

# Minutes

Purpose: Regular Meeting

Date & Time: September 20, 2011; called to order at 20:33; adjourned at 21:35

Location: International Movie Services

Attendance: Stan Guy, Al Harvey, Jim Latham, Bruce Jamieson, Dennis Repel, Tedd McHenry and members

Regrets: Tom Johnston

Guests & New Members: Malcolm Muir, Angus Glass, John Atkins



## ***Prior Minutes***

Motion to accept by Jim Latham; seconded by Robert Barg; passed.

## ***President's Report (Stan)***

Stan presented a gift to Ian Newby of International Movie Services, in appreciation of the very interesting tour he provided us.

Stan updated the members on the club's finances, post HMR. The general accounting philosophy is for the HMR and normal club operations to each be self-sustaining, with cross-subsidization where necessary. We lost money on this year's HMR, so the plan for next year is to reduce expenses by also focus on keeping it a fun event for entrants, as that is regarded as a strength.

We are working toward the 2012 rules, which is in two phases: CACC Vintage Competition rules; and vehicle eligibility, which is controlled by the VRCBC.

Stan also gave an update on the VRCBC web site, and invited members to send pictures and stories, which he will be happy to add to the site.

## ***Vice President's Report (Dennis)***

The CCGP organizers were very happy with our entries at their event. We're working to ensure a good turnout at the final even of the year, as well. So far we have eight entries. Dennis reminded members that, under the current system of registration, there is no reason at all not to enter an event early. There is no penalty for withdrawal, and it avoids late entry fees. Organizers hate to see entrants paying late entry fees unnecessarily.

## ***Treasurer's Report (Bruce)***

The executive will be creating a business plan over the next couple of months.

Regalia: We have lots of T-shirts we'd like to turn into cash; let him know if you want one.

## ***Membership Report (Stan)***

We have 123 members as of tonight – 115 regular members and 9 life or honorary members. Five new members since last meeting.

## ***Competition Director Report (AI)***

It has been a good, clean season so far, and we hope to keep it that way for the last event. We have eight entries so far for the October event (at least three more committed verbally at the meeting).

## ***CACC Vintage Discipline Report (Stan)***

The AGM and rules meeting is November 20. Nothing new to report regarding HANS devices.

## ***SCCBC Report (Stan)***

The last Conference weekend had 160+ entries and went very well. Track rentals in general were down this year, with some cancellations. There will be a new track sweeper for the next race. Some renovations are planned, including a possible expansion of the pre-grid area and new concrete from Turn 3 to Turn 7. The SCCBC awards banquet is November 5. At the last meeting they have trouble getting quorum, so they are surveying members to try to improve attendance.

## ***Old Business***

Al Reid is planning the trip to the Le May museum. Details to follow by email.

## ***New Business***

None.

## ***BCHMR Report (Stan for Tom)***

The objective for next year will be to break even financially without losing the “ambiance” of the event. The date may change. We may also try a format change of a two-day event, with combined practice/qualifying sessions on the Saturday. We will try to reduce cash outlays so that the number of entrants required for break-even is lower than in the past.

Vintage entry levels are plummeting everywhere on the west coast. U.S. entrants at the BCHMR are dwindling, even though our event compares favourably with other events by other measures. Calgary will be without a race track next year, so we are working with them to attract entrants from the area to the BCHMR.

An August date might work better for us, because of conflicts between the current date and U.S. Events.

## ***Next Meeting***

The October meeting will likely be at the Burnaby clubhouse.

## ***Good and Welfare***

Leigh Anderson gave a report on the Portland event. Formula Ford was the featured class. They had 115 entries but it looked as though fewer than that were actually there. SOVREN is economizing, too; for example, they had no goody bag.

Al Reid gave a report on the Fall Finale at Seattle. The car count was way down. They provided free parking and admission for spectators.