atmosphere suitable to infect the



numerous present with the passion for writing and for the sea journeys of Professor Nicolò Carnimeo, writer and teacher Navigation Law at the University of Bari. With the talent of the narrator and the communicative immediacy, the professor admirably told the stories, the emotions, the words of the sea to discover and understand his voice.



The sea as a metaphor of the human soul, of an existential condition that over the centuries will find an infinite number of variations: solitude, the sense of abandonment and helplessness, freedom, the challenge of the unknown, harmony and peace .. That peace that the writer finds in his "place of the soul": the Watch Station on the Mediterranean of the port of Giovinazzo which, like a stone ship, overlooks the sea on three sides. It became the headquarters of a European Association, of which prof. Carnimeo is President, he deals with rediscovering the values of marine identity and promotes the culture and literature of the sea, capable of opening wide worlds full of businesses, of exciting and unpredictable stories that ask to be told and safeguarded, starting with the first big sea adventure narrated in Homer's Odyssey.

DISTRICT FORUM OF ROTARY FELLOWSHIPS

The Delta Fleet has participated in the "District Forum of Rotary Fellowships" (District 4895 of Rotary International) organized by Flores Rotary Club. The Regional Latin American East Commodore Miriam Caudullo, Special Advisor Osvaldo Galmozzi, Delta Commodore Sergio Gómez and fleet member Ana Cermesoni attended the event. At the meeting, the operation and formation of Fleets were explained, a power point on these topics was presented. Other Rotary fellowships such as Tennis, Etymology of Words and Artistic Expressions (in formation) were also part of the Forum.



❖ RC LATINAMERICA EAST MIRIAM CAUDULLO AND SPECIAL ADVISOR OSVALDO GALMOZZI DURING THE SPEECH ABOUT ROTARY FELLOWSHIPS-DISTRICT 4895 FORUM



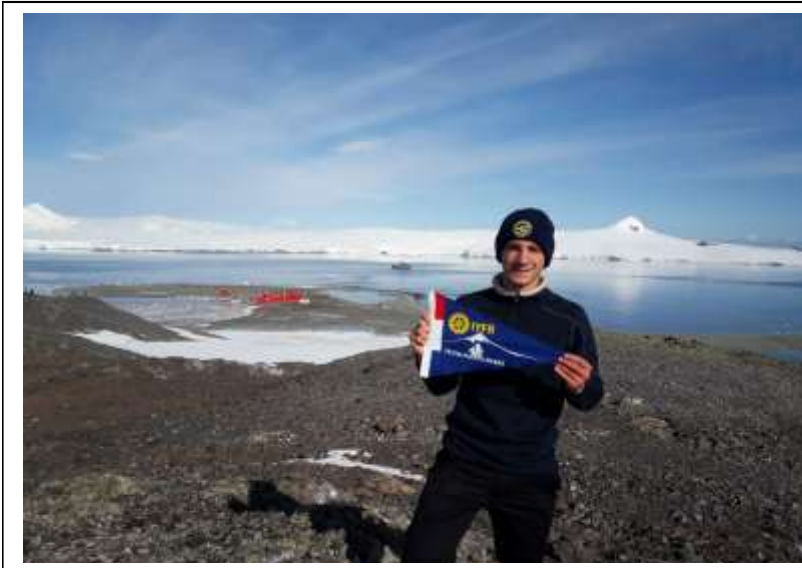
❖ DELTA FLEET COMMODORE SERGIO GOMEZ GIVING A SPEECH ABOUT DELTA FLEET ACTIVITIES AT DISTRICT FORUM ABOUT ROTARY FELLOWSHIPS

FORO DISTRITAL SOBRE AGRUPACIONES DE ROTARY

La Flota Delta ha participado en el "Foro Distrital de Agrupaciones de Rotary" (Distrito 4895 de Rotary International) organizado por el Rotary Club de Flores. Asistieron a dicho evento la Comodoro Regional Latinoamérica Este Miriam Caudullo, el Special Advisor Osvaldo Galmozzi, el Comodoro de Flota Delta Sergio Gomez y la integrante de la flota Ana Cermesoni. En dicha reunión se disertó sobre el funcionamiento y formación de flotas, se presentó un power point explicativo sobre el funcionamiento de la Fellowship. También fueron parte del Foro otras agrupaciones de Rotary como la de Tennis, Etimología de las Palabras y Expresiones Artísticas (en formación).

Chile Marine Scout receives scholarship to travel Antartic

By Walter Eaglehurst RC West Latin America



Outstanding Marine Scout Enrique Haag, from Piloto Pardo Brigade, Puerto Varas Chile Fleet received an invitation to participate from this special cruise to Antartic for one month, starting from Februrary 3rd in *Aquiles* ship from Chile Army. The trip started at Puerto Williams, crossing the legendary Cape Horn and Drake Passage without any obstacle till Antartic Continent where different bases were visited along with scientists.

Through his stay, Enrique won everyones sympathy through his humbleness, intellingence and sea love. This allow him to be destinguished with two Diplomas, one handled by Almirante Ramos and the other by Aquiles Ship Commander.

Marine Scout went through this experience absolutely grateful with Chile Army for giving him this chance and to Puerto Varas Fleet for supporting him with material such as suitable clothes to make the trip possible. For Enrique Haag it was a real priviledge having been chosen for such an adventure. Marine Scout wrote a navigation diary which will share with his Brigades mates.



SCOUT MARINO CHILENO RECIBE BECA PARA VIAJAR A LA ANTARTICA

El destacado Scout Marino Enrique Haag, de la Brigada Piloto Pardo Flota Chile Puerto Varas, recibió de parte de la Armada de Chile una invitación para poder participar de este crucero especial a la Antártica por un mes, del 3 Febrero al 3 de Marzo a bordo del Buque de pasajeros y transporte de la Armada de Chile “Aguiles”.

El viaje zarpó desde Puerto Williams , pasando por el mítico Cabo de Hornos, y el Mar de Drake, pero se realizó sin contratiempos hasta llegar al continente Antártico, donde se realizaron visitas junto a científicos, de las diferentes bases que tienen estaciones en el continente helado.



Durante su estadia, Enrique se ganó el cariño de todos , por su sencillez, su inteligencia, y su amor por el mar. Por lo que fue distinguido con dos Diplomas , uno entregado por el Almirante Ramos, y otro por el Comandante del Buque Aquiles.

La impresión del Scout Marino de esta experiencia única, fue de absoluta gratitud, a la Armada de Chile por la oportunidad, y a la Flota Chile Puerto Varas por haberlo apoyado materialmente con parte del vestuario para poder efectuar el viaje.

Para Enrique Haag fue un privilegio el haber sido elegido para tan significativa aventura. El Scout marino escribió un diario de navegación que compartirá con sus compañeros de Brigada.

Outstanding young Scout from Punta del Este Fleet

By Past Fleet Commodore Felix Riestra



The Sea Scouting program of the Punta del Este's Fleet, involves children and teenagers of different ages and genders. All of them, coming from different social contexts. Some of these young promises, also practice different sports disciplines, normally related to the nautical environment.

This is the case of Dharma, a young Sea Scout of 13 years old, who has dedicated most of her life to swimming. Let's see what she tells us about her experience:

"My name is Dharma Brum, I am 13 years old and I'm a member of the Sea Scouts Group "Bahía de Maldonado" (Punta del Este fleet).

I've been going to the swimming pool at the Maldonado city Campus, since I was three years old. When I was five, they invited me to be part of the Campus Swimming team. Three years later I was registered in the Uruguayan Swimming Federation. This is the moment when I started to participate in national competitions.



After reading her story, we would like to emphasize her dedication and effort. We are proud to count with the Sea Scouts program within Punta del Este Fleet .This youth, that generate and transmit very good examples and values of sacrifice, personal overcoming, healthy life and dreams of new goals and challenges.

We feel a great pride in being able to be close to these young persons and contribute a little bit to its work. We have the hope that among our young people, many others like Dharma arise. This undoubtedly would contribute to build a better society. Values that Rotary -together with other organizations - promote constantly.

Congratulations to Dharma and her family, we are grateful for you having join the Sea Scouts Group of Punta del Este Fleet.

In 2018 I joined the Pre selection for the Promises of the Southern Cone Tournament, where we participated in a training and NBSF , training with members of the FUN (Uruguayan swimming Federation) and the pre selected athletes.

At the end of 2018 I participated in a tournament at the Stadio Italian pool in Chile, achieving the 4th position among 7 countries.

In January of this year, I did my first open waters crossing in Piriápolis Bay from La Rinconada, swimming together with other 200 young people. I got a 2nd position in my category and a 7th position in the whole event.

My next goal is to qualify for the tournament Promises of the Southern Cone and related to the Sea Scout group, I'm working to be promoted to first class".

Destacada joven Scout de la Flota Punta del Este

Por Past Fleet Comodore Félix Riestra.

Dentro del Programa Scouts Marinos de la Flota Punta del Este, participan niños y adolescentes de diferentes edades, sexo, provenientes de distintos contextos sociales, que a su vez practican diferentes disciplinas deportivas preferentemente vinculadas a la náutica.

Tal es el caso de Dharma, una joven Sea Scout de 13 años, que ha dedicado parte de su vida a practicar Natación. Veamos que nos cuenta sobre su experiencia:

“Mi nombre Dharma Brum, tengo 13 años e integro el grupo Scout Marino Bahía de Maldonado (Flota Punta del Este).

Desde los 3 años que voy a la piscina del Campus de Maldonado y hace 5 años fui seleccionada

para integrar el Plantel de Natación siendo Federada a los 3 años de integrar el mismo; ahí fue cuando comencé a participar de competencias Nacionales.

En el 2018 integré la Pre selección del Torneo Promesas del Cono Sur, donde participamos de un training y NBSP , entrenamiento con integrantes de la FUN (Federación Uruguaya de Natación) y los pre seleccionados.

A finales de 2018 participé en Chile de un Torneo en la piscina Stadio Italiano, logrando un 4to. puesto, dentro de 7 Países.

En enero de este año, realicé mi primera travesía en aguas abiertas en la bahía de Piriápolis desde La Rinconada, nadando con 200 jóvenes, logré un 2do. puesto en mi categoría y un 7mo. en la general.

Mi próxima meta es clasificar al Torneo promesas del Cono Sur y en cuanto al Grupo de Sea Scout, ascender a primera clase.”





Punta del Este cuenta entre sus programas a los Scouts Marinos, con chicos que generan y transmiten muy buenos ejemplos y valores de sacrificio, superación, vida sana y sueños de nuevos objetivos y desafíos.

Sentimos un gran orgullo de poder estar cerca de estos chicos y desde nuestra agrupación poder aportar un granito de arena. Y que entre nuestros jóvenes, puedan surgir muchas Dharma, que sin duda contribuyen a formar una sociedad mejor,

Luego de leer su relato, deseamos destacar su dedicación y esfuerzo de superación y sobre todo que nuestra Flota

valores que Rotary a través entre otras de organizaciones como la nuestra, promueven constantemente.



Felicitaciones a Dharma, a su familia y gracias por pertenecer al Grupo de Scouts Marinos de la Flota Punta del Este.

A VISIT FROM GERMANY



❖ MEMBERS OF DELTA FLEET MIGUEL PRIETO AND HIS WIFE INÉS, OSVALDO GALMOZZI AND MIRIAM CAUDULLO WITH FRIENDS FROM GERMAN FLEET ECKHARDT FISCHER IN THE GARDENS OF THE TIGRE ART MUSEUM.

On January 13 we received the German Eckhardt Fischer and his wife Ingrid from the German Fleet. We had a wonderful meeting of friendship and Rotary fellowship. True to their place of origin, members of the Delta Fleet showed Eckhardt and Ingrid the typical places of the city of Tigre and the Delta, visited the Fruits Port, the Naval Museum of the Nation, the Gardens of the Tigre Art Museum and then they took a ride in the typical boats through the Delta arriving at Puerto Madero in the city of Buenos Aires. Thanks Eckhardt and Ingrid for your visit !!!



❖ VISIT TO THE NATIONAL NAVAL MUSEUM IN TIGRE. AT THE BACK, THE "LEGH II" OWNED BY THE SOLITAIRE SAILORMAN VITO DUMAS, SAILING BOAT IN WHICH SAILED THE ROUTE DESCRIBED IN THE BOOK "THE ROARING FORTIES" -

VISITAS DESDE ALEMANIA

El pasado 13 de enero recibimos al alemán Eckhardt Fischer y su esposa Ingrid de la Flota de Alemania, de paseo por Argentina. Tuvimos un maravilloso encuentro de amistad y confraternidad rotaria. Fiel a su lugar de origen, integrantes de la Flota Delta mostraron a Eckhardt e Ingrid los lugares típicos de la ciudad de Tigre y del Delta, visitaron el Puerto de Frutos, el Museo Naval de la Nación, los Jardines del Museo de Arte Tigre y luego dieron un paseo en las típicas lanchas colectivas por el Delta arribando a Puerto Madero en la ciudad de Buenos Aires.

Ecuador Marine Scouts , Guayaquil Fleet tribute to third age persons at San Francisco del Cabo

By Walter Eaglehurst RC West Latin America



On Sunday 3rd February 2019, San Francisco del Cabo community woke up happier than ever with the news the 60 marine scouts from Almirante Germán Yepes Brigade would celebrate a tribute party for all grandparents in town.

Scouts prepared to host old people at Cabo San Francisco School with presents and a delicious lunch specially dedicated to those who despite their age are

still an example for new generations.

Some guests arrived with their family, others on wheelchairs, and there were even some who received the scouts at their own house.

No doubt this was a very encouraging activity which allowed us to see a youth which takes care and respects their elders. A valuable service activity which deserves to be followed.



INSPIRING PHILIPPINES FLEET

By RS Mel Waje



❖ RC Edmond Aguilar administer the Oath of Office to the Members

At the 34th Founding Anniversary of the Rotary Club of Cubao West, President Rhyan Virrey who is also concurrently the Fleet Commodore of the Cubao West Fleet banded together his peers and classmates, and various Clubs 2018-2019 Presidents in the RC District 3780 to form what has become the Philippines latest and largest fleet in the Region with over 60 members. It eclipsed the World Class Philippine Fleet with an active 49 members which used to be the largest. The Fleet was officially chartered by RC Edmond Aguilar and PI Jun AVECILLA on January 31, 2019 at the Scout Hotel in Quezon City.



❖ FC Percy Aranas and RC Edmond Aguilar sign the Charter Acceptance Agreement witnessed by the rest of his Bridge.

Elected officers of the Fleet are: Percy Aranas, Commodore, Conrado Casaul, Vice Commodore, Teresita Parungao, Rear Commodore, Wenylane Constancio, Secretary and Heddy Habao, Treasurer. The complete member's list is detail at the link hereunder.

http://www.iyfr.net/new/members/database/member_add_del_drilldown.php?selected_fleet_id=231



❖ The Chartered Officers of the Fleet with RS Mel Waje, RC Edmond Aguilar, PIC Jun Avecilla and RVC Johnson Tan.



❖ The Bridge Officers of the Inspiring Philippine Fleet.

The Philippine has now a total of 21 Fleets with about 430 members, down from 27 Fleets with about 570 members at its peak two years ago. The passing of PRC Oyie Valarao dealt a blow to the Fellowship when her recruited Fleets decided to cease their membership with her untimely demise. RC Edmond nevertheless announce that a couple of Fleets are emerging and we can expect them to be charter before the end of the Rotary year to make up for the lost ones.

The ceremony was attended by the Philippine Bridge, Members and Officers of different Fleets from Rotary Districts 3780 and 3810.



❖ PIC Jun Avecilla congratulates FC Percy Aranas with RC Edmond Aguilar