



Minutes

Purpose: Regular Meeting; AGM (recorded separately)

Date & Time: January 15, 2013; called to order at 19:22; adjourned at 21:18 (including AGM)

Location: Burnaby Athletic Club

Attendance: Stan Guy, Dennis Repel, Glenn Taylor, Al Harvey, Tedd McHenry, Jim Latham, and members

Regrets: none

Refer to the 2012 AGM minutes for reports from the VP, Treasurer, Membership Director, and Race Director.

Prior Minutes

Minutes from the November meeting were presented.

- Motion to accept: Jim Latham
- Seconded: Paul Haym
- Carried by the members present

President (Stan)

Since the last meeting, the main event has been the Gala. Another important event was the SOVREN banquet, at which Stan presented a plaque to Judy & Dick Buckingham for their outstanding service to VRCBC over the years. Stan thanked Leigh Anderson for providing the background information and Bruce Jamieson for arranging the plaque.

CACC Vintage Discipline (Stan for Mark)

The CACC AGM was held last November. Mark Brown was re-elected as the Vintage Discipline Director.

SCCBC (Stan)

Track improvements are ongoing. They are looking for volunteers, as always.

- Drainage improvements
- Clubhouse power upgrades
- May remove west grandstand
- New scales and improvements to the Tech Area
- New concrete blocks

Al Harvey also noted that they are considering installing a proper washroom. There will be an additional charge on track rental to cover the cost. Also, Tire Clinic will provide mounting and balancing services at the track.

BCHMR (Tom)

This year's BCHMR will be on the May 25-26 weekend, which is Memorial Day weekend in the U.S. This is much earlier than last year, which automatically puts us behind schedule. But planning is already underway.

Race Schedule

There may or may not be a track event on the Friday. Test days don't seem to make money. One option is to invite Time Attack to participate on the Friday.

We are investigating a Formula Ford main event, to replace the Formula Vee event from last year. We will not be able to hold the main FV event that we held last year, but a smaller FV event may still be possible. Hagerty insurance may provide some financial support.

Social Schedule

There will be a Westwood Reunion 'welcome' party on the Friday evening, as per previous years, independent of whether or not there is a Friday on-track event. The Saturday night event will also be similar to previous years. The Sea Cadets will be providing manpower.

Entries and Eligibility

The cut-off date advances one year, to 1993. Last year's changes to the eligibility requirements haven't had a noticeable difference yet.

The entry fee will be similar to last year.

Theme and Promotion

The theme will be the 60th Anniversary of the Corvette. The results of the informal survey of spectators were inconclusive, although it appears that the radio ads have not been effective.

The program will be similar to last year. We're investigating celebrity drivers.

Discussion

Al Ores inquired about including the vintage motorcycle group in the HMR. The requirement for different barriers for motorcycles creates a logistical problem.

Eligibility Committee (Dennis)

Dennis presented this year's proposal from the Eligibility Committee. The focus this year is on Open Wheel eligibility. The Open Wheel requirements have been converted to a "rules of the day" system, similar to the existing SR requirements. The proposed rules will be presented for a vote at the February 19th general meeting. The rules as approved at that meeting will then be provided to the CACC Vintage Discipline Director for presentation at the Vintage Discipline meeting at the March CACC Meeting.

Much discussion ensued, as usual, revolving around two issues:

- The merits of "rules of the day" for open wheel, as compared to Monoposto rules, as used in the past.
- The status of former Players GM cars, which are apparently accepted by SOVREN under the "purpose-built" definition.

Old Business

Stan made the following comments:

- We will be promoting the HMR at car shows
- Dyno Day: the dyno in Abbotsford is no longer available; Ian Northey agreed to look for a suitable alternative
- Dennis has agreed to plan which meetings are business and which social; will work with Wes
- There will be a go kart night at the indoor track. Ian Wood agreed to look into organizing it.

New Business

None.

2013 Meeting Schedule (Stan)

The next meeting will be here at the Burnaby Athletic Club. The guest will be Bill Martin, who built the Wolseley Special and raced at Abbotsford in the '50s.

Good & Welfare

Stan announced the following:

- The Vantage anthology is now available – a collection of 17 Vantage newsletters from Summer 2007 to Autumn 2012. Both hardcover (colour) and softcover (b&w) versions are available. See the VRCBC web site.
- There are some META calendars left.
- Tony and Lee Strelzow will be running a Bentley in this year's Peking to Paris rally. The Strelzow's have previously competed in the Carrera Pan Americana with their Corvette.

Vince Howlett also announced that IMAX Victoria will be showing a series of older IMAX movies, including Super Speedway, the IMAX movie about Indycar racing.