

Reno SCCA – July 2020 Meeting Minutes

Date: July 8, 2020, 6:30pm - Mimi's Cafe

Attendance: Dave Deborde (Regional Executive), Carol Deborde (Membership Chair), Scott Knauf (Assistant RE), Andy Ross (Director of Track Activities), Anthony Ta (Secretary), Paul Gilbert, Mona Gilbert, Bob Williamson, Sam McCord, Tupper Robinson, Eric Hauge, Steve McLaughlin, Steve Waclo

June 2020 Meeting minutes posted to Renoscca.org website.

Financial Statement

- Not read as report not available at meeting start

SCCA National

- Events reopening in most places
- Staffing restored

Regional Business

- Tire Rack Street Survival
 - Rescheduled to August 8
 - 22 Students, 18 coaches so far

Solo (Autocross)

- June 6-7 (Rounds 3 and 4)
 - Good attendance. New record for site
 - 75-80% of registrations online
 - Online registration highly recommended to avoid passing cash and germs around
- July 11-12 (Rounds 5 and 6)
 - Facebook ad asking for volunteers to create a course
 - 3 volunteers. Course seems to be determined.
 - Ahren suggests 2 or 3 “default” course designs to fall back on in case of no volunteers.
 - Only 20 signed up so far despite increased advertising of event
 - Normally attendance wanes somewhat after the first event every year

Track Activities

- June 20 - Thunderhill Raceway TT/TE #2
 - Well-attended. Record attendance.
 - Had to turn away a few people as event sold out...
 - Lead-follow doubles the number of cars on track
- July 17-18 - Thunderhill Raceway TT/TE #3
 - 59 people signed up for Friday (3-mile), a few less for Saturday (2-mile)
 - Regular track attendees need to be notified to sign up early
 - Registration for all track events of year open
 - Running out of transponders
 - San Francisco Region has ten additional transponders
 - Carol sent out registration notices
 - Includes TT license as “required”
 - Andy: Helps plot audience
 - TT license requirement not a barrier to entry
- In-Car Coaching
 - Combination with lead-follow
 - Need better venue for instruction due to noise in paddock (such as from passing cars)
 - Will perform the same lead-follow for future events
 - Students are very satisfied
 - Andy: In-car communication for teaching much easier
 - But COVID-19...
 - Clubhouse - Tables and people spread out?
- Andy: Smoother start to event
 - At registration: Carol, assistants
 - Andy: Assists registration with transponders
- Track Services Request
 - 3 Mile
 - Landline comms will be used - Radios cannot reach backside of course
 - Public Announcement system - Paddock size very large
 - 2 Mile - 2 channel radio comms will be used (as usual)
 - Some people had comm issues at previous event
 - Worker’s meeting needed to standardize procedures

Other Business

- Rallycross Reno-Fernley Raceway Complex?
 - Another place offered to host SCCA rallycross at Yerington Fairgrounds (or was it Hawthorne?)

Meeting adjourned at 7:40pm

Minutes Submitted by:
Anthony Ta - Secretary
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