

## **NB 2.1**

### **Article II Membership/Dues Increase – Business Committee *Gary Kincel***

#### **Current**

JCNA Dues are currently \$22 per membership.

#### **Proposed**

Note: the following was posted on the JCNA web site, January Perspective by President Dick Maury

The JCNA board of directors proposes a necessary dues increase of \$8.00 per year, not to be effective until the 2013 year. The proposed increase is just an additional \$.75 per month per household. If adopted, this increase in dues income should allow the JCNA to be on a better financial footing after a few years. For their dues, members will still be getting a real bargain in terms of benefits received and we should be able to offer more benefits without having to find new ways of funding. There was a \$2.00 dues increase a few years ago but it seemed to be a band-aid, only delaying the inevitable of a proper dues increase.

The yearly benefit of membership can be approximated by dividing expenses by the membership number. At this time, it comes to \$54.50 per member. The JCNA receives \$22.00 per member per year. The rest of your yearly dues goes to your local club. As can be seen, JCNA members and clubs are getting a great deal of benefit from what is being paid into the JCNA.

Please think about this and how the future of the club will be affected. Let your delegates to the AGM know what you think too, as this will be discussed and voted on at the AGM. There is no reason that the club cannot grow and still be efficient in its operations.

Standard business guidelines for Not-For-Profit organizations is to keep one year's worth of operating expenses in reserve. For 2010 the net loss was \$45,000.