

**Report of the Hobie Class Association Annual General Meeting (AGM)
20 September 2010
Hobie 20 North American Championships, Storm Lake, IA**

Although I attended the AGM via conference call, I think that the notes below accurately reflect the meeting. Essentially it was a 90 minute call, with a good deal of discussion of the issues below.

Division Reports (Chris Wessels)

Although Divisions were supposed to submit written reports about their activities for the past year, most got their reports in very late, and a few were missing. To that end, Chris proposed that he would put all of the division reports into a single document that would be emailed to Division Chairs within the next week. When that happens, I will post it ASAP.

Treasurers Report: (John Mork)

The HCA has essentially broken even, or perhaps a little less than even, over the past few years. This year is no exception. We do still have a rather large savings account, though.

Committee Reports (Gordo Bagley and Bridget Quatrone)

Youth Report: The youth, particularly the youth of Yacht Clubs, represent untapped potential for our class. Gordo commented on the extraordinary sportsmanship that both Trey James and Matt Raybon showed at the Junior Olympics this year, and said that the “Hobie way” is alive and well. He said that actions like these, along with the Hobie “fun factor” make our class very attractive to young people.

Hotline Report: The *Hotline* is now going to only come out 4 times a year.

Event Report: Bridget thanked everybody who stepped up for a last minute North American Continental Championship (NACC) this year. Despite this year’s chaos because of the oil spill, next year is pretty well set. Mid-Winters East will likely be in Ft. Lauderdale this year, with Mid-Winters West in Lake Havasu. All of the NACCs for next year are set, with the exception of the Tigers, Women, and Youth. The Waves, H-14s, H-17s, and H-18s will be in Ocean Springs, MS next June, and hope that the Women and Youth will join them. The H-16s and the H-20s will be in Ft. Walton Beach in October.

Old Business (Bridget Quatrone)

The Proposal for North American Reimbursement options was again distributed. The proposal has 2 separate parts: 1) somehow support people running a NACC financially and 2) pay for it by decreasing the amount paid out to Area Championships from \$1000 to \$500. Since the first part of the proposal includes the word “somehow”, discussion ensued as to what was the best way. Consequently, voting on these proposals will likely occur over the winter, by email.

New Business

The following people were elected to serve the HCA for the 2010-2011 year:

Chairman	Chris Wessels (<i>final year to serve</i>)
1st Vice-Chair	Pat Porter
2nd Vice-Chair:	*unfilled*
Secretary	Kathy Ward
Treasurer	John Mork
Youth Program	Gordon Bagley
Membership	*unfilled*
GEP Program	Kim Edmonds
Women's Rep	Chris Bradshaw
Event Coordinator	Bridgette Quatrone
Race Director	Matt Bounds
Scorer	Bill Jeffers

Since membership is such a large job, Chris proposed that we investigate outsourcing it. He feels that we are losing enough money annually to make it worthwhile. He will look into this possibility and get back to us with information.

If you want more meeting details, or just want to chat about the class or the division, drop me a note (h16tlw@yahoo.com) or gimme a call.

Keep sailing fast!

Fluff