

**OREGON REGION SCCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES  
APPROVED**

**DATE:** 10/2/03

**PLACE:** China Bay Restaurant

**PRESENT:** **Board Members:** Holly Remington, Cheryl Allen, Monika Tabor  
Boyd Campbell, Matt Tabor, Doug Barrett-  
Greg Bell, Ben Hockman

**Members:** Karen McCoy, Mary Thompson, Bob Even,  
Bob Smethers, Chris Hale, Kala Rounds  
Howard "Duck" Allen, Cathy Frasier.  
Gary Frasier, Joe Harlan,

**Guest:**

**Absent:** Gary Manchester, Jeff Zurschmeide

**CALL TO ORDER** – The meeting was called to order by Holly at 6:45

**MINUTES APPROVAL** – Minutes were corrected and approved (Cheryl/Matt) M/P

**MEMBER COMMENTS** – It has been suggested that we provide the minutes to our members in a timelier manner. Holly felt that we could honor this request by posting the corrected minutes to the web site the Friday following the meeting. Mary has agreed and will comply with assistance from Jeff.

Joe Harlan made the suggestion that we publish our request for nominations and the election of BOD members earlier in the year. He suggested this be done in July.

Cathy Frasier advised that the crossing at the last event was not the best and that we need to re-think our position for other possible options for next year.

**NEW BUSINESS** –

**COMMITTEE & DIRECTOR REPORTS:**

**REGIONAL OFFICE REPORT** – Karen advised that her hours in September were 95 and her forecast for October is 60 hours.

She ran some class participation reports that showed a 3% drop in entries this year from last year. While a concern, the BOD did not feel the impact was as great as it might have been considering the local economy, increased fees etc,

Karen reported that she had a call from Colin Jackson thanking the region for his share of the Tow Fund money. He was not even aware of its existence, but thought that it was a wonderful program and appreciated his being able to be a part of it.

Cheryl and Holly gave the hi-lites of being the bearers of the Tow Fund gifts at the Run-offs. They both had tidbits about several recipients and their pride in having their region support them in this manner.

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT – Absent**

#### **LOUD PEDAL REPORT – (copied from Jeff's report)**

The LP went to press today. It's another 40 page issue with 16 pages of color, but we should save a little money because CNI got the mailing list early this month. It should be in mailboxes about the 10<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> of October. We can likely get some extra copies if Solo wants to have them at the Solo Banquet.

We have another Boone feature (the Runoffs!) and a 10 page special section on Solo2 – which I expect to reprise next June for the membership special issue. It should be the model for introduction to our venues.

We also have campaign materials from both John Martinsen and Howard Allen, the candidates for Area 13 Director.

We have a new advertiser – full page color! The advertiser is CG-Lock, and they're willing to send free product samples to all of the board members and other luminaries. It's a little clip that allows you to keep a standard car seat belt tight.

Other advertisers have continued, except ProDrive, who went to ¼ page ad, as they do after the season ends each year. I expect a slight decline in ad revenues through the winter, ramping up again in February. I'll ask Sykart in Tigard to advertise through the winter months. I also expect to drop back to 32 pages for the winter months.

Let's set a deadline of the 20<sup>th</sup> for the November issue. Some photogs back east have been late getting Runoffs photos up, so there'll be more from Ohio in the November issue.

If we all get materials to me on the 20<sup>th</sup>, I can make the November issue available at the Region Banquet.

I will also put out a call shortly for materials for the end-of-the-year photo retrospective for the December or January issues.

#### **NEW TRACK COMMITTEE REPORT – (copied from Jeff's report)**

As you know, we've retained the services of an attorney to assist us in getting organized. All other activities discussed previously are continuing in good order.

Thanks to Larry and Bruce Bergman for the great aerial photographs of many of the areas that the committee has been viewing.

RACE OP'S REPORT – Bob commented that he felt the August event went well. He questioned as to when he and Bud could look to purchasing new equipment for next year.

He expressed to the BOD how much he and Bud appreciated the opportunity to go to the run-offs. They had a wonderful time and saw some great racing. They were most proud to

have been a part of the Oregon Region contingent that was in attendance. They are looking forward to a repeat visit next year.

On the inquiry of purchasing new equipment, Joe Harlan questioned the need to have our own fuel testing kit. It was suggested that this issue be moved to the Road Race portion of the meeting.

### **DIRECTOR'S REPORTS:**

**SOLO II REPORT** – Doug advised that their season was over and that they would celebrate at a banquet on October 25<sup>th</sup>. He stated that they have formed a site committee to search for locations that might be useable for their venues next year. Doug had hoped that something might work out at PIR but at this point in time this does not appear to be likely.

Holly suggested that maybe they could use PIR during the week rather than weekends. Doug pointed out this would not be realistic for their members. Due to work and distance that some of their participants travel, weekends are what are needed. He did mention that NW Region has much the same problem as Oregon Region is facing.

**RALLY REPORT** – Matt relayed that they are gearing for one more Rally Cross that will be held on October 10-12 at The Washington County Fairgrounds.

They too are in need of flat dirt sites to run their events. If anyone knows of such areas Matt would like to be contacted.

The US Rd, Rally Challenge will be held on October, 17-18-19. To date they have 12 entries and expect more. This is open to all those interested. The cost is \$250 for the weekend and this also includes dinner.

The welcome party for this event will be held Wednesday, the 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. At Damon's.

October 25<sup>th</sup> will be the Mt. Hood Rally at O'Dell. This is a one-day event

There will be a gathering in Topeka this week of Rally organizers that would like Oregon to be back on their calendar for 2004 with an April date being the likely time.

Holly mentioned that she was contacted by a Pendleton driver who would like us to put on a, "hill climb". She tossed this out to see if Rally might be interested in looking into this.

Joe Harlan mentioned that he thought there was an off road course in Bend and suggested that Matt contact Garth Ankeny for details.

**DIRECTOR I REPORT** – Cheryl was happy to report that she has recruited two volunteers to work on the revision of the Worker Program. She will chair this committee with help from Jack Spring and Kim McFarland. Cheryl invited Bob Even to join this group if he was interested.

The member roster is moving along. Karen will supply Cheryl with the member data- base to assist her in her efforts.

**DIRECTOR II REPORT** – Monika reported that the gears are in motion to make the banquet on November 8<sup>th</sup> at the Airport Holiday Inn, a smashing event.

**ROAD RACING DIRECTOR REPORT** – Boyd advised that PIR has requested our proposed dates for 2004 along with those of Cascade and OMRA. He will publish the assigned dates as soon as they have been approved.

In response to some of the issues that arose at the last event he realizes that along with the bridge access we also have some paddock issues to work on for next year.

Bob suggested the need for more moveable barriers and signage for paddock changes.

Joe Harlan asked if when we request a date, do we have to also announce what the event will be for that weekend? Boyd answered that we don't need to decide until it is assigned and that he is open to all suggestions and welcomes the input from the drivers.

Holly asked about the possibility of an October event and maybe move our annual banquet out to January?

**PAST RE REPORT** – Greg spoke about the proposed September 24<sup>th</sup>, enduro type event. PIR advised that a consulting firm analyzed the sound at midnight at PIR at 103db. At a regular race, at the track edge it reads 158db. Since this is sizeable differential we would need a variance to make this work. In order to get the city to possibly issue such, we would be best served to have a consulting firm assist us to craft a letter to the city to make our plea. We would need to allocate funds for this assistance.

Joe Harlan asked of depending on the class that would run, could we not ask the drivers to curb the noise?

Holly suggested that Joe, Boyd and Greg work together to research how much interest there might be for this type of event before we have an outlay of any money.

**ASST. RE REPORT** – Ben advised that the E Crew was hired by PIR to work a demonstration of drag racing at the track on Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>.. There were six cars involved, five were alcohol fueled and one was nitro. He said that it was interesting and that they were VERY LOUD.

In regards to the additional paving that we would like to see at PIR, Ben has found that Cascade is interested in the area where the slough runs but they are not interested in the front of the tower (grass area) or turn 0 and by the container. PIR is willing to grade if Cascade and SCCA will pay for the paving and in return have their track rental fees reduced by the paving amount.

Gary Frasier said that in his opinion, unless it was two lanes along the slough, that it would be a waste of money.

Joe Harlan felt that it would also be good to have the intercom go to that area as well.

Win Casey and Shawn Kolbe have both requested permission to rent radios from the region. Win would like to use three for the up-coming Enduro. Shawn's request was for the rental of four for two days to use on a try for The Guinness Book record for continuous riding of a scooter. Much discussion followed with the final decision of the BOD being that they would decline these requests due to the fact that it might create a hardship to the region if there were lost or damaged. Ben will contact both Win and Shawn with the decision.

Ben raised the issue that he felt that region should pay for the banquet for each specialty's worker of the year award winner. He said that from personal experience, when he was the worker of the year, he thought it would have been nice if his dinner had been paid for as part of the award. Bob, Bud and Boyd will check to see if the Chiefs agree with this.

Joe Harlan said that he and his company, **TOP TECH** would like to pay for 3 dinners for workers that might otherwise not get to attend. He will send the money to Karen for distribution.

**RE COMMENTS** – Holly requested nominations for the National Driver of the Year Award for 2003. Several names were brought to the table with the unanimous decision being Cindy Lux M/S (Cheryl/Ben) M/P

It is time to set the regional dues. At the present time, SF, Oregon and NW are all the same. It was discussed and decided that we should leave the dues the same. Karen will advise Ntl. SCCA of our decision.

Holly spoke of conflicts that arise between the different groups, ie: Conference & OR. Region. She feels that we should honor each others schedules and not try to undercut or cause class conflict. Bob said that this would only happen if the rules in both groups were the same and adhered to as such.

M/S (Cheryl/Ben) to adjourn M/P

Respectfully submitted,

*Mary Thompson*

## **ROAD RACING MEETING**

Some of the items discussed were:

Fuel Testing - Joe and Boyd discussing the value of having our own testing kit or to continue sharing as we have been. Joe is opposed to the purchase.

RS Class - Cal Club wants to adapt our rules with minor changes

Holly asked if the creation of the Competition Committee help to make the drivers feel that they have more of a voice in how the road racing is operated.

Joe said that it has and that Boyd handles it nicely with an ear to all comers.

There was a discussion of having the West Coast come together for a large event. With, Oregon, Cal Club, SF and NW we have over 12,000 members strong. This would produce a very nice event and showcase the west rather than these events always being held to the east.

Boyd and Joe continued discussions on many issues and gave their pros and cons. They identified areas that can be addressed when the Competition Committee and drivers come together to formulate the new season.