



NRC Annual Membership Meeting – 1.25.14

The annual meeting was held at the Bridge Building in Nashville, TN. David Rowland opened the meeting at 3:45 and introduced Lisa Delaney, who asked for any remaining ballots. At that time Lisa and Thom Newman left to tally the votes.

David Rowland Provided a Recap of the Year:

1. 2 new paid coaches arrived
 - a. Eric Gehrke
 - b. Rob Kuhlman
2. Jon Miller who provided coaching in past year moved out of the city

Highlights of the Year for the Club Included:

1. The club raced in the Lake Lanier regatta
2. The club participated in the Dogwood regatta
3. The club raced at SE Regionals in Aiken, SC
4. Women's team raced at the Head of the Charles regatta in Boston
 - a. 27th of 29 in Women's Club 8+
5. The club raced at the Chattanooga Head Race – both masters and juniors
 - a. 1st of 6 in Women's Masters 8+
 - b. 1st of 13 in Women's Youth Novice 4+
 - c. 4th and 7th of 8 in Men's Masters 4+
 - d. 7th of 9 in Women's Masters 4+
 - e. 23rd of 27 in Men's Youth 4+
 - f. 1st of 2 in Men's Masters 8+
6. The club raced at the Head of the Hooch in Chattanooga – both masters and juniors
 - a. 12th and 28th of 32 in Women's Masters 8+
 - b. 58th of 66 in Men's Youth 4+
 - c. 7th and 12th of 18 in Men's Masters 8+
 - d. 28th of 70 in Women's Youth 4+
 - e. 4th out of 5 in Women's masters E-J 1x (Maggie Davidson)
 - f. 3rd out of 9 in Women's masters ltwt E-J 1x (Kren Teren)

Membership Update Provided by Eric

1. The junior program was started September 1st
2. The juniors now have ~54 families from over 10 different schools who have children participating in the juniors program

3. The masters program has ~90 members

Equipment Purchases or Replacements

1. 3 pairs of sculling oars purchased in October
2. Set of 10 sweep oars purchased in October
3. 8 ergs (5 new, 3 used) purchased in December
4. Vespoli Ultralite 4+ purchases
 - a. 1 from Columbia
 - b. 2 from Dartmouth (still in process)
 - c. 1 from Indiana University (still in process)
5. Miscellaneous training equipment purchased (spin bikes, weights)
6. Additional equipment that is planned for purchase includes a quad, doubles, and in the future an octuple

*A capital list is posted on the web site for reference

A question was raised as to why 4 boats were being purchased over 8 boats. Eric explained that 1) our worst boats right now, un-rowable in fact, are our club 4+s, and 2) the make-up of our programs, especially Juniors, requires 4+s right now

Efforts will also be made to sell some old equipment with the expectation that this will produce minimal funds due to age and equipment condition.

Goals and Vision for the Club for the Upcoming Year – Eric

1. Increase the number of regatta's that the club participates in
2. Improve the competitive racers abilities
3. Place juniors in brackets and hold local scrimmages with MBA, Rocket City, etc.
4. Tentative Spring Sprints Schedule for NRC
 - a. MBA, Rocket City RC – Saturday March 8th – Hamilton Creek Marina on Percy Priest Lake, TN **(Juniors & Masters)**
 - b. @ John Hunter Regatta & Lake Lanier Sprints – March 29th-30th – Lake Lanier, GA **(Juniors & Masters)**
 - c. @ Lake Guntersville Sprints – Saturday April 5th – Guntersville, AL **(Juniors & Masters)**
 - d. @ TBA – Saturday April 12th
 - e. @ Dogwood Regatta – Saturday April 26th – Oak Ridge, TN **(Juniors & Masters)**
 - f. @ Indianapolis High School Invite – Sunday May 4th – Indianapolis, IN **(Juniors ONLY)**
 - g. @ USRowing Southeast Youth Regionals – May 9th-11th – Oak Ridge, TN **(Juniors ONLY)**
 - h. @ USRowing Youth Nationals – June 13th-15th – Lake Natoma, CA **(Qualified boats ONLY)**
 - i. @ USRowing Southeast Masters Regionals – June 28-29th **(Masters ONLY)**

It was also noted that Masters Nationals is at Grand Rapids MI while the Youth Nationals is held in CA – participation will be dependent on funding of crews that want to go/qualify (Juniors)

It was also noted that USRowing Club Nationals is held in Camden, NJ

Treasurer Report – Don Sullivan

Don presented the treasurer’s report.

Don also stated that we are changing the accounting software to QuickBooks and that all finances will be captured and categorized and that all junior and master’s financials will be included and that going forward we will have a reporting tool that is easier to use.

Don discussed the budget providing an overview of the “preliminary” 2014 operating budget and discussed the estimated 2014 membership dues.

Clarifications were also provided regarding the benefits for sculler membership that included the use of the dock, lower regatta fees, safety, etc.

It was also noted that the clubs fiscal year is July – June.

Board Election Results – Lisa

The club had a total of 5 Board seats open that were voted on. Those included:

1. 4 seats to be filled that would have a 2-year term
2. 1 seat open for a 1- year term

There were 7 individuals on the ballot that included:

- Anne Campbell
- Jennifer Core
- Dawn Foster
- David Franklin
- Tom Padden
- Steve Patrick
- Don Sullivan

Voting results for the BOD seats included:

- Anne Campbell (2 year)
- Dawn Foster (2 year)
- David Franklin (2 year)
- Don Sullivan (2 year)
- Tom Padden (1 year)

Voting also occurred for the Masters Advisory Board as well as the Juniors Advisory Board. The following individuals were elected to each respective board:

Junior's Advisory Board

- Mike Alles
- Phil Hertik (elected Lead Chair)
- Matt Hullfish
- Bill Bayliff
- Jason Ross
- Kylene Ross

Master's Advisory Board

- Jennifer Core
- Maggie Davidson
- Dietmar Kuttelwascher
- Lynnisse Patrick
- Kren Teren (elected Lead Chair)
- Lizabeth Theiss

Each advisory board is to nominate their leader and do so prior to the BOD meeting on 1.27.14. One individual from each Advisory board will serve on the BOD.

David Rowland closed the meeting reiterating that the club had experienced phenomenal growth in 2013 that has created excitement among all membership that will continue to foster club growth and continued improvements in all member-rowing experiences.