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You may remember that in April of this year (Bulletin 36) I gave you early details of our next World Hovercraft Championship which will be held in England in 2016. In this Bulletin I have included further details and dates from the Hovercraft Club of Great Britain who will be hosting the event in conjunction with their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. I hope this will encourage you to start your planning and preparations ready for what will be a most spectacular event.



Also in this Bulletin you will find details of a new countries that have recetly joined the WHF.

Kind regards,

Tony M. Drake JP. WHF President.



A message from Dan Turnbull, World Hovercraft Championships 2016 Co-ordinator:

*I am pleased to announce confirmation that the World Hovercraft Championships for 2016 will be hosted by the Hovercraft Club of Great Britain as part of our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations.*

*The World Championship racing event will be held at the Tamworth water ski centre in Warwickshire, England (B78 2DL) between the 25<sup>th</sup> and 31st July 2016. The HCGB intend to run the full agenda of racing including endurance racing.*

*We have already run a successful HCGB national race meeting on this site and preparations are now taking place to expand the on site facilities, operational area, and race course, to suit a World event attendance.*

*The theme of our 50th Anniversary is to celebrate many of the diverse things the HCGB has done over the years. In the preceding week, 16th-24th July the HCGB will be offering cruising enthusiasts the opportunity to explore the historic sites of the Medway estuary and a Thames cruise in Central London probably on the weekend 23/24 July. We will have a cruising base which offers direct access to sheltered tidal waters plus facilities for camping, caravans, nearby hotels etc and easy to access by road and rail so families can go off on tourist trips to London etc. There may also be a small area of the lake set aside for cruisers at the World Championships.*

*Further details of the HCGB 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations and the 2016 World Hovercraft Championships are available at [www.whc2016.com](http://www.whc2016.com) Keep your eyes on the website for further details as they become available.*



## New Countries joining the WHF.

Membership of the WHF is steadily growing year on year and we are very pleased to announce that Angola, Nigeria and Tunisia have recently been accepted as "provisional" members under clause C of Article 4 of our constitution. We are sure you will join in welcoming them into our federation. (As stated in our constitution when we get to know the members of their hover clubs and they arrange regular events in their countries or compete in our future World Championships they will become full members).

Angola will be represented by Mr Rui Rodrigues of AngHover-Hovercraft Clube de Angola. Tunisia will be represented by Mr Kamil Jelidi of the Jerba Hovercraft Animation Touristiqu. Nigeria will be represented by Mr Uba Malami of the Hovercraft Club of Nigeria.

The WHF are hoping for a long and productive relationship with our new member countries.

## Second Reminder ~ WHF Secretary's new e~mail address.

The WHF Secretary has a new e-mail address. Christel Martens should now be contacted at [worldhovercraftfederation@kpnmail.nl](mailto:worldhovercraftfederation@kpnmail.nl) As a result of this change some WHF members e-mail addresses may have been accidentally deleted so if you become aware of anyone who normally receives this Bulletin but who has not done so please pass it to them with a request that they re-register their e-mail address with our Secretary.

## Hovercraft Craft Log Books ~ World Championships 2016.

Our Technical Director wishes to remind you that it is essential when entering a craft at the World Championships in 2016 that it has a Craft Registration Document (Scrutineering and Defect Record book) as defined in Craft Registration WHF014.

As you know the WHF would strongly encourage that all our Member Countries adopt this important document so that we have one standard throughout the world, and hope by now that your country has adopted it.

## Circulation.

As usual this Bulletin will be circulated to as many people as possible but please pass it on to anyone who you think may be interested.

## And Finally ~

As always please do discuss any of the above issues, or other matters that concern you, with your colleagues and your Country's representative. This way the WHF can take your views into account and develop for the future.

There will be a full WHF Board meeting at the World Championships in 2016 and this will be an ideal time for your representative to put any issues that your country may have before the meeting.

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(\*) number of votes each country has.

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