



# PRESIDENTS REPORT 2006

This completes my second year as President and it is an honour to report on our achievements over the year. I thank the management team for their input during what has been a challenging year. The State Sailing Measurer position was not filled at last election and Ian Ashe has carried out the duties of the position during the year

Queensland is in a healthy state with the greatest penetration of Radio Sailors per head of population of all mainland States and the numbers continue to grow. The spinoff from a very successful IOM World Championship hosted by the Mooloolaba Club was an increased level of awareness of the Sport in Queensland. The Brisbane Club also hosted a successful Australian Class Championship for the EC12 Class which saw the reestablishment of the of the EC12 in the State.

While the IOM Class continues to prosper the level of interest in the M and IOR Classes is a concern with the Central Qld IOR Championship cancelled due to inadequate entries and the Qld M Class attracting only seven Qld entries but fortunately numbers were bolstered by three interstate entrants. While the numbers were down the quality was strong and four Queenslanders, Greg Willis, Bill Wright, David Turton and Jeff Byerley of a team of six represented Australia at the M Worlds in UK. By the time you read this the results will be known.

Publicity Officer Eddie Cowell's professional web site continues to keep the sport in the public eye with excellent coverage of most events conducted throughout the state. If your clubs events don't rate a mention it is because nothing was submitted. Eddie is keen to publicise all events and would like results reports and pictures promptly after the event.

It is pleasing to have relatively new Club Gladstone host their first major event this year and Fraser Coast agreeing to host the State IOM Championship which is expected to attract a large fleet. This will be the second year in a row that the AGM will be held in Hervey Bay and we thank the Fraser Coast Committee for arranging a suitable venue on both occasions.

Next year sees the ARYA National Championships return to Queensland to be conducted at the Pine Rivers Club venue at Lake Kurwongbah and I would like to thank the combined Clubs support in hosting the event. With your help I am sure it will be successful.

I again would like to thank the team for their input during the year and if re-elected look forward to a very successful year ahead.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Graeme Turk', with a horizontal line underneath.

Graeme Turk