

MAY GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
May 3, 2004

The May General Meeting convened at Sykart in Tigard.

Regional Executive, Holly Remington, opened the meeting with an introduction and welcome to the approximately 78 members in attendance.

The next General Membership meeting is scheduled for August 9, 2004. The Board is looking for volunteers who are willing to assist in planning and preparation for the next meeting, as well as suggestions for the location.

Nominations for positions on the Board of Directors are open. Holly will be designating a nominations committee soon. All positions except Past Regional Executive and Director I will be open. If you are interested in running for a position on the Board of Directors, please let us know. If you are asked to run for a position, please say yes.

Loud Pedal Editor, Jeff Zurschmeide: The Loud Pedal was named "Best Publication for a Jumbo Region" at the National Convention this year. We are working towards broadening the content to include more technical articles from Jerry Boon and Eric Purcell, as well as more content from Rally and Solo. The Loud Pedal is currently produced at a cost of approximately \$24,000 per year.

Discussion concerning the cost of Loud Pedal production and analysis of current expenses compared to past expenses. Membership numbers have increased and we are distributing more copies in the community. While it is not possible to quantify the result, the Loud Pedal is a valuable membership recruitment tool, as well as a vital communications link for the membership.

Discussion regarding the need for a "corporate" accountant/treasurer to oversee the over-all club budget. The Board recognizes the need, and has been actively looking for a volunteer who is willing to take on the job.

M/S/P: To publish a 2 to 3 page financial summary of the Region's budget for the previous year and the budget projection for the current year, and to modify the by-laws as necessary to publish this information once a year. (One opposed, one abstention, approximately 76 in favor).

Discussion concerning when the financial summary should be published – aim for the first week of the third quarter, and how it should be published – web site, or insert to the Loud Pedal.

New Track Report:

Shortly after we heard that we would be moving to the north paddock at PIR, like it or not, we held a General Membership meeting at the Chinese Village. We started looking at the feasibility of building our own race facility. The new track committee did an extensive search for potential sites along the I-5 corridor, in eastern Oregon, and along I-84. They sent letters to communities throughout Oregon and southern Washington looking for interest.

Goldendale, WA contacted us and expressed strong interest. The track committee has visited many potential sites. They have found a promising site in Goldendale. Two months ago the Board voted to form a corporation.

Extensive discussion ensued concerning the track project, and whether we should be investing in PIR rather than pursuing an Oregon Region owned facility.

A straw vote was conducted concerning continuation of the track project. Three members were opposed, approximately 75 voted in favor.

M/S/F to postpone a vote on moving forward with the track project until the membership has more information. Motion defeated. (Approximately 72 opposed, six in favor.)

M/S/P: to proceed with the investigation and development of a new track plan. Motion passed. (One opposed, three abstentions, approximately 74 in favor)