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Minutes

ROCKY MOUNTAIN VINTAGE RACING, LTD.

Regular Board Meeting
on October 8, 2003
2465 S. Downing St.
Denver, CO (Credit Union
Conference Room)

Board Members Present:

Bob Darcey, President
Ryssa Gransee, Secretary
Steve Gesse, Treasurer
Bill Fleming
Andy Gould
John Mihalich, Jr.
Joe Pizzi
Ross Robbins

Excused Absence:

Norm Petitt, President Elect
Karen Miklin
Janet Urbanek

Unexcused Absence:

Walt Hane

Call to Order: 7:00 PM

President, Bob Darcey had the following announcements:

The Pueblo Enduro had 121 entries. Thank you to Ralph Veit, Race Chair and Bob Alder, Race Steward for their efforts in making the event a success. Special thank you to Scott Sanders and James Stiehr for arranging the spaghetti dinner for all the workers on Saturday evening.

We had several cars at the British Car Conclave under the RMVR

AWARDS

“The awards committee would like your suggestions for the 2003 season awards. Please send any nominations for Most Improved Driver, Rookie of the Year, Instructor of the Year, Hard Luck Award and Participant’s Award, plus anything else that you think is award-worthy! We appreciate your input! Send your comments to sara@compositesworld.com. Thanks!

banner. Thank you to Bob Alder and Arnie McDaniel for making the arrangements with the Conclave and also for recruiting members to bring their cars for the display. Special thank you to all racecar owners who provided their cars for this show.

MINUTES:

The minutes were reviewed as emailed out. Bill Fleming made a motion to approve the minutes. Andy Gould seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

TREASURER’S REPORT:

Steve Gesse presented the Treasurer’s report. We have cut our expenses at the races so the year-end cash balance should be within \$5,000 of the beginning of the year cash balance. This is a good improvement. Since our overall race entry fees have declined by about 7%. Steve will have a 2004 tentative budget available at the Feedback Session in November.

Steve also stated we still have

not received the financials from the CMC as requested.

A discussion then ensued regarding membership dues and race entry fees for 2004. Ross Robbins made a motion to leave the membership dues alone but increase race entry fees by \$5.00 to cover the increased cost of insurance for 2004. (Our race insurance could be increasing by as much as 30% for 2004.) John Mihalich seconded the motion. Steve Gesse opposed the motion. The remaining board members voted in favor.

A discussion was also held regarding further reduction in expenses in 2004. One proposal was to email the monthly Vintage Messenger to save on printing and postage costs. This proposal will be evaluated to determine the benefits/ramifications.

CHIEF’S REPORTS:

Flagging and Communication:

Skip and Pauline Wilson thanked the club for their anniversary

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The regular RMVR Board Meeting is held the second Wednesday of each month, commencing at 7 p.m. at 2465 S. Downing St., Denver, CO (Credit Union Conference Room)

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sary gift certificate. It was used and greatly appreciated. The Fire Rescue School is scheduled for March 13-14, 2004 at the North Washington Fire Department.

Timing and Scoring:

The antenna at Pueblo has been repaired and works just fine. Eloise McIlree then questioned the rules regarding the drivers at the Enduro, entry fees, and signatures on waivers. She gave information regarding the number of drivers at this year's Enduro that had not pre-registered and the concerns she has regarding this drivers getting in cars to race that may not be RMVR licensed. Eloise, Dennis McIlree and Catie Davis will review the current rules and present a proposal to resolve their issues and concerns. The clubs potential liability of having unlicensed drivers on the track could be very high.

Eligibility:

Richard Griffin requested that the following be placed in the minutes to assure clarification of RMVR rules and answer multiple requests to him:

Item 1:

There have been questions regarding inactive cars and their eligibility status. Our "Car Eligibility" rules, Section C - 2d (pg. 55) state that eligibility is revoked if the owner does not renew his/her membership by March of a calendar year (i.e., RMVR car eligibility and numbers are for RMVR members' cars). Further, Section C-2e states that if a car is not entered in an RMVR event during a calendar year, eligibility will be revoked un-

Feedback Session

The Feedback Session is slated for 9:00 AM, November 22nd at the American Motel, 10101 I-70 Frontage Rd. (just west of Kipling) in Wheat Ridge. The main topics on the agenda will be:

- *Overview: membership and entry trends, financial overview and 2003 results*
- *2004 Draft Budget, 2005, 2006 Budget Projections*
- *Going forward: financial options = overhead reductions vs. increased fees; marketing strategies*
- *Eligibility and philosophy: strict GCR or not??: 60 Series tires; enforcement "by group"*
- *2004 Tentative Schedule; 2005 schedule*
- *Second Creek Update*

This is a prime opportunity to voice your opinions on our club. Please try to attend.

less the member informs Eligibility of the car's status and requests eligibility for another year. This can be done simply by sending an email or note to the Chief of Eligibility. This helps keep our eligibility files from filling up with

cars that are no longer owned by RMVR members.

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There have also been questions regarding the "updating" of 1967 (and earlier) cars to the

EMAIL ADDRESS UPDATES NEEDED!!

To RMVR:

Email is increasingly useful and important for communicating to RMVR members. Interesting, all but about 60 members are now in our list. Maybe this plea will reduce even that small number!

If you are currently NOT receiving RMVR emails and wish to do so, please send an email to r.alder@earthlink.net and ask to be added to our list. **WE WILL NOT SHARE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS WITH ANY OUTSIDE PARTIES.** It will only be used to communicate RMVR news and late-braking announcements directly, and timely, to you. We anticipate maybe two or three emails per month.

Some addresses we now have may be out of date. If you have any doubt that we have your latest address, drop us a not. Obviously, if you have recently **changed your email address, you've got to tell us** — cyber-telepathy isn't our strong suit. Again, email r.alder@earthlink.net to request any needed changes to even to add a second email address, if you wish.

Thanks, the RMVR Emailman

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Administrative Assistant's Report:
Catie Davis stated that we currently have 458 members. At the Pueblo Enduro we had 5 guests from the Grand Prix and/or the Conclave. We had 20 paid spectators.

CMC Report:
Bob Darcey stated that the CMC meeting will not be held until next week so a report is not available.

OLD BUSINESS:
Tentative 2004 Schedule:
Bob Darcey then presented the “tentative” 2004 schedule. It is as follows:

March 13-14	Fire Rescue School
April 10-11	Drivers School
April 24-25	Second Creek Race
June 5-6	Pueblo
July 17-18	Second Creek (RMVR charity event)
Aug. 14-15	Second Creek (backwards)
Sept. 11-12	LaJunta
Oct. 2-3	Pueblo Enduro

Nominating Committee:
Bill Fleming stated the Nominating Committee has met. They have a good slate of volunteers interested in running for the board and/or

officers of the club. If anyone is interested in running for the board, they should contact Bill Fleming. A list will be presented at the November board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:
2005 Schedule:
Andy Gould then presented a “tentative” 2005 event schedule. RMVR is hoping to get events scheduled early since the number of clubs wanting to utilize the 2-3 remaining tracks could present some difficult scenarios. The 2005 “tentative” schedule is as follows:

March 19-20	Fire Rescue School
April 16-17	Drivers School
Apr. 30-May 1	LaJunta
June 4-5	PPIR
June 25-26	Pueblo
Sept. 10-11	LaJunta
Oct. 1-2	Pueblo

OPEN DISCUSSION:
The Feedback Session will be Nov. 22 at the American Hotel, I-70 and Kipling in Arvada, CO beginning at 9:00 AM. Listed below are some suggested topics for discussion. If any member wishes to have a particular subject discussed they should contact Bob Darcey.

- Philosophy of Club
- Budget / entry fees of other clubs
- Second Creek update
- Schedule
- Enforcement of rules within each marque

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 PM.

Respectively submitted,
Ryssa C. Gransee
Secretary

NOTES FROM ELIGIBILITY

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Classifieds

BT-40 BRABHAM, current RMVR car with log book, fresh pro built (MWE) BDD 1,600 cc. Spares including wheels, gears, etc. A nice clean example of the Marque, ready to run. Car and trailer \$35,500. Call Terry for details. 303-973-3074.

1965 ZINK C4 Formula Vee, Monoposto-legal, fully-sorted, race ready, very reliable, short box trans-axle, Z-bar, twin fuelcells, Halon fire suppression system, powder-coated frame, 3+ sets of wheels/tires, will fit a tall (6'3") driver, has been continuously raced for the past decade. VSCDA, RMVR, j& SWMS log books. \$8,500, Todd Emmons, 505-491-3278, SnowMeDot@netMDC.com.

CLASSIFIED ADS

Want ads will run free of charge for active members. All ads must be received by the 25th of the month to be published in the up coming issue. Ads must be received in writing and can be run for one issue only. If you want the same ad run again in the following issues – a new ad must be submitted for each issue to:

Catie Davis, Box 2096, Estes Park, CO 80517

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