

MEETING MINUTES – August 14, 2007

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 7:04 pm at Damon's. Present were, David Mohar (RE), Lauren Mohar (Treasurer), Ron Dotts, Mike Cunningham, Steve Lower, Steve Shuss, Steve Eastman, Nate Coraor, Lee Watson, Robert Klingler, Jason Klingler, Deb Weaver, Aaron Eberhard, Barry Duvall, Charles Faris, Chris Barnard, Dave Kraige, Chuck Carroll, Mike Sember, Vance Henler.

RE Report: .No report.

Competition: Dave Kraige competed at Cumberland Gap, MD; Ron Dotts competed in Harrisburg with the Susquehanna Region and in Kingston with the Northeast Region. Both did well in representing CPR.

Secretary: Minutes of the July meeting were presented to the members present. After a review and discussion and minor correction, a motion was made by Mike Cunningham to approve the minutes as amended. Motion was seconded by Steve Lower. Motion passed.

Treasurer: Current fund balance is \$20,041.30. This includes two \$5,000 Certificates of Deposit.

Solo:

Non-member Discounts: There were 33 who asked for and received non-member discounts. Of those, 8 came back for another event. It was decided that non-member discounts is worthwhile and will continue.

Tire Rack Rebates to CPR: There is some interest in trying to determine the individual names of people who linked their purchases from Tire Rack to CPR so that we may obtain commissions. Nate indicated that he would try to look into the matter and get an answer but isn't sure if that information is available.

Decibel Monitoring: Barry Duvall is performing readings when he is able to attend events. A decibel reading of 98 db is currently being tested as the maximum allowable, however it was stressed that that reading is arbitrary and could change when official monitoring begins. We are anticipating that monitoring will become mandatory in 2008. Barry solicited assistants for the monitoring duty. Steve Lower and Dave Kraige volunteered. This will become a work duty at events.

Car Numbers: Steve Lower had indicated course workers are having some difficulty in reading car numbers. The numbers are hard to read when the car has tinted glass and confusing when multiple numbers are on the cars. It was decided that if course workers can't read a car number or is confused about which number is the current number, they are to call into the grid worker and ask that person to speak to the driver and either have the driver place the number on the outside or ask that a number be removed in the event of multiple numbers.

Newsletter: Dave decided to hold completion of the current newsletter until the July minutes were approved. Also indicated that the newsletter will no longer include event results but instead will include a statement that the event results can be found on the website and that if anyone needs a hard copy, they will be sent.

Membership: Current membership is 115, which includes one new member.

Merchandising: Lee said that merchandise sales totaled about \$500 during the Cone Killer Classic. Lauren said there are forty-three 2007 t-shirts remaining. Cone Killer Classic t-shirts were all sold and another dozen were ordered. Steve Lower passed out a draft of a CPR merchandise catalogue that includes his digitally monogrammed or logo products.

Website: Nate added a link to members' photos and videos. There was some discussion of adding a chat/blog link to the website and a decision was made to try it and see if it gets used.

Old Business:

Assistants to Chairpersons: Steve Lower indicated a willingness to assist Charlie Faris and will start putting together job descriptions when he can. Dave said that he would work with Steve on the Solo Chair job descriptions.

Witches Rallye: Nate said that plans are well under way. The event will start at Dix Honda and a route is being planned. The finish location has not yet been decided. Updates to follow.

Supplementals: No updates since the last meeting but will address issues as they arise.

Cone Killer Classic: Ron Dotts indicated that all went smoothly and well with about 90 competitors. The food was great and many good comments about the event. Charlie suggested we consider paid advertising next year and possibly an event sponsor(s) to pay for the advertising. Dave asked Ron if he wanted to Chair the event next year and he agreed to do so.

Course Clean up at End of Day: There was an extensive discussion of there being not enough people offering to help clean up after the events. Various remedies were considered including: mandatory clean-up duties, Fun-Run participants being required to clean up as part of the right to run, eliminating Fun-Runs all together, and clean up

before awards presentations. It was finally decided instead to urge assistance at the drivers meeting and also while announcing and see if participants respond. If not, the other remedies will be considered.

New Business:

Road -Cruises: Steve Lower will come up with some possible day trips.

Event Awards: Dave ask if anyone had any suggestions for alternative award items for individual events. Something other than mugs or glasses. Ron suggested ceramic mugs similar to other regions. Cone awards are also being considered. He encouraged anyone with ideas to step forward.

Video for Rally Training: Nate will work with Aaron to organize a fall video production in the Black Moshannon area because it is so scenic.

2008 Year End Awards Points System: Dave indicated he would Chair a committee to review and possibly change the points systems for 2008. Barry and Charlie offered to assist on that committee. Dave also confirmed that the 2007 special awards system would be the same as it was for 2006.

Rallycross: Dave had ask for a show of hands regarding who would be interested in participating/running a winter rallycross event. There was no interest and a decision was made to no longer pursue such events, at least for the 2007/2008 winter season.

Police Challenge and Drivers Challenge: Warren Rhyner is working on putting a Police Challenge event together and is targeting the first Fall event. Dave is working on the Drivers Challenge and a possible vehicle to use and is targeting the third Fall event.

Incident at the August 5 Event: There was considerable discussion regarding the incident, how it was handled, and the resulting consequences. There was some concern that it shouldn't have been handled publicly but the general consensus was that it was handled appropriately. There were many opinions on levels of penalties for such infractions. It was determined that, ultimately that decision rests with the RE and those present encouraged him to create a committee of five members that would include himself and the Solo Chair. And that group should make a final determination of penalty. Alternatively, the committee could be made up of the Officers and Solo Chair, again, at the discretion of the RE.

Other: Some discussion of buying a new laptop but Nate feels everything is working well for now. Some discussion of trying to get drinking water donations from Sheetz or others. Nate will be trying some new timing equipment to run simultaneous with existing software while testing. Some discussion of considering hillclimb events – Nate and Dave Kraige will investigate. Bryan Smith is organizing a track day at Nelsons Ledges in late October, subject to level of interest. Some discussion of getting the Cone Killer Classic logo copyrighted or trademarked – Steve Lower will look into it. Had some difficulty with children running freely in the grid area but the matter was addressed properly.

Adjournment: There being no further business, at 9:45 pm, a motion to adjourn was made by Aaron, and seconded by Mike. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ron Dotts
On behalf of Karen Hoover, Secretary