

## STEEL CITIES REGION, SCCA

General Membership Meeting October 7th, 2015 at Aracri's Greentree Inn, Greentree PA

Regional Executive Mark Connolly called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

*A motion (Dave M/AJ Anselm) to approve the minutes of the August membership meeting passed 11-0-0.*

Jeff Hutzelman announced that Paula Hawthorne was named worker of the Year in Race Administration at the Runoffs dinner. Then there was a drawing among the award winners, and Paula won a free lifetime membership! Congratulations to our outstanding member.

### MEMBERSHIP: Paula Hawthorne

Paula is having computer issues, so she will send Walt the new member information.

Last month we had 446 members; this month we have 452.

New members include Jim and Kathy Stout with addresses in Alliance OH and Wampum PA, Bill Sulouff from Wexford, Alan Whetstone from Pittsburgh 15243, Frank Monacelli from Carnegie, Richard Petro from Greensburg, Brian, Andrew, and Sally Putt from Venetia, Joe, Jacob, Michael and Michelle Serbin from Glenshaw, Chip Dittrich from Cranberry, and Jarrett Matson from Pittsburgh 15227.

### SOLO REPORT: Frank Gaus

Event 7 was last weekend and we found the new wireless equipment works perfectly.

October 17/18 will be the Wounded Warrior benefit event.

Through August we have averaged around 86 drivers per event.

Frank says the Solo group would like to do a National Match Tour event at PIRC. We would have to put hay along the Armco. National would cover the cost plus give us \$1100 and a per capita fee. Frank would also like to put it on the STC calendar as a points event to train locals.

### TRACK TRIALS, HILLCLIMB & SOLO REPORTS: Dave Merritt

Dave passed out copies of the financial results of Fall Jefferson. We made around \$2000. All refunds have been made. Summit Point offered us a deal for 2016 for the Shenandoah Circuit at the Jefferson Circuit price.

As previously reported, Polish Mountain was a success with 81 entrants. National Road has not asked for the loss cap this year.

Rose Valley is on the schedule for October 1-2 2016. We are still working out the details. STC will chair the event, but our financial role has not been determined.

Mark Andy is working on Extravaganza in conjunction with National Tour at PIRC. We are asking for a PHA event date. We can still run even if PHA doesn't.

We have been approached to put an ad in the PHA book. A full page is \$100, or we can get the inside of the back cover. Donation choice - \$45 increments. *A motion (Bill H/Walt M) to buy the full-page ad for \$100 passed 11-0-0.*

### RALLY REPORT: Les Walter

"We got lost" (most people did) pretty much sums up the last BRMSCC rally. Their next event is Jenny Ladd's Leaf Peeper. Les has no further info. [Secretary's note: I received a postal announcement – it is Sunday 10/25 at 12 PM, first car off at 1:01PM, starting from Bill's Golfland, Rt.51 in Belle Vernon, ½ mile North of Rt. 201.] November 29 Les Walter and Don Baker are having a BRMSCC event starting at Norwin Hills Shopping Center. It will be easy...

### HISTORIAN: Don Baker

We have no milestones or VIPs this month because SportsCar hasn't arrived.

Bob Borgo's sister recently passed on.

Jim Anselm, AJ's Dad, suffered a major cardiac event Saturday. [The Secretary adds: Jim never recovered, and passed away in Allegheny General Hospital.]

Don's daughter and grandson are currently pictured on the Steeler's website.

### TREASURER'S REPORT: Beth Anselm

Beth passed out copies of a report, and a copy is attached to the archive copy of these minutes. There was a lot of activity. We have a checking account balance of \$73,183.85.

Mike C commented on the excellent financial condition of the Region and congratulated all involved.

Bill H thanked Paula and AJ for two great events.

ROAD RACING REPORT: AJ Anselm

The Regional actually made money this year. The drivers were thrilled with the track and the curbing. Between the Majors and the Regional we made between \$5400 and \$9200 depending on whether we get an insurance reimbursement for track damage.

Next year we will hold the Majors May 6-8, the week after Summit Point. The Regional is scheduled for August 12-14.

We have a Pro event coming up Paula met with Chip, the Pro Director, who didn't like the PIRC flaggers at the last Pro. She is going to try to help PIRC organize and train their flaggers. The only thing Pro needs from us is volunteers. Volunteers can file a 1099 form with PIRC and get paid. We discussed flaggers in general and the shortage that has developed over the last few years just about everywhere.

OLD BUSINESS:

The NeDiv Minicon is coming up 11/14-15 in Saratoga Springs NY. We need to know who is going. So far, it looks like only Paula, and maybe Mike C & Rocky and their wives.

The Holiday banquet will be held on 1/30/16 at The Lamplighter restaurant in Delmont, the same place as last year.

AJ is working on a list of Regional Class Records.

Beth suggested equipping Registration with multiple laptops. Paula then suggested setting up a concession for Track Night In America serving drinks and snacks. There are no concessions at the track. Membership promotion is OK with PIRC if we do this. It could pay for the laptops Beth requested. Beth will make a proposal.

Who is planning to attend the National Convention? Mark C, AJ & Beth

Paula mentioned Haywood's email about the runoff videos being available on SCCA.COM.

NEW BUSINESS:

Paula attended the Runoffs and shared some stories. It was her first time at the Runoffs, and she wanted to compare Mid-Ohio and Daytona. She had intended to work Grid, but ended up crewing and had a great time.

Ray Senkovich thanked The Region for the golf cart at PIRC after his knee surgery

Thanks also to Ray Peterson for providing the pace car, and to Mark Kiefer for driving it.

There was no 50/50 drawing.

*A motion (Mike C/Rock) to adjourn the meeting passed 11-0-0 at 8:46 PM.*

Respectfully submitted by

Walt Matenkosky, Secretary, Steel Cities Region, SCCA