

STEEL CITIES REGION, SCCA  
General Membership Meeting May 6th, 2015 at Tolerico's Restaurant in Monroeville

Regional Executive Mark Connolly called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM.

*A motion (Dave Merritt/Rick Beattie) to approve the minutes of the April membership meeting with corrections as discussed passed 14-0-0.*

MEMBERSHIP: Paula Hawthorne

Last month we had 422 members; this month we have 437. New members include Eric Enterline from Pittsburgh 15228, Matthew Kuli from Cranberry, Derek Kuntz from Pittsburgh 15210, Mike Sears from Oakdale, Richard Sterner and Diane DeGurian from Pittsburgh 15222, Ben Smith from Natrona Heights, David Kerr from Pittsburgh 15241, Michel Laverne from Pittsburgh 15232, Sean Riley from Cranberry, David Easton from McDonald. Ethan Percy from Slippery Rock, and Shayna Kuhr from Apollo.

HISTORIAN: Don Baker

This month our milestone is 30 years of membership for Jack Wilson.

Barry Kaplan and Cliff McCandless (dual member with MVR) were recognized for 12-19 days service.

RALLY REPORT: Rick Beattie

We held our two National Rallies April 11th & 12<sup>th</sup>. Chuck's rally ran smoothly but its scheduling only two weeks after NJ Region's kept the entry low at 7 Saturday and 11 Sunday. We were done around 3PM Sunday. There were no claims and the weather was great.

There is a BRMSCC rally the 17<sup>th</sup> in the South Hills. Justin Connors' Picnic Rally will be in June.

TRACK TRIALS REPORT & HILLCLIMB REPORT: Dave Merritt

The newly returned Rose Valley Hillclimb had to be cancelled. A gas line had been installed since the last event and no one found out until just before the event.

We plan to run the Spring Jefferson at Summit Point on the new extension in the opposite direction.

ROAD RACING REPORT: AJ Anselm

Ed Gaither, aka 'Queball', passed away last Wednesday at the age of 31. No arrangements have been announced. Ed was a member of the Nelson Safety Team, and last fall became the Director of Safety & Security for PIRC.

The next Majors meeting is next Tuesday, May 12, at PIRC. At the same Track Night In America will be going on. The last one had 42 cars entered, and lots of spectators.

AJ sent some of our flyers out to local Tech schools in the hopes of generating some interest and perhaps getting a few volunteers. WyoTech is still open but 'restructuring', and Bryan has been laid off.

Only 6 drivers are preregistered for our Majors so far, but it is still early.

We're working on Supps for September. MVR & STC agreed to work together, and NeOH is off the table.

Safety trucks: One Safety Truck and one Fire truck are to be included in PIRC track rental. A second safety truck is optional at \$1500. PIRC is working with Hurst to acquire rescue tools.

The Nelson F&R Trucks are NOT tied up in legislation according to Denny Freeman, who is negotiation with their owner, Scott. Denny wants to lease the trucks from Scott and make them available to us. Scott is only talking to Denny, so we need to keep current with him if we hope to get the Nelson Safety Team for Schenley Park.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Beth Anselm

Beth passed out copies of a report, and a copy is attached to the archive copy of these minutes.

We have a checking balance of \$34,754.98, and there are three uncashed checks well over 90 days old that will be added back into the balance.

SOLO REPORT: Dave Merritt

There is a Starting Line event May 16<sup>th</sup>, and the first regular solo event is the 17<sup>th</sup>.

OLD BUSINESS:

We attended the MVR Monthly meeting to successfully work out an agreement for the September race. AJ needs a list of banners needed for the Majors. If you need one, contact him.

NEW BUSINESS:

PVGP – Rocky:

The Hofbrauhouse is our new sponsor. June 16th is PVGP night with the Pirates vs the Whitesox at PNC Park. We need a coordinator for motorcycle security. The next PVGP Operating Committee meeting is Wednesday June 10<sup>th</sup> at GPAPA on Sigma Drive at 6PM

MVR had a meeting Monday, and offers their thanks for being invited here tonight. They are comfortable with a 1/3 share, or even up to 40% in order to protect their treasury. There is a budget question for the worker party: Kryderacing will provide beer & wine. MVR encourages 'double dipping' to improve the entry. They discount up to \$100 for multiple class entries. Our entry fee is now \$375, so we need to agree on a number. AJ talked with the chairman of the Formula First group. They have a two-month hiatus around our date that could encourage some to race here. He will talk to the group and get back to us. They could race in a group within the FV group.

*A motion (Mike C/Heinz) to accept MVR's offer of 40% share in our event passed 14/0/0.*

We still need to name a Race Chair from each Region. Sandi and AJ were suggested.

Don Baker introduced Jim Casey, and autocrosser, who is here tonight.

Les has decals and patches for sale.

AJ and Les both received an email from a company that makes grill badges, and Les will look into the cost.

The 50/50 drawing awarded \$38 to Chris Granche.

*A motion to adjourn the meeting (Jim Farrar/Chris G.) passed 14-0-0 at 8:27 PM.*

Respectfully submitted by

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