

### ECC 2019 – Bulletin #3 31.07.2018

## **Boat Selection**

We have been working with Sasha King at High Point Yachting to obtain the yachts for ECC2019 but we need the entry fees to finally secure the fleet. If you have entered, received confirmation of payment and advised your preferred yacht size – thanks. If you think you have entered and haven't receive notification of how to pay your entry please let us know.

We are trying to secure the minimum number of different types of yachts to reduce handicap issues. Currently we are looking at Bavaria 41's for the small fleet, Bavaria 45's and 46's for the medium fleet, and Bavaria 51's for the large fleet (although we may have to get another yacht type due to the higher request for larger boats). The commodore's will probably be in Sun Odyssey 449's.

### Handicaps

We are talking with the race officer Vassilis Kaskouras, who was race officer for ECC 2016 in Gocek. Vassilis knows Alen Kusic well, they worked together for ECC 2016 handicaps. Plan for 2019 is to have sails professionally measured, send the information to Alen who will then calculate the TCFs and arrange the handicaps for the fleet.



### Last call for Entries

We only have a few places left on the entry list and we already have a waiting list which will be implemented on or before 15 Aug so I urge you to secure your entry, advise your preferred boat size and pay the entry fee so we can secure the most favourable fleet.

# **Important Dates**

### 31 July – 15 August 2018:

• When 52 entries received – no more entries accepted.

## 15 August 2018:

- Entry List closes no new entries accepted after this point + ECC 2019 Entry Fees must be received by this point.
- Waiting list entries will be accepted for remaining places

### 22 October 2018:

 Report back to entrants and confirm proposed route destinations for ECC 2019 route after Recce trip

All bulletins will be distributed by e-mail and posted on our website www.ecc-sailing.com.

### Kind regards,

Martin Fordham and Crew of EC 24 (Commodore and OC of ECC 2019)

p.s. from the crew of EC24 - For those of you not familiar with English yacht racing parlance, the term 'rock star' is used for much-sought-after sailing aces who can make a huge difference when trying to build a winning team. Although of course it can also be applicable in its more common usage.............. Sometimes, they're one and the same!



Martin Fordham? Keith Richards?