

# Minutes of Annual General Meeting

held on

Saturday, 30 August 2008

at

Heritage Hotel, Rotorua

Meeting commenced at 9:30 am

## Present:

Mike Costello, Greg Brinck, Andrew Koolen, Wayne Carson, John Tattersall, Don Hanley, Warren Lewis, Malcolm Hutchings, Colin Dunn, Lexi Dunn, Tim Fellows, Mike Cameron, Kim Garus, Paul Teamoke, Kelly Smith, Grant Smith, Phil Hoskyn, Paddy Lowry, John Frew

## Executive:

Wayne Valder (Chairman), Cary Gleeson, Jo Gleeson, Karen Smith, Denise Moughan, Bob Smith, Steve Whitford, John McDonald, Calvin Hicks

## Federation Delegates:

Graeme Wingate

## Apologies:

Ron Archer, Scott Lewis, Colleen Carson, Richard Shores, Martin Wylie

### 1. WELCOME

W Valder welcomed all members to this year's Annual General Meeting.

### 2. APOLOGIES

Read and noted.

### 3. MATTERS ARISING FROM PRVIOUS MINUTES DATED 22 SEPTEMBER 2007

C Gleeson read minutes from previous meeting held on 22 September 2007. It was confirmed there were no matters arising.

Moved B Smith

Seconded J McDonald

Carried

4. **CORRESPONDENCE**

n/a

5. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

W Valder read.

Moved            J McDonald  
 Seconded        W Carson  
**Carried**

6. **NATIONAL STEWARD'S REPORT**

J McDonald read.

Moved            C Hicks  
 Seconded        B Smith  
**Carried**

7. **FINANCIAL REPORT**

J Gleeson read report. Further explanation was given in regards to the financials attached to the report.

M Costello queried the high accountancy fees. W Valder confirmed that this as a 'clean-up' of accounts over numerous years.

M Costello asked what we would expect our fees to be for the future? W Valder suggested approximately \$3k.

W Carson queried plant and equipment. J Gleeson confirmed this related to scales, bouys, anchors and an alloy pontoon.

W Valder noted that the financials were prepared *prior* to the final accounts received from Prince & Partners.

It was noted that the bus needed to be added into the Asset Register.

The Caravan was disposed of in the prior year.

B Smith congratulated J Gleeson for her detailed accounts. This is a great start to the season whereby we can analyse.

Confirmed that the overdraft on the bank statement had now been cleared.

Debtors \$12,900, approximately \$6k is still to come which related to sponsorship and funding. Must be chased to clear debts.

Liabilities	\$30k	}	as a balance date
Assets	\$40k		

K Smith queried Cure Kids Payment – W Valder explained it related to the bucket collection of \$3,500 which were donations at prizegivings.

M Costello queried whether the Northern Club had closed, and what were the funds used for? W Valder explained expenses. J Gleeson noted that some Councils' had made their cheques out to the Northern Club, which were then transferred over to the NZOPA Account.

G Smith thought there was approximately \$40k. W Valder confirmed it was closer to \$10k. It was noted that they also bought the bus with part of the Northern Club money.

B Smith suggested we should prepare a cash flow status – JG and WV to prepare.

G Smith believes we need to show paperwork on the financials for the Northern Club to show details. This should be prepared from the last audit date to the current date.

K Smith queried what and who the payment to Great Lake Club was for? This related to the Taupo event.

W Valder confirmed there would be no further Poker Runs associated with NZ Offshore. This decision as made due to the organisers of the Poker Run trying to organise under our Insurance Policy.

Moved            W Carson  
 Seconded       B Smith  
**Carried**

## 8. NEW ZEALAND POWERBOAT FEDERATION REPORT

G Wingate read report.

W Valder thanked G Wingate for his efforts throughout the season.

Moved            J McDonald  
 Seconded       M Costello  
**Carried**

## 9. CALENDAR AND EVENTS FOR 2009

Discussed Version 7 of the proposed events.

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| (a) | Taupo | 25/01/08 | Confirmed |
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G Brinck advised that there will be no 'cross over' of spectators between our race and the A1GP. Suggested change to 24/1 which will optimise our race and compliment the whole motor sport weekend.

All in favour 8

This to be confirmed once further discussion is held with the Harbour Master.

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| (b) | Gulf Harbour or Tauranga | 14/02/08 | Tentative |
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Both races are subject to local sponsorship. Council sponsorship for Tauranga has been declined. We will not know about Council sponsorship for Gulf Harbour until approximately mid October.

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| (c) | Maraetai | 28/02/08 | Tentative |
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Manukau City Council has pulled out of sponsorship this year. D Moughan currently speaking with two possible race sponsors for this event.

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| (d) | Wellington | 21/03/08 | Confirmed |
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Council funding has been confirmed. It was noted that no-one has yet to contact the Harbour Master – this must be followed up urgently. A reminder that we need to work around the ferry timetable.

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| (e) | Whitianga | 04/04/08 | Confirmed |
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Currently applying for sponsorship with Thames-Coromandel District Council. W Valder has also advised he will sponsor. Note that we receive very good local support from the community.

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| (f) | Whangarei | 18/04/08 | Confirmed |
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Confirmed and committed. Hopper Developments have sponsored this event at Marsden Cove. C Gleeson explained in more detail.

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| (g) | Auckland | 02/05/08 | Tentative |
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Auckland City Council has pulled out of sponsorship this year. We are currently working to try and revive this event.

B Smith asked whether Auckland is getting too hard? The costings are huge – double any other race.

C Parsons summarised Napier position. A proposal need to be submitted asap to the Council for \$6k (contact at the Council is Ron Massey who has worked with Craig over the years). Craig also suggested approaching the Sailing Club – again further follow up is required.

W Lewis has asked that we put the Napier race back on the calendar to show 8 races. This needs to be treated in the same way as all the other venues.

*Meeting adjourned at 10:40 am*

*Meeting re-convened at 11:00 am*

W Valder advised that Gulf Harbour now had sponsorship conformed: Thanks to:

- AB Marine
- Gleeson Builders
- MarineWorkz

## 10. REMITS

### General

#### 108.00 RACING NUMBERS

1. ***All boats including Formula Honda** are to be allocated a race number by their National Authority, which is to be painted in waterproof black paint on a yellow or white background. No number may begin with a zero. All numbers shall be plain and upright.*
2. *These numbers shall be painted or made of self-adhesive tape of adequate strength so as to be clearly visible from both sides and from above. Those on the beam shall be placed on the forward half of the boat.*
3. *Individual numbers should conform to the following minimal dimensions:*

*Height 0.30 m  
Width 0.23 m  
Thickness 0.05 m  
Spacing 0.13 m*

*The white background shall extend at least 228 mm in front of and beyond the end numerals and at least 76mm above and below the numerals. We recommend that the numbers be as big as practically possible."*

G Smith queried the Technical Officer's discretion. J McDonald noted the numbers as they are, are hard to see. G Brinck queried whether 'H' would need to be removed on the Honda numbers? J McDonald confirmed that Honda would need to comply with the general rule.

The hull size would need to be clarified.

The amended remit to read:

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*The only discretion should be for a boat that does not have sufficient height on the top sides"*

Votes on the amendment:

In favour        19

Against         3

Votes on the amended remit:

In favour        19

Against         3

**Carried**

## Sponsor Signage

W Valder read remit:

*"3 Spaces of 700mm X 500mm are to be left on all race boats for Sponsors signage*

*1 on starboard side,  
1 on port side  
1 on the deck"*

W Lewis suggested a smaller compulsory size on Honda Boats and a larger compulsory size on the later boats. Stickers will be available for day entrants.

*"Super Boat, Super Boat Light and Classic classes will need to keep 600 x 400 deep for sponsor signage on three x locations.*

*All other classes will need to keep 500 x 300 deep for sponsor signage on three x locations".*

Votes on the amendment:

In favour	28
Against	0

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Against	0
<b>Carried</b>	

## Formula Honda

W Valder read remit:

*"Formula Honda competitors should be eligible for the overall Sports 60 points which means that they will no longer have a separate flag and have to finish with all the other 60 mile competitors. Therefore, there will now only be two flags One for the 100 mile race and one for the 60 mile race."*

In favour	9
Against	2
<b>Carried</b>	

## Pre Race Scrutineering

W Valder read remit:

*"It has been proposed that there **will not** be race day inspections for all teams. There will be a scrutineering sheet and disclaimer form that will have to be signed by each racer and it is their responsibility that the checks have been done and adhered to the Rules. These forms must be handed into the bus before race start otherwise you will not be eligible to start. There will however be spot checks done and if the disclaimer and scrutineering forms have been signed by the boat does not pass a spot check then the responsibility comes back to the drivers and therefore a penalty will be enforced. All boats entering as a day entry will be fully scrutineered by the Scrutineering Team."*

After much discussion, the remit was changed as follows:

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In favour        28  
 Against         0  
 Carried

## Sports 60

W Valder read remit:

### Current Rule 107.06

#### *Engine Sizes:*

<i>Sports 60</i>	<i>maximum manufacturers rating of 225 hp and 3.3 litre capacity engines. (engines excluded are Mercury 225 Ski and OMC Limited Edition).</i>
<i>Sports 60 (Restricted)</i>	<i>maximum 200 hp - factory standard engines.</i>

**Remit**

*Mercury 225 promax outboards with a 15" mid section should be eligible for the sports 60 class.*

In favour Nil  
 Against 12  
**Not Carried**

**Superboat Light**

W Valder read remit:

- "1. Restrict engines to 300hp & correct class name (remove UIM reference) as discussed and voted on last year.*

*Background*

*New 350hp engines will provide an unfair advantage if allowed to compete against the existing Mercury 2.5s and Mercury 300x powered race boats. Competitors would like to restrict engines to production outboards with a maximum of 300hp.*

*As discussed and voted on at last years AGM, the NZ Superboat Light Class **does not** incorporate UIM 6 Litre boats. Our rules (in particular our size limits) are more restrictive than UIM 6 Litre rules. We would like this confusion removed from our rules and last years AGM vote on this matter rescinded.*

**Existing Rule**

107.02 NZ Offshore Superboat Light (incorporating UIM 6 Litre)

1. Engine restrictions:

- *Maximum engine capacity of 6.6 litres to allow standard production outboard engines.*

**Proposed Rule**

107.02 NZ Offshore Superboat Light

1. Engine restrictions:

- *Maximum combined engine capacity of 7 litres and a maximum manufacturer's rating of 300hp to allow standard production outboard engines up to 300hp."*

Remit changed to read:

*107.01 NZ Offshore Superboat Light*

1. *Engine restrictions:  
A maximum manufacturers' rating of 300hp per engine with a combined total of 600hp"*

In favour 14  
Against 0

- "2. *Remove requirement for the second tie bar.*

*Background*

*Second tie bar is difficult to fit on most boats and has become more of a safety issue than a safety feature. The requirement has already been removed from the legs on in board twin rigs. Competitors all agree boats would be safer with one well spec'd tie bar.*

***Existing Rule***

*703 The fitting of two separate tie bar assemblies are required for all outboard multi-engined boats.*

***Proposed Rule***

*703 The fitting of one tie bar assembly is required for all outboard multi-engined boats."*

In favour 14  
Against 0  
Carried

W Valder read remit:

**One off exclusion/Grandfather clause**

*"Any existing boat that has previously raced in NZ shall be eligible to race in Superboat Lite for 3 yrs at a size of 9.650m (32 ft) x 2.7m wide*

***Existing Rule 107.02***

*Boat Specifications:*

***Minimum***

*Length 8.23m (27 ft)*

*Width N.A*

***Maximum***

*9.15m (30 ft)*

*2.90m (9.5 ft)"*

Remit amended to read:

*"The ex Placemakers 32ft (9.650m (32ft) x 2.7m wide) Skater shall be eligible to race in Superboat Light for 3 years"*

In favour        14  
 Against         0  
**Carried**

### **Superboat**

W Valder read remit:

***"Race Weight  
 Existing Rule 107.01***

*Classification. Open to gasoline inboard powered monohull or multihull boats that fit within the following specifications.*

***Minimum/Maximum***

*Length 9.15m (30 ft) 10.66m (35 ft)*

*Width N.A 2.90m (9.5 ft)*

*Weight (Inboard) 3200kg (ready to race dry weight, weighed pre-season excluding crew, fuel, helmets and clothing).*

***Remit***

*Weight (inboard) minimum 3200kg with after race residual fuel, helmets and jackets, excluding crew."*

Remit amended to read:

*"Weight (inboard) minimum 3200kg as per UIM Rules"*

In favour        14  
 Against         0  
**Carried**

## 11. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

*President*

W Valder

Moved J McDonald

Seconded A Koolen

**Carried***Vice President*

C Gleeson

Moved J McDonald

Seconded A Koolen

**Carried***Secretary*

K Smith

Moved J McDonald

Seconded J Gleeson

**Carried***Treasurer*

J Gleeson

Moved A Koolen

Seconded K Smith

**Carried***Media Officer*

B Smith advised he was going to stand down.

G Brinck

Moved W Valder

Seconded J Gleeson

**Carried***Safety Officer*

J McDonald

Moved W Valder

Seconded S Whitford

**Carried***Technical Officer*

S Whitford

Moved J McDonald

Seconded A Koolen

**Carried**

***NZPBF Delegates***

G Wingate

G Valder

Moved W Valder

Seconded J McDonald

**Carried**

It was asked of the Dunn's whether a member for Honda could also stand on the Committee.

12. **OTHER POSITIONS*****Event Co-Ordinator***

D Moughan

Moved J McDonald

Seconded M Costello

**Carried*****Race Day Secretary***

K Smith &amp; J Gleeson

Moved J McDonald

Seconded W Valder

**Carried*****Officer of the Day***

J McDonald

Moved J Gleeson

Seconded K Smith

**Carried*****Bus Driver***

TBA

***Newsletter Editor***

G Valder

***Trophy Managers***

K Smith &amp; J Gleeson

***Race Day Runner***

M Fellows

***Time Keepers***

Lexi, Ilene, Rachel, Joan &amp; Rhys

*Points Table Manager*

K Smith

*Race Day Media*

TBA

13. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

*Sponsorship*

W Valder summarised the current status. Our current options are:

- (a) 7 – 8 events
- (b) 4 – 5 events if there is no overall sponsors
- (c) No races for the upcoming season and rebuild for 2010.

*Media*

Media presentations discussed. There is a possibility that if we use Visual Appetite for our media, they will be able to get a sponsor on board. NZOPA Exec should know in September whether this is confirmed.

*Honda*

TV coverage discussed. Honda are prepared to pay 1/3 of the cost of the television if they receive 1/3 television coverage. Honda have committed a finish boat for next season.

*Cougar*

G Smith advised he was not sure if his boats would be available for next season.

*General*

A further meeting may need to be held to re-confirm race events.

T Fellows praised the paramedics for great work over the last season.

J McDonald **moved** that the fees stay the same for 2009.

Seconded B Smith

Regular updates in regard to sponsorship and race confirmations to be sent to members.

Boat Show in Mystery Creek 12-14 November

Meeting closed at 1:35 pm