

# SSSCC April 2007 Club Meeting Minutes

April 11, 2007

Meeting began at 6:00pm by reigning president, Lynn Rogers. 16 members present.

## Old Business

- Chief's meeting was held on March 24<sup>th</sup> with almost 100 percent chief turnout. Discussed general topics related to various aspects of event management. Improvements suggested and warmly welcomed.
- Annual tech inspection commenced following the chief's meeting with a show of approximately 24 cars getting the stamp of approval. Following the first season event that number has grown to 35 cars clearing which represents 40 drivers.
- Season events 1 and 2 on March 31<sup>st</sup> and April 1<sup>st</sup> at TCR were a huge success. Saturday a total of 79 cars entered for the day. The club experienced major technical difficulties with the computerized system, a disadvantage that many worked really hard to compensate for and make the event successful. Runs were cut to 5 as result. Sunday 68 cars ran. All technical issues were fixed, thanks to Lynn. Everyone got 7 runs to make up for the lost run on Saturday. Weekend turned out very nice overall.
- Problems encountered at TCR during these first two events showed that the club must design courses that allow adequate and consistent overlap. The starter position is too difficult to manage, visibility is limited to only half the course and the day stretches too long. This will result in shorter duration course designs but will ensure we always get through the day with optimal runs.
- Treasurer's report – the last weekend of events revenue was \$3,000. After expenses net earnings was \$480. The checkbook balance is \$6,800. New membership fees gained us \$380.

## New Business

- Upcoming events
  - Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup> the Columbia Mini Club is planning a drive to Pullman for the day. See Mitch for details if interested in participating.
  - Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup> will be set up day for the Yakima event weekend. Anyone wishing to join the set up crew can meet at the Richland Wal-Mart Shell station. Caravan departure at approximately 11:30am.
    - Set up to begin at the Sun Dome lot at 1:00pm.
    - Cones setup and course chalked
    - Run timing cables and set up timing box
    - Set up PA system leaving speakers in van ready to stand in morning
    - Set up display board leaving board in van ready to stand in morning
    - Need to have gas and oil for generator – Gene to handle
    - Need to borrow backup generator from Greg Swank
- Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, Showdown at the Dome – Event #3

- Gates open at 7:00am – registration and tech need to be up and ready to run
  - Guided course walk by novice chief at 8:30am sharp
  - Driver's meeting at 9:00am sharp
  - Course to go hot by 9:30am or earlier
  - No time for long lunch break. Lynn to check on inviting a Taco truck or Pizza on site. If not feasible Bob will barbeque for Saturday.
  - Timed runs must end by 5:00pm as Sun Dome staff will begin parking for Saturday evening event in the Dome at 5:30pm. We must be completely off the primary lot before then. Awards can be wrapping up in pit area but must be nearly over by 5:30pm. All cones will need to be picked up and stacked at light poles. All electronics to be stored in trailer and van. Trailer and van to be relocated near Gene's RV for the night.
  - Leaving belongings on site overnight is no highly secure. Gene is not a security guard and cannot be responsible for any items left on site.
  - Details to follow regarding Saturday night social, which will be a combined effort with YVSCC.
- Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, Showdown at the Dome – Event #4
- Course will have to be reset for competition
  - Trailer to be repositioned in new location near Sunday grid
  - Still want to run as much on schedule as possible even without timing conflicts that evening
  - Lunch break will be observed for cars to go get judged in the car show if desired. Show participants and non-participants are encouraged to visit the car show at lunch break to show support and view cars on display. Planning a procession from the Sun Dome to the car show. Food vendor will be on site at car show or Burger King nearby.
- Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, Bob Halls Mazda YVSCC Sports Car Show
- Enter your car in both autocross and car show if desired but will have little time to participate in show if you race Sunday.
  - Encourage anyone in any type of car to enter the show. Lots of old British cars planning to attend. Need a more diverse group of cars to sign up.
  - No judging classes planned. Awards will be given for numerous things including people's choice and best work in progress.
- Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, Road Trip with Columbia Mini Club
- Lynn, Mitch and Harold plotting route into eastern Oregon
  - Approximately 300 miles of great, twisty, fun to drive roads
  - More details to come soon
- Saturday and Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>, SCCA Packwood event
- Course designer is our own Lynn Rogers
  - Saturday is a practice day and Sunday is the Autocross
- Saturday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, SSSCC Driver's School
- Long course for plenty of seat time
  - 14 instructors lined up for challenge format
  - Limited to first 42 students who have paid. Spots filling quickly. Contact Lynn to register for this event
- Sunday and Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>, School's Out Events #5 and #6
- Course Designer is Mark Rieb
  - Site is Dust Devils Lot

- Sponsorship – We have four existing 2007 sponsorships. Returning from last year is Autobahn Car Care Center and Kaizenspeed. New this year is KartSports Northwest and Bob Hall Mazda (Yakima event). Pending new sponsor is Ink Monkey Tattoo who should be coming onboard this week.
- Advertising – We ran out of schedule cards in one weekend of events so Mitch has ordered more Promo cards. The Yakima event is airing on the Public Address and newspaper flyers are possible.
- Miscellaneous – More wristbands have been ordered. The drivers meeting on race days needs to include a more pronounced emphasis on hot swapping workers and workers who leave early leave their stations with fewer workers or totally unmanned. Current member count is at 94!

Meeting adjourned at 7:15pm.