General Meeting -- MINUTES

Date: May 3, 2010

Time: Meeting 7:00 pm

Location: Girl Guides Hall, Newmarket (in person)

Board of Directors

President Ray Felice
V.P. Performance Rob MacKenzie
V.P. Navigational Rita Moore
Treasurer Peter Gulliver
Secretary Paul Moore

Executive Committee

Executive Assistant Paul Henshall
Assistant V.P. Performance Jeff Hagan
Chief Scrutineer Steve Van Rees
RSO Growth Committee vacant
Legislative Affairs Alasdair Robertson

Club Representatives
British Empire Motor Club vacant
Kitchener Waterloo Rally Club Christina Chin
Motorsport Club of Ottawa Vincent Landreville
Maple Leaf Rally Club Ross Wood
Peterborough Motor Sports Club Rob MacKenzie
Toronto Autosport Club Paul Moore
Subaru Performance Driver's Association Nuwan Dantanarayana

Present: Rita Moore, Peter Gulliver, Jeff Hagan, Rob MacKenzie, Paul Moore

Regrets: Alasdair Robertson, Steve van Rees, Vincent Landreville , Nuwan Dantanarayana, Ray Felice, Paul Henshall

Approval of/additions to the Agenda Addition "new business": incorporation papers Moved/seconded/carried (m/s/c)

Approval of the last meeting minutes as posted on the website m/s/c

Treasurer's Report

Books and accounts are in good shape

Anticipate increase in revenue from the performance events over the coming months No impact anticipated with the move from PST/GST to HST m/s/c

CARS Update

No report provided

Old Business

Skype

No test was conducted as yet

Discussion on the relative costs of regular teleconferences vs Skype internet-based conferences. It appears that regular teleconferences through a third party provider are less expensive.

Burnt River Off-Road Facility

First instalment of the loan repayment has been recovered through the MLCR Testing Day at the Burnt River facility on April 30, 2010. MLCR to remit the instalment to RSO shortly.

Rally School

Event on March 22nd, 29th and April 5th was reasonably well attended with approximately 22 participants

Weather cooperated with clear and warm conditions for the rally on the second night

Thanks go out to Alan and Carolyn Ryall for their extraordinary efforts in developing the new course curriculum and materials.

Some work still to be done towards in class organization and instruction in order to provide a more polished product to the "students".

Light Bars Options Paper

Presentation made to the Board (attached)

Discussion on the various options and merits

M/s/c that RSO purchase four mechanical/pneumatic attachment devices for installation on one of the existing light bars for evaluation and to have it ready for the Lanark Highlands Forest Rally. Approximate cost \$200

In car warning lights provided by Peter will be evaluated at the LHFR with further discussion at the next meeting.

ORRC Report

Series Standings
Posted and up to date

Discover Ontario Rally (2009)

The Steward's report is still outstanding from this event and not likely to be received.

Spring Run Off Rally

Eleven entries enjoyed a very well organized event in the Hastings area.

No RSO Steward was present at the event.

Blossom Rally

Event organization is well underway for the May 8th event in the Campbellville area. Discussion on the use of a previously approved "do it your self" control being planned for the event. Board will monitor the results and solicit input from competitors and organizers on the use of DIY controls.

Concern was raised at the organizer's characterization that the level of difficulty of the (expert) instructions being too high for even the expert level green crew to interpret. Board will monitor the results of the event.

Discover Ontario Rally 2010

Event organization is well underway for the June 5th event in the Brantford area.

OPRC Report

Series Standings

Posted and up to date.

Tall Pines (2009)

Steward's report has not been received.

Perce Neige Rally (2010)

Steward's report has not been received.

Shannonville Stages Rally

Steward's report received.

Event was attended by 18 teams with only 2 teams not completing the event.

There was a last minute change in the wrist band procedures in consultation with the track management. No issues.

PMSC will not be hosting this event in the 2011 season. Previous organizers will assist any club who wish to host the event for next year.

Lanark Highlands Rally

Planning is well under way for the May 15th event.

Black Bear Rally

Planning is well underway for the June 12th event.

A green crew is still being sought.

Scrutineer's Report

Two log books issued since the beginning of the year with another one pending.

Thanks to Chris M, Dave E, Adam D, Mike vR, Chris K, and Pete G. for helping with tech at Shannonville. I look forward to working with them again.

Next event is Lanark Highlands Forest Rally. Chris K has enlisted several volunteers to help with tech.

Growth Committee Report

No report provided

Legislative Affairs Report

No report provided

New Business

Incorporation Papers

CARS has requested that all member organizations ensure that their incorporation reports are up to date.

Ross and Paul have worked with the Ministry of Government Services recently to update the corporation report.

Paul will obtain a copy of the report and table it with the Board.

RSO Equipment Manager Position

M/s/c Ross Wood appointed to this new position on the Executive committee.

ORRC Series Steward

Rita to discuss Series options with RSO Steward and report back to the Board.

Green Crews

Discussion on the merits and detriments of an organizer/route master being present in the vehicle during a green crew's on-road evaluation.

The Board will monitor the results of events.

OPRC Tie Breakers

Discussion on the need for some form of prescribed manner for declaring a "winner" in the situation that two or more teams have equal results at the end of an event. The likelihood of "ties" in national events will be greatly reduced with the use of electronic timing.

Board will solicit input from the RSO Executive on this matter.

Club News

BEMC

No report provided

KWRC

No report provided

MCO

No report provided

MLRC

The Mini Rallies took a break for one month due to the RSO Rally School rally in April, but are returning on May 8th at the Husky at Hwy. 400 & 88. Entries slowly growing. Events have run well.

A highly successful RallyCross was held on February 28th in Bancroft with 30+ entries. The venue was changed from Burnt River, as their new track is not ready yet for use. The day started off with a very snowy track and got faster and faster as the day went on. Next event is on July 11th in Bancroft.

MLRC's Reconvened AGM is on Tuesday, May 11th at the Musket Restaurant at 8 PM.

Black Bear plans are in full swing. We are all excited about the fantastic new stage road – Moccasin Lake – 8 km of amazing technical road with a very smooth surface. More help is needed – radios and marshals, so please set aside Saturday, June 12th and confirm your attendance with Ross Wood at ross.wood@sympatico.ca The Pines Committee is also well into its planning. We will need lots of help, so please set aside the November 19-20th weekend now.

PMSC

The Peterborough Motor Sport Club has 68 members to date.

Thank you goes out to Peter Watt for organizing Shannonville Stages Rally for PMSC. It was a successful event with 18 entries.

Thank you also goes out to Louis Cabardos for organizing the Spring Run Off Rally with a total of 11 teams competing.

For our April social night PMSC member Jack Hannah organized a Poker Run using rally type directions in which 6 teams had a lot of fun for 2 hours.

Peter Gulliver is now heading up a Rally Growth effort for PMSC

TAC

TAC members are currently busy preparing for the two TAC-hosted ORRC events in the summer months.

The Discover Ontario Rally will be heading to the Brantford area this June, while the Infinite Monkeys Rally in August will be starting in the Newmarket area.

Look for a family-oriented "fun rally" on July 11th in the north-west GTA. Details soon.

SPDA

No report provided

NEXT MEETING: To be determined