



Pacific Coast
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Fall 2012 AGM and Convention Recap

For those of you that were unable to attend and perhaps, for those of you who cannot remember some of the events, here is a brief recap of the PCWHDA Annual Meeting and Convention at the beautiful, just renovated, **JW Marriott Desert Springs Resort and Spa**.

The first event was the **Presidents Cocktail Reception** at the Rockwood Grill Patio Friday evening at 7:30 PM. Everyone enjoyed a relaxed evening of conversation, appetizers and refreshments with their fellow members and spouses around the brand new fire pits on the patio. Adding to the excitement was watching the fire pits lit for the very first time, some not so brave members chose to step back to avoid any potential blast.



Saturday morning was set aside for free time and for the **Tennis Tournament**. Thank you to the Frosts for organizing the friendly game. I am told there was only one minor injury and that it was completely accidental. Those not playing tennis enjoyed the resort grounds and a leisurely breakfast and lunch before the afternoon business meeting.



The **Business Meeting** was held in the Rockwood Grill Wood Room at 1:30 Saturday afternoon; here the necessary business of the association was dealt with for another year. The finances were reviewed, minutes were approved, directors and committees were filled and direction was set for the following year. Please have a look at the AGM minutes sent out earlier for a complete account of the meeting.



After the business meeting, the **Annual Regatta** between the North and South took place on the resort lagoon. Six radio controlled boats were hired, teams were named and Randy Porter agreed to serve as Regatta Commodore. The first boat to complete 2 trips around the lagoon and then dock in the slip on the lighthouse island would be the winner. It is said that “a ship in the harbour is safe, but that is not what ships are built for”; apparently Doug Madsen did not get the message as he was unable to free his boat from the dock for the duration of the regatta. Demonstrating true sportsmanship, he blamed his equipment for this failure. For the record, Colin Reimer was the winner and the North took the coveted regatta trophy for the second consecutive event.





On Saturday evening, members and spouses gathered at the Rockwood Grill Wood Room for the **Banquet and Social**. We had a great dinner, followed by drinks and conversation outside around the fire pits. Kim Frost serenaded us with some lively ukulele numbers and Jim Price, assisted by Randy Porter, regaled us with the annual resolutions committee report.

At some point Jim Frost noticed the round tables we had used for dinner and pronounced, “What good are round tables without poker!” A spirited but friendly **poker game** then took place, as far as we know, no one lost their business.



As the evening came to a close, the group photo was taken and Colin Reimer, as President, offered a few closing remarks and announced that the 2013 PCWHDA AGM and Convention will be held in conjunction with the AWFS in Las Vegas in July of 2013. As attendance was a bit low this year, everyone is encouraged to do their very best to support the PCWHDA by attending next year’s festivities.



PCWHDA Group Photo Palm Springs 2012



Back Row:

Jim Frost, Randy Porter, Doug Madsen, Lance Blanco, Jim Cadwell, Jim Price, Colin Reimer, Jeff Wirkkala, Chip Spellman

Front Row:

Kim Frost, Marty Porter, Chris Madsen, Teresa Blanco, Shirley Cadwell, Samantha Cadwell, Sharon Reimer, Jaynie Wirkkala