

NeDiv Council Meeting 3/14/2010

Welcome and introductions

Tom Campbell welcomed all regions

Introductions of the Executive Council

Phil Henderson – Member at large

Dave Panas – member at large

Peter Roberts – Treasurer

Sandy Sanders – Secretary

Tom Campbell Chair

Also present

Jeff Dahnert President of SCCA

Roll Call of Regions

Not Present: Blue Mountain Region, Central New York Region, Central Pennsylvania, Southern New York and Susquehanna

Recognition of members who have passed Joe Stimola and Tom McDonough – motion to make a contribution to the SCCA Foundation of \$250 in memory of each; Terry Roberts second Jerry Wannarka – Unanimous

Others that have recently passed were noted: John McGill Track manager for Nelson Ledges and Bill Scott from Summit Raceway.

Approval of minutes (November meeting) as taken by Sandy Sanders and published on the NESCCA Website- motion to accept George Bloeser second Marc Gerstein – Unanimous

Treasurers Report – Peter Roberts: NEDIV has accumulated substantial funds over the years that Tom will address later in the meeting , we need to do something with them, Tom has specific proposals that he will make. There are a couple of things in the financials that the division needs to be aware of prior to this. Current assets CDs 2 checking & 2 savings accounts. Funds left from a prior program that were not used. Online registration used this fund as seed money to get started. \$19000 that NESCCA can lay ownership of as road racing which is what NESCCA is that leaves approx. \$27000 that is a result of being a frugal division. For any other information please see the balance sheets provided by Peter at the meeting or available online. We are the bankers for Solo and Rally but no real impact on the bottom line. In general we are in great shape financially. Motion to accept Jack Hanifan second Bill Stewart – Unanimous

Jeff Dahnert – President SCCA

Thank you for the hospitality, 2009 SCCA Inc, Pro etc solvent in 2009

All that are owing are paying their debt back. Street Survival thru the SCCA Foundation if making an enormous impact and your dollars are really helping keep them coming and sponsor one in your region, they are really popular. 2010 numbers are good for membership had an uptick in February. What can you do with your car, you can go

online pull up your kind of car and see what you can do with SCCA, solo, rally etc. zip code search for curious people through the SCCA website.

Solo – Kathy Barnes – solo is going strong nationally, we have very strong numbers we have 15% solo safety steward (national) licensing nationally. This affects our insurance rates and our ability to put on event effectively in the division. 22% increase in insurance. We are lucky in that we have such an active solo community but we really need to share it across the board and your solo safety stewards are trying to cover much more than the NE Division with training etc. Licensing levels are changing and we are trying to keep up and help other regions/ divisions with their two / three year safety stewards to get them certified and bring new people in to help renew the program. Nationally incidents that have occurred across the nation area available through the safety belt the only ones not available to solo are incidents being reviewed by the national office.

Rally not present

Rally Cross Dick Pritt – reaching out but not really anything planned division wide until the meeting in November.

Session with experienced Rally Regions to help other regions with no or very under used rally programs to gain some insight on how to promote the program.

Time Trials-not present

Webmasters Carl – new search engine in place. SCCA Gear sales through the site link gives back to the Division treasury . On twitter now.

Big Brother has numbers for the web counter and hits etc. We can increase page hits through the worker page, some DA's haven't gotten anything to Carl to put up on the site for people to know what the specialty does.

ClubRacing-Earl Hurlburt Executive Steward for Club Racing.

It is necessary to adjust the way we have been organizing our events to make things work National racing is not as financially viable as it was in the past. We have 7 national races being creative with combining regionals with other things such as restricted regionals, enduros and Pro IT. 25 regionals 14 of which have doubles or other combined events with them. Pro IT is the best thing that has happened to our programs in years, Darryl Anthony & Bob Zecca have developed a special spirit in the group which is contagious. Exploit where the action is- spec racers and miatas are the biggest draw to help promote the programs. Volunteers have been our biggest benefit we had 82 at the Runoffs in 2009. There is one more national driver in the SE and one more steward in SE but we are stronger in spirit and participation.

DA's

On line registration report Terry Roberts

In 1999 we started using the on-line registration system built on the technology of the day and it has served us well, however we are at a point where we need to either upgrade or

look for another method. A national registration system was discussed 3 years ago at the time when the Runoffs online registration was introduced. At the Mini con in November it was asked if a national system might be in the future and it was indicated that there weren't the resources to initialize and operate such a system. At the National convention hints were dropped that there might yet be a national system in the future and that was confirmed by minutes in FastTrack indicating staff had been asked to make recommendations and directions for the BOD. So for now we will continue with the current system for another year and not pursue an upgrade.

Expenses 2009 \$5016 Income \$4120

Motion for 2010 \$3300 to cover expenses expected income \$4335 motion to accept this budget? Carol Introne, second Chris Mosley Unanimous

Regional Series

Enduro Series 4 planned -4 different tracks \$5 assesment per car instead of \$10

NARRC – 5 events – 8 races

NYSRRC – 6 weekends – 10 races

NJ Racing series 3 races at NJ Motorsports Park

HRG – 4 races maybe 2 more

Kryder Racing Series Nelson & Beaver Run

Meeting Improvement – Jack Hanifan

Roundtables for training, one central location for the training ? population center Wilksbarre, Scranton area. November meetings should rotate as they are more recognition based. Committees to find appropriate venues and a program committee and activities for families that may only have one participating. How do we get drivers to attend to accept awards the meetings should be celebrations of success.

November 2010 in Rochester hosted by Finger Lakes

November 2011 in Saratoga hosted by MoHud

November 2012 in Ithaca hosted by Glen Region.

Posted on the website are several regional class rules, at the divisional level we need to know that they need to be there since we don't have the ability to set up the rules.

Gentleman's agreement that we have them there we can only monitor.

Each series have their own websites so taking them off the NESCCA site and on to their individual sites is probably the best thing.

New Business

Treasury, Chairman Tom Campbell – \$45000 on the books in November. We also have a surplus that we need to determine what we are going to do with. Recommend we take 2 directions, stop the growth and look at a way to diminish the surplus. Reassess the operating plan for 2010, reduce the planned income by suspending the assessments for 2010, DA assessment of \$.50 per car, the program remains in place just no assessment, website posting fee assessment \$85 per region per event suspended for 2010. NESCCA series fund \$5 / car will go under the NRC use to fund their year end program and the

worker program. They will have their own fund not division funding. License reviews will continue, brings in about \$6000 enough to run the division on.

Proposal cut back on the income for 2010 and spend down excess income propose a three year program to bring it down from a 3 year excess to a three year excess which gives \$15000 over 3 years to improve programs over 3 years to the amount of \$5000 per year. Use some of the funds to support the upcoming mini cons to increase the attendance.

Review in November and chart the course for 2011. Acceptable by all

Need to revamp the books, the way we are reporting.

National Racing Committee

The old NESCCA Steering committee has been converted to the NRC, definition as follow that will be added to the Division guidelines.

National Racing Committee

The NEDIV National Racing program will be coordinated by a committee consisting of the Regional Executive (or delegate) from each of the regions (or groups of regions) hosting a National Race for the season. The committee will be called the NEDIV National Racing Committee (NRC). It will be responsible for coordinating the overall National Racing schedule; developing and approving the annual series budget; developing and implementing the annual recognitions and awards program; and in general, work to improve the overall health of the series and its service to the Division's National Drivers.

The committee would be supported by

NEDIV Nationals Points Keeper

NEDIV Treasurer

NEDIV Secretary

Recognitions/Awards Chief

Executive Steward

The NEDIV Chairman will act as a non-voting chair.

2010 committee will consist of 7 people

Steel Cities Region – Beaver Run track

Mahoning Valley Region – Nelson Ledges

Glen Region – Watkins Glen International

New England Region – New Hampshire Motor Speedway

MoHud Region – Lime Rock Park

Tri Region – Pocono International Raceway

Southern New Jersey – New Jersey Motorsports Park

Taking over for the NESCCA steering committee, scheduling improve the event experience is one of the challenges working on for the future, planning the national

schedule will take place sooner than November possibly in July or earlier to avoid conflicts.. There is now an understanding of what individual tracks need in advance of events.

Motion by Reed Kryder to form the NRC second Chris Franson unanimous moved.

2 double nationals were a consensus, 1 at the Glen the other undecided. From there on forward regions will know 2-3 years in advance by lottery draw in July. 2011 and out 2 double nationals in the division. 2010 1 double national which will be at Watkins Glen. Each year's double events will be submitted to the entire Division for approval as required by the GCR. Normally this will occur at the March Division meeting of the preceding year.

Motion NRC change in scheduling for 2010 agreed for Watkins Glen Ed Zebrowski second Jack Hanifan paper ballot asked for by Philadelphia and read and approved by a majority 10-4.(develop into a signature event with the divisions support that will carry on throughout the division.)

Note a letter to drivers to ask them to support the single nationals in the division has been requested to keep up attendance in the division.

Motion approve in principal 2 doubles 1 expected to be at the Glen in addition to the additional national races for 2011 Reed Kryder second Marc Gerstein roll call vote – unanimous.