

Minutes

Purpose: Regular Meeting

Date & Time: May 17, 2011; called to order at 20:03; adjourned at 21:05

Location: Burnaby Athletic Club

Attendance:

Stan Guy
Dennis Repel
Bruce Jamieson
Mark Brown
Jim Latham
Tom Johnston
Tedd McHenry
and members

Regrets: Al Harvey; Mike Tate

Guests: Ivan Lessner brought a guest from Germany



Prior Minutes

Minutes of the previous meeting were distributed. Tom Johnston moved that they be accepted. Leigh Anderson seconded. The motion was carried.

President's Report (Stan)

Stan regaled us with tales of his trip to Monte Carlo. Though much less interesting, he also filled us in on the status of the following items.

- HMR: Stan is working with Tom and the rest of the HMR committee to ensure a successful event. Progress is on track (see Tom's report, below).
- REVS: Stan apologized for not having the final details of the REVS series on the web site yet, and promised to post them as soon as he can. He also asked members to advise him of any out-of-date information they notice on the web site, so that he can correct it.
- Decals: We have plenty of the new, large VRC decals and are encouraging members to put them on their cars.
- Discount cars: NAACC cards for discounts at Lordco are available.
- Rules process: We will be ramping up discussion on the vintage competition regulations and the eligibility rules beginning right after the HMR.

Vice President's Report (Dennis)

Dennis reported on Stan's "senior moments" during the previous weekend's races. They were many, and most amusing.

Dennis also reported on some of the effect that the tsunami in Japan is having on the auto industry. For example, Toyota lost an engine plant due to radioactivity. We can expect parts shortages (and probably some effect on prices) for quite a while.

Treasurer's Report (Bruce)

We have approximately \$15,000 in the bank account, and no liabilities. Because we have pre-paid as many HMR expenses as we can, the "war chest" is depleted, but probably as much as it will be.

Regalia Report (Bruce)

We're not going to order any more regalia with the year on it, as that makes any left-over regalia less desirable. Left over 2010 regalia will be sold at the HMR at discounted prices, and lots of it will be put into the driver's packages.

Membership Report (Stan)

We have 110 members as of tonight, which compares with 111 members at this time last year. There have been three renewals since the last meeting, and no new members.

Competition Director Report (Stan for Al)

Various lies about the weekend were related.

CACC Vintage Discipline Report (Mark)

There is no official word yet on whether alternative HANS-type devices will be allowed.

Mark has discussed the chassis plate and log book issue with Jim Kurtz. Jim will scan a CACC chassis plate for Mark, so that he can have vintage plates made in the same format. Once a car has a chassis plate it will be possible to get a CACC log book for it.

Dennis reminded members that drivers with a vintage license really need to have a driver's log book so that they can record the events they compete in. CACC doesn't automatically have a competition record for you unless you have a race license.

SCCBC Report (Stan)

- SCCBC has decided that, although the official name of the track remains Mission Raceway Park Road Course, the name “River’s Edge” will be allowed for informal use. They will issue some guidelines on the use of the names.
- The Ridge Motorsports Park, a new track near Shelton, WA, is progressing well.
- There has been some discussion of joint races with the SCCA.
- Driver training entries are available online.
- CCGP
 - The committee has been formed and the plan has gone to SCCBC
 - There will be a big FV race
 - There will be no big-screen TV
 - Stan agreed to the VRC handing out CCGP fliers at the HMR
- Annual paddock reservations: If you have one you still need to confirm your reservation before each event. Two missed confirmations will result in the loss of your reservation.
- Late fees: There were \$2,000 in late fees collected at the May race. SCCBC advises competitors to enter all the races the plan to go to ahead of time, and reminds us that there are no cancellation fees.

BCHMR Report (Tom)

Tom reported that items on the planning document are mostly complete now, with the remaining issues being things that can only be determined between now and the event (radio advertising, regional advertising, and so on). The program is starting to come together.

The honoured guest at this year’s HMR will be Bill Sadler.

Tom also relayed to the membership the sad news that Pete Lovely died the previous Saturday at the age of 85. Pete had 11 F1 starts, competed at Le Mans, and was probably the most famous road racer from this part of the world. The VRC will have some kind of recognition of Pete, in the form of a memorial award or other appropriate means.

Tom also asked for any members who are not competing at the HMR to please come and help out.

Old Business

- The Tradex event went well. The joint VRC/SCCBC display won third in the display category.
- The ABFM is this coming weekend. VRC will have a booth near the gate.
- Track PA upgrade: We (VRC) have an outstanding request from SCCBC to take care of that.

New Business

- Bruce is planning another work day at the track, to coincide with NHRA drag races.
- Ian Wood announced his bicycle ride for cancer, which is a very ambitious two-day, 200-km ride. Tom Johntson moved that VRC donate \$100 in support of Ian's ride. The motion was seconded by Wes Stinson and carried by the membership.

Next Meeting

The June meeting will be at the Burnaby Athletic Club. The July meeting will be a the Ian Newby collection in Aldergove. Ian Wood proposed that a meeting be held at the F440 track in Tsawwassen, and that is under consideration for the August meeting.

For Sale

Various items.

Good and Welfare

Various items.