



Bulletin Nr. 4, November 12th 2003

The first step is done!

Dear contestants,

we are proud to announce that the registration process for the ECC 2004 is over, all boats are booked and we even managed to open the registration to the waitlisted skippers.

Sasha and Igor,
thanks for helping us make this happen.

Igor,
all the best for your honeymoon! Have fun in Cuba!

Welcome to the "newcomers":

Ece Kaner and Michael Chebin from SNC Lavalin, Montreal (yes, Montreal in Canada!!!), Claus Biernoth from ThyssenKrupp Elastomertechnik (Germany) and Tony Porter from Parsons (UK). It's a pleasure to see you join the crowd.

After the registration, we are now going to move into the more financial aspects of the organisation of the ECC - welcome- and award party, shirts etc. and all the other goodies like support boat and the like. We are also continuing to check into fun events, special deals for flights as well as for insurance packages...we'll keep you posted.

In order to stay within the timing, we'd like you to take good notice of the following:

- **Crew lists:** Please forward the completed crew lists before November 30th. We need to know the total number of participants of the ECC 2004 in order to finalize the financial planning and the entry-fees. Please make sure you indicate the shirt sizes per crew member.
- **Crew photos:** As mentioned before, we are planning to include the photos of your respective crews in the log book of the ECC 2004.
Thanks for forwarding these to Arno and myself...but pleeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeease:
 - Skippers, please collect the photos of your crew and send the complete set of pictures in one e-mail...
 - Please make sure you reduce the size of the pictures...rather low to medium resolution of 50 kB per picture than high resolution with 1 MB per photo!
We don't intend to issue a glossy fashion magazine, we just want to show the participants in the log book...and we don't want our mailboxes to waive the white flag...
 - Make sure we can associate the correct names with the pictures.
 - Feel free to add some introductory text to your respective crews, we'll see what we can make out of it.
 - In case you include your company logo - even better.

- **Sponsoring:** We are still open for volunteers who are prepared to commit to financial contributions, sponsoring of shirts/caps...or any companies deciding to organize a party on the jetty... There are no limits whatsoever for your individual creativity!!! Just let us know, if possible before end November.

Well, I guess that's all for today.

Stay tuned for future bulletins....and have fun watching Hermann and Gordon enjoying the force 6 wind with the reefed Bavaria 44:



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...and by the way, we clocked a maximum of 9.8 knots, not 9.7:



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Kind regards

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