



BULLETIN

Sunday, 23 November 2003

Again one year of successful racing has passed. EFRA has shown, that we have very good drivers at world level, by winning two of four IFMAR WC title's this year.

As usual the season ends with the EFRA AGM. This year, this meeting was hosted by our Croatian Member HDA in Dubrovnik. Our host's have tried very hard to make our stay as convenient as possible and it was very well organised. Also some Delegates suffered about the very difficult flights to Dubrovnik, finally it was one of the best attended EFRA AGM's I have ever seen.

After a long reception evening on Friday that gave the delegates some time for making new friends and finding old ones, our President Gary Culver opened the meeting on Saturday morning with a warm welcome speech, followed by the reports of our General Secretary, Dallas Mathiesen and our Treasurer Jean-Luc Retornaz. Using a new toy (Video-Beamer) made the reports very impressive and entertaining for the delegates.

Unfortunately again IFMAR affairs took an awful lot of time of discussion. Also EFRA made very good progress in changing IFMAR to a better ruled and working organisation, we did finally not reached all targets. Sander de Graaf was elected in St. Petersburg as the new IC Section Chairman.

The EFRA Race Calendar will be on the News Site in some days, I will not bore you with the dates now. All Section Minutes are already posted since mid of November, so again some progress in communication for our members and the interested parties around the world.

As every year, some positions in EFRA had to be re-elected. It was said already in Oslo, that Gary Culver would not re-stand for election as President. Several Countries have proposed our General Secretary for President and he was elected unanimously. Congratulations.

Our new General Secretary also comes from Sweden, Frederick Scholander is very engaged in running successfully the Large Scale Section in Sweden.

IFMAR is a very tricky business, I decided to retire and make the way free for Carlos Gomes, our former PR Officer. As he is a lawyer, he might be more effective in reaching our targets. He already has a lot of IFMAR experience, because he prepared all IFMAR Constitution Proposals and attended as EFRA delegate the last three IFMAR AGM's.

As he also told us already in Oslo, Eduardo Picolo is "gone fishing" after the AGM. So the 1/10thscale IC Section had to elect a new Chairman. Franky Noens from Belgium now has this not always very comfortable position.

Due to their tremendous work for EFRA, our new President Dallas Mathiesen proposed Gary Culver and Eduardo Picolo as Honorary Life Vice President's. The Voting Delegate's agreed unanimous.

You will have recognised, because I write the bulletin, I was elected as the new EFRA PR Officer. Well, I am since some time the link between our EFRA NEWS Webmaster Hans-Ludwig Walther and the Executive Committee. I also have some experience in marketing, because my wife Ina and I run since many years a small company for art exhibition service.



As always, without your co-operation this will be a hard job. So please, if you have information's worth to be published, don't hesitate to contact me. If you need help in promoting an event ask me. I will support you as good as possible.

With my best wished for the next season

Yours
Wolfgang Petermann