# Vintage Racing Club of BC Minutes

September 15, 2015

1928 HRS

Burnaby Lake Rugby Club

#### Directors Present;

- Tedd McHenry, President
- Gayle Baird, Treasurer
- Peter Valkenburg, Secretary
- Dennis Repel, Competition
- Mike Bailey, Membership
- Tom Johnston, BCHMR

#### Regrets

- Jorge Montesi, CACC Discipline Director
- Paul Haym, Vice President

Board & Members Present: 19

- New members;
  - o Greg Cavauras '91 Mustang
  - o Mike McCreary Mustang

#### **Prior Minutes**

Minutes of August 18, 2015 presented,

Motion to approve, Tom Johnston

Seconded, Mike Bailey

Motion carried.

# President's Report

Tedd welcomed members and commented on:

- The reasonable success of the August BCHMR, full report pending.
- Wes is organizing for our October meeting to be held in Abbotsford, viewing a private collection of interesting cars, stay tuned.



Official announcement confirming the Annual (November) Banquet is pending. Organizers will be looking for everyone's RSVPs.

#### Vice President's Report

None submitted.

#### Treasurer's Report

Written report submitted. We are still in a positive position;

- Sponsors and advertisers having carried us through our August BCHMR, netting us a final net loss of \$5016.22
- Our current Club bank balance is \$15,988.41.

#### Membership Report

Mike advised we have 95 members total. Our membership at this date in 2014 was 79, so growth has resulted from our efforts.

#### Competition Director's Report

Dennis asked Hugh Archer to comment on the several incidents that occurred during the closed wheel sessions of our recent BCHMR.

Hugh commented that "too many incidents occurred resulting in damage to vehicles" and thankfully no one was hurt. These "actionable incidents" are under review and investigation, with an expectation that some form of discipline will result.

The dialogue that followed Hugh's comments resulted in the following discussion;

- Is an "aggressive behavior" developing, as it appears that over the past several events we have seen a significant increase in incidents and damage?
- How do we nurture a shift in attitude? We have a history of clean, fun racing with very few incidents, how is this change in attitude developed going forward?
- As we have moved to increase membership and participation through the change in eligibility rules we are now seeing more entry level cars with low dollar values. Is it reasonable to assume that with this lower price of entry, drivers are less concerned if their actions on the track result in damage to a fellow racers car?
- Are the increasing values in certain vintage racing cars getting to a point where drivers of these will no longer wish to enter sessions where entry valued cars and new drivers share the track?

### **CACC Vintage Discipline**

Dennis reported on behalf of Jorge;

- Need entrants for October 11, our final Fall event.
- Jorge is stepping down as Vintage Discipline Director, any volunteers?

#### SCCBC Update

SCCBC will not have Labour Day weekend for the Conference race in 2016 because every 5<sup>th</sup> year B.C. Custom Car uses that weekend for one of their large events. This may impact our selection of dates for the BCHMR.

#### **BCHMR**

Tom reported the following;

- Entry was down this year netting a financial loss, as reported by the Treasurer.
- Gate proceeds were reassuring, spectators came to see some great racing and wonderful cars.
- Need to consider how do we increase entries for next year's event? Both U.S. and Canadian entrants have been dropping each year.
- Is there sufficient value and return in maintaining a practice day? It costs us approximately \$6K for this day, could this be a savings?

# **Old Business**

No items for discussion

# **New Business**

No new business.

# **Upcoming Events**

Planning underway for the upcoming Gala event, stay tuned.

CACC/Vintage race October 11 at, Mission.

Tom is offering everything he owns, for sale.

# **Good and Welfare**

Check out our Web site for recent news on Alan McColl's and Doug Floer's exploits at the Targa Newfoundland.

# **Next Meeting**

Tuesday October 20, 2015

7:30 PM

Secret location in Abbotsford

# Meeting Adjourned

09: 07 PM, Motion tabled by Tom Johnston, seconded by Stan Guy.

