

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Reno Region of the SCCA December 3, 2008

Attendees:

Wes Friesen, Lee Mitchell, Paul Gilbert, Robin McCullough, Tracy Silveira, Larry Savage, Scott Knauf, John Townley, Peggy Jones, Pat Housel, Randy Jones, Don Smith, Scott Perry, Matt Roy, Debbie Kerswill, Dave Deborde, Jim Gandy.

Jim Gandy called the meeting to order at 6:45pm.

New Faces:

No new faces in attendance.

Meeting Minutes:

Minutes from the November General meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report:

There was no Treasurer's Report for the month. Jim reported that the Club's worth is more than \$30,000 after banquet expenses. Other financial news included plans for setting up the incoming Board Treasurer to handle the Club checking account, and Board approval to purchase two additional jackets for the year's Solo Pax Champions.

OLD BUSINESS

Past Events:

Banquet chairperson Peggy Jones commented on the success of the annual Awards banquet, and made the recommendation to encourage people to register sooner. Feedback indicated that attendees liked the way the door prizes were handled (each person received at least one prize), champion jackets and trophies were appreciated, and people liked the food service inside the banquet room. Matt Roy reported that he will store unclaimed trophies.

Jim Gandy reported that the Track and Shop Tour had a very good turnout and very positive feedback. C&C Automotive informed Jim that they received a thank you letter from a Corvette Club participant.

Upcoming Events:

Jim Gandy shared details of the December 6th Fall Tour. The Tour begins at Tamarack Junction, and then travels through Virginia City, Six Mile Canyon, and a mid-point stop at Reno-Fernley Raceway for some track exposure. The Tour will then proceed to Pyramid Lake, and end at the Great Basin Brewery in Sparks.

NEW BUSINESS

Elections for 2009 Directors/Officers:

Election ballots were tallied during the meeting by Club Secretary Debbie Kerswill, with the following nominees selected by popular vote:

Jim Gandy, Regional Executive

Randy Jones, Assistant Regional Executive

John Townley, Treasurer

Lee Mitchell, Secretary

Wes Friesen, Solo/Rally Activities Director

Dave Deborde, Track Events Activities Director

Larry Savage, Director-At-Large (2-year term)

Peggy Jones, Director-At-Large (1-year term)

2009 National Convention:

Jim informed the group that the National Convention is in Las Vegas on February 21st, and headquartered at the South Point Casino. The cost is \$260, and it is expected that there will be good sessions on Track Trials, Street Survival, and other SCCA topics of interest.

2009 Event Scheduling:

Dave Deborde reported that **Track** event dates reserved at Reno-Fernley Raceway are as follows:

April 18/19 – 1-day PDX, 1-day Track Trials

June 6/7 – Double National Race

July 11/12 – Combined Regional Race with Track Trials

August 8/9 – Track and Club Trials

September 12/13 – Race Championships

Feedback was requested for Solo events planning. Items for consideration included the number of events and the Hawthorne North-South Challenge.

Feedback was also requested on whether we should host additional Street Survival schools in 2009. Comments indicated that the Club should offer the school again, with steps taken to start promoting it sooner, posting tentative dates on the Club's website, and surveying to identify if we have enough of a volunteer base.

Preliminary Solo Supplemental Rule changes for 2009:

Jim reviewed some possible Solo Supplementary Rule changes discussed by the Board:

Consider formation of a Solo Advisory Committee, to draft rule changes for presentation to the Board.

Street Tire factor adjustment.

2-driver cars and run sequence.

Other ideas proposed during the Annual meeting:

Appropriate driving to/from events and at event sites (Dave Deborde cited an article in 'Safety Belt').

Proactively welcoming first-timers and new participants at events (Peggy Jones).

Members were encouraged to discuss concerns about these and other rule change items with a Board member.

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

WALK ON ITEMS

Wes Friesen indicated his grandson is doing better, and thanked everyone for their donations and prayers.

Randy and Peggy Jones requested prayers for their daughter who was recently involved in an automobile accident and has been in and out of the hospital.

Dave Deborde presented Robin McCullough with a Track events Perfect Attendance award (Robin was not at the banquet to receive it).

With no further business before the members, the meeting was adjourned at 7:58pm.

Respectfully submitted by Debbie Kerswill, Secretary.