

IWSRA BOARD MEETING -- May 20, 2003

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by Jon Cole. Those in attendance were Jon & Barbara Cole, Dusty Schulz, Heidi Squier, Ron & Debbie Ayala, Wayne Bouchard, Deann Shannon, Gayle Vesely, Juli Kennedy, Bob Nixon, Randy Jarrell, Cliff Sharp, Joe Sciarra, Jeremy Orchard, Bonnie & Cheryl Ruston, Diane Saunders, Jody Campbell, Ted Hofmann, Bonnie Anderson.

SECRETARY

The minutes for the April 8, 2003 meeting were approved as written.

TREASURER

Barbara Cole provided the following Treasurer's report.

The 2003 Parker Marathon made an approximate \$7900 profit.

Roughly \$26,000 has been collected by John Towle for the US World Team Raffle.

The US World Team budget is projecting 40 team members. All team members must have \$2000 raised by July 1st (first financial deadline). If major sponsorship is secured, the team member financial requirement may be reduced.

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- Joe Sciarra has been talking to Verizon for possible major sponsorship.
- Austria and Australia have confirmed they will send teams.
- A discussion was held regarding the program. Bonnie Anderson is the committee chairman for the program. 1000 programs will be printed. Jeremy Orchard will supply the pictures. Bonnie will negotiate bids from printers. Bonnie will also work to contact the defending world champions to do a feature.
- Jody Campbell has made contact with the sports council in Long Beach. Jody is working to organize a media luncheon in mid-August at Mum's Restaurant. Select team member representatives will need to be on hand to meet with the media. An additional media reception will be organized a few days before the start of the worlds. Jody has also spoken with the Mayor of Long Beach.
- Opening ceremony will be on Friday October 10th at 4:00 PM on the Tennis Courts at the Coast Hotel. No parade will be held.
- Diane Saunders is working to organize hospitality boats for the two large courses to be run for the Tuesday and Thursday races.
- A lengthy discussion was held regarding US Team boats towing foreign skiers. Team Captain Bob Nixon will make the final decision. Jon Cole proposed to Bob that US Team boats be allowed to pull foreign skiers as long as there are adequate back up boats for US Team skiers and that no US Team boat pulls in more than two races. In 2001, US Team boats and drivers were not allowed to pull the foreign competitors. Some team members feel strongly that the US Team boats should only pull US skiers.
- Cliff Sharp volunteered to arrange for fuel service for the event. He will evaluate the various proposals. The supplier will be responsible for all necessary permits and city requirements. The same supplier will be given rights to the September Long Beach Marathons as well.
- The Coast Hotel has 150 rooms blocked for the event of which 80 have already been reserved. The Queen Mary has 100 rooms blocked and 19 are reserved.
- The first bulletin is at the printer and will be mailed out shortly.

- The channel course will be used on the weekends with the larger triangle course around the islands used during the week.
- The F2 European boats were "grandfathered" in through the 2005 World Championships. This means they can run their current set up in 2003 and 2005 but in 2007 must conform to the new rules. The revised F2 rules have been approved.

US TEAM

Jon Cole clarified that money raised above and beyond the team member obligation can not be used for associate costs and merchandise.

Dusty Schulz asked for US Team member hotel room assignments as soon as possible.

No discount on financial obligation will be given to team members to choose not to stay at the team hotel.

Only 1 merchandise order will be done. A limited amount of extra merchandise will be ordered with all sales being done through the boutique.

Bob Nixon will have team members sign team member agreements at the team meeting in June.

NEXT MEETING

June 24, 2003

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheryl Ruston
Secretary