



OPC CHAIRPERSON CANDIDATE - 2026

A Category Chairman shall be elected by the category members for a term of two (2) years.

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OPC Forward Plan 2026-2028

If elected to continue as the OPC Chairman, I will either initiate or further the following critical items.

1. Finding methods for improved communication with the OPC membership. Currently, the current Commission meets by request from a member, a commissioner or to sort through an issue. We can and will meet as often as necessary to resolve problems.
2. Develop a program to train new officials by offering a rebate on the cost of their APBA membership.
3. Work to achieve more multiple category races/venues.
4. Continue to revitalize the OPC Rulebook by removing archaic language, organizing it into logical sections, and correcting errors. This will be carried out before May 1 of 2026.
5. Encourage all members to use the required OPC Agenda submission form. All voices must be heard, and the form guarantees that your idea, new rule or rule change will be placed on the meeting agenda.
6. Continue to work through the process of introducing a new adult introductory class to the category. Under the working name VP 60, a committee has been formed to develop technical rules along with boat and motor standards. Marketing plans are being developed, and the boat will make a soft debut at the end of September. We will work to find a new class specifically targeting young drivers (14-16 years old), making the transition from J Class racing to OPC racing.
7. Discourage the use of social media platforms as a forum for membership issues. This includes discussions of racing calls and incident causes.



Each OPC member should know that you are a priority. Each of you will continue to have my time and attention when you need to discuss a problem. I encourage everyone to help to find reasonable solutions and innovative ideas to make the category better and stronger. Open dialogue is critical and exploring possibilities must come from each member. All views are welcome and diverse opinions are acceptable. All of us must work to find the middle ground, for the majority, not an individual. Compromises will be necessary. Working together, we are powerful. Collectively we must grow, learn, evolve, and become better. Each of us must contribute more than we criticize. OPC's health and progress is a shared responsibility that belongs to each of us.