



CONFERENCE CALL – Tuesday, December 2, 2008  
NATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Call began at 8:30 pm EST with the following National Board of Directors present: Charlie Cagle, Michelle Barzee, Dawn Tanner, Rich Tisone, Earl Wilcox and Dave Preston.

2010 Grands – Charlie made contact with all 2010 Grand's bidding clubs as well as their Regional Directors and informed the board that they were able to host a Grand National Event. Each of these clubs has held a big event and the region is behind them.

2010 Eastern Grands - There are a couple presentations believed to be coming to the National Meeting. North Georgia approached the board to inquire about possibly changing the date for the 2010 Eastern Grands. NBOD agreed to follow the rule as written and noted that this would not be possible. Oaklane will put in a bid and there has been discussion from the Mini Indy club. However to date, the NBOD has received nothing in writing.

2009 Eastern Grands - Dave reported that Huntsville is presently working on building the tower and they are expecting it to be completed by Christmas. They will keep the NBOD updated on their progress.

QMA Used Transponders – Michelle stated that a check for \$2,200 was received at the National Office from the Huntsville club as ½ payment for the used transponders. The remaining \$2,200 will be paid by June 1, 2009 per the agreement with QMA.

Dual Charters - Discussion on the Dual Charter Guidelines and the deadline date of 12/1. That being discussed, the only club that followed the Guidelines and the deadline is Capitol in Lansing Michigan by sending a letter to the National Office. Their next step will be following up with a full racing and practice schedule and proof of insurance for the other non-QMA sanctioned races by 12/31.

Financials – Monthly and quarterly financial reports are being sent to the National Board and forwarded to the Regional Directors monthly. The new treasurer will work with Mr. Wilson on the 2009 budget and classifications with more breakdowns on our report.

Promotion – Rich spoke of the \$500/club offer that went out to the Regional Directors. This offer is to help give back to the clubs and members by encouraging them to promote their club. He also spoke of requests being made by members and clubs to have some type of on-line store for QMA apparel. He is looking into QMA patches, sweatshirts, t-shirts, etc... along with QMA flags. Rich spoke of purchasing portable displays to be used all over the country to help display QMA at different events. Dawn made the motion to purchase the portable displays, as Rich explained and sent pictures via e-mail to all board members, for an amount not to exceed \$2,000. Seconded by Dave. No discussion – All voted in favor.

Chili Bowl – The Tulsa Club and Region 6 got a booth at the Chili Bowl. The total cost of the booth is \$1400 and would like to know if QMA can help. They are also looking into having an exhibition race at the event. Discussion on how much exposure this would give to the Region and to QMA as a whole. All felt it could be in place of the PRI show for this year and that it was a National exposure for QMA. We will provide them with a banner and brochures. Earl would be willing to help to work the booth to represent QMA. The new portable displays could be used also.

### Other Business

The National Board has been approached by several members of the Buckeye Club along with the Region 4 Regional Director, about having a National presence at their meeting on December 3<sup>rd</sup>. The National Board voted to have Rich attend this meeting on behalf of QMA.

National Office - Karen has been asked to attend the National meeting and she agreed. She will be making a presentation from the Hall of Fame Committee, as she is the Chairperson. She was also asked to make a presentation to show the new database in action and to help the National Secretary with the minutes as a back up.

Topeka Club Possible Move to Region 7 - The National Board has been approached by the Topeka Club and Region 6 Regional Director, wishing to be a part of Region 7. They were told that this would have to be presented at the National meeting by their RD and be voted on by all Regional Directors and the NBOD. This is not official until the vote. The Topeka Club is still a Region 6 Club. Also discussed was the possibility of moving the Minnesota Club in Region 7 to Region 8 or Region 6 as the Minnesota Club has asked about the QMA Loan. There is a possibility that they could lose their track and this would leave a Region with one club again. This can be discussed at the National Meeting.

QMA Website Forum - There has been contact between the Webmaster and Flytrap to work together and create a new forum whereas the people that are allowed to use the forum would be held accountable for their remarks. It will be required to be a QMA member using your QMA # to log in. However, you be allowed to use any screen name you would like whereas you would not be identifiable to those on the forum if you so choose but QMA would have the tools to go back to a member through their QMA number if things are being put on there that are not appropriate. Also, with the integration of the database and the website, Rich is looking into having limited availability to the database by Club Officers, Regional Directors and National Officers to verify whether or not someone is a member. Club presidents will have access to their clubs, Regional Directors will have access to their Region and National will have access to all members. It will simply state the handlers' names and QMA number. He is also looking into mass e-mail capabilities along with voting via the Internet.

Elections – As of today, 577 ballots have been returned out of 2,745 that were sent. The cost of sending them is \$3.25 per ballot with a 23% return. It has averaged to be 20% to 25% return for the last twenty years. Charlie stated that once the ballots are finished being tallied, the Accountant will contact Michelle Barzee this year (with Dawn and himself being nominees) to make the announcing phone calls. Michelle agreed.

Flytrap –Discussion on the balance due to Flytrap. Half of the balance due will be paid now with the balance being paid upon full completion. The database is completed and all 2009 applications are being processed with the exception of the States Race/Grands Sanctioning spreadsheets, which are in the process of being finished up.

Hall of Fame –They are still waiting for cars from the car manufacturers, but everything else is ready to go. Dave told the board that committee members would be going to Talladega right after Christmas to get this set up.

Flywheels – The Honda 120 flywheels will still be required beginning January 1, 2009 as voted on and written. Dave reiterated that the keys were a short term “band-aid” voted on by the Regional Directors. Honda has ensured Dave that there are sufficient supplies of the new ones.

North Carolina Visit – Dave went for a surprise visit to check on tire treatments being used last weekend at the North Carolina Club. He was requested to attend the event by many concerned QMA members. He stated that they confiscated many sets of tires, which will be sent for testing. He felt the trip was really worth it and noticed many sets of tires “appearing” to be treated.

Bank Accounts – The three officers, President, Secretary and Treasurer, will be bonded immediately following them taking office on January 1. The paperwork is ready and waiting.

QMA Gives Back - Rich spoke of a way he felt QMA members/clubs could give back to the troops in Iraq. He received an email from his daughter who is a past QMA driver now in college; in reference to helping the troops in Iraq in light of the fact it seems people have “forgotten” them again. It’s sending personal care items and non-perishable items in shoeboxes. He will e-mail the Regional Directors and post it on the .org site.

National Meeting Reservations – A letter has been sent to all Regional Directors a month ago from the National Office requesting their information for flight reservations for the National meeting no later than 12/5 so that the best prices could be attained. A reminder was also send by email two weeks ago. Very few have responded. Dawn will send out a reminder email with the updated DQ/COC list and Treasurer Report that we just received. It will state that if contact has not been made with the National Office by 12/5 the Region will be responsible for the price difference should there be one from that date compared to the actual booking date. The email will also remind the RD’s, that all 2009 presidents need to be submitted to the National Office and that all Officers both club, Regional and National must be a full club 2009 paid member before taking position.

Membership application revisions, recommended by the attorney, will be submitted to the NBOD for approval.

The 2009 rulebooks will be the same price, per the printer, with no increase. Rulebooks will be printed after the 2009 annual meeting, with all updates, corrections and rule changes.

Meeting adjourned at 10:36 pm EST.

Respectfully submitted,

**Dawn Tanner**

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