

STEEL CITIES REGION – SCCA

General Membership Meeting, January 2, 2013 – Gene's Last Chance, Strip District

Board Members in attendance: Jim Farrar, Don Baker, Beth & AJ Anselm, Barry Kaplan, Mark Connolly, Paula Hawthorne, Mark Andy, Adam Reichbaum, Dave Merritt, Chuck Larouere, Kristi Gaus and Chris Granche

The meeting was called to order by our newly elected RE, Mark Connolly at 7:30 PM.

The minutes from the December meeting were approved (Farrar, Merritt).

TREASURERS REPORT – Beth Anselm

Due to the disruption of the Taliban (they were doing computer sabotage) , Beth was unable to get an on line bank statement. She said we have approx \$45,000

MEMBERSHIP REPORT – Paula Hawthorne

As of December 31, we have 355 members. We did have 363 members. Our one new member is Michael Lowers. The membership numbers were approx the same as last year at this time.

ACTIVITIES REPORT – Mark Connolly

The Steel Cities banquet is on January 26, 2013 at Pugliano's Italian Grille. The cut off date for reservations is January 19.

Gene's Last Chance has been reserved for membership/Board meetings: February 6, March 6, April 3, and May 1.

Daytona Party – February 24 at McB. 1 PM till ??

RALLY REPORT – Chuck Larouere

There will be a regional rally in Mid May and the National Tour in August

SOLO REPORT – Mark Andy

- Mark is working on getting the end of the year trophies at Final Score.
- Mark touched on having Solo people go to the National Convention. We decided to have a Board meeting after to discuss who is going.
- Solo board is still working on their schedule. We should have 9 events. Its tentative with DJ at Pitt Race and Wayne at Consol
- Mark talked about having a Road Racers vs Auto Crossers Event
- Mark Andy is now on the Solo Event Board

TRACK TRIALS - Dave Merritt

There will be Club Trials at Pitt Race on April 20 with our Drivers School.

Dave went over the financials. There was a change in insurance. Some fees are lower. No up front costs. Dave asked the board for approval on his Time Trials Budget. Mark Andy moved, Jim Farrar 2nd. Motion passed.

COMPETITION REPORT – AJ Anselm

The Steel Cities Drivers School will be April 20-21. Joe Malloy is the Chief Instructor,. There will be Club Trials on Saturday and a Double Regional on Sunday. Students that pass the school can enter their first race on Sunday. Adam Reichbaum is the race chairman.

August 3-4 is our Restricted Regional at Pitt Race.

There were rule changes reported in Fast Track

Mark Andy stated that the Drivers School should be well published. We need a detailed description of what the event is. We need to use social media. We should push Face book postings.

ARCHIVIST/HISTORIAN – Don Baker

Don reported that Dru Careys father passed away sometime last week

UPDATE ON MIKE CONNOLLY – Mark Connolly

Mike had his knee replaced on November 14. He is doing ok, but tires easily. He is having his other knee replaced sometime soon.

OLD BUSINESS

- We still need an Activities person. Does anyone know a person willing to take over?
- Gene's Last Chance will still be the meeting site for 2013

NEW BUSINESS

SCCA National Convention – Frank & Kristi Gaus want to go. We will have a Board meeting after the Membership meeting to decide.

Mark Andy talked about what we can do to get our club more recognition. Solo is having fliers made up to give out at the car show in February and at McB.

There was a discussion to get the Subaru Club interested in joining.

The Daytona Party will be held at McB on Sunday, February 24, 2013. 1 PM - ?

There was a discussion to have a special. Maybe a Spring Meeting at McB? We can also have a yearly tech at the meeting.

We should have templates for each group (Solo, Rally, Road race, etc). Included should be information on: Who do we deal with? Phone #'s? Back-ups? Budget, Schedules, contacts, etc.

Beth Anselm moved to get Mark Andy a Steel Cities debit card to pay for small miscellaneous Solo expenses. AJ Anselm 2nd the motion. Motion passed.

AJ stated that Allegheny County has a program to adopt a road. Is it possible to have our region participate? We would be responsible to pick up trash twice a year. The trash bags will be picked up by the county. Allegheny County will place a plaque on the road with our region name. Mark Andy wanted to have a road rally to the location.

Chris Carlile won \$39 in the 50/50.

The meeting was sort of adjourned at 8:35 PM while the board members went into the other room.

Submitted by,

Chris Granche
Assistant Secretary – Steel Cities Region, SCCA

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING – Held after the Membership Meeting

Who goes to the National Convention? It has been our policy to send the RE and one other person for a “free ride” (We pay for airfare, hotel and convention registration up to \$1,300). We also have paid for registration fees for 3-4 people.

The board decided: As RE, Mark Connolly will be going. Kristi Gaus will be the second person going for a “free ride”. We agreed to pay the convention registration fee (\$275) for Frank Gaus, Beth & AJ Anselm.

Chris Granche reminded the attendees to make sure they have receipts.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM

Submitted by: Chris Granche – Assistant Secretary