



NZL IOM NCA Chairman's Report 31st December 2021

Greetings IOM Sailors

The NCA Management Committee continues to meet (Google Meet) at least monthly. Copies of meeting minutes are posted in the 'members' section of the NZRYA website for all to see.

Last year I reported Covid 19 had messed with our sailing calendar including the hosting of the inaugural Oceania IOM Regional Championship at Lake Pegasus. Well, it's fair to say we have had even more disruption this year with Government restrictions preventing sailing at club level and several regional regattas being postponed and eventually cancelled.

We recognise and appreciate the initiative and collective efforts of Pegasus RYC and Nelson RYS in doing everything they could to ensure the Nationals happened this year - sadly beaten by Covid 19 in the end.

The NCA acknowledges the time and effort clubs put into hosting regional events and it is primarily for the benefit of those outside of their club. If your club struggles to find resources to host regattas why not talk with an NCA Management Committee member.

The 2022 sailing calendar is posted on the NZRYA website. This calendar details the time and place of the 11 regional IOM regattas in 2022 allowing you to plan ahead. We're looking to host the Nationals in the South Island as the previous two years Nationals scheduled for the South Island were cancelled due to Covid 19 restrictions.

The NCA is required to provide annual reporting to IOMICA (International One Meter Class Association) who are the international governing body for the IOM class. It may surprise you to know NZ is ranked 5th in terms of registered IOM boats and we have the highest IOM's per million population.

	Country	Population (millions)	No of Registered IOM's	IOMs per million people
1	GBR	68	1079	15.9
2	USA	330	702	2.1
3	AUS	26	579	22.3
4	GER	83	312	3.7
5	NZL	5	246	49.2

In spite of many regional regattas having to be cancelled and/or participation being restricted, indications are that regatta entry numbers in both islands is increasing which is great to see.

For the period January to December 2021 37 new hull numbers were issued and there has been 42 change of ownerships. A significant number of owners have purchased boats and not completed a change of ownership. The change of ownership form is available on the NZRYA website. An accurate database is of benefit to us all and if you are entering an

NZRYA sanctioned regatta the ownership papers presented must be in the skippers name (unless you are borrowing a boat).

Lastly, our hope for 2022 is that Covid 19 will have less of an impact on our lives, including the ability for all of us to enjoy the comradery of sailing and racing our IOMs together.

On behalf of the IOM NCA Management Committee, we wish you all very the best for 2022 and look forward to catching up with you on the water soon.

Graham Cross
NZL IOMNCA Chairman