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National Presidents Report 2010

The short period I have been President has been both tremendous and difficult. I took it on because I felt that I may be able to contribute to the Association and that it might be an extension of the fun I have in this class, also because I felt it was "Our Turn" especially as we would be running the next National Titles in the ACT. I had some great support and encouragement from Mike Hitchens (who had suggested I consider it and that he would stand as the Secretary/Treasurer).

I took on the position of National President knowing that I needed to become informed of the National Association business and then let our sailing community know and understand what was going on.

As I have grown into this position I see more that my main task in the longer term is to acquire information and distribute it to the members. By this I would hope that many more sailors take an interest and become involved in the running of the association. That will make the workload lighter and less arduous and more fun. I think also that our task as a committee is to make sure the "Corporate Knowledge" of the association is passed on to the future committees and not lost.

The main issues we have dealt with and they will be ongoing are

- Website
- Forum
- Distribution of information
- Insurance of boats
- Getting ready for Nationals
- MG liaison
- Victoria rejoins
- The Yearbook/Bulletin

I hope to continue to keep open the channels of dialogue between the State Associations, and I feel that this meeting style through emails is working well. I think we are working well at getting a consensus of opinion rather than a majority. I will also be happy to talk on the phone as we already have, and hope through travel to catch up with a few of you.

See you at the Nationals in Canberra

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