

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2017
Saturday, 4 November 2017

According to the IM24CA Constitution, motions, amendments and nominations for the AGM shall be proposed only by the Executive Committee, NCA's, the Technical Committee and ISAF and must reach the [International Secretary](#) not less than eight (8) weeks before the officially announced date of the meeting. Only the motions, amendments and nominations on the Agenda and its attachment/s shall be voted upon. The Chairman may, in exceptional circumstances, accept amendments from the floor of the AGM when, in his opinion, this will assist the resolution of issues on which the World Council have had an opportunity to express their views.

Deadline for the submissions for the 2017 AGM is **September 8th, 2017**. To allow this process to function smoothly, the each Submission should adhere to the following guidelines:

- The Submission shall clearly state the current position along with the proposal for a change (clearly stating the rule) and the rationale behind this change.
- The Submission should be written to relate to any IM24CA documents or topics as listed below.
- Wherever possible, each submission should contain wording for the proposed new rules.
- Reason for the motion
- Technical items the tech staff can work on during the year should not be sent as an Submission

Nominating Body <i>Exec Comm, NCA, Tech Comm</i>	CM24CA
Name and Surname	Adam Affleck
Position in Nominating Body	President
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Title of the motion, amendment, nomination	Nomination for IM24CA Chairman of the Technical Committee

Topics concerned

	Constitution		Events
	Class Rules		Technical issues
	Regatta Regulations		General policies
X	Nomination		

Proposal <i>You can widen this box if needed</i>	I hereby nominate Mike Gozzard for IM24CA Chairman of the Technical Committee
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Reason	Mike Gozzard, CAN31 Rush, is an active and passionate Melges 24 competitor and member. Mike bought his current Melges 24 in 2009 and with his 40+ years' experience in the recreational boatbuilding industry has professionally restored this older boat to like new condition. Mike is currently serving the CM24CA in the position of Technical Officer and the IM24CA as a class measurer. With Mike's professional background in boatbuilding/rigging and his enthusiasm for Melges 24 racing I believe he is an ideal candidate to head up the IM24CA Technical Committee.
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September 8, 2017

To Whom It May Concern:

I received a request for supporting information, in response; I am respectfully submitting my qualifications.

Skills and Experience:

I have over 40 years of experience in all facets of the recreational marine industry including design, engineering, manufacture, inspection, sales and marketing of composite production and fully custom power and sailboats up to 56 feet in length. My sailing experience spans almost 5 decades and includes open water passages and an extensive sailboat racing background (most currently with the Melges 24 One Design fleet).

My work history includes:

- Bayfield Boat Yard 1972 to 1977 part time rigger responsible for production of standing and running rigging kits for the Bayfield 25, 29 and 32.
- Bayfield Boat Yard 1977 to 1978 full time rigger, member of the tooling crew responsible for the manufacture of new production tooling including plug making. Highlights include the manufacture of the Bayfield 40 in its entirety from the drawing board to launch. I was personally responsible for the B40 rig design.
- Scorpio Yachts 1979 to 1983 co-owner where I was involved in the day to day operations of a custom sail boat manufacturer. Highlights including personally building two Bruce Kirby designed racing sailboats. During this period I became a fully proficient in all aspects of FRP laminating including chopper, gelcoat application and patching.
- North Castle Marine / Gozzard Yachts 1983 to present where I am the manager/owner (second generation). I currently hold the title of President and Operations Manager. Gozzard Yachts not only builds new vessels but also undertakes major refits of existing vessel. We have a significant body of work to our credit involving over 350 sail, power, racing and cruising vessels.

My skills currently include but are not limited to:

- In house yacht designer for Gozzard Yachts including interior, exterior, hydrodynamics, sail plan, all mechanical and electrical systems, propulsion systems, structure and stability. Our boats are typically built to exceed Category A Offshore Unlimited.
- Composite laminator proficient in all materials and processes including vacuum assisted resin infusion, wet bagging and pre-pregs.
- Purchase and procurement with final say on selection of every component used in our vessels.
- Cabinet maker with hands on experience and proficient in all aspects of wood working including final trim and finish.
- Mechanic with hands on experience and proficient in all marine systems including diesel engines

- Painter – proficient in the application of Awlgrip and sole responsible for the application of all finishes done in house.
- Rigger
- Marine Surveyor (recreational craft)

Additionally I am a competent welder in TIG and MIG in steel, aluminum and stainless. I am an expert in all marine mechanical systems including design and installation, all marine electrical systems including design and installation, all aspects of rigging including design and installation and I am a certified Raymarine Technician and proficient in NMEA 2000 systems. I am also solely responsible for having our current production models gaining certification under both ABYC and ISO RCD and am proficient in both standards.

My yacht design body of work includes most notably the Gozzard 37 (1999), the Gozzard 41 (2000), the G44 Mark 2 (2003) and the Gozzard 41RC (2016).

Notable Industry Achievements:

2000 Sail Magazine “Runner Up” for the “Boat of the Year” award for the Gozzard 37.

2001 Sail Magazine “Winner” of the “Boat of the Year” award for the Gozzard 41.

2005 IBEX guest speaker for a seminar on “Cored Construction” hosted by Corecell

I have been solely responsible for the manufacture and the quality of all Gozzard Yachts built after 1996 and the respect and reputation earned within this industry during that time.

Personal Interests and Achievements:

Community Member Award – Toronto Police Services Board (2016)

Founding Member of the Bayfield Arena Community Partners Association NPO (2014)

Active recreational hockey player and organizer

Private pilot – advanced ultra-lite

Custom Off Road Vehicles – www.gozzardcomposites.com

Melges 24 Activities:

Purchased and restored Melges 24 USA 31 (now CAN 031) from 2009 to current

2nd 2015 M24 Canadian Nationals

1st 2015 CanAm Challenge M24

2nd 2016 CanAm Challenge M24

52st 2016 M24 World Championships

Melges 24 Class Measurer #083

Canadian Melges 24 Class Association Technical Officer

Industry references available upon request.

Yours truly,

Mike Gozzard