



General Meeting – Minutes

Date: August 23, 2010

Location: Conference Call

In attendance: Ray Felice, Ross Wood, Paul Moore, Rita Moore, Peter Gulliver

Regrets: Steve Van Rees, Christina Chinn, Vince Landreville, Alasdair Robertson

1. Agenda approved with the following additions:

- a. In camera item
- b. CARS Code of Conduct

2. June 21, 2010 minutes approved

- a. m/s/c
- b. Board discussed and confirmed the approval and posting process for the minutes:
 - i. The Secretary will prepare the minutes and circulate for review by the Board members present at the meeting.
 - ii. After short period of time for review, amendments will be made based upon comments of the Board.
 - iii. The minutes will be posted on the RSO website with a disclaimer that they have not been approved.
 - iv. Once the minutes are approved by the Board at the next General meeting, the disclaimer will be removed.

3. Treasurer's Report

- a. Treasurer's Report was presented to the Board and questions were answered
- b. m/s/c
- c. Members of RSO are reminded that the RSO general ledger and Treasurer's reports may be reviewed upon an appointment being made with the Treasurer.

4. Cars Update

- a. Timing Equipment
 - i. As early as the 2011 season, it is anticipated that all CARS National events will use electronic timing.
 - ii. Rally West has invested in a set of electronic timers that are rented to organizing clubs for regional events
 - iii. RSO will be looking into the purchase of electronic timing equipment after evaluating its needs
- b. Steward Training



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- i. A standardized Steward manual is in the final stages of approval by the CARS Board and will be ready for distribution prior to the 2011 season.
- c. Marshal Training
 - i. Work continues on a Marshal manual with the various regional organizations preparing comments.

5. Old Business

- a. RSO Co-Driver's School
 - i. An RSO sponsored Co-Driver's School is being arranged for a date in October 2010. More details will be available shortly.
- b. Skype
 - i. Skype was not used at this meeting because of issues with the number of Board Members not able to use the software.
 - ii. A short test of Skype will be arranged by Ray
- c. Code of Conduct
 - i. No further action will be taken with respect to a specific allegation of a Code of Conduct violation during the Black Bear Rally 2010. The CARS Code of Conduct was reviewed and all RSO members and clubs are reminded that they must follow the Code of Conduct at all times and not only while just participating in CARS sanctioned events. You are ambassadors of the sport at all times.

6. ORRC Report

- a. Scores are posted and up to date
- b. Infinite Monkeys Rally
 - i. The event was held on August 14, 2010 with 15 teams participating from a starting location in Newmarket. No issues were noted.
- c. President's Prize Rally
 - i. Organized by PMSC on October 23rd with details to follow
- d. Open Road Rally
 - i. Organized by MCO on November 6th with details to follow
- e. First Frost Rally
 - i. Organized by SPDA on December 4th with details to follow

7. OPRC Report

- a. Scores are posted and up to date
- b. GCFR
 - i. Steward's report has been received by the Board and noted the outstanding efforts by the PMSC and the success of the event overall.
 - ii. A very serious safety incident immediately after the conclusion of the event was discussed at length by the Board. The Board moved, seconded and carried a number of disciplinary measures against the competitors involved in the incident.
- c. Tall Pines





- i. Planning is moving ahead on schedule with two new features for 2010: The Golton spectator stage will include a jump and the organizers will offer a "Super VIP" package to a very limited number of spectators in addition to the VIP packages. Details will follow.
- d. Road Damage Fund
 - i. No additional costs associated with the Black Bear/Tall Pines roads have been received.

8. Growth Committee Report

- a. No report

9. Equipment Manager's Report

- a. One "pop up" awning was purchased and another one will be purchased to replace broken ones.
- b. A number of light bars are being serviced in readiness for future events.
- c. The Board approved up to \$300 to cover the cost of printing of additional Marshal Handbooks for the Tall Pines Rally.

10. Scutineer's Report

- a. GCFR went smoothly. No issues at scrutineering and no significant damage as a result of any offs.
- b. The new ball diamond at the rally HQ made space tight. I (Steve Van Rees) have suggested an alternate site for scrutineering next year that allows a little separation from the service park. I found cars at tech sometimes blocked other competitors' service areas.
- c. It was good to see 3 new cars at the event. I hope to see more at Tall Pines.-At least 2 more cars have been log booked.
- d. I would like to poll the Ontario event organizers to see which way they would like to distribute the Scrutineering forms. I think this would be less confusing for competitors if at every Ontario event the paperwork was handed out the same way. I personally do not have a preference on which way they are handed out.

11. Legislative Affairs Report

- a. No report

12. New Business

- a. RSO AGM 2010
 - i. With the end of 2010 rapidly approaching, the Board is seeking input from member Clubs on the location and venue for the 2010 AGM in March of 2011. A note will go out to Club Presidents shortly soliciting their input.
- b. Auto Show(s)
 - i. The Board is unable to identify a significant return on the investment for attendance at the various "auto shows" in the last few years.





- ii. The Board will consider further participation once details of the various shows for the 2011 season are available.
- c. Door Numbers OPRC
 - i. The Board noted the discussion on the Special Stage forums.
 - ii. The use of the existing door numbers are mandated by the CARS rules and will continue to be used.

13. Club News

- a. BEMC – no report
- b. KWRC – no report
- c. MCO –
 - i. Jean MacGillivray has replaced Vince Landreville as Rally rep until the November elections.
 - ii. **Open Road Rally series 2010:** We held the final event of the 2010 season on August 18, with 18 teams entered. We had a special team: The Soldier On team of Corporal Andrew Knisley and Master Corporal Jody Mitic. They were severely wounded in Afghanistan, and are entering Targa Newfoundland in a specially prepared car. They entered our rally as practice for Targa.
 - iii. My husband (Jim Morrow) had raised \$160 from his co-workers, so I (Jean) challenged everyone at the rally to raise more. I was able to present a total of \$470 to Jody and Andrew for Soldier On, which supports the rehabilitation of injured war veterans. Jody and Andrew are also members of the MCO. They are being supported at Targa by General Lewis Mackenzie, Nigel Mortimer and Darryl Malone, and they received driving instruction from Glen Clarke at his Targa school.
 - iv. **Open Road Rally series 2011:** Our first event of the 2011 series will be held on Saturday, November 6. It will be an ORRC, so we should get a healthy number of entries. It will start and finish in Perth.
 - v. The next events are **Rally Défi Ste-Agathe** on September 10-11, with so far only two MCO'ers entered; and **Targa Newfoundland**, where we have four MCO teams entered: Rob Shotton and Chris Pye, winners of the 2009 Open Road Rally series; Tim Gorham and Bruce Jackson; Martin Walter and Ferdinand Trauttmansdorff; and Jody Mitic and Andrew Knisley.
 - vi. Plans are underway for the **2011 Lanark Highlands Forest Rally**, with a loop being added to extend the distance to about 76 km. Darryl Malone has stepped down as organizer, and is being replaced by Jane Laan.
- d. MLRC
 - i. The next Mini Rally, has been scheduled for September 27th, running out of north Brampton (Hwy. 10 & Mayfield Rd. area for Start/Finish, then heading north and west). Watch the MLRC website at www.mlrc.ca for



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further details. After that next date will be November 29th out of west Mississauga or north Oakville.

- ii. The first FourStar Summer RallyCross in Bancroft was held on Sunday, July 11th and was a smash success. The track was in great shape and was run in reverse for a change. Next event is on September 26th.
- iii. A Special Test Day was held at the Golton stage in Bancroft on August 29th. An invitational field of seven cars participated. Primary purpose of the day was to test and perfect the new jump. See the great photo of Nick Narini's car posted on the MLRC website.
- iv. The Tall Pines planning is really gathering momentum. The Supp Regs have been approved, the route and schedule have been finalized and the worker registration process has just begun. We need lots of volunteers, so if you are available on the November 19-20th weekend, please go to the Pines site at www.tallpinesrally.ca and sign up. We also need help on the October 16th Work Day. Competitors are welcome also. Contact ross@tallpinesrally.com if you can assist.
- e. PMSC – no report
- f. TAC
 - i. The club has held two successful rally events since June. In July, six teams of TAC club members had a enjoyable afternoon in the Halton Hills for a "fun" rally. The event concluded with a steak dinner at a nearby golf club.
 - ii. August 15th was the Infinite Monkeys Rally with fifteen teams taking part in this 230 km event to the north and west of Newmarket. There were four new teams at the event.
 - iii. August 29th, TAC will be hosting a BBQ at the American Le Mans Series event at Mosport. Club members and guests will be lunching on fine food while enjoying the racing from a private area between turns 2 and 3 for the minimal cost of \$30 per person.
 - iv. After more than a decade in the same place, TAC will be moving its monthly meetings in September to the Moose and Firkin Pub on the south west corner of Highway 7 and Weston Road. The pub has given us our own room. Meetings are held every third Wednesday starting at 8 pm. Anyone is welcome to join us for dinner starting at 7.
- g. SPDA – no report

Next Meeting: Monday, October 18, 2010 (location or teleconference method to be determined)

Special Note: RSO Calendar Meeting for the 2011 Season is on October 26, 2010 (location to be confirmed)



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