

SSCC February Club Meeting

February 9, 2009

Meeting brought to order at 6 by Vickie Livengood with 26 present.

Old Business

Recent club events

TCR Update – Lynn Rogers met with Mike Binky from the port and he gave us permission to turn the water on to TCR building and the bathrooms for February event. All the weeds on the outside perimeter are going to be cleaned up by the Coyote Ridge. Scott Bliler has spent many hours cleaning up the grounds as well. The Port is trying to get the property annexed into the city of West Richland but they do not have adequate percentage of population to warrant it right now. At this point the Port does not appear to have any plans to develop the land in the near future but it is always a possibility. A portion of the perimeter fence has been downed during an auto accident. The Port is aware and is in the process of fixing.

If anyone hears people in the community talking about getting on the site, remind them that it would be illegal. Also inform them of the events the club holds which they can attend and be racing legally.

Treasurer's Report

Net earnings at end of January were \$801.41. Total club assets are \$40,723.62. Check book balance is \$7,591.43. A new account at the credit union was started so Jodee and Lynn can transfer funds from Edward Jones. Insurance has been paid through June and the insurance company will be sending proof of insurance each event. Taxes have been sent in. Certificate of non-profit status sent in.

New Business

2009 Chiefs-

- Chief of Novice – Mitch Lewis
- Assistant Chief of Novice – Manny Bonilla
- Chief of Tech – Mike Parker
- Assistant Chief of Tech – David Crabtree
- Assistant Chief of Tech – Mike Gregg
- Chief of Registration – Scott Bliler
- Assistant Chief of Registration – Vic Livengood
- Chief of Karts- Dawn Danton
- Chief of Safety – Dan Best
- Chief of Setup (Events) – Harold Walkup
- Chief of Setup (Fridays) – Lynn Rogers
- Chief of Workers- Ken Wheeler
- Assistant Chief of Workers – Ricky Bang
- Assistant Chief of Workers – Mikey Hall
- Chief of Social, Apparel and Awards – Shannon Parker
- Chief of Waivers – Rex Ayers
- Chief of Pre-Registration, Scoring, Electronics – Mara Walkup
- Chief of Timing – Lynn Rogers

2009 Rule Change Proposals- The following rule changes have been placed on the ballot for voting.

Proposal: Merge the S2 and S3 classes into one S2 class due to low participation levels in both classes. S2 is B,C, E stock and S3 is G, F,D stock. Combining the classes would give more competition for the class but the Pax index could favor one over another with the design limitations of courses at TCR. Discussion ensued that included the idea the club should not restructure the classes each year based on participation level but leave them so there is stability in classing from year to year.

VOTE: Unanimous to reject this proposal keeping the classes separate.

Proposal: Limit kart drivers to kart classes. Since the rule has been changed to separate K1 & K2 kart top times of day from cars, this rule should extend to the women's class if they have a woman kart driver who wins top time of day. The women's class is run more like a PRO class as any classed car is allowed to run as long as driver is a woman so requires a vote to be determined. The contention is that if men are excluded from head's up competition with karts, then all cars should be excluded as well, whether is it women's class or any other. If the issue is to separate kart vs. car top times it should be across the board, not exclusive to one class. No further discussion.

VOTE: Majority to accept this proposal limiting kart drivers to kart classes.

Proposal: Return Vintage back to a Season Trophy earning class. The original reason this class was taken out of trophy event was an effort to conserve monies going out for trophies in lowly attended classes. This last year Shannon was able to minimize our trophy costs and it seems a void issue to try to save money on trophies. Vickie is of the opinion that it should go back to trophy class. Further discussion from Lynn who shared that an additional reason this class was stripped of its trophy status was an attempt to phase it out as it is only a local class. Rebuttal was that there appears to be some interest sparking in the class this season.

VOTE: Majority to accept this proposal restoring Vintage class back to a season trophy earning class.

Proposal: Open Vintage class to any car 25 years or older in any SCCA class with class appropriate tires. Vickie read a remark submitted by Mark Graham, the only Vintage driver last season. His thoughts were that anyone who is serious about autocross will end up putting race tires on their car so why should Vintage be different. No further discussion.

VOTE: Majority to accept this proposal opening Vintage class to any car 25 years or older in any SCCA class with class appropriate tires.

Proposal: Season trophy qualifications specified as one half plus one season events. Last year to qualify a driver had to participate in one half plus two season events. Discussion revolved around the fact that if the number of events required to qualify for season points is too low then a driver can potentially qualify and trophy in two classes. Likewise, if the number of events is set too high then it eliminates too many participants who are not able to come to that many events.

VOTE: Majority to accept this proposal setting the number of season events that must be attended to qualify for season points at one half plus one season events.

Upcoming Events

February 21st and 22nd - Winter Heat #1 and #2

March 21st and 22nd -Winter Heat #3 and #4

April 11 -Work Party at TCR- need volunteers to come help upkeep on the grounds

April 18th & 19th – Season Event #1 and #2

May 9th- Driver's School being put on with national level champions

May 10th – Test and Tune

May 16th – Evolution Driving School-ASNW sponsored (ASNW event May 17th)

Hastings Night – Jo Bolin-Johnson working on making this happen

Miscellaneous:

Sponsorship:

Les Swabb is 2009 maintenance sponsor.

Manny is taking 2 sponsor packets to different contacts.

John Jobin mentioned All Tune in Pasco as possible sponsorship.

Topic arose regarding the best way to communicate a change in event dates if called due to weather for the upcoming winter heats. Majority present said that notification by club email and posting on the forum was the best way.

Car Show at Ranch and Home suggested by Manny. AJ volunteered to help.

Promo cards should be available in a couple weeks, hopefully by winter heat.

Next meeting is March 9, 2009.

Meeting adjourned by Vickie at 7:15pm.

2009 Event Schedule

JANUARY	12 th	Club Meeting
FEBRUARY	9 th	Club Meeting
	21 st	Winter Heat #1
	22 nd	Winter Heat #2
MARCH	9 th	Club Meeting
	21 st	Winter Heat #3
	22 nd	Winter Heat #4
	28 th	Design School
	29 th	Design School
APRIL	13 th	Club Meeting
	18 th	Event #1
	19 th	Event #2
MAY	9 th	Driver School
	11 th	Club Meeting
	30 th	Event #3
	31 st	Event #4
JUNE	8 th	Club Meeting
	27 th	Event #5
	28 th	Event #6
JULY	13 th	Club Meeting

AUGUST	8 th	Event #7
	9 th	Event #8
	10 th	Club Meeting
SEPTEMBER	14 th	Club Meeting
	19 th	Event #9
	20 th	Event #10
OCTOBER	10 th	Event #11
	11 th	Event #12
	12 th	Club Meeting
NOVEMBER	9 th	Club Meeting
	21 st	Annual Banquet