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New Members

RMVR wishes to announce the following new members! Welcome to each of you. We hope you will take full advantage of your membership, all the club activities, and the camaraderie of your fellow members. Please help us in welcoming these fine folks.

- Mark & Darlene Irvin -- Arvada, CO
- Jerrel Schouten -- Denver, CO

Minutes

Board of Directors Meeting
Rocky Mountain Vintage Racing
September 19, 2012

Board Members Present:

Mike Ries; Dan Berry; Paul Kuchay; Andy Gould; Mark Robinson; Ed Milstein; Pat Hogan; Bob Darcey; Graham Nessel; Mike Cotsworth

Absent: Pete Myers; Christy Hopkins

Other Members Present: BJ Kellog; Conchi; Lynn Fanguie; Frank & Salina Leslie; Tony Peak; John Brosseau; Tom Dietz; Bob Usher; Roger Ritzdorf

Octoberfast Spooktacular @ PPIR October 27-28, 2012

Registration is open for the Octoberfast Spooktacular, at Pikes Peak International Raceway, October 27-28, 2012. Visit www.rmvr.com for additional information and on-line registration. See track website link below.

Event Chair:

Tony Peak (303) 750-0360

Event Registration:

[Register online](#) [Register by mail](#)

Track Website:

[Pikes Peak International Raceway](#)

Feedback Session October 28, 2012

Sunday Morning 8:00-9:30 AM.
Coffee, juice and pastries will be provided.

1st run group out at 10:00 AM.

APEX

The RMVR Colorado Vintage Racing Motorsports Yearbook

Work has begun on the 2013 edition of APEX. The publishers Coterie Press are now accepting material, photos and articles to be included. If you want your car in the Apex, send us a photo and a related story.

The popular Auto-Biography feature will run again, highlighting four members' cars that have an interesting or historic background. We have selected two cars so far. If you would like your car to be considered or know of someone whose car would fit the criteria please contact the Editor William Taylor on 303-933-2526.

The Advertising spaces are filling up already and we are giving priority to those that advertised in the 2012 issue. If your business would like to advertise, or you know of a business that would, please have them contact Advertising Sales Manager Jo Taylor at coterield@aol.com to discuss rates and spaces available.

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Board Meetings will be typically held the 3rd Wednesday of the month, at 7:00PM. The Board Meeting location has been changed to: Garcia's Mexican Restaurant, 5050 S. Syracuse St. Denver, CO 80237 303-779-4177 [CLICK HERE](#) for map.

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President Mike Ries called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM

President's comments:

Mike noted that while entries for the Pueblo event were less than anticipated (84 registered versus 95 projected), the event showed a slight profit due to lower expenses.

Entries for the Enduro are also running short of projections.

The last event of the year at PPIR will be combined with the member Feedback Session.

The August meeting minutes were approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report: - Current cash balance - \$ 104,531.86

- The check to purchase new radios (\$12,000) has not yet cleared the account.

- The Pueblo Labor Day Event produced a profit of \$869.

- Detailed Report attached.

CAMA Report: Bob Darcey reported that July and August were strong rental months at HPR, due primarily to mid week rentals.

The Loan Program that helped fund the track has a balloon payment due in 2018. Consideration is being given to exploring the possibility of extending that due date.

Flag & Communications:

Conchi congratulated the Board for moving decisively to buy new radios (little does she

know...).BJ needs 2 more corner workers Enduro weekend.

Timing & Scoring: Frank reported nothing new at this time. Both timing loops at Pueblo were working for the Labor Day Event. They feel ready for the Enduro.

Chief Instructor Report:

Three new drivers have completed the driving portion of their provisional licenses, and need only to complete their stints as corner workers. These may be the workers that BJ needs for the Enduro.

Plans are moving ahead well for the Drivers' School next Spring. The Pro-drivers will likely be able to attend again. The date of April 19-21st is being targeted.

CMC Update: Nothing new to report.

Old Business:

Labor Day Pueblo event – The configuration used for Turn 10, making it a 90 degree turn seemed to work well. Controversy continues.

A major concern continues to be the rubber left on the racing line by the dragsters which makes the track surface inconsistent. As long as the burn-out area remains at its new location further up the track, the old rubber should wear off over time.

Enduro event – John Brosseau reported that the lower than projected entries means there

will be no Club sponsored dinner Saturday night. BJ and Conchi responded that the workers will organize a pot-luck.

Podium Awards of wine, by class, are planned.

Several Big Bore cars from CVAR are expected.

“American Thunder” V-8's will have their own race on Saturday.

The schedule for the weekend was presented. The Enduro races on Sunday will be 100 minutes long, with two mandatory 10 minute pit stops.

New Business:

The Octoberfest Spooktacular -at PPIR will include the Annual Feedback Session, and a Costume party.

The pros and cons of allowing single day entries were discussed. It was concluded that there are too many complications to offer single day entries at this time.

There was considerable discussion regarding the 2013 schedule, including the possibility of returning to Hastings for the Labor Day race.

President Mike Ries adjourned the meeting at 8:38 PM

Respectfully submitted – Mike Cotsworth, Secretary

October President's Message

The end of the race season is upon us. The last race at PPIR is almost here, and I hope you will come out and join us. The weather last year was good, and it was a really fun event. This year, like last, we will have the feedback session during the weekend as well, so come out for that even if you cannot race. Your feedback is critical to improving the club, and given the declining attendance at our events, it seems we need to do some improving. Please give us your \$0.02; I am sure from talking with many of you that you have easily that much to spare and don't mind handing it out.

The Enduro weekend was blessed with great weather and good racing, but not really enough cars. The Enduro has been my favorite race of the year since I started running with the group in 2000. I love racing in a long event with many cars on the track because it's never boring, and consistency pays off. Having a lot of cars on the track does not worry me because I know I can trust all of you. Thanks to John for providing wine for the class winners and certificates for the podium finishers in each class. That was a nice addition which he arranged for at no cost to the club. We also had a nice group of out-of-state participants most from CVAR. It was great to have them join us.

We just needed more of us to join us.

Our President Elect, Paul, is going to have to make some tough calls around further curtailing our race schedule in 2013. I don't know what he will decide, but I know he has to at least consider changes. Even the potential of such changes disappointing to me because, in the end, racing is what we do, and it's why I joined the club.

Finally, because nobody can stop me, I am going to step on a soap box for a minute. Two of the things I like about RMVR are the on-track competition and the off-track camaraderie. On rare occasions, the former (or some other source of disagreement) can cause the latter to suffer. I encourage all of you to maintain and demonstrate respect for each other whether you/they are an official, a member or a visitor. It's fine to disagree, and it is understandable that you might be upset at times. I just ask that you try to approach those difficult interactions with some perspective. If your approach is to be rude to the other person, you simply make the club less inviting. We are all fairly strong willed, and I doubt anyone has changed their point of view because they were treated aggressively or with disrespect. Instead, perhaps the target of your displeasure will just choose to race elsewhere.

See you at the track!

Mike Ries

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Information Request- G,Day, I own a Type 57 Bugatti which was owned by Harry and Pat Johnson in 1953/4. Harry was at that time a member of the Rocky Mountains Sports Car Club. I would like to know if that club still exists or if there are any members or club records from that time. Apparently the Bugatti caused a fair amount of interest in the area at that time and perhaps may still be remembered by some of the older enthusiasts. I would really appreciate any contacts or leads that you may be able to find for me.

Yours in Motor Sport,

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October 27-28, 2012

Octoberfest Spooktacular & Feedback Session (Sunday 8:00 AM)

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January 12, 2013

Banquet

Lone Tree Golf Club & Hotel,

near I-25 & Lincoln Ave

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RMVR VOLUNTEER NEWS

October, 2012

By Conchi López-Fay

Thank you to everyone who came out for the Enduro weekend! We could not have asked for better weather at the end of September. It was sunny but not too hot and the mornings a bit brisk. Thanks to all who contributed to our Saturday night pot-luck. We had sooo much food! I'm glad the tacos were a success. I hear that many enjoyed the chicken filling – so if you want the recipe, just email or call Conchi.

I'm always amazed at how many different people contribute to the club in different ways. Please help me in thanking Quirt Smith from Steamboat for providing those awesome Worker's Choice medallions! We'll have to come up with creative ways to hand them out. If you have any suggestions, let BJ or Conchi know!

It takes a lot of folks to run a race at HPR. We are always thankful for all of you! Please help us in welcoming our new workers: Tom Wetrez, Pat Pansini, Brett Sigbee, Pete Polivola and Tyler Hagen. Also, please let our driver-workers that we appreciate them: Mark Robinson, Frank Albert, Steve Urbano, and Jim Bandstra. Can you believe we even had someone out from Ohio? Thank you Christy Hopkins for bringing Ken to play with us!

Our weekends are not just about keeping people safe – but also to have fun. And who best to show us the way? BJ Kellogg! His "Track Inspection" in the HPR Pace Car on Sunday afternoon might give you an idea of how this guy can have fun. However, Track Manager Glen might be rethinking letting BJ have that job! Also, our very own Tony Peak was having fun this weekend co-driving the '68 Beetle.

On a more serious note, our very own Pit & Grid gal Char Blackler decided to drive her Vee on Saturday and see which was stronger: the race car or the tire wall. Although the tire wall won, Char and her car were not hurt too badly. She is now resting at home with pain killers and muscle relaxants. Since the car was not broken, Patrick Fay decided to continue his plan to drive part of the Enduro on Sunday. Thankfully, the Vee worked great and Patrick's driving skills allowed him to have a race with no bad events.

Our next event is the Octoberfast Spooktacular on October 27th and 28th, 2012 at PPIR in Fountain, CO. Bring your costume for the party on Saturday night! Also, on Sunday morning RMVR will be conducting their Annual Feedback Session. Join drivers and volunteers alike to make RMVR a better racing club. After our last race, we will be hanging up the keys for another racing season. It all starts up again in January with our annual banquet. Make plans to attend because awards and speeches are given freely!

PLEASE SEND IN RESPONSE TO THE APPROPRIATE CHIEF LISTED BELOW.

If you have any preferences as to whom you share a room with, please be sure to let your chief know. Remember that all specialties are limited as to the number of workers for whom they can provide accommodations, so send in your reply form before the deadline.

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