

Dear Colleagues / Friends,

Thank you for your vote of confidence and trust to represent you at the J24 WCM. I would like to inform you the most relevant issues;

- a) New Chairman elected: Jim Farmer from USA (former vice-Chairman).
- b) New Vice-Chairman elected: Robin Eagleson from Ireland.
- c) New Technical Committee Chairman elected: Tim Winger from USA (Lorne Chapman will remain as member of the ITC)
- d) A new website is being designed and will be launched promptly.
- e) The World Championship in 2012 to be held in Rochester, NY (USA) will be an **open event**. No maximum boats to qualify per country.
- f) The World Championship in 2014 will be held in Newport, RI (USA), voted against Canada as venue.
- g) The North American Championship in 2014 will be held in Mexico.
- h) Different technical issues voted such as:
 - 1. Change to main, jib and spinnaker only with 320 kg crew weight. NO
 - 2. Reduce the all up Sailing Weight to 1330 kg. YES
 - 3. Change from total ban on GPS based devices to restricted usage. NO
 - 4. To change the entire weight scheme for the boat. NO
 - 5. Eliminate the requirement for the molded transom number and replace with aluminum plates. NO

There was an International Match Race format proposal, a discussion on charter boats requirements for World Championships as well as other issues which will be posted with the 2010 WCM Minutes.

Regards,
Jorge Castillo