

## **Minutes of the General Meeting of the Reno Region of the SCCA October 1, 2008**

### **Attendees:**

Lee Mitchell, Louis Scott, Pat Housel, Matt Roy, Rick Martini, Larry Savage, Jim Uchtyl, Debbie Kerswill, Jim Gandy

Jim Gandy called the meeting to order at 6:50pm.

### **Prior Meeting Minutes:**

Minutes from the September General Meeting were approved.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

No Treasurer's Report this month. Jim Gandy reported that the Club's funds are still around \$30,000. Proceeds from the Divisional Track event from the prior weekend, along with costs for trailer tires and a starter for the bus would need to be factored in to the report.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **Past Events:**

A recap of the Solo event weekend at Lovelock was given. The setup crew was surprised to find the airport had slurry sealed the taxiways. This may have led to a number of off-course incidents, but none were severe. There were 56 drivers for the weekend, with a Chili feed on Saturday night. During the week following the event, Matt was informed we would no longer be able to use the Lovelock site for Solo events due to federal funding regulations governing use of the area. Thanks were given to Jim Uchtyl and Randy Jones for chairing this event.

In Dave Deborde's absence, Jim Gandy provided a summary of the Divisional Trials. Jim reported that everything went off smoothly. Participants said they had a good time, and enjoyed the technical aspects of the course. 6 drivers and 1 dedicated worker traveled from Portland to participate.

#### **Out of Region Events:**

Lee Mitchell reported on the Vintage series race at Infineon 2 weeks ago. Based on some mechanical issues Lee finished 15<sup>th</sup>, and took 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the Norpac series.

Debbie Kerswill reported on the Solo National Championships. Debbie, Rachel Kerswill, and Mark Sipe competed, with Mark finishing in the trophies.

Larry Savage reported on the Virginia City Hill Climb. Larry worked 2 different stations, and noted that it was cool to see different kinds of cars in the race. He was paid \$100 and provided lunch for his efforts.

Jim Gandy crewed at the NASA Championships in Mid-Ohio. He noted that in 2009/2010 the Championships will be at Miller Motorsports Park (Salt Lake City).

#### **Upcoming Events:**

Pat Housel is the chairperson for the last Solo weekend of the season, at Stead Airport. Pat expected the weather to be cool, with possible showers, and recommended arriving prepared. Setup is planned for Friday starting around 2:30pm.

A Fall Tour is planned October 18. Jim noted that it would follow a similar route as previous Fall Tours. Yahoo groups and the website will have further information.

Online registration is open for the October 18/19 Street Survival School (teen drivers) at Stead Airport. Dean Benz will be setting up the Friday night instructors meeting. Help is requested to publicize this event.

The annual Awards Banquet is slated for November 15 at the Tamarack Junction. We are shooting for a similar menu, and similar cost as the 2008 banquet. Raffle donations are appreciated.

Meeting participants showed interest, in answer to Jim Gandy's question about whether we should plan another Track and/or Shop Tour.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Jim commented on the prospect of openings in the region's Board positions. Nominations will be accepted in the November General meeting. We expect 4 or 5 vacancies, including Secretary, Treasurer and Solo Director. Input on potential candidates is requested.

Jim asked for input on future directions for the Club. Feedback from meeting participants included 1) another Track event in the late spring, and omit the Jul/Aug. track event; 2) Solo chair mentoring, for inexperienced members to learn course design and how to chair an event; 3) reduce the number of Solo events, and/or run a Solo event and a PDX/Track event during the same weekend.

Jim suggested consideration for Supplemental Rules in order to get discussions started early.

The door prize raffle for a \$50 Solo or Track event entry fee was won by Rick Martini.

### **WALK ON ITEMS**

With No walk-on items, and no further business before the members, the meeting was adjourned at 7:46pm.

Respectfully submitted by Debbie Kerswill, Secretary.