



## **Minutes**

**RSO Board/Exec Meeting: Mon Dec 11/23**

**Video conference call**

| <b>Name</b>        | <b>Position</b>               | <b>Present</b> |
|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|
| Martin Loveridge   | President                     | yes            |
| Brandon Pace       | VP Performance                | yes            |
| Louis Cabardos     | VP Navigation                 | yes            |
| Kelly Mathew       | Secretary                     | yes            |
| David Maynard      | Treasurer                     | yes            |
| Warren Haywood     | CARS Rally Director for RSO   | yes            |
| Ross Wood          | Exec Assistant/ Equip Manager | yes            |
| Roger Sanderson    | Webmaster                     | yes            |
| % Warren Haywood   | Chief Scrutineer              | yes            |
| Alasdair Robertson | Legislative affairs           |                |
| Martin Loveridge   | KWRC representative           | yes            |
| Pete Gulliver      | PMSC Representative           |                |
| Bruce Leonard      | MLRC Representative           | yes            |
| Mike Koch          | OSCC Representative           | yes            |
|                    | St Lac Representative         |                |
| Lexi Nahwegiizhic  | MCO Representative            | yes            |
| Trevor Hancher     | SPDA Representative           | yes            |
| Graham Tullett     | TAC Representative            | yes            |

## Agenda

1. **Approval of/additions to agenda.** Brandon asked that the 'Tarmac Cup' be added under performance rally. Mathew/Pace. Unanimous. Carried
2. **Approval of the minutes of the last meeting (Nov 13, 2023)** Moved for approval as presented. Mathew/Maynard
3. **Treasurer's report - David**  
Previously Outstanding:
  - Sponsorship money - Full amount has now been received
  - OPRC Listing Fees & Entry fees- Defi has been received. Tall Pines - cheque on the way

Moved as presented. Maynard/Mathew

## Notes:

- Brandon to send addresses to treasurer for prize fund winners
- Louis wanted clarification on the levies wording "if entered in RSO Championship" - does this mean that folks competing in an ORRC event who are not RSO club members do not have to pay levies? It was discussed that all who enter the ORRC event pay levies. Those who enter a SNATR or Bear Cub event do not.
- Financials will be positive at the end of the year due to no big road repair bill.
- It was advised by treasurer not to reduce fees/levies as this will not always be the case that we have low road repair costs.

## 4. CARS Regional Rally Director report - Warren

From November 2nd CARS board meeting.

- a. Sponsorship and Marketing
    - i. YL working with Pirelli and P1 fuels for CRC sponsorship.
    - ii. Mosaic DM presented sponsorship proposal to the CARS board.
  - b. Finance - On track for 23 targets, 24 budget proposal well in hand no changes so far.
  - c. CRC Report
    - i. RDX report was received by the board no major problems - the event ran well and on time. some minor issues with spectator placement. Overall some very small issues which were handled as well as to be expected.
    - ii. Power stage concept will be shelved for 2024 - may revisit in future.
  - d. Organizer rep - Standardization project underway kickoff meeting had taken place with 6 participants. Short term focus will be on RS re launch, permanent car number roll out. Discussion on the duties expected of sweep at events and specifically are they expected to sweep transits. DB will develop standards. Event Organisers will meet prior to the AGM to discuss issues.
  - e. Competitor Rep - Permanent car number project underway. Call to submit rule changes for 24 to be dealt with ASAP to put them in place for RPN. Rule discussion for AGM
  - f. TRC - Sent out preliminary rule change class structure document for review comments to be sent back by Nov 13 th .
  - g. Debbie is looking for a 2024 list of events - calendar link can be sent to her
  - h. Next meeting Nov 29/23.
- ## 5. Old Business
- a. **Rally car licencing in Ontario** - Warren/Dave M - no further updates - on going
  - b. **Navigational Rally App** - The Richta app was used at Northern Lights. Roger will send a report to Louis. Louis is hoping to get some feedback from

competitors. Bruce said he didn't have too much interaction with it because he was driving.

Some times were off by a minute but it's possible it was actually the control volunteers writing the wrong numbers down. Roger thinks it was promising and wants to do more testing.

Louis would like to use the rest of 2023 and 2024 to do more testing and debug it - and discuss using it for the 2025 season

- c. **Ontario Scrutineer** -Warren is taking on the role for now. Job description has been written up and Warren had a few interviews set up for the end of November but didn't find a suitable candidate. WH will create a job description & we can put it on the RSO website & send it to clubs.
- d. **Nomination and voting system for the Regional Rally Director for CARS (Kelly)** - can we remove the duplicate system from the RSO Bylaws? ML & KM discussing via email how to bring this to the clubs for discussion. ML & KM to discuss further whether it needs to be a motion at the AGM or is an EGM needed. ML & KM will then get a motion put together to present to Clubs.

## 6. Navigational Rally Report - Louis

Season is now over. Martin & Louis to get the awards sorted.

Year end results:

Here are the top three in each class.

- Expert Driver: Nick Parry 59 pts, Brooke Jacobs 55 pts, Jane Leonard 51 pts.
- Expert Navigator: Kurt Seelenmayer 59 pts, Claire Jacobs 55 pts, Barry Spinner 53 pts.
- Novice Driver: Jean-Sebastien Delisle 55 pts, Eric Vanderwal 27 pts, Daniel Stiplosek 20 pts.
- Novice Navigator: Audrey Godin 55 pts, Zach Jansen 27 pts, Travis Grubb 24 pts.
- Club: KWRC 429 pts, TAC 203 pts, PMSC 182 pts.
- Plaques will be awarded to 1st & 2nd Expert & 1st Novice

2024 events are scheduled and the organizers are already set.

## 7. Performance Rally Report - Brandon

### a. Performance:

- i. OPRC - Healthy competitor participation in 2023. The winners and prize fund recipients have been notified.  
<https://www.oprc.online/post/2023-champions> link to the Winners announcement. Full results can be found on the RSO website.
- ii. 2024 calendar - most of the calendar is confirmed, just waiting for BBR.
- iii. Tarmac cup - RSQ approached Brandon to create a Tarmac Cup with Shannonville (RSO) and Sanair (RSQ) and offer some prize money to encourage cross participation.

***Moved that RSO support the Tarmac Cup with a \$500 contribution to the prize money. Leonard/Pace. Unanimous. Carried***

### b. Rallysprint: N/A

- c. **RallyCross:** Positive season in rallycross. The championship results were sent out to competitors. For 2024 we're planning the same set up but the rules need

to be more visible and all information sent out ahead of time to clubs & competitors.

Suggestion for the 2024 season - to make entry fees uniform across the clubs: \$100 for RSO member, \$120 non-RSO member. With no discounts for home club events.

Brandon to follow up with Clubs & RX organizers about making fees uniform. MCO - Some MCO members were unhappy & felt they were not included in the RX championship. Brandon understands that it wasn't well advertised, but there were some MCO competitors that took advantage and were aware of the championship. Going forward, Brandon will ensure that Clubs are followed up with & know about what is going on.

8. **Legislative Affairs Report - Alasdair** - No report

9. **Scrutineer's Report - % Warren Hayward** not much to report. 2 of 3 logbooks have been issued & just working on the 3rd.

10. **Equipment Managers Report - Ross Wood**

a. **Timing equipment management - maintenance and storage** - The Newells won't be maintaining and storing the equipment going forward. Ross has some candidates to store & maintain - Martin added his name to the list.

11. **Growth Initiatives -**

a. **2023 Prize fund payments** - David will prep cheques to be sent out to recipients - Brandon & David to get addresses to send them out.

b. **2024 OPRC sponsorship** - Matt had indicated this year that he wished to continue sponsorship for the prize fund into 2024 but we have not heard from him about it recently. Martin will send Matt an email thanking him for his support this season & see what his intentions are for 2024.

It would be good to get the info for 2024 as soon as possible so we can get it out to competitors well before the season starts.

12. **New Business**

a. **2023 OPRC & ORRC awards** - Martin is organizing production of these. Some will be presented at the KWRC gathering and others can be presented at RPN. CARS may be presenting the CRC awards at RPN so OPRC awards could also be handed out to competitors that are attending.

b. **2023 OPRC winners sticker** (Kelly) - asked permission to have some vinyls produced for the OPRC driver/codriver (overall and 2WD) and Novice winners. 4inch square, laurel wreath design. Permission granted. Warren to do up the proofs

c. **2024 Calendar & set RSO AGM date** - Link to calendar so far <http://www.kwrc.on.ca/wp-content/uploads/2023/12/2024-Comp-CalendarR1-.pdf>  
Virtual RSO AGM date set for March 23/24

13. **Club News**

a. **Kitchener-Waterloo Rally Club (KWRC) (per Martin Loveridge)** NExt meeting is this week. Northern Lights went well and was a lot of fun. Many KWRC members at Tall Pines

b. **Motorsport Club of Ottawa (MCO) (As per Lexi Nahwegiizhic)** Nothing much going on at the moment. Struggling to get assistance to prep the winter rallycross course for 2024. A lot of this is new to Lexi, & Lexi is working hard to learn more on the rally side of things.

- c. **Maple Leaf Rally Club (MLRC) (per Bruce Leonard)**
  - i. Rally of the Tall Pines - 26 entries, 200+ volunteers. Big thanks to the whole rally community for helping out. There were lots of things happening in the background but it all got dealt with. Financially did well. \$1600 sponsorship in gift cards for volunteers.
  - ii. Polar Bear - will probably go back to the Fish & Game club for HQ in 2024. It'll be the weekend before the long weekend. Hoping for snow.
- d. **Ottawa Sports Car Club (OSCC) (per Mike Koch)** 3 members of the Exec were at RTP. (Nicki, Richard & Mike). The Rally Director is now going to be Jim Morrow but Mike will still be the Club representative at the RSO meetings. Very little going on with the Club at the moment. Hoping to get some Club level navigational events going in 2024.
- e. **Peterborough MotorSports Club (PMSC) (per Louis Cabardos)** Making plans for 2024. Decent 2023 season although Autocross was not well attended, perhaps due to the new venue. PMSC & KWRC will team up to organize the 2024 Shannonville Stages Rally.
- f. **St Lawrence Automobile Club (St Lac)** No update
- g. **Sports Performance Drivers Association (SPDA) (per Trevor Hancher)** Not a lot currently going on but working on 2024 plans
- h. **Toronto Autosport Club (TAC) (per Graham Tullett)** We're about 1 month away from January Jaunt & then ice racing will start in February

**14. Next Meeting - Jan 22/24 @ 730pm**

Meeting Ended: 9:15pm