

***Super Light Tunnel Category***  
***Detroit, Michigan***  
***Meeting Minutes***

January 24, 2015

**I. Call to order**

Robin Shane called to order the regular meeting of the Super Light Tunnel Category at 9:15 AM on January 24, 2015 at Sheraton Inn Detroit Michigan Room 824.

**II. Roll call**

Robin Shane conducted a roll call. The following persons were present: Rachel Anspach, Steve Heuninck, Jeff Howie, Mark Hodorek, Jake Jerge, Jim Yacko, Kyle Yacko, and Jeff Zeller

**III. Approval of minutes from last meeting**

The minutes from the last meeting February 22, 2014 were posted on APBA website.

**IV. Open issues**

- a) Review Rule 30.008 to extend the provisional motor E-Tec 40 HP or 50 HP two stroke through 2015. Approved
- b) Review Rule 30.009 to extend the provisional motor E-Tec 60 HP two stroke through 2015. Approved
- c) It was noted that 2014 had 6 events including National Marathon Championship with Jim Yacko in Bandit Class & John Heuninck taking honors. A Speed Record was set by Jim Yacko & Jake Jerge @ 58.808 MPH. High Points: Bandit Class – Jim Yacko, Outlaw – Leo Hallenbeck and Experimental – John Heuninck.

**V. New business**

- a) Discussion to allow **RED** lifejackets. This is a General Racing & Safety Rule. It would have to be presented to the Safety Committee. It was decided to approach Eli Whitney at the Region 6 Spring Meeting for advice to ask for the change.
- b) Change the name of the category from Super Light Tunnel to Thundercat. It will put the category in alignment with UIM, CBF, South Africa, UK and the rest of the world. Motion to approve: Jeff Howie, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jim Yacko. Passed 8 Yes 0 No. Change would apply for 2015 Season

- c) Add P750 Class to Category to race according to UIM rules. Exact Rules to be pulled from UIM. Motion to approve: Steve Heuinck, 2<sup>nd</sup> Rachel Ansbach. Passed 8 Yes 0 No. Change would apply for 2015 Season
- d) Rule 30.010 – Experimental Class (X-Class) Delete – and have shiftable gearcase (forward, neutral, reverse),. Motion to Approve: Jeff Howie, 2<sup>nd</sup> Steve Heuinck. Passed 8 Yes 0 No. Change would apply for 2015 Season
- e) Rule 50.127 Exhaust Holes – Delete (Mercury/Mariner 50 is excluded). This was a typo in the 2014 Rule Book. This line was deleted at the 2014 meeting. Motion to Approve: Jim Yacko, 2<sup>nd</sup> Kyle Yacko. Passed 8 Yes 0 No. Change would apply for 2015 Season.
- f) Discussion on Rule 90.002 D. Inspection procedure at National Championship and Record Events. Committee to review the original rule and submit their suggestions via email. This will be discussed at a conference call in February. Exact Date to be determined.
- g) Discussion on Rule 150.001 – Rule Changes. This rule review will be handled the same as rule 90.002 D. Committee will review the original rule and submit their suggestions via email for discussion at the February Conference Call.
- h) Discussion of Rule 120.001 Points – The committee will review the original rule and submit their suggestion via email for discussion at the February Conference Call.
- i) Discussion of Budget: \$8326.81. Budget Requests:
  - 1. Allowance to refund registration (base) fee to attendees: \$400.00  
Motion by Mark Hodorek 2<sup>nd</sup> Steve Heuinck Passed 8 Yes 0 No
  - 2. Purchase Banner showing Thundercat name change: \$300.00 Motion  
by Mark Hodorek, 2<sup>nd</sup> Steve Heuinck Passed 8 Yes 0 No
  - 3. Promotions: \$500.00 Motion by Steve Heuinck, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jim Yacko  
Passed 8 Yes 0 No. Steve will head this endeavor.
  - 4. Crossover Fees: \$150.00 Motion by Mark Hodorek, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim Yacko.  
Passed 8 Yes 0 No. This will allow reimbursement of \$25.00  
crossover fee charged by APBA.
- j) Safety Pre-Check List. It was determined that the category does not have its own Safety Pre-Check List. Jeff Howie volunteered to create the check list. This will be reviewed at the February Conference Call. Once approved it will

be posted to the APBA website under Resources and on the Social Media Page under Super Light Tunnel / Thundercat Category.

k) Discussion that APBA did not have an updated email & mailing addresses for its members. Robin Shane will send out the spreadsheet from APBA for members to review.

l) Race Schedule:

June 6, 2015 – Huntington, IN

June 27, 2015 – Hillsdale, MI

July 18, 2015 – Trenton, MI

August 8, 2015 – TOPO, (Indian River) MI

August 21, 2015 – Detroit, MI

September 12, 2015 – Hillsdale, MI

m) Motion by Mark Hodorek to add Jim Yacko to Committee. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jeff Howie.  
Past 8 Yes 0 No.

## **VI. Adjournment**

Robin Shane adjourned the meeting at 12:00 PM.

Minutes submitted by: Robin Shane

Minutes approved by: