

RSO Board/Executive Meeting – December 3, 2012 Minutes

LOCATION: Teleconference – meeting at 7:40 p.m.

NAME	POSITION	PRESENT
Ray Felice	President	Yes
Warren Haywood	Vice-President – Performance Rally	Yes
Bruce Leonard	Vice-President – Navigational Rally	Yes
Jeannie MacGillivray	Secretary	Yes
Peter Gulliver	Treasurer	Yes
Paul Henshall	Executive Assistant	
Ross Wood	Administrative Assistant / Equipment Manager	Yes
Roger Sanderson	Webmaster	
Steve van Rees	Chief Scrutineer	Regrets
Vacant	Growth Committee	
Alasdair Robertson	Legislative Affairs	
Bob McCallum	BEMC Club Representative	
Adam Dowsett	KWRC Club Representative	
Rob Shotton	MCO Club Representative	Yes
Ross Wood	MLRC Club Representative	Yes
Peter Watt	PMSC Club Representative	Yes
Trevor Hancher	SPDA Club Representative	Yes
Rob McAuley	TAC Club Representative	Regrets
Derek Vincent	Guest (MLRC)	
Stephen Deneka	Guest (SPDA)	Yes
James Drake	Guest (President, MLRC)	Yes
Nick Narini	Guest (MLRC)	Yes

Agenda

- Approval of/additions to Agenda Added two items. Approved as amended Leonard / Gulliver.
- 2) Approval of the minutes of our last meeting (October 22). Approved as written Haywood / Leonard.
- 3) Treasurer's Report Pete. Sent in advance to the Board. 2013 Budget. 2013 Affiliation and other levies. Both distributed on Friday, Nov. 30.

Report to Board / Balance sheet. Approved as presented – Gulliver / Leonard.

Affiliation fees and various levies: Unchanged from 2012 with the exception of e-timing rental for CRC events in Quebec, which changes to \$60 per entry from \$40. Gulliver / Leonard.

ACTION: ROSS TO ADVISE QUEBEC EVENTS OF INCREASE.

Appendix A – Budget draft. Presented and discussed at length. Not accepted as presented; various points are under discussion by the Board.

ACTION: ALL BOARD MEMBERS TO CONFER OVER THE NEXT MONTH REGARDING THEIR PREFERENCES AND THE COST IMPLICATIONS.

Note: Please see attached document listing RSO fees for 2013, which were approved by the Board after the meeting.

4) CARS update - Ray.

(a) The Canadian Not-for-Profit Corporations Act. CARS is looking for a member from each region to be on a committee. Ray needs a person from this region by the end of December. Anyone who is interested should contact Ray.

ACTION: ALL - LOOK FOR AN RSO MEMBER TO SUPPORT THE CARS COMMITTEE.

(b) CARS updates – Bulletins. 2013 CRC schedule, AGM in Toronto in January. Nomination for president? Ray believes there is one. The name is not yet public.

There are no more changes to the 2WD class; there will be an open discussion on this at the AGM. There is still time for input as some of the changes don't take effect for another year.

5) Old Business -

(a) Rally car insurance – Ray. There is reputedly a provider of event-only insurance which reverts to the car's being under the household insurance policy when not in use. Update.

Ray has been in contact with Joan at K&K. She said the matter is still very much in discussion at her group. No answer yet.

(b) Has ASN responded to CARS about charging a per-car rate for test days rather than paying a flat rate of \$800/day? Update – **Ray**.

No response to date.

(c) Are dual affiliations (CARS and CASC-OR) required for 2013? – Ray.
ASN has refused to take a side and CASC-OR does not respond. Update at face-to-face meetings in April.

No response to date.

(d) New provincial legislation will affect RSO clubs – Ray. Update on the RSO committee led by Derek Vincent.

Nothing from Derek at this point.

(e) Electronic timing report – Ross.

Tall Pines: Almost every one of e-timing experts was involved in another job, so they had to work with a skeleton crew. They got accurate times for all cars but had to deal with some equipment problems.

(f) Planning re 2013 use of Timing Equipment – Ross.

Note: Discussed earlier in Agenda. Please see "levies" in Item (3).

(g) Discussion item from the RSO AGM about separating role of RSO President and RSO representative to the CARS Board – Pete. Update on feedback from club reps and presidents.

Information was sent to the RSO clubs and their response was that we need to create the role of Rally Director. Possibly the President could take on dual roles, but it should be known prior to the election. We could have the RD as a non-voting role.

ACTION: DISCUSS AND DECIDE BEFORE FEBRUARY 10.

(h) Improvements to the RSO Web site – Ray. Update. Ray met with James Drake and Stephanie to discuss what we're looking for, and Opal Gamble had delivered a proposal earlier this fall. Ray sent this proposal to the Board for review.

James recommended that each of us writes out the elements that we would like on our RSO website, so that a supplier can quote on it and provide their proof of ability to deliver.

ACTION: PETE TO SEND AN EMAIL TO THE PARTICIPANTS ON THIS CALL AND COLLATE THE RESPONSES. DEADLINE: DECEMBER 18.

- (i) RSO calendar Jeannie. Need Board's final approval on dates. Approved. Felice / Leonard.
- (j) Format for calendar: cards and/or electronic? All. Ray to advise on costs of one-sided poster and hero cards.

ACTION: RAY TO DISCUSS A FEW MORE OPTIONS RE QUANTITIES ON 18x24 POSTERS AND GET BACK TO THE BOARD ON COSTS, ETC.

(k) New CARS class structure and how it affects RSO class structure – Ray. Update on CARS progress and reaction to date from clubs and drivers. Note: Discussed earlier under (4) CARS update.

6) ORRC Report – Bruce.

The season's over, with the final rally being KWRC's Northern Lights Rally on December 1. Championships were determined; it came down to the final event. There was fog and ice mist on trees. There were 27 entries. Several SNATR people were there and a lot of first-timers. The rally had a Facebook page and an electronic poster was produced early.

We are ready to go for 2013. However, January Jaunt 2013 conflicts with the CARS AGM.

ACTION: BRUCE TO ASK JJ ORGANIZERS IF THEY CAN MOVE THE DATE.

- 7) OPRC Report Warren.
 - (a) RSO rule set for BOD approval Warren. 2012 OPRC rule changes were discussed at October meeting and now need to be ratified by the Board.

Some discussion on the rule set, particularly in light of Nick Narini's upcoming presentation.

ACTION: AFTER WE HEAR FROM NICK, WARREN TO RE-SEND THE RULE SET TO BOARD MEMBERS FOR APPROVAL BY MID-JANUARY. THE TITLE OF THE DOCUMENT WILL CHANGE TO 2013.

(b) Tall Pines review – Warren.

Tall Pines had 53 entries, of which 35 were OPRC. There were 18 finishers out of the 35. Overall, it was a great, great event. Road damage repair should be a lot better than last year as the roads were frozen. More damage was done on Recce, as it was warmer. From a Steward's perspective, it went very, very smoothly.

- 8) Legislative Affairs Report Alasdair. Nothing to report.
- 9) Scrutineer's Report Steve van Rees. To follow.
- 10) Equipment Manager's Report Ross Wood.

We had to buy a few pieces to get us back up to snuff. We need to buy a new light bar.

- 11) New Business -
 - (a) OPRC Exhibition Class Ross. Guest Nick Narini made a presentation to the Board.

Nick suggested creating a non-scoring class so that drivers could run and score but not get points in rallies and rallycross events. These drivers could have fun and compete, but not affect the standing of others who are competing for championship points. All cars would have to meet the CARS rules. There was also some discussion about the possibility of switching seats.

MOVED: TO CREATE AN EXHIBITION CLASS FOR 2013 - GULLIVER / LEONARD.

(b) Review of OPRC Points Scoring – Ross. Guest James Drake presented a document describing who would be eligible for points and what the process should be. This would compensate a competitor, or both members of a team, who chose to take on a significant role or roles (e.g., organizer, Clerk of the Course) on an OPRC rally.

ACTION: JAMES TO CLARIFY SOME WORDING AND RE-SUBMIT TO THE BOARD.

- (c) CARS awards and RSO awards Ray. We reaffirmed that the CARS AGM and awards (January 12) are being held separately from RSO awards (March 16).
- (d) RSO elections Ross. President / CARS rep, Treasurer and VP Performance are up for election.

ACTION: FOLLOW UP AT JANUARY MEETING.

12) Club News

- (a) BEMC (per Bob McCallum)
- (b) KWRC (per Adam Dowsett)

(c) MCO (per Rob Shotton)

The MCO's Doppelgänger TSD Rally Series ended with an ORCC event on November 3, with 20 teams competing. The primary credit goes to outgoing series organizers Jane and Jaak Laan and to Robert Roaldi, who continues to play the key role of routemaster.

Planning is well underway for the MCO's 2013 rally season:

TSDs: There will be five events: The newly named Frontenac Winter Rally is a local event to be run on the evening of January 19; three evening rallies will run between February and October; and, finally, the MCO will again host an event out of Perth in November which we again propose to be an ORCC. Chris Pye is now the series organizer and we will again often turn to Robert Roaldi as routemaster.

Performance: the Lanark Highlands Forest Rally will run again in 2013. Mike Koch takes over as organizer after two years of hard work by Jane and Jaak Laan. The township has been contacted and the date tentatively set for May 4-5, 2013.

The MCO rally group meets the first Thursday of each month.

(d) MLRC (per Ross Wood)

Reminder, MLRC members – if you have not renewed your membership, go to the website at www.mlrc.ca and go to Membership.

Now you can keep to date on all things MLRC right from your favourite social media outlet.

Facebook: facebook.com/officialMLRC http://www.facebook.com/officialMLRC

Twitter: twitter.com/officialMLRC https://twitter.com/officialMLRC

Google Calendar:

https://www.google.com/calendar/embed?src=lcsa5mdtsp7ja5crt4450rqpbs%40group.calendar.google.com&ctz=America/Toronto

MLRC forums: http://www.mlrc.ca/cgi-bin/yabb/YaBB.pl

The October Rallycross was another success with 30+ entries. We had a water truck on call, but it was not required. Being the fifth and final RX of the season, the championship winners were decided at this event and the seasons awards were given out at the MLRC meeting on December 6. Class winners were: Class 1 – Steve K, Class 2 – Tom S, Class 3 – Shawn B, and Class 4 – Tim D. You can check out the full Results and all other information at http://www.mlrc.ca/rallycross/. Dates for next year have now been set: January 27, February 24, June 23, September 29 and October 27.

The Rally of the Tall Pines was a huge hit with 53 starters. Unfortunately, at the last second, the team of Leo Urlichich/Carl Williamson withdrew, but there was a great battle between Antoine L'Estage/Nathalie Richard and Pat Richard/Alan Ockwell for the Overall win. Various mechanical issues dogged both teams later in the day. In the end, Pat and Antoine emerged victorious by a sizeable margin. See full results at http://rallyscoring.com/results/2012/TallPines/index.htm.

Congratulations to the MLRC team of Ryan Huber and John Vanos for an amazing 4th Overall, thus clinching the Ontario Championship. Also to Nick and Kelly Mathew for their 1st Overall in the Regional portion of the event. Leading up to the event there was a lot of rain and warm weather, so during Recce on Friday the teams found the roads very soft and some muddy sections, but overnight the temperature dropped freezing most of the roads, resulting in solid roads and even some icy sections. In order to try and assure such conditions for next year, we have moved the date a week later to November 29 and 30. Mark it on your calendar now.

Plans are already moving forward for the 2013 Black Bear Rally to be held in Gilmour again on July 13-14. Derek Vincent has taken as Coordinator and is busy putting together the committee. If you are interested, he would be pleased to hear from you.

The Maple Leaf Winter Rally has been set for the night of February 16-17. Bruce Leonard is the Organizer and has already been planning a great route. Plan on coming out and enjoying the great roads, either as a competitor or worker.

MLRC held its elections on December 6. Two positions were filled by acclamation – James Drake returns as President and Derek Vincent returns as Secretary.

(e) PMSC (per Peter Watt)

The President's Prize Rally, Nov. 17, was held on roads east of Peterborough. While it attracted 15 entries, the 15th entry arrived at the start location 15 minutes after Car 14 had departed. Generally speaking, it ran smoothly with the exception of the Havelock Santa Claus Parade. Seems the parade could not maintain the CAS required and held up a number of following competitors. This, in my opinion, represents a legitimate use of a time allowance. Using same because the competitors made a mistake does not.

The scoring brought out a couple of issues that RSO would be wise to address in the future — that being a common scoring team and system similar to what was developed for performance rally.

PMSC and the Peterborough Amateur Radio Club were well represented in the worker ranks at the Rally of the Tall Pines.

The PMSC AGM for 2012 was held on Wednesday, Nov. 28. The officers for 2013 are:

President: Mike VanRees
Vice President: Christine Newell
Secretary: Doug Armstrong
Treasurer: Earl Henderson
Competition: Dan Demers
Director at Large: Travis Grubb
Communications: Len Arminio

Work on Shannonville is continuing. The route has been essentially finalized and the date set. A management team still needs to be formed in the next two weeks if the event is to

go ahead. We are looking for: Web Master, Timing and Scoring teams, and a Chief of controls/workers. We currently have: Organizer, Route-master, Safety Officer, Registrar, Chief Radio Marshal, and Clerk.

That's it for now. On behalf of PMSC, I'd like to wish the rally community and families a Merry Christmas and the best in 2013.

Respectfully submitted, Peter Watt

(f) TAC (per Rob McAuley)

Kurt Seelenmayer is organizing the January Jaunt, but could use a couple of checkpoint workers. Registration opens at 1 p.m. on January 12. People will have time to go to the CARS AGM, and still make it to the Coachman Pub in Waterdown in time to help out. If you can make it, please contact Kurt at kurt.seelenmayer@cogeco.ca.

Secretary's note: The date of the 2013 January Jaunt has been confirmed. It will remain as January 12.

(g) SPDA (per Trevor Hancher)

No report this month.

Meeting adjourned at 10:48 p.m.

12) Next Meeting – Tuesday, January 15 at 7:30 p.m. by teleconference.

Appendix A - RSO Fees

(Revised February 8, 2013)

Annual Affiliation Fees Revised for 2013

Affiliation fee for clubs belonging to RallySport Ontario is \$300. Clubs are also required to affiliate with CASC-OR & CARS.

Levies for RSO Championship events

These levies are subject to annual review with rates for following year published via December minutes of the RSO Executive meeting.

Ontario Performance Rally Championship

OPRC Event listing fee. 2013

listing fee is \$75.

OPRC Events

Each organizing club shall pay RallySport Ontario a levy for each entry started in a listed event.

2013 fee is \$50 per entry

Road Damage

RallySport Ontario reserves the right to assess a levy based on stage distance to maintain the Road Damage Fund [included as part of the General Reserve fund].

RDF 2013 Rates.

\$70 for an OPRC only event. \$100 for an OPRC/National event. \$100 for a double OPRC event.

Ontario Road Rally Championship

ORRC Event listing fee. 2013

listing fee is \$25.

ORRC Events

Each organizing club shall pay RallySport Ontario a levy for each entry started in a listed event.

2013 fee is \$10 per entry

Timer levy

OPRC regional events - \$35 per car.

CRC National events (Ontario and Quebec) - \$60 per car.

Clubs may rent Timers for RallyCross and similar events at \$200 per day with club responsible for pick up and return. Clubs are also responsible for damage.

Note – The timer levy fees were revised by the RSO Board by email (January 6, 2013).