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A message from the President.

Christmas and the year 2008 have come to an end. I hope you had a good year with plenty of fun with hovercraft activities in you your own part of the world. We certainly had a fantastic time last year at our World Championships in Sweden. It was great to see so many old friends, and make some new ones as new countries joined the Federation. This year we have a year off from World Championships so you will have time to prepare your self and your craft for 2010!

At our last Board meeting in Sweden we promised to consult and conduct a vote to change major aspects of our Competition Regulations, This we have done and you will see the results below. May I ask that you pass these details on to all your Club members.

On behalf of the World Hovercraft Federation and myself may I wish you and your family a Peaceful a Prosperous New Year.

Kind regards,

Tony Drake JP. President of the World Hovercraft Federation

World Hovercraft Championships, 2010

As agreed at our last Board meeting we are intending to hold our next World Championships in 2010. So far we have only had an offer to host the event for us from Germany. Unless any other country comes forward within the next two months we will be accepting Germany's kind offer.

Changes to WHF Competition Regulations.

Early in December your representative was asked to vote on the changes which were discussed in outline at our last Board meeting and explained in detail in a subsequent paper.

The results of the votes were as follows:

Proposal:	I agree	I disagree
A). Proposed changes to Formula 2:	UK, Indonesia, Italy, Sweden, Germany, Ireland, France, Netherlands, Australia, Canada	USA
B). Proposal to include Endurance Racing:	UK, Indonesia, Italy, Sweden, USA, Ireland, France, Netherlands, Australia, Canada	Germany
C). Proposal to change Formula 25:	UK, Indonesia, Italy, Sweden, Ireland, Netherlands, Canada	USA, Germany
D). Proposal re Formula 3:	Italy, Sweden, Germany, Ireland, France, Canada	UK, USA, Indonesia, Netherlands

This means that:

- Formula 2:

Formula 2 is re-defined as under 600cm³ two stroke or under 750cm³ four stroke. Where the lift is provided by a separate engine, the capacity allowed for the lift engine may be multiplied by 2 if the lift engine and fan is in direct transmission (e.g. fan directly on the lift engine crank shaft). Engines are classed according to the standard cm³ when new. Re-bores for maintenance are allowed to the following oversize: 610cm³ two stroke and 768cm³ four stroke.

- Formula 1:

As a result of the change to Formula 2, Formula 1 will be redefined as 600 cm³ two stroke and over or 750 cm³ four stroke and over.

(For both Formula 1 & 2 where a craft has a combination of two and four stroke engines the total capacity shall be determined by dividing the capacity of the four stroke by 1.25 and using the two stroke capacity).

- Endurance Racing (ER):

Where ever possible ER will be included at all future World Championships.

- Formula 25:

Formula 25 (25 horse power four stroke) will be replaced with Formula 35 (35 horse power four stroke). The precise engine(s) definition for Formula 35 has still to be agreed but will be published within the next three months.

Formula 35 will be run within ER but their points will be extracted for a Formula 35 Championship. Where it is not practical to hold ER a separate series of Formula 35 races will be held.

- Formula 3:

Formula 3 as currently defined will be removed from future World Hovercraft Championships.

These changes will take effect immediately and therefore will apply at our next Championships. As soon as the precise engine(s) definition for Formula 35 has been agreed this and the new formula definitions will be included in the WHF Competition Regulations and re-issued.

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