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* PRESIDENT'S PAGE *

Thanks for electing me. Here are some of my goals for '79. Promotion of Pylon Racing--Pylon Racing is the most competitive and exciting event in model aviation, both for the competitor and the spectator. But we still must do a lot of promoting in order for the NMPRA to grow. This cannot be done by any one person. Each one of us must do whatever he can to bring new people into pylon racing and to promote the event. How??? Take someone to the next race with you. Let him help; get him involved. Think positive! Next time that someone asks you questions about racing, take the time to explain things; but don't overdo it. For example, I have heard several people go way overboard on costs. I have heard a lot of people talk like pylon racers are difficult to fly. NOT SO! And I could go on and on. Promote pylon racing in your area to local sport clubs. Try to get some of these clubs to put on races. There is no super trick to putting on a race, and the sponsoring club can fatten their treasury.

We have had some negative press in the past. Most of this is just from people who are not deeply involved in racing or people who are misinformed. Get the facts straight. Keep these people informed.

This Newsletter will contain forms for nominations for Vice President in your area. Be careful who you pick. This is a very important job. The person you elect is not just going to be sending in contest reports. He or she will be called upon to put out an extra effort this year. What they do will have an effect on pylon racing's future. Please be careful who you choose. We need no dead weight this year.

We will be working to get out at least 11 Newsletters this year. You, as members, will be kept well informed. The NMPRA is going to be very active in '79. Safety is another important item; we will be working with the A.M.A. for improved safety in '79.

In this Newsletter we are going to list officers and their duties. I hope that this will make the membership more aware of what is going on in the organization.

The NMPRA officers consist of a President, Secretary, Treasurer, Newsletter Editor, and district Vice Presidents. In addition, Quarter Midget officers consist of an Executive Vice President and district Associate Vice Presidents. The duties of each officer are as follows:

THE PRESIDENT--The President is an elected officer and is the director of the NMPRA and controls ALL of its activities.

1. Promotes R/C pylon events, and determines methods for recruiting new members.
2. Maintains close communications with AMA Headquarters.
3. Makes decisions and represents the collective views of all NMPRA members and non-members concerning ALL AMA R/C pylon racing events.
4. To implement the above, he maintains constant communication with the district Vice Presidents and the QM Executive Vice President to determine the viewpoints of each member in their area.
5. The Newsletter is the lifeline of our organization, and as such, the President will control the content. He will determine the format, opinion polls, rule proposals, and he monitors the editorial comments by members and officers.
6. Appoints special committees for studying and making recommendations on subjects such as safety procedures, and race procedures which require long term consideration.
7. Appoints the contest directors for the R/C pylon contests at the AMA NATS, and the NMPRA Championship Race.
8. Coordinates the contest site for the NMPRA Championship Race and determines the qualification requirements with the coordination of the Vice Presidents.

SECRETARY--The Secretary maintains the records of the NMPRA. He is an appointed staff-officer reporting directly to the President.

1. Receives all membership applications and maintains an accurate membership role, issues membership cards, patches and decals.
2. Collects and counts the votes for opinion polls, new rule proposals, and election of officers.
3. Collects contest results and national points from the Vice Presidents and maintains an accurate monthly status of the National Points accumulated by each member which will be reported in the Newsletter when authorized by the President.

TREASURER--The Treasurer is responsible for the financial records of the NMPRA. He is an appointed staff-officer and reports directly to the President.

1. Collects membership dues, special contributions, and maintains an accurate financial account.
2. Pays all of the expenses incurred by the NMPRA.
3. Reports the financial status of the NMPRA in the Newsletter when authorized by the President.
4. Reimburses the President for stationery, postage, and other charges. (The President is the only officer authorized for official NMPRA expense reimbursement when the budget permits.)

5. Recommends membership dues cost to the President based on projected expenses to be incurred.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR--The Newsletter Editor is responsible for publishing the monthly NMPRA News Release. He is an appointed staff-officer and reports directly to the President.

1. Collects all materials to be published in the Newsletter.
2. Composes the Newsletter and has it printed, and mails it to all members on a timely monthly basis.
3. Writes editorials pertaining to Newsletter business. In addition, he can write editorials concerning racing procedures, problems as ascertained from contest reports when authorized by the President.
4. Publishes new product reports, design and construction ideas.

QM EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT--This officer is responsible for the Quarter Midget activities. He is an elected staff-officer and reports directly to the President. The purpose of this office is to preserve the intent of this event as originally conceived.

1. Makes recommendations to the President concerning the conduct of this event and rule proposals.
2. Selects nominations for district Associate Vice Presidents and runs elections for these officers as required.
3. Appoints the contest director, and coordinates the contest site for the NMPRA QM Championship Race.
4. Determines qualification requirements for the QM Championship Race.
5. Maintains constant contact with the Associate V.P.'s, NMPRA members and non-members to determine race procedure and rule changes.
6. Authorizes and makes recommendations to the President on the content of QM activities to be reported in the Newsletter.

VICE PRESIDENT--The Vice President is an elected officer from each of the NMPRA districts, and he will report directly to the President.

1. Determines the views of district members on rule proposals, race procedures, safety, NMPRA Championship Race sites and reports results to the President.
2. Determines special district rules concerning conduct of racing events.
3. Coordinates race dates and publishes them in the Newsletter.
4. Responsible for reporting each race in his district for publication in the Newsletter.
5. Records the NMPRA Championship points of each district member for each race. He maintains an accurate point accumulation for district members and publishes it in the Newsletter on a timely basis. (National Points are based on a formula contained in the February 1, 1972 NMPRA News Release.)
6. Comments on editorials from district members, and reports to the President if these editorials are the majority of his district; or, if they are only one man's opinion.

QM ASSOCIATE VICE PRESIDENT--The QM Associate Vice President is an elected officer and reports to the QM Executive Vice President.

1. Same duties as Vice President, but reports results to the QM Executive Vice President.
2. Organizes all Quarter Midget activities in his district.

Your Treasurer, Ed Rankin; Newsletter Editor, Art Arro and I have been trying to figure out how to run this organization without a dues increase. An active organization must have some support. We have not had a dues increase since 1971. We all know what has happened to our economy since then. Postage and printing costs have almost doubled. It doesn't cost anything to do nothing. We intend to be very active this year. The '79 dues will be \$13.00. This is not much of an increase when you think of how things have gone up. In 1971, a glow plug cost 49¢ each--now some are almost \$2.00 each.

Let's work together to make this a great year for the NMPRA and Pylon Racing!

Bill Hager, President

**** ELECTION RESULTS FOR 1979 ****

NMPRA President - Bill Hager

QM Executive Vice President - Gail Jacobson

Vice Presidents - Formula I

South West District - Gary McPike

South Central West - Ed Rankin

South Central East - Bill Williamson

Associate Vice Presidents - QM

North West District - Vince Caluori

South West District - Bob Gillespie

South Central West District - K.K. McClure

South Central East District - Greg Doe

North Central East District - John Kilsdonk

North East District - Len Wiederhoeft

Addresses of these officers will be listed in following News Releases. Meanwhile, nominations are open for Vice President in the following districts: North East, North Central East, North West, Canada and Mexico. Nomination forms are included at the end of this issue and candidate names should be sent to Bill Hager ASAP. Elections will be held in February and we should have our complete officer staff by March 1979. Read the functions and responsibilities of these officers in the President's Page and choose your person wisely.

**** FLASH ****

The AMA Nationals will be held in Lincoln, NB from July 29 to August 5. Gary McPike attended the NATS Planning meeting on January 6, 1979. He reports that the R/C Pylon Schedule is from 7 AM to 1 PM, Monday thru Saturday. Trophies will be awarded to the top 10 places plus Best Jr. and Sr. In addition, two sponsor-provided trophies will go to the Best Scale and Fast Time winners. Heat racing will determine the winner in each event.

As of the meeting slotted pipes are required in QM; but voice or write your opinions on this to AMA Hq.

We should all thank Gary for taking the time and effort to represent the NMPRA at this vital NATS Planning meeting. His action secured 36 racing hours and 12 trophies for R/C Pylon at Lincoln. Thanks, Gary.

SCW DISTRICT NEWS AND RACE SCHEDULE

submitted by Ed Rankin, SCW-VP

The SCW district enjoyed increased interest in Formula I and Quickie 500 in 1978 with 9 races flown. This year promises to be even bigger with 10 races already scheduled and many new racing pilots. The schedule as of this writing is as follows:

DATE	LOCATION	EVENTS
✓ March 18 April 21-22	Houston Oklahoma City, OK	Q-500 Quarter Midget; Formula I
✓ May 5-6	Dallas, TX	Quickie 500; Formula I
✓ May 26-27 May 26-27	Dallas, TX - AUSTIN	Quickie 500; Formula I
✓ June 9-10	Oklahoma City, OK	Quarter Midget; Formula I
✓ June 23-24	Fort Worth, TX	Quickie 500; Formula I
July 22	Dallas, TX	Quickie 500
August 18-19	Oklahoma City, OK	Quarter Midget; Formula I
September 1-3	Dallas, TX	Quickie 500; Formula I
September 15-16	Oklahoma City, OK	Formula I both days
September 29-30	Fort Worth, TX	Quickie 500; Formula I

Dick Kitch
713-729-3446

Please refer to AMA Calendar of Events for further information regarding the C.D. and site location.

1978 NATIONAL POINT STANDINGS - FORMULA I

FINAL VERSION	POINTS	FINAL VERSION	POINTS
1. Tom Christopher	609.7	6. Tom Castellano	541.2
2. Dave Shadel	598.0	7. Bob Smith	535.3
3. Bill Pries	588.3	8. Ed Allen	530.9
4. Dennis O'Brien	561.2	9. Gary Hoover	529.9
5. Pete Reed	560.8	10. Bill Hager	507.3

***** THE LAST LAP *****

Greetings, fellow racers. As your new NMPRA News Release Editor, I wish to state that we all face a very important year in regards to pylon racing. In this, our 15th year of the organization, Bill has set forth several personal goals which will require the best efforts of everyone connected with the organization.

Bill wishes to promote pylon racing by emphasizing the positive aspects of the sport. In the past, there has been some "bad press" and dissension among various factions which has only hurt us in the eyes of the AMA, manufacturer sponsors, and other modelers. Racing is racing whether it be Formula I, Half-A, Quarter Midget, Quickie or even Quarter Scale. As Editor, I plan to print all inputs which serve to promote pylon racing without regard to any factions. Also, all copy will be personally reviewed by Bill Hager and he has final say-so on what is published. Bill is a very fair individual with the best interests of pylon racing governing his decisions.

Safety is VERY important in 1979! A Safety Committee consisting of Bill Hager, Ed Rankin and myself has been appointed to study all aspects of R/C pylon racing and make safety recommendations to the AMA. The Committee needs your assistance in providing the best inputs which will effect the future of our sport. Race procedures,

safety inspections, pylon/barrier design are specific topics which we welcome your views. This is foremost and the Committee recommendations are due to the AMA by March 31, 1979. In addition to submitting inputs, each one of us can take measures to insure safe racing during the upcoming season. Radio systems should be checked out thoroughly, as well as inspecting our planes for structural integrity. Many of us are currently in the building stages and we should pay extra attention to wing skinning, panel joining and control surface hinging. Any suspect aircraft should be repaired or retired from racing.

I would appreciate member inputs regarding racing activities. Subjects to write upon include building techniques, prop rework, engine tips, race procedures including computerized matrixes, electronic lap counters/timers, etc. Local Circuit Newsletters contain a wealth of information worth disseminating and are most welcome. Send what you have and we will print whatever is pertinent, giving full credit to the author. If you are a manufacturer, please send a typed description of your product including price and availability for a new product release column.

Race schedules for the upcoming season should be forwarded to me ASAP. I need date, location, event and the C.D.'s name and phone number as a minimum. The SCW schedule has been received and is printed elsewhere in this issue.

Remember that the News Release is the lifeline of the organization and that communication is a two-way street. The officers are concerned about pylon racing and can best serve the membership when their views are made known.

In closing, I feel that 1979 will be a decisive year for the NMPRA and will reflect the sum of our collective efforts in being the best ever.

Yours in racing,

Art Arro

P.S. Remember to submit nominations for your district Vice President and pay your 1979 dues. Forms and applications are enclosed on the last page of this News Release. Send both to Bill Hager -- Do it Today!

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 - S.T. X-40 Drive Washer Puller..... 10.00
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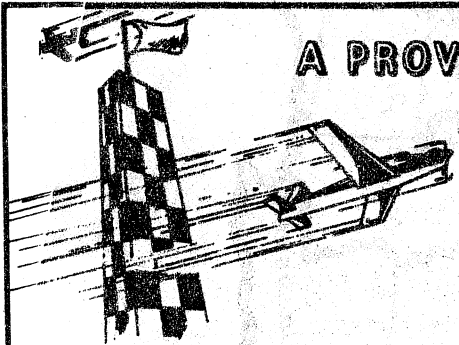


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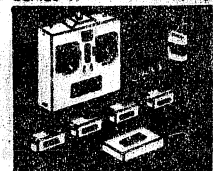
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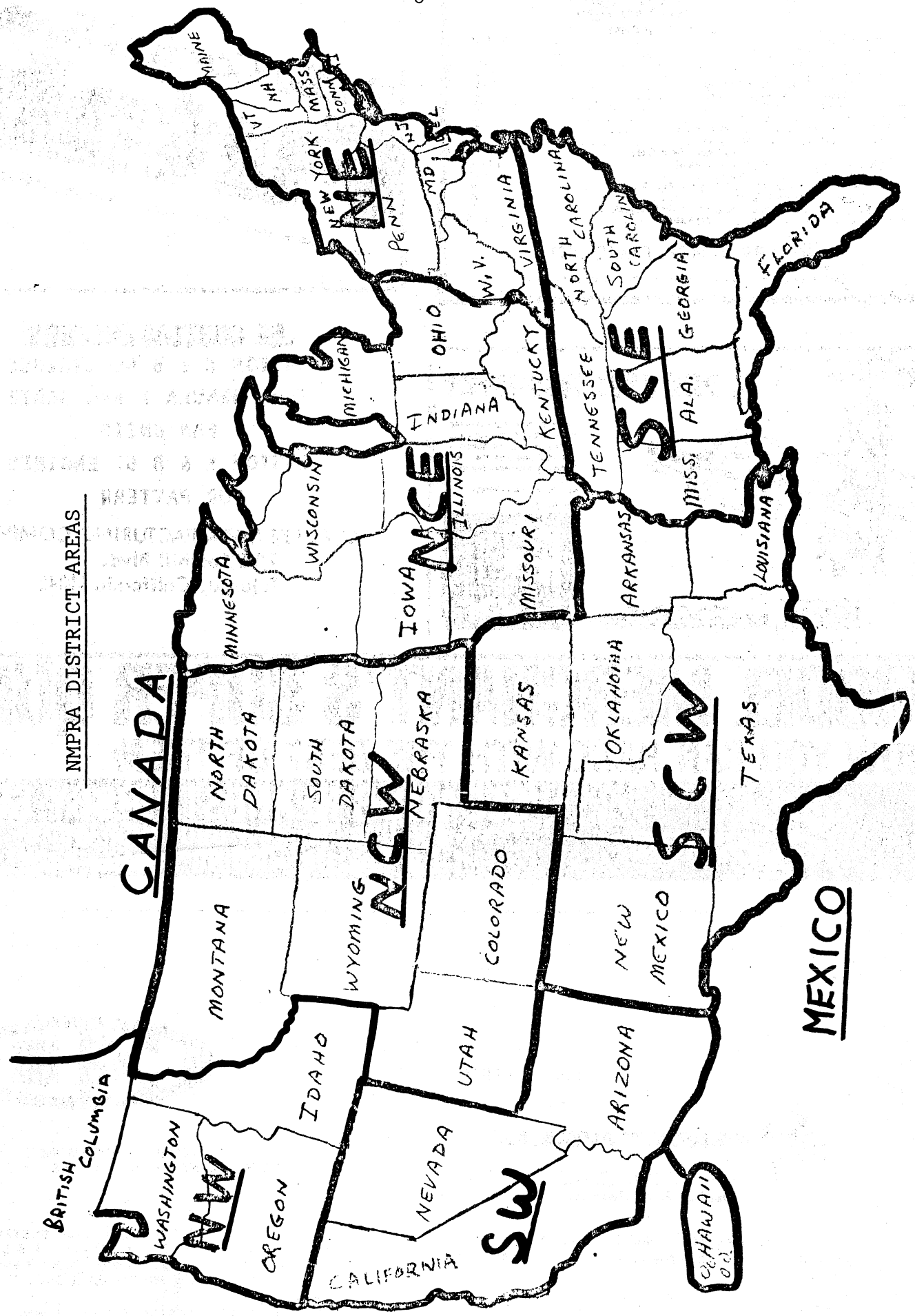
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VICE PRESIDENT NOMINATION FORM

DUTIES: Outlined in President's Page

North East District: _____

North Central East District: _____

North West District: _____

Canada District: _____

Mexico District: _____

Deadline for nominations is February 15, 1979. Send to: Bill Hager; 5200 Rye Dr.; Dayton OH 45424. DO IT TODAY!

1979 NMPRA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Name: _____ Phone: () _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

NEW MEMBER _____ RENEWAL _____ 1978 NMPRA NO. _____

RACING INTEREST - FORMULA I _____ QM _____ BOTH _____

COMPETE IN 1978? - FORMULA I _____ QM _____ BOTH _____

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