

Minutes of the General Meeting of the Reno Region of the SCCA August 6, 2008

Attendees:

Don Smith, Pat Housel, Scott Knauf, Larry Savage, Louis F. Scott, Jim Uchtyl, Randy Jones, Dean Benz, Matt Roy, Scott Perry, Dave Deborde, Carol Deborde, Mark Sipe, Debbie Kerswill, Jim Gandy, Vic Chalk.

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

Prior Meeting Minutes:

Larry Savage motioned for approval of the July 2, 2008 General Meeting minutes, Pat Housel seconded the motion, and the motion was approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Jim summarized the Treasurer's Report, noting that several events' financials are not final. Randy Jones motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report, Dean Benz seconded the motion, and the motion was approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Past Events:

Randy Jones reported that the Solo events at Reno-Stead Airport on July 11/12 were well-attended, with 124 entries over the weekend. Logistics for Sunday's participation by the Western States Corvette Council drivers worked well.

Dave Deborde reported that 43 drivers attended the Track Trials/Club Trials/PDX event at Reno-Fernley Raceway on July 19th.

Solo events were held at Reno-Stead Airport on July 26/27, and included challenging slaloms.

Out of Region Events:

John, Dustin and Kyle Burns, Jay Williams, Kelly Williams, Mark Sipe, and Debbie and Rachel Kerswill attended the ProSolo event in Wendover, UT. Mark also attended the San Diego and El Toro California Divisional Solo events in July.

Connie Bogan started, but was not able to finish a race at Thunderhill due to a broken differential.

Upcoming Events:

The Horsepower course will be used for the Track Trials/Club Trials/PDX, scheduled August 9th at Reno-Fernley Raceway. Dave Deborde indicated that workers and more drivers are needed. Dave also noted that Friday and Saturday evenings at Reno-Fernley Raceway is the site of Hot August Nights drags. There is a \$5 charge for spectators, or \$30 to run.

Matt Roy and Scotty Perry are the event co-chairs for Solo events 14 and 15 at Reno-Fernley Raceway. This will be the first time we are running a Solo event at RFR. The course area will be set up on a section of the upper track called the 'Peanut'. Paddock and grid will be on the upper track area known as the 'Sunset Strip'. Due to the possibility another event will be running on the lower track area, timed caravans to the lower area will provide access to/from the event. A track worker station will be available for viewing the competition. Overnight camping is allowed, and trailers can be left overnight.

Randy Jones and Jim Uchtyl are co-chairs for Solo events on Sept 6/7 at Derby Field in Lovelock. A 2-lap course is planned, which will be similar to the prior year's course with some minor changes. Saturday night will include a Chili Feed, with side dishes requested. Randy advised that participants should plan to be there all day, as run/work group assignments are usually set to cover the entire day.

A joint promotion of the Teen Street Survival School is planned for October 18/19, at Reno-Stead Airport. The BMW Club will host the school on the 18th. Don Smith will be the event chair when Reno SCCA hosts the school on the 19th. Don indicated that we will need a lot of instructors, and a call for volunteers will be made as the event date gets closer.

The NORPAC Divisional Time Trials Championship is set for September 27/28 at Reno-Fernley Raceway, with trophies and prizes to be awarded. PDX will be held both days as well. Dave Deborde indicated that he would like a minimum participation of 50 drivers. Course selection is to be determined, and this event will need a number of workers. Dave added that a FAASST Performance Driving school is scheduled at the track on Thursday, Sept. 25, while Friday, Sept. 26, is a test day.

Jim Gandy informed the group that the Board of Directors passed five Solo Supplemental regulation changes, as follows: 1) allow substitute workers; 2) clarify free entry by driver of the bus to/from out of area events; free entries expire in 12 months; 3) street tire eligible classes; 4) the credential for signing the waiver is a wristband, to be worn on the wrist; 5) pre-running a course to insure flow and safety.

NEW BUSINESS

Jim Gandy asked for chairperson volunteer(s) for the annual Awards banquet. After a short discussion regarding banquet location and awards, Matt Roy volunteered to handle Solo winners' jackets.

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

WALK ON ITEMS

Dave Deborde informed the group that the Ferrari Club contacted him, looking for corner workers (paid position) for the Virginia City Hill Climb on Sept. 20/21. Meeting participants recommended the following action: ask the Ferrari Club representative to place an ad in the Reno SCCA newsletter, and/or create a Reno SCCA web forum profile and add a post regarding this opportunity.

Carol Deborde indicated the Lockett and Sullivan Boat/Sport/RV show will be back at the Reno Convention Center on Feb. 13-15, 2009. Carol suggested we give thought toward whether Reno SCCA should participate by setting up or sharing a booth again.

Jim Gandy learned that the January 2009 NORPAC Convention will be held in the Seattle area.

A question was asked about whether Reno SCCA was involved with the Racers Convention at the Grand Sierra Resort in October. Reno SCCA is not formally involved with this event.

With no further business before the members, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Debbie Kerswill, Secretary.