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I am very pleased to send you this Bulletin. In it amongst other things you will find details for our World Championships in 2026. This will be a fantastic event as it also incorporates our hosts, the Hovercraft Club of Great Britain's, 50th Anniversary celebrations.

We are expecting the very best competitors and their supporters from around the world which will provide us with some of the very best racing ever seen.

Whether you are a competitor, supporter or just interested I can promise you a fantastic experience so please do give us your support.

I look forward to seeing you at our Championships in the UK next year.

Kind Regards

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World Hovercraft Championships 2026

18th to 23rd of August 2026 at Whittlebury Park, Towcester NN12 8QH, United Kingdom. This event is being organized by the Hovercraft Club of Great Britain for us.

Event Web Site - The organizers of the Championships are pleased to announce that a web site for the event has been launched. It can be found at whc2026.com which is now on line. It will be regularly updated as details become available. **PLEASE** pass this information to anyone you know who may be interested, for example past members of your Club, and encourage them to join us.

Endurance Racing (ER) - We are pleased to inform you that an Endurance Race will be included at the event which will be held on the 18th and 19th preceding the main Championships.

WHF Event Regulations - We advise drivers and their supporters to familiarise themselves with all the relevant WHF Regulations and documents well in advance of the Championships. In particular, we draw your attention to WHF018 – the Participant Entry Pack which can be found in the 'Download' section of our web site at <https://whf.hovercraft.org.uk/download.php>

WHF Junior and Colts - We advise all Junior and Colts drivers to be aware and take note of the latest changes to their regulations which will now apply. These can be found within our publication WHF 001 which can be found in the 'Download' section of our web site at <https://whf.hovercraft.org.uk/download.php>

Other WHF Matters

Team Racing at World Hovercraft Championships - At our last Board meeting in Germany we were asked to consider allowing 'Teams' to take part in all adult formulae as we do for Juniors and Colts. Following this meeting this proposal was debated by e-mail with our Governing Board and a vote taken. The decision was taken NOT to extend the concept of teams in any adult formulae.

Review of Junior and Colts Thrust Levels - After considerable research and consultation for safety considerations in February 2025 the thrust levels for Juniors and Colts were reduced and published in our document WHF017. As the Hovercraft Club of Great Britain have most experience with these formulae, they were asked to monitor and review the effect of these changes and report

sensible and proportionate and therefore they recommend that no change for the 2026 racing season is necessary.

Next WHF Board Meeting

Our next Board meeting will take place during the World Hovercraft Championships 2026 in the United Kingdom. While this may seem some time away, now is the ideal moment to raise any matters you would like your Country Representative to present on your behalf. Please note that individual submissions are not permitted; all items must be submitted through your representative.

A provisional agenda and timeline for the Board meeting will be shared in early 2026.

New Member Country

Mexico - Recently the WHF received an application from Mexico to become a member. We are very pleased to tell you that our Governing Board have agreed to Mexico joining as a 'provisional member'. Their representative is Juan Carlos Pérez Urbina and you will find his contact details on our website.

Mexico has little experience of our sport but is very interested in hosting events. Our President has been in discussions with them as to the best way forward and you should expect to see their representatives at our World or International events soon.

Future World Hovercraft Championship

We are now starting to look for hosts for future World Championship commencing 2028 and every two years thereafter. If your country is interesting in making a bid, we will be very pleased to have early discussions with you.

Useful Links.

The World Hovercraft Federation	https://whf.hovercraft.org.uk
The European Hovercraft Federation	http://www.europanhovercraftfederation.org
The Hovercraft Society	https://www.thehovercraftsociety.org.uk
The Hovercraft Club of Great Britain	https://whf.hovercraft.org.uk
Club Anjou Aeroglisseur (France)	https://anjou-aeroglisseur.com

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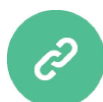
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