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Model Yachting Association

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RE: Midland District Councillor Post.

Dear Keith,

I feel that I have to inform you that I have decided to stand down from any further activities within the MYA council. My reasons for this are two fold and the least I can do is give you an explanation.

Over the last few years I have not been in a position to compete as much as I used to so turned my efforts into race management to ensure that others could enjoy the sport as much as I did when sailing. A recent development has been that some of the rule observance and skipper compliance to fair sailing has been woeful, and that in turn places undue pressure on the race management team and host club, along with bad feelings from the skippers who endeavour to sail fairly. Ultimately this may lead to clubs not wishing to organise MYA sanctioned racing, as there could be a lack of suitable race officers going forward.

On the plus side there are a lot of very good people in the association who put in a tremendous amount of work free of charge and they should be commended for their continuing commitment to providing a system for others to be able to enjoy their sailing.

Secondly I have not been able to attend the last two Council meetings mainly due to the work load at my place of employment, and having to work Saturdays until mid-afternoon, along with some mobility issues I feel the time is right to hand the baton on.

So as not to leave the district completely in the lurch I will be available to transact a controlled hand over to my successor, along with any association documents I have. My suggestion is that you get the midland district trustees (Vic B & Mike H) to conduct a new district election for the post.

I will also honour my commitment to be the PRO for the Market Bosworth IOM event scheduled for 17th March 2013.

After that date please remove my Email address from the following list. Council Email group, my MYA council forum logon, and the district working group, along with my participation in the Rules and Regulations working group.

I am sorry to do this after almost 40 years of model yachting but I feel as though I can no longer contribute to the running of the association in my capacity of Councillor at this time.

Regards.

Mr G. Sears.

Patron H.R.H. The Prince Phillip Duke Of Edinburgh K.G.

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