

## Rolex Commodore's Cup 2010

### RYA Selection Committee Letter

Hi

At the meeting in September I promised to let you all have details of the selection Policy as soon as they were decided.

The Selection Policy has to be approved by the RYA Council which won't be until mid December, but I expect the basic policy to be:

#### **1. SUMMARY**

- 1.1. The RYA has been invited by the Royal Ocean Racing Club to enter up to four GBR Teams into the forthcoming Rolex Commodores Cup (RCC), starting on 14<sup>th</sup> August 2010. The Offshore Group of the RYA has decided that 3 teams will be selected from the South and one from the North (incl. Scotland and N.Ireland). They will be entered as four British teams, to be called Team GBR Red, Blue, White and Black. If a team from the North has not been selected by 1<sup>st</sup> May 2010, then a fourth team may be selected based on the trials in the South..
- 1.2. The selection of at least one team will be based upon primarily on performance in the trials series of races.
- 1.3. Up to three teams may be selected before the end of the trials from teams of 3 boats (one from each class) that apply to be pre-selected.
- 1.4. These Selection Criteria are intended, so far as is practical, to follow the rules for the RCC, but to keep the trials as open as possible so that as many boats as possible can take part. The Selectors are happy to be contacted by prospective entrants to discuss any relevant details.

#### **2. RYA OBJECTIVES**

The Rolex Commodores' Cup is one of the most important international offshore competitions for national teams under the IRC (endorsed) rating rule. The RYA's objective is to select and develop teams to maximise their medal winning potential at both this and subsequent competitions.

#### **3. PROGRAMME OF SELECTION TRIALS RACES**

##### **3.1. Inshore Races**

24/25 April 2010. Warsash S.C. Spring Series week-end based in Hamble.

22/23 May 2010. RSrnYC Summer Series 1 based in Hamble

##### **3.2. Offshore Race**

15 May 2010. RORC De Guingard Bowl . The race will carry a points factor of x 4.0.

3.3. In addition the Selectors will review the performance of entrants at the Red Funnel Easter Challenge and all entrants are required to compete in the GBR IRC Championships which may be used as a Nominated Event (see NoS Selection Criteria)