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Dear ECC Sailors,

It is a pleasure for the organisation committee and me to welcome you in the community for the next ECC in 2010.



First of all I and my crew want to thank the 2009 OC, perfectly lead by Craig. They have managed a great event for us and all the other participants, on the water as well as on shore. I also want to convey my thanks to our Admiral John, who gave us the spirit to go for the win and who assists us with all the information we need to start the organisation. It was surprising for us to get so many spontaneous congratulations after the race – thanks to all of you. This was a good motivation for us to do our very best to supply you with another nice sailing week in 2010, not looking on the work that is in front of us.

1. Status of organisation

Preparation of the next event has started immediately after we came back from the prize giving party. First of all we established our key team for the organisation committee, consisting of
Klaus Hütten, Commodore – Overall Organisation
Rainer Klapper, Co-Skipper – Accounting, Homepage
Karl Schmid – IT, Mailings, Database
Lasse Nielandt – Regatta
Wolfgang Tittel – Sponsoring

Next step was to collect all the necessary information that we need for the organisation. One of the first major challenges was to create the invitation to bid, which we have already sent out to several companies, beside one of them all are experienced coordinators of the ECC in the former years.

We are awaiting the proposals within the next days. Based on the proposals and the finally selected coordinator we will decide where we will be going to next year. The only thing I can say for the time being is that we will not be going to Mallorca / Menorca, but for sure, it will again be the Mediterranean Sea.

As period for the ECC 2010 we have selected the time from

08th May to 15th May 2010.

Beneath others this period was selected considering the Dutch May holidays that will end that



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weekend. Furthermore, at this time no major exhibition will be taking place.

I hope this selection will give all of you the opportunity to participate in the ECC.

We see no excuse not to join the ECC!

As we do not know where we will be going, the new logo is preliminary, but we want to give you an idea how it will look like (see the header).

2. Next Steps

We will start with the entry procedure soonest. The details will be announced in the next bulletin, but in principle it will follow the well known procedure. All eligible skippers will be invited and have to announce their intention to participate in the ECC, sending us a filled in registration form and submitting a first down-payment.

The new ECC Home Page (under the same address as usually: <http://www.ecc-sailing.com>) is "under construction" and will be issued soon. You may try it from time to time.

We are also establishing new email-addresses for the OC and will inform you as soon as they are ready. For the time being, please send any information for the OC to my email address.

3. Photos of the ECC 2009

We would like to collect photos of the last ECC 2009 and later to publicise at least a part of it on the homepage. So, please select some of your most interesting photos from the thousands you have made and send them to the OC, most preferably on a CD.

4. Sponsoring

As anybody may know, nowadays under the current financial situation it is not so easy to find companies, which are still willing to spend some money for an event like the ECC. Any assistance from your side will be welcome. Maybe you can convince your company to help us or you have a good idea, which company we should contact (please include contact person).

Sponsorship packages will be along the same lines as in previous years, although we have, at this stage, not fixed the gold, silver, bronze band costs. If anyone has any comment to make in relation to these packages, prices, local events like pontoon parties or other ideas regarding sponsoring, please feel free to email or call me to discuss your ideas. We will do our best to meet requests. For anyone, or any company, at this stage willing to commit to sponsoring elements of the ECC 2010 event, please contact me or Wolfgang (torro1953@t-online.de) as soon as possible to discuss how, and to what level of sponsorship, you would like to support the ECC. We hope by having early contact with sponsors we can factor your intentions and contributions into our planning and budgeting for the event.



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5. Eligible Sailors

This email is addressed to all eligible skippers with known email addresses. Unfortunately, we are not in the position to have all the addresses.

Please note that we have more eligible skippers listed but without current email addresses known.

In the attached file you will find the actual status, that has been supplied by John, who is the "owner" of the email – database.

If anyone knows the addresses of the missing skippers please forward this email to them, including John (John_hallhall@fwuk.fwc.com, ecc@hallhall.co.uk) and me in the distribution to keep us online with any changes.

John will update the list accordingly. Also any corrections of your current email address should be transmitted to John and me.

Please supply only addresses that you know are definitely correct.

If you are not sure, please try to verify the address. That would be a great help for us.

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