

Club Racing Committee Meeting
July 24, 2008

Attending: Ken Anderson (big bore), Penny Anderson (Start), Wayne Armbrust (F&C), Charlie Broring (ITB), John Burkhard (ITC), Bill Davis (small bore), Mike Fultz (Tech), Gregg Ginsberg (ITA), Jim Harrison (GTP), Jim Hess (IT7), Matt Littleton (SRX7), Andrew Love (Sound), Marshall Lytle (ITS), John McCaulley (EV/Medical), Beth Mills (Registration), Lauren Robison (Pit), Chas Shaffer (lg. formula), Jim Thill (SSM), Shirley Thompson (Grid), Lin Toland (Steward Rep), Bob Tupper (FV, F500), Ed York (ITE), Gayle Lorenz (DCR)

Guests: Anne Callihan and Sheila Cockey – Co-Chiefs, Charity Committee

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 by Gayle.

Labor Day Charity Event

Anne and Sheila updated the committee on the charity chosen for the upcoming event as well as the specific purpose the funds will be used for...Jefferson County Board of Education Middle School Reading Program. They also shared the many planned activities for the weekend which include but certainly aren't limited to an auction, children's carnival, flea market, parade laps, etc. Members of the committee were asked to help with some of the activities. Anne and Sheila will communicate directly with those individuals. The target for this fund raising effort is \$20,000.

General

There were concerns and questions raised about the condition of the track and what BSR is doing to correct the issues. So far there has been no response from BSR about the progress to fix the problem areas.

The hot tubs at turns 1 and 5 are in very bad condition and BSR has been asked to repair these two tubs as well as inspect all the others and make the necessary repairs.

Shirley mentioned that there has been a problem with individuals coming to the Grid and Pit areas without hot credentials. Please make sure that your crew has the proper credentials at each event. Hot passes are also required for individuals who go on victory laps.

Jim Harrison brought up information about the SRX7 fire during the 12 Hour. This information will be discussed at the 12 Hour meeting later this year.

Beth asked that individuals leave their alcoholic beverages outside when they come to register.

Gregg and Marshall suggested that the committee realign the race groups to accommodate the large entries that the ITA, ITR and ITS group has been experiencing. After some discussion the following motion was made.

To table the discussion to realign the race groups until the planning for next year. John Burkhard/Charlie Broring. The motion passed – Yes – 18, No – 4, A – 1.

Everyone was asked to keep Frank Olivey and Jude in their thoughts and prayers. Frank recently underwent surgery and will be dealing with health issues for awhile.

As was the practice in past years, tech stickers will be available in Registration. There is no need for drivers to take their helmets to Registration. Helmet stickers will continue to be checked on the Grid.

Wayne shared that he has a number of 10# dry chem fire extinguishers (they do need to be recharged and he has a source that will recharge them for \$30). Anyone interested in should contact Wayne directly.

A huge thank you to the SRX7 group for providing the ice and the SSM group for providing the water to the volunteers each weekend. It is greatly appreciated.

There was a suggestion made that the committee consider changing the format for MARRS events to include a qualifying session and a points race both on Saturday and Sunday of each event. It is obvious that there are many options where individuals can spend their racing budget. The Region will need to continue to think of ways to make sure that drivers want to continue to participate in our series. This discussion item was also tabled until the planning meeting for 2009.

It was requested that the CRC have a forum on the website accessible only to the members of the committee. Gayle will ask the webmistress (when she returns from vacation) how to accomplish this and let the committee know when it is live.

Jim Thill raised the issue of the Region leasing its safety equipment to NASA. During the discussion concerns were raised about our members racing with NASA and not having access to appropriate safety equipment; what liability the Region might incur if the equipment was leased and failed to function; is NASA for profit and if so why they don't purchase their own equipment, etc. The following motion was made.

As a pilot program, that WDCR rent its safety equipment (i.e. jaws, cutters) to NASA for their remaining events at Summit Point this year with the proviso that the equipment would only be used by the Region's EV personnel. Jim Thill/John Burkhard. The motion passed but not with a majority vote. Yes – 11, No – 10, A – 2.

There was an update on the event at NJMP. Information was shared about fees for camping, no motorhomes in the paddock and other issues. A representative will be asked to update the membership on these and other information topics at the open competition meeting.

CRC members were reminded that the open competition meeting is this Saturday. Likely topics will be where to go out-of-region, weekend format and others. Members are reminded to bring

chairs to the porch of OG Racing and get their dinner early so we can get the meeting underway as soon as practical after the on track activities for the day. Shirley and Big John will take care of the PA system for the meeting.

BSR has been asked why the wireless hasn't worked recently in the paddock. They've also been asked to have the FM station live for both Saturday and Sunday and everyone is encouraged to keep the station on for announcements.

The question was raised about the ability to have large rigs paddock outside on either side of the road by Registration. We are allowed to do this and driver reps will coordinate this within their corrals.

John Burkhard motioned to adjourn which was seconded by numerous individuals and the vote was unanimous. I forgot to look at the time but know that it was sometime between 9:30 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.