



REPORT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE CLUB OF THE WORLD'S MOST BEAUTIFUL BAYS 19 October 2005 BODRUM TURKEY



Participants

Guy ROUSSET – World Chairman
Jérôme BIGNON – World Chairman del. Deputy of Somme
Michel MET – Honorary Chairman Founder
Bruno BODARD – General Secretary
Hervé LAIGO – Treasurer
Galip GÜR – Deputy President for Europe
Mazlum AGAN – Mayor of Bodrum
Eric LORE – Scientist
Michelle PAULY – Public relations World Club

Somme Bay (France)

Yves BUTEL – County Councillor
Dominique CAMUS – County Councillor
Gilbert MATHON – County Councillor
Hubert FLANDRE – Director of economical development

Gulf of Morbihan & bay of Quiberon (France)

G rard PIERRE – County Council
Mr. TANGUY – Mayor of Arz Island
Andr  MALLOL – Director VIP
Francis SALAUN – Journalist

Mont St Michel’s bay (France)

Joseph GARDAN - Vice chairman GIT, County Councillor
Marianne ABGRALL – Manager of project

Chetaibi Bay (Algeria)

Nora AIECHE

Nha Trang Bay (Vietnam)

BUI MAU – Vice secretary of the Communist party
ANH HAO VAN – Chief of the Khanh Hoa Province, people’s deputy
BICH LY THI – Chief of Foreign Office
ANH PHM NGOC – Deputy Editor in chief of Khanh Hoa press
MAI XUAN HUNG -Vice President of Nha Trang Metropolitan Committee
NGUYEN GIAC – Manager Press of Copholab
VO QUANG DANG – Interpreter from Tic Tours

Ha Long Bay (Vietnam)

PHUNG DUC TIN - Deputy Head of Ha Long Bay Management Dep.
NGUYEN THI HONG HANH – Interpreter
NGUYEN HOANG ANH – Director of Ha Long Bay Service
LY MON – Director of Ha Long Tourism Company
HA QUANG LONG – Vice General Director of the Royal International Joint. Venture Company

Mindelo Bay (Cabo Verde)

Eduino SANTOS – Journalist
Maria RODRIGUES – Founder member club Mindelo bay

Puerto Gallera Bay (Philippines)

Hubert & Ara d’ABOVILLE

Setubal Bay (Portugal)

Andre MARTINS – Assistant Mayor
Joana ANTUNES – Assistant of the Assistant Mayor
Joaquim FERREIRA – Member Baia de Setubal Assoc.
Joao OLIVEIRA – Leading – Congress & Association Management

Sine Saloum Bay (Senegal)

Abdoulaye SENE – President of the Regional Council of Fatik
Sory KABA – President of the Commission Tourism
Babou SENE – President of the Commission Environment

Praia do Rosa Bay (Brazil)

Enrique LITMAN – Rosa Bay representant and PROA President
Francesca BERLINGIERI – Founder Associated of IBF
Jos  Roberto MARTINS – Mayor of Imbituba
Jeanine PIRES – Director of events - Brazilian Tourism Board
Eduardo RIBEIRO PEIXOTO – President of IBF
Myriam GOLDENBERG – Translator

Kotor Bay (Serbia Montenegro)

Zorica KRAVCUK – Secretary of the Kotor Club

Quind Dao Bay (China)

LI PING – Chairman of the WCNA

Chaleurs Bay(Canada)

Richard GINGRAS – Vice Chairman Québec Allaooleg Club

Louise DECARIE – Journalist “Aviron et Acadie Nouvelle”

Michel BUJOLD – Secretary Allaooleg Club

Antoine LANDRY – Mayor of Caraquet (New Brunswick)

Tadoussac Bay(Québec – Canada)

Sylvain DESMEULES – Journalist “Le soleil et l’hebdo charlevoisien”

Nicolas DESMEULES – Architect

Marie-José GUERIN – Director Club Baie de Tadoussac

Bruno THERRIEN – Assistant Mayor Tadoussac, chairman

Jérôme GAGNON – Tourism Saguenay - St Laurent Chairman

Jean-Paul DESJARDINS – Desjardins Marketing Stratégie

Magellan’s Strait (Chile)

Juan Morano CORNEJO – Mayor of Punta Arenas

Luis GONZALEZ – Planification Director Punta Arenas

Vicente KARELOVIC – Town Councillor Punta Arenas

Carlos GONZALEZ – Town Councillor Punta Arenas

Orieta MAGNA VELOSO – Director of economical development executive Punta Arenas

Oscar VARGAS ZEC – Secretary of Municipal Corporation Punta Arenas

Juan CISTERNA – Punta Arenas Mayor Assistant

Hugo BARRIENTOS – Director

Catalina ICONOMOS

Mirka LAUSIC

Milenko MIHOVILOVIC

Cape Horn (Chile)

José SOTO – Navarino’s Mayor

Ivan ALMONACID – Navarino Town Councillor

Isabel CASELLI - Navarino Town Councillor

San Francisco Bay (USA)

Brigitte MORVANT – BCDC

Gulf of Porto Girolata (France)

Michel ZANETTACCI – Regional Natural Reserve of Corsica

Michel LE PAULMIER

Santander Bay

Rosario SAN EMETERIO CORRALES – Director Santander Convention Bureau

Gema IQUAL ORTIZ – Assistant Mayor

Excused

Jackie CAUET Baie des Saintes – GUADELOUPE
Mike FOWLEY – Mounts Bay – ST Yves Bay (England)
Mohammed OUDMINE - Baie de Agadir Taghazout (Morocco) with provision
Jacques HEC – Baie du Mont Saint Michel (Côte Manche – France)
Rick TAYLOR – South Africa

The president presented a new version of the Statutes and General Regulations alongside a project for a Charter. Since the General Assembly did not have the time to study them properly, it was decided to send them by internet to all members, with a 4 month period to return suggestions for correction or modification. The next Committee meeting will analyse the proposals and will produce a new document which will be circulated prior to the General Assembly 2006 in Paris for subsequent adoption.

Presidents' report

The president mentioned the direction that the club was taking and the necessity to be well structured. The report was unanimously adopted.

Treasurers' report

The treasurer outlined the accounts for the year. The accounts showed expenses (spending) at 18 981,90 € for receipts (income) of 23 093,38€, a credit of 4111,48€. The accounts were unanimously accepted.

Vote on annual subscriptions

The general Assembly voted for the following amounts:

- Africa, Eastern Europe, Saintes, Philippines : 800€
 - Latin America, South Africa, India, Asia : 1000€
 - North America, Europe, Japan, Australia : 2000€
- (Membership is doubled for the first year, entry fee)

Report of the General Secretary

The General Secretary outlined a number of projects carried out during the year and initiated a round table in order to make known other actions and projects.

Setubal (Portugal)

Creation of the “association of the bay of Setubal” and a Bay building; The project for 2007 is a sailing route (race) linking the Baie de Somme to Setubal, taking in stops at the Baie du Mont Saint Michel, The Golfe du Morbihan and Santander.

Sine Saloum (Senegal)

The creation of an association and work in partnership with all local authorities (deciders) for concerted management.

Praia do Rosa (Bresil)

Their representatives underlined the importance of being a member of the club, especially in the eyes of Brazilians, and outlined their support of conservation of the natural heritage by the use of better information (communication). Those responsible undertook to contact the State of Chubut in Argentina in order to revive links with the Valdes peninsula, and those responsible for the bay of Guanabara (Rio)

Baie des Chaleurs (Canada)

Creation of a club for young people in order to increase the young generations to the environment of their bay., big work of co-ordination of local protagonist. Start-up of the incinerator is still delayed in particular thanks to the active action of the Club on the local and international level.

Tadoussac (Canada)

Very active investment in the Club on the local and international level. Project of opening a house bay to establish a permanent exhibition and the 1st exchange crossroads.

San Francisco (USA)

San Francisco bay confirms its membership through BCDC. This organization proposes its legal and technical database at disposal especially for the management of humid areas.

Puerto Girolata (Corsica – France)

From now on it is the Regional Natural Park of Corsica which will officially represent the club. They have just hosted the Ambassador of Vietnam in Paris in the scope of exchanges with the island of Cat Ba, in partnership with the club.

Puerto Galera (Philippines)

Creation of an association with the will to work closely with UNESCO. Further to this, there is the idea of a photographic exposition towards the end of march 2006 at UNESCO in Paris.

This proposal obtained general approval, and is incorporated and supported by the Baie de Somme and the Golf du Morbihan.

Each bay must send to Michelle PAULY (m.pauly@somme.fr) two high definition photographs for printing.

Mindelo (Cap Vert)

Also creation of a local association and undertaking of a study on the condition of the bay.

Ha Long Bay (Vietnam)

Looking for exchanges and experiences.

Magellan Straits (Chilli)

Due to the distant nature of this region, their representatives are searching to strengthen contacts with other bays;

Baie du Mont Saint Michel (France)

Creation of the Bay House and green cycle tracks.

Creation of an inter departmental association between Manche and Ille et Vilaine.

The Baie du Mont Saint Michel organised the sea kayak "bay trophy" in July 2005.

Golfe du Morbihan - Baie de Quiberon (France)

In the scope of the « heritage days » nature and geological visits of the Golfe du Morbihan were organised in partnership with University of Bretagne Sud and the laboratory for the study and modelling of coastal areas and their environment (LEMEL). There were about 6à visitors for each day.

Bay of Santander (Spain)

The municipality of Santander organised "the first festival of the sea" with the arrival of large sailing ships. During this occasion the General Secretay held a conference before nearly 300 people on the usefulness of being a member of the Worlds most beautiful bays club; the representative from Santander proposes to make a short video film in DVD format which rapidly and succinctly presents all the bay members of the Club. Please send some images by internet to Rosario SAN EMETERIO congresos@avto-santander.es

Baie de Somme (France)

The delegate President carried out two conferences for the club on the theme of good integrated coastal management and the risks of badly managed tourism. One was at Nha Trang, the other at Bodrum on the eve of the General Assembly.

The Baie de Somme evoked the creation of a special private "ambassadors" status of the club under the wing of the Guillaume LECA fund. The formation of a team was suggested. The bays of Mont Saint Michel, Santander, Golfe de Porto Girolata volunteered to work on this file around the Baie de Somme.

Baies des Saintes (Guadeloupe France)

Manufacture of magnificent cloth bags in order to avoid plastic bag litter in the bay.

Bodrum (turkey)

Efforts have been made to prevent "wild" development and construction. A revision plan was accepted by Bodrum and sent to Ankara with this in mind. The Turkish representatives are seeking help in order to avoid unmanaged mass tourism.

Nha Tang (Vietnam)

The Asian summit meeting of the club in april was quite remarkable. Of note were the quality of the presentations, in particular that given by the representatives of San Francisco (USA), the exceptional house of the Bay, and the realisation of two stamps of the bay on which appear the clubs logo.

Resiliation

The bay of Stockholm which was requested to position itself with respect to the club chose to withdraw. This withdrawal was unanimously accepted.

New candidates

Qing Dao (China)

This bay is interested to join our movement. The city of Qing do has a population of 7.6 million inhabitants. It is one of the sites of the Peking Olympic Games in 2008. A delegation presided over by the Vice President for Asia accompanied by representatives from Puerto Galera (Philippines) will travel to China in the near future in order to carry out a report for the board.

Chetaibi (Algeria)

Algeria is a country which is opening up after 12 years of civil war. Conscious of the opportunities and the risks of mass tourism, the authorities wish to reflect on a harmonious (sustainable) development in order to preserve their coastline. A delegation presided over by the Vice President for Africa will undertake an official visit to carry out a report for the board.

Cape Horn

The mayor of Puerto Williams, the most southerly town in the world, would like to include his island and Cape Horn in the club. The board will make an announcement on this candidate.

Exchange crossroads

The assembly has voted unanimously on a system of exchange of information both real and virtual at Tadoussac in Quebec.

Choice of locations for the next congress and General Assembly

The General Assembly for 2006 will be held on Friday 3rd of november in Paris (Probably at UNESCO). This will be followed by a visit to the Baie de Somme and a visit to London for the WTM exhibition.

4th World Congress

This will be held in Brazil during the first week of october 2007, successively at Praia do Rosa for the work and discovery of natural and animal riches (State of Santa Caterina) and Rio de Janeiro to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the club.

International congress of the Americas

In conjunction with the General Assembly, this congress will be held at the baie des Chaleurs in Canada.

5th World Congress

The organisation of the 9th congress 2009 goes to the bay of Setubal, Portugal.

Election of the board

A secret ballot for the election of President was undertaken. Mr Jerome BIGNON was elected by 12 votes to 7 for Mr Galin GÜR. All candidates for other posts were unanimously elected. The new board is composed as follows:

President : Jérôme BIGNON, Baie de Somme

Vice President : Galip GUR, Bay of Bodrum

Deputy President for Africa : Mohammed OUDMINE - Agadir Taghazout bay

Deputy President for America : Juan MORANO CORNEJO – Magellan Straight

Deputy President for Europe : André MARTINS – Setubal bay

Deputy President for Asia : NGO VAN HUNG – Ha Long bay

General Secretary : Bruno BODARD – Golfe du Morbihan/Baie de Quiberon

Deputy General Secretary : Gema IGUAL – Santander bay

Treasurer : Hervé LAIGO - Golfe du Morbihan/Baie de Quiberon

Deputy Treasurer : Zorica KRAVCUK – Boka Kotorska

Founder President : Michel MET - Golfe du Morbihan/Baie de Quiberon

Diplomas and Honours

The board issued Diploma of Honour to the Province of Quang Ninh and Khanh Hoa for their exceptional organisation of the Asian summit in april.

The Baie des Chaleurs received the diploma for the best actions undertaken within the club (creation of a new inter province document and creation of a Youth Club.

A special mention was made for the Baie de Saintes for its work in the preservation of their bay.

The bay of Sine Saloum received a diploma as member of the Worlds most beautiful bays club.

The president warmly thanked the Turkish organisers for their remarkable 3rd world congress, as well as the assistance for their fantastic devotion to the club.

He announced that he will propose Guy ROUSSET as honorary President at the next General Assembly, but that as of now that the latter will work in association with the Club and invited to board meetings .

By the President