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CHAMPAGNE MUMM ADMIRAL'S CUP 1989

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with Jonathan Bradbeer, Commodore RORC
E. Alan Green, Principal Race Officer CMAC
Tony Ashmead, Chief Measurer CMAC

J. Bradbeer began by confessing that the RORC was surprised as well as delighted to have 42 grand prix IOR yachts from 14 countries at this year's CMAC. In common with most in the sport it had seemed to the Club a year ago that IOR racing was almost dead and there had been genuine fears that there would be few entries for this year's Admiral's Cup. The entry level shows that the pessimists were wrong, and grand prix IOR racing is alive and well - and the Club has taken note of this.

The RORC is already giving serious consideration to the concept of the CMAC 1991. A number of ideas has been suggested; two in particular being to stay with the present rating structure or to introduce 3 rating bands within the present limits. The latter suggestion would have the effect of making the event virtually a boat for boat regatta without computerised results.

The RORC is very keen to listen to the ideas of all those who have an interest in this type of racing, and no final decisions have yet been taken. The Club is particularly keen to speed up the traditional process of deciding on the format of the next Admiral's Cup and is changing its procedures. Hopefully firm details of the 1991 event will be known in time for the 1989 ORC Annual Conference in November.

E. Alan Green described the Olivetti result service which will be available to the press, in particular for the inshore races and the Channel race. Mark rounding times will be telephoned to the Olivetti results' room at the RORC office, which will enable corrected time positions to be available while the races are in progress.

The Fastnet rock lighthouse is no longer manned, but the Commissioners of Irish Lights have permitted an RORC team to be on the rock during the race to report rounding times. In answer to a question Alan Green said that positions from the Fastnet radio schedules would be available to the media as soon as they were received.

E. Alan Green described how in its 20 years the Admiral's Cup has evolved to meet the changing demands of the contest. Originally involving merely participation in the Channel and Fastnet races and 2 Cowes Week races, the CMAC now consists of 6 races. This year a new race has been added - a 38-mile Inshore race in the Eastern

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