

## **MINUTES OF THE EAST COAST DRAG BOAT ASSOCIATION'S ANNUAL MEETING HELD OCTOBER 24, 2009 IN CONWAY, SOUTH CAROLINA.**

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 pm followed by an invocation led by Tommy Sawyer. Those in attendance were welcomed and reminded that any concerns for the upcoming year should be addressed at this meeting to avoid conflicts at a later date. The group was also reminded that anyone could comment but only club members would be allowed to vote. Following opening remarks, Jamie Sawyer entertained the group with a slide show presentation recapping the season.

Upon motions, properly seconded and carried, members agreed to increase annual membership fees to \$375 and increase entry fee at each race by \$20 which would then go to the club for administrative purposes.

Joe Horvath announced to the group that a race will be held at the former race site in Plymouth, NC during the 2010 season.

Upon a motion, properly seconded and carried, racers will now be required to have radio contact, ship to shore, with race officials.

Various other issues were brought to the table including a possible improvement on the visibility of the green light at the starting barge and the need for more volunteers at the race sites. It was suggested that 4 volunteers were needed for each race and Joe Horvath will perhaps set up a sign up sheet on the website for this purpose.

At this time, the group began reviewing the handbook for discussions and recommendations of changes for the upcoming year. The following topics were addressed:

**General Rules:** After discussions and upon motions properly seconded and carried, the following change was approved:

- Reword #17 to read "6.5 – 7.5 mph coming into starting".
- Where a 12" mid-section is allowed, it must measure a full 12 inches at the can. This measurement will be between the top and bottom mounting surfaces, and must be 12". No exceptions.

### **River Racer:**

After discussions, the following motions were approved, seconded and carried:

- Eliminate 1700 lb weight.
- Eliminate Etechs 60 cc head
- 3.2 motor, weight 1650 (same weight as etech)
- Weight adjustment to 1,500 lbs on pro-stock rules 2.5s
- Laser style SVS is legal

### **Pro-Stock:**

After discussions and upon a motion, properly seconded and carried, the class was dropped. Current rules will be kept. A pro-stock boat can race in Super Stock class.

### **Super Stock:**

- Add 15 lbs of weight (currently 1,385, increasing to 1,400 lbs) to 260. Motion approved, seconded and carried.
- Allow 26 cc head on 2.5 motor/260 carb. Motion approved, seconded and carried.
- Pg 22 – top bullet – motion to take out 50cc – DID NOT PASS

### **Modified Production:**

- Take weight off Superstock to 1360 lbs – DID NOT PASS
- Drop 25 lbs from 1475 to 1450 for fuel inject, 3 liter only, omc . Motion, seconded and carried.
- #23 on Page 24 – now able to modify cowl to funnel air to motor as long as it doesn't touch motor air induction. Motion, seconded and carried.
- Take 25 lbs off 2.4 making it 1,200 lbs. Motion, seconded and carried.

### **Pro Gas:**

A motion was made to make weight same (1,350 lbs) for all v6s - DID NOT PASS

### **Pro Carb:**

No changes to this class

### **Lake Racer:**

Upon motions, properly seconded and carried, the following changes were approved:

- No ignition or fuel adjustability from driver seat
- Add 25 lbs to Super Gas rules across board
- 3-seater boats have to race with three seats in boat
- Add 100 lbs across board to Lake Racer

### **Pro Fuel:**

Delete class

### **Unlimited:**

Not advertising class. However, will run if 2 or more boats are there.

### **Drag King:**

Question arose concerning running order with Drag King always running last. This will be discussed at future drivers meetings. Discussion also arose concerning track length. It was agreed that current track length would remain in place

### **Emissions:**

No changes.

At the conclusion of the handbook review session, winners from the last race of the season in Manning, South Carolina were presented with plaques. Afterward, the 2009 overall high points winners and runners up were announced and each presented with a plaque.

Class	Winner	Runner-Up
River Racer	Braxton Fleming	Tony Brucato
Modified Production	Kam Henderson	Bryan Welch
Pro Carb	Tommy Moore	Jonathan Chavis
Lake Racer	Charlie Moore	Eddie McCracken
Pro-Gas	Rod Altman	Lee Morgan
Super Stock	Bryan Welch	Jeff Dunn
Drag King	Michael Tolley	Miller Neisler
Emissions	Greg Hayes	Glen Reynolds

At this time, it was suggested that a reorganization of the current officer structure would benefit the club. It was agreed that current Vice President titles would be eliminated and a 4 member Rules Committee should be elected. The new arrangement would continue to require a President and Secretary/Treasurer.

Upon motions, properly seconded and carried, Jeff Dunn, Bryan Welch, Tommy Dunn, and Kam Henderson were elected to serve as the Rules Committee for the 2010 term. Joe Horvath was re-elected President and Tommy Moore was re-elected Secretary/Treasurer.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Tommy Moore  
Recording Secretary