

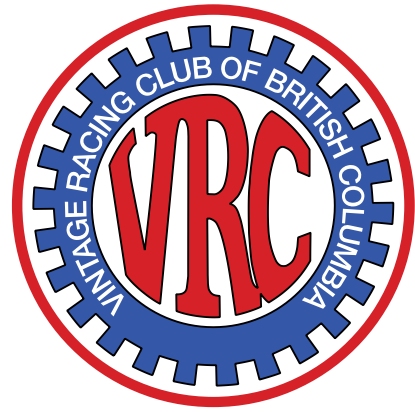
Vintage Racing Club of BC

Meeting Minutes

February 16, 2021

Called to order; 1902 HRS

Virtual Meeting via ZOOM



Executive present;

- President, Mike Zbarsky
- Vice President, Mike Bailey
- Treasurer, Gayle Baird
- Secretary, Peter Valkenburg
- Director at Large, Alan Donaldson

Regrets; Stanton Guy, Ian Wood, John Elliott

Guest; Chris Swinwood of GT Race Experience

Executive & Members present: 16

Guest Speaker

Mr. Chris Swinwood provided us an overview of his GT Race Experience operation (www.gtrace.ca). They are in the 9th year, holding timed and lapping day style of events, scheduled mid- week and participants can use provided cars or their own daily driver. To date 6 events are planned for midweek usually between 1700-1900 hours. Chris stressed that these are “no contact” events. Comradery and friendly racing all for \$250 to 300.00 per date. Chris also noted they are looking for coaches, these are paid positions.

Prior Minutes

Minutes of January 19, 2021 meeting presented (also posted on web site).

Motion to approve; Mike Bailey, seconded by Gayle Baird, carried

President's Report

Mike Zbarsky thanked the organizers of the recent combined VRCBC/META GALA. Well done!!! He continued with the following items;

- A recent call to Andy Collins of SOVREN confirmed the desire to continue working together to support events on either side of the border.
- Recent meeting with the Women in Motorsport (W.I.M.) group was a positive experience, Mike noted many “keeners” present, looking for positive contributions to the sport. Of interest was an observation that noted the question, do we need to promote ‘what was WESTWOOD?’ seems it’s not that important to the next generations..... FYI, eligibility is now 1996, could we see Camrys on track!
- Mike had a chance to connect with AREA 27. There is high interest in an early October 3-day event, hosted by Area 27, promoting a “premier event” based on select racing cars. A 100 car limit noted but classes planned for open wheel and a variety of closed wheel. Let Mike know if you are interested in attending.
- Dennis Repel confirmed he has been working privately with AREA 27 to provide vintage knowledge, as AREA 27 staff have little. AREA 27 did receive FIA Group 3 credentials. FYI, you too can book the track for \$18K per day.

Vice President's Report

Mike Bailey has been attending Zoom seminars put on by MotorsportReg (MSR) to improve his knowledge of MSR.

Treasurer's Report

Gayle Baird submitted the following and provided a written report.

As of today, we have \$31,298.40 in the bank. Last year at this time we had \$28,047.12.

Recent financial transactions were income from Membership Dues and expenses of bank service charges.

Membership Report

Mike Bailey submitted that we have 75 members YTD comprised of;

- New - 3
- Life members – 6
- Regular members – 37

- Family members – 20
- Gold – 4
- Bronze – 4
- Honorary – 1

Membership for 2021 is \$70.00 (\$80.00 for Family) to be submitted via MotorsportReg.com or mailed with full application form attached. Information is on the VRCBC web site.

Director at Large Report

Alan Donaldson reported he was focusing on recent Survey results.

CACC Vintage Discipline

No report from John Elliott.

CACC has still not affiliated with the new ASN. John will be following up and reporting.

The value of holding Vintage and/or Race licences was discussed. The main reason is collecting points under either licence. To collect REVS points, you must have a Vintage Licence. To collect Championship points, you need a Race Licence. John Elliott and Alan Donaldson will be following this up and report back.

SCCBC Update

Keith Robinson is now VP Track Operations, with Laurie Kaerne as the new President.

Keith reported there still are issues with permits from the District of Mission for the new shipping container buildings.

Driver training is planned for March 27-28 and will likely maintain lead/follow style due to COVID protocol.

First race weekend and REVS is April 17-18.

META Update

Mike Bailey provided no report of than that there is no ice racing.

BCHMR

No report

Old Business

Survey Update: Based on the second round of survey Patrick Stewart summarized the following.

- Of the past participants and members reached out to, 31% responded. This is considered by survey experts to be an excellent return. The 3 main areas questioned were the historic race event, organization of the Club and demographics.
- Responses are very positive in that they provide lots of valuable data that can be used to set a path forward. Focus will be to summarize the results and provide the executive with a document which can be used to set goals and objectives for the future of the Club.
- Mike Zbarsky has delegated himself and our Director at Large, Alan Donaldson and hopefully Karlo Flores to develop a Competition Committee. Research and recommendations being called for.
- Discussion on sharing membership lists not recommended due to privacy rules. We offer access to our web site for previous minutes but membership lists are not accessible.
- Further discussion on using our historical list of current and past members, previous event attendees to survey them or update them. This list is near 370 emails. Thoughts were that using Survey Monkey may be a better tool than a blast email.
- Mike Bailey tabled the need for bronze and silver memberships in addition to our current gold level. He was asked to prepare a proposal and present in the future. It would require a Bylaw change.
- Patrick Stewart tabled the need to have “a proper list of motorsport sponsors” that we can promote on our website and that members could receive discounts from. Seemed a great idea but not sure what’s next.

New Business

- Mike Zbarsky shared that he has scheduled an executive meeting with the team, for Wednesday, February 17 for the purpose of mapping out a list of Club initiative/requirements and establishing levels of priority.
- Alan Donaldson and Mike Bailey will be providing a document for use as our Privacy Policy.

Upcoming Meetings/Events

- VRCBC Meeting March 16, 2021 1900 HRS, via ZOOM
- REVS Number ONE, April 18, 2021, Mission Raceway Park.

For Sale

- Check VRCBC web site for recent sale items.
- Phil Roney is looking for a “new to him” race car, leads welcome.

- Steve Anthonson still has his 1997 Tiburon for sale
- Roger's Mazda RX7 racer is for sale and he has 510 parts
- Stan says Janet's race gear is for sale
- Mike has Alfa rims for sale
- Paul Haym has Club windshield banners for sale
- Ian Wood has stock of 2019 BCHMR shirts for sale
- Al Reid still has a MGB and Pontiac GT race cars for sale
- The Zbarsky's have a championship winning 1958 MGA Twin Cam coupe race car for sale, contact them if interested.

Good and Welfare

- Al Ores was in the hospital due to a high blood pressure issue. We wish him well.
- Laurie Gray passed on recently. He raced a Corvette Sting Ray.

Meeting Adjourned

With no further business, at 8:32 PM, Mike Zbarsky moved that the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Mike Bailey.

Next meeting

The next regular monthly meeting will be held via ZOOM on Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at 1900 HRS.