

# <u>RSO Board/Executive Meeting – March 4, 2013</u> <u>Minutes</u>

LOCATION: Teleconference – meeting at 7:30 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
Vacant	Treasurer	
Pete Gulliver	Bookkeeper	Yes
Ross Wood	Administrative Assistant / Equipment Manager	Yes
Paul Henshall	Executive Assistant	
Roger Sanderson	Webmaster	
Steve van Rees	Chief Scrutineer	Regrets
Vacant	Growth Committee	
Alasdair Robertson	Legislative Affairs	
Bob McCallum	BEMC Club Representative	Regrets
Martin Loveridge	KWRC Club Representative	Regrets
Rob Shotton	MCO Club Representative	Regrets
Ross Wood	MLRC Club Representative	Yes
Pete Gulliver	PMSC Club Representative	Yes
Trevor Hancher	SPDA Club Representative	Yes
Rob McAuley	TAC Club Representative	

# Agenda

**1)** Approval of/additions to Agenda – Agenda approved as written. Leonard / Haywood. Unanimous approval.

**2)** Approval of the minutes of our last meeting (January 15) – Approved as written. MacGillivray / Leonard. Unanimous approval.

**3)** Treasurer/ Bookkeeper's Report – Pete. Financial documents were sent in advance to the BoD and club reps. Our financials are in order for the AGM. Balance sheet RSO 2013 was approved as presented – Haywood / MacGillivray. Unanimous approval.

# 4) CARS update – Ray.

- (a) CARS Safety Guidelines Review Ross. The CARS board has now approved the mandate for this committee and is moving forward.
- (b) CARS meeting update Ray. The first CARS meeting with new president John Hall took place recently. John set out his vision for CARS moving forward. A bulletin will come out shortly about some new initiatives. CARS is still working on guidelines for spec fuel for CRC and survey results have been compiled.
  - · Steward training thinks RSO should hold another school in the fall.
  - The Not-for-Profit, Safety Guidelines and Speed Factor committees are active.

The next meeting of the CARS board will be on April 1.

# 5) Old Business –

- (a) Rally car insurance Ray. Ray has had no further updates and will to follow up. Waiting for further information.
- (b) The requirement to have dual affiliations (CARS and CASC-OR) Ray. Hold until April ASN meetings.
- (c) New provincial legislation on non-profits re RSO clubs Ray. No news from Derek.
- (d) Electronic timing report Ross. Had a meeting and went over a list of improvements with Newell Enterprises.
- (e) Improvements to the RSO Web site Ray / Warren. Action: WARREN TO COLLATE THE RESULTS BEFORE WE PROCEED TO DISCUSS WITH POTENTIAL SUPPLIERS.
- (f) Format for poster and postcards Ray. Postcards should be ready to go soon. ACTION: RAY TO CANVASS SOME PHOTOGRAPHERS FOR PHOTOS FOR THE POSTER.

(g) RSO Ham radio school incentive – Ross. RallySport Ontario and Tall Pines will be assisting some candidates who've travelled over 200 km for the school by subsidizing the cost of their accommodations.

- (h) The 2014 RSO calendar In the fall, RSO will be discussing how we finalize the RSO calendar, whether by meeting in person or electronically. This Agenda item will reappear in September.
- (i) Triangle rule Ross. A CARS board committee is investigating this.

# 6) ORRC Report – Bruce.

The Maple Leaf Winter Rally had 21 entries and 19 finishers.

Next up is the navigational school series, changed to Tuesdays. It starts March 26. Alan Ryall and KWRC are setting up a navigational rally for a charity, Girls Inc. of Halton. Rallymaster Jim Kenzie is going to promote the school. Alan has also contacted Robert Giannou of Targa to promote it as an introduction to rallying. Targa veteran co-driver Ray Felice has offered to speak.

The next ORRC is Peterborough's Spring Runoff Rally, with organizer Louis Cabardos. The location will be in Newcastle.

KWRC has a SNATR coming up on April 6, after the nav-rally school.

# 7) OPRC Report – Warren.

- (a) · RSO levies for Rallye Perce Neige are still outstanding.
  - Shannonville Stages is coming up on April 13.
  - · Lanark Highlands Forest Rally is planning its May 4 event.
  - · Black Bear Rally is having its first committee meeting next week.
- (b) RSO is planning to hold a Stewards' school later in the year.
- (c) The RSO rule set has been distributed to all RSO licence-holders, and Warren has received some feedback.
- 8) Legislative Affairs Report Alasdair.
- 9) Scrutineer's Report Steve van Rees. The only thing to report is there are a few cars in the works. Hopefully, we will see them soon.
- **10) Equipment Manager's Report Ross Wood.** Please see "Timing" 5 (d).

#### 11) New Business -

- (a) Vehicle tracking Ross. This item is being discussed by a CARS board committee.
- (b) CARS Stewards' shirts for RallySport Ontario stewards Ray. RSO will be supplying RSO Steward shirts to Stewards. These shirts are currently on hand and will be embroidered with the word "Steward." They will be made available to those Stewards who do not have a red CARS shirt.
- (c) A non-scoring Touring class in ORRC events Ross. This is a suggestion for organizers to consider. All regulations would still apply: teams must stop at checkpoints and run to the speeds of the rally. However, the instructions would be simple; just distance to turns. The Touring class would not score. It is hoped that this class would encourage more entries.

# 12) RSO AGM – Jeannie / Pete / Bruce. Update.

 (a) Publication of financial records – Pete. Update of whether any clubs have requested an early electronic copy before the AGM.
ACTION: JEANNIE TO SEND A REMINDER NOTICE TO ALL CLUB PRESIDENTS.

- (b) Reminder to all members of the Board Jeannie. All board members can send their annual reports to Pete for posting, and to Jeannie for inclusion in the Delegate's Package.
- (c) RSO Elections and Candidates to the agenda Bruce. Various names are being considered to run for the positions up for election.
- (d) Awards Bruce will go to a trophy shop and order them.

# 12) Club News

#### (a) **BEMC (per Bob McCallum)**

#### (b) KWRC (per Martin Loveridge)

KWRC has been busy helping out at the January Jaunt, Perce-Neige and the Ontario Winter Rally, and members had respectable placing in all of these.

We're planning our SNATR series for 2013. The first one is on April 6, running out of Woodstock, followed by the 49th annual Blossom Rally and SNATR on May 11, headquartered in Campbellville. Details are at <a href="http://www.kwrc.on.ca">www.kwrc.on.ca</a>.

The exciting news is that the SNATR series is going to be sponsored by Toyo Tires. All the work of obtaining the sponsorship was done by our compatriots at SPDA and they have been very supportive of the series over the years. We'll be announcing the details shortly but there is money for some trophies and other items, plus a couple of sets of Toyo tires to be given away. The multi-club Mini-Monte will also benefit from Toyo's involvement. Since the series is for fostering grassroots navigational rallying, we'll probably be basing the major prizes on participation rather than placing. We won't leave out the workers, either.

The next couple of months are going to be busy with club members working or running at a SNATR, Shannonville Stages, Spring Runoff, Lanark, Blossom, Girls Inc, and another SNATR.

#### (c) MCO (per Rob Shotton)

Under the direction of Mike Koch, planning is on-track for the Lanark Highlands Forest Rally. To be held May 3-4, 2013, it will be closely modelled after last year's successful event. The club will then move on to the next events in its Four Seasons TSD Rally series:

May 25 —Spring Fling Rally (daytime) July 17 — Summer Heat Rally (evening) September 25 — Just Fall Rally (evening) November 2 — Fall Night Rally (night)

# (d) MLRC (per Ross Wood)

Reminder, MLRC members – now you can keep track of dates lots of rally activities on our Google Calendar at:

<u>https://www.google.com/calendar/embed?src=lcsa5mdtsp7ja5crt4450rqpbs%40group</u> .calendar.google.com&ctz=America/Toronto or on the MLRC forums: <u>http://www.mlrc.ca/cgi-bin/yabb/YaBB.pl</u> The two winter Rallycrosses were a huge success, with 30+ entries. The January event featured perfect snow conditions, while the February event ran on a very icy surface – both challenging and great training. Get full information at <u>http://www.mlrc.ca/rallycross/</u>. Dates for the remainder of the year are: June 23, September 29 and October 27.

The all-night Maple Leaf Winter Rally ran in perfect winter conditions on a cold, clear winter night. Competitors loved the new route that ran further west than the last few years and picked up great roads like Salmon Lake, Salerno Lake and Milburn Road. Between Leg One and Two there was a brief stop at Tim Horton's in Bancroft, then the route headed back over to Bancroft. Leg Three featured traditional great roads in the Bancroft area.

Twenty-one cars ran the event. First Expert team with 4.1 points was Kelly and Cabardos. First Intermediate with 22.8 was the Maynards and first Novice was taken by Mossounov and Magun with 23.5 points. Full results can be seen at: http://www.mlrc.ca/MLWR/results.html.

Thanks to Bruce Leonard for organizing a great event. Rumour is that next year the MLWR will feature a 'Touring Class' – same great route with dead-simple instructions.

Plans for the Black Bear Rally (July 13) are underway with Derek Vincent as Organizer. The route and schedule will be very similar to last year. If you are not planning to compete, your participation as a worker would be welcomed.

The Tall Pines committee is also in full swing. Be sure to keep November 29-30 clear on your calendar.

#### (e) **PMSC (per Pete Gulliver)**

PMSC hosted the sixth round of CASC Ice Races in Minden weekend of February 23-24. Entries levels were down for this event over previous years, as they have been all season with just over 70 entries each day. Some of these would have been same drivers competing in more than one class. Great event with no incidents. Ice racing is now over for this year but Rally people should consider it for next year. Cheap way to improve very loose-surface driving.

Next up on the PMSC calendar is the Shannonville Stages Rally on April 13 at Shannonville Raceway. Tech is being done at the ClearWater Design facility. Thanks, Michelle and Ian. Several entries have been received.

Close after SSR is Spring Run-Off Rally on April 20, organized by Louis Cabardos, starting and finishing at the Forum Restaurant on 115 near Newcastle. Louis always organizes a great event. There are some awesome roads in that area which we can be assured he will make the most of.

We then get busy with our Solo 2 Season on April 28 at Kawartha Downs Raceway. Not sure if there will be horse racing at that facility this year but Solo is a go for sure.

We are also busy on GCFR and we are proud to announce that this year, GCFR — or, to give it the full-Monte title — Galway–Cavendish Forest Rally, presented by Direct Energy and Peterborough Mitsubishi. Also confirmed as supporting sponsors are Peterborough Subaru, Canadian Tire (Chemong Road) Peterborough and ClearWater Design, who are sponsoring the new for GCFR Champagne Podiums for both 2WD and 4WD.

# (f) TAC (per Rob McAuley)

# (g) SPDA (per Trevor Hancher)

SPDA concluded its 2012 AGM on January 27. The following positions were filled with new or returning executives:

President — Joe T. Secretary — Laszlo T. Director of Instruction — Scott M. Race Ambassador — Scott M. OTAO Ambassador — Blake Y. Rally Ambassador — Trevor H. Autoslalom Ambassador — Barry G.

# SPDA and the Toronto Subaru Club present the Snokhana Winter Autocross on March 3.

The Snokhana is a Safe, Fun, and All Skill Level adventure in the snow reminiscent of a Winter Auto-X, open to anyone who wishes to come out and have a good time with their car in the snow — Amateur to Pro are welcome. The event is not limited to Subarus only. Come out with any vehicle you wish to participate in — daily drivers of any kind are just fine. This event follows CARS 2013 rules for RallyCross.

Using the air strip behind the resort, we will be setting up a technical course that you will need to manoeuvre through while being timed. Time penalties are added for going off course, hitting a cone, etc. At the end of the day, we will tally up the times and those people in with the top times in various categories will be rewarded!

Meeting adjourned at: 9:55 p.m.

13) **Next Meeting –** To be decided by the new Board after the AGM.