Conference Call of the Vintage & Historic Representatives – July 27, 2011

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Doug Whitley at 7:05 PM. Representatives in attendance were: Region 2, Marv Hart and Bill DeGlopper; Region 3, Bob Moore; Region 4, Dan Joseph; Region 5, Chuck Woodruff; Region 7 and 14, Joe Johnson; Region 9, Jay Marshall; Region 10, Jim Olson and Don Kelson; Region 11, Frank Banducci; Region 12, Stuart Ford; Canada, Sylvain Demers. Absent from the meeting were: Region 6, Billy Noonan and Ron Snyder; Unlimiteds, David Williams.

Doug asked Dan Joseph to contact Mark Weber regarding his concerns for the new rule that was passed on the last conference call involving Article IV of the Vintage and Historic rules.

Doug reported that he had sent a letter on May 4, 2011 to the current owner of the Miss Crazy Thing concerning rumors that he was going to restore the boat as Miss Dinomytes, a boat which currently exists and actively runs in Vintage & Historic. Bill DeGlopper will contact the current owner to ascertain his plans.

Doug thanked Dr. David Kappel of Wheeling, WV, who has created a new physical form for Vintage & Historic. Doug reported that he asked his own physician to use the form while doing Doug's physical recently and the form was straightforward and easy to use. Doug would like for each member who is required to have a physical to use this form and to strongly consider leaving a sealed copy of it with the registration booth at each event they attend, to be used by medical personnel only in case of emergency.

Bill DeGlopper reported that the recent Valleyfield event had a good showing of Vintage & Historic boats. Bill also reported on an issue that came up at the recent Valleyfield event. Skiff driver Paul Nowak, a member of CRA, was present with his Jersey Speed Skiff. Bill was the inspector at this event, and his inspection of the skiff in question showed no restrictor plate, an overpowered engine, and no letter "R" on the boat signifying a reproduction. Additionally, the owner did not have a sign board or log book and was unable to produce an APBA card or number. He was, however, later found to be an APBA member. Bob Moore reported that he will send out notification regarding these infractions of existing V&H rules to all vintage inspectors.

Bill DeGlopper also reported on the growing number of boats in the V&H SE class, and that this class would be added to the Grand Island, NY event in September.

Doug reported that Roger Hinsdale is working on getting more V&H outboards involved in the vintage circuit. Bob Moore is working on a safety checklist that reflects the specific needs of this class.

Doug reported that Dave Richardson is working to get old Gold Cup boats involved in vintage. Classic runabouts running under 35 mph are allowed to participate with a Coast Guard inspection, but a V&H inspection is not mandatory. Classic runabouts which run over 35 MPH must fully meet the V&H rules.

Marv Hart reported that the questionnaires he sent out to all V&H reps concerning long-range planning in their region have had a poor response. He asked reps to commit to this national long-range planning effort for V&H by completing the questionnaire for their region. Marv will resend the questionnaire to all reps.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Joseph