

# VINTAGE MESSENGER

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## Feedback Session

The Feedback Session will be held on Saturday November 17, 2007 at the American Motel, I-70 and Kipling.

Doors open at 08:00.  
Meeting starts 08:30.

Donuts, pastries, juice & coffee will be served.

### Minutes

Rocky Mountain Vintage Racing Ltd.  
Regular Board Meeting 10/17/07  
Lone Tree Library  
8827 Lone Tree Parkway  
Lone Tree, CO

### Board Members present:

Bill Fleming-President  
Bob Mitchiner-President-Elect  
Mark Robinson-Secretary  
Bob Alder-Treasurer  
Dan Berry  
Bob Darcey  
Tom Ellis  
Marcia Hubbell  
Kevin Lynch  
Dennis McIlree  
Scott Sanders

Excused absence: Roger Hively

Call to order: 7:04PM

### President's Comments

Bill welcomed all, and commented on how well attended the Enduro was.

### Minutes

With an addition to the 2008 schedule noted, Mark Robinson had

no other corrections to the Minutes that were emailed to the Board prior to publication in the Messenger. Bob Mitchiner made a motion to accept them, Scott Sanders seconded, and they were approved by unanimous vote.

### Treasurer's Report

Bob Alder had emailed the current financial reports to the Board prior to the meeting for review. Dan Berry raised the question of reporting "profits" as a non-profit entity. Bob said with our status, we are allowed to report profit. On the balance sheet is a \$27,000 equipment reserve held in a CD; he will reinvest in a new one when it comes due. He also suggested investing \$20,000 of the \$55,000 cash reserves held in checking. Bob will shop for the best returns and put \$10,000 each into 3 month & 6 month CD's and renew them as they come due. Our 2007 budget had projected a break-even year, but with better than expected results so far, we should show about \$13,000 surplus. Bob will take a proactive approach and contact Pueblo first about paying for race car damage to the perimeter fence at the Enduro.

### CHIEFS' REPORTS

#### Chief Steward

Chip Hane handed out his incident reports for Hastings & the Enduro. It included penalties to be assessed for infractions from these events.

#### Timing & Scoring

Dennis & Eloise McIlree reported that the Enduro results were finally completed. The red flag during the Production Enduro caused them to have to reconstruct standings by hand using the time cards for drivers that were in the pits during the stop; a very time consuming process.

## Annual Banquet

Mark you calendars for the Annual Banquet, to be held on Saturday January 12, 2008, at the Arvada Center.

### Old Car Council

Dan Berry noted that the Colfax Cruise was a huge success. The Council hopes to repeat it next year. Estimates of cars participating run from 3000-7000. The few vintage race cars at East High School seemed to draw attention & interest from spectators.

### CMC (Colorado Motorsports Council)

Marcia Hubbell, with assistance from Bill Miller & Bill Rosenbach, reported that the last meeting was more of a gab session, with a meaningless rehash of prior topics. Marcia raised the question of renewal of RMVR's membership. When Bob Alder became Treasurer, he had met with CMC President Jerry Schouten to attempt to resolve the problems RMVR has had with CMC. His suggestion after that meeting was to stay in CMC to see if the council can accomplish anything in 2007. Discussion among the RMVR Board then focused on what we should do next. Our concerns about management of La Junta, CMC funds, and what CMC's future may hold were discussed with no formal decisions made.

### CAMA (Colorado Amateur Motorsports Associates)

Bob Darcey reported that the water well at the HPR site has strong pumping capacity. He presented his report on recent developments:

#### USR Application

Arapahoe County has completed their Initial Review of CAMA's USR (Use by Special Review) application, and has returned comments by the Division of

Engineering and the Planning Staff. They have requested clarification regarding grading and drainage retention aspects, and these questions are being addressed. All indications thus far continue to be positive. When the review process is completed, the application will go to the County Commissioners for a formal vote.

#### Capital Campaign

Contributions as of Oct. 15th total **\$335,373**. This compares to \$254,409 as of September 13<sup>th</sup>, so **\$80,964** in new contributions were made over the last month. This is an average of **\$18,828** per week, surpassing the rate from mid-August to mid-September. Additionally, the MRA reports \$7,700 in fundraising at their event at May Farms, not included in the above. At this point, RMVR-member contributions continue to lead the other clubs by a wide margin. Of the five CAMA member clubs, RMVR is the only club to have conducted a telephone campaign; MRA and SCCA are just beginning theirs, and the PCA has not yet decided to do so. Based on RMVR's experience, we expect these telephone efforts will improve their results.

Recent contributions include **\$5760** from members of the **Peak To Peak Miata Club**. While not a CAMA-member club, the Miata membership wants to see HPR built, and their support and generosity is greatly appreciated. The **BMW Club** recently approved a contribution of **\$8000** for High Plain Raceway, but it is not known whether this will be a capital contribution through the MCCA or a general donation. Also, the **Audi Club** has resolved the privacy concerns of their national office and the mailing to their membership will be made within the next few days. All in all, CAMA is very pleased with the results of the contributions program to this point, and expects continued success as the project gains momentum.

#### Loan Program

All five of the CAMLC loan documents (CAMLC Operating

Agreement, Deed Of Trust, Indemnification Agreement, Promissory Note and Loan Agreement) are now complete. While the process has taken considerably longer than anticipated, the final product is greatly simplified (five documents instead of nine) and improved. CAMA is awaiting a final document (the private placement offering statement) to complete the package.

#### Alan Wilson Consulting Contract

CAMA has approved a contract for consulting services with Alan Wilson and Wilson Motorsport, Inc. His considerable expertise will be directed primarily toward safety aspects and construction specifications for HPR.

#### OLD BUSINESS

Bob Mitchiner asked Bill Fleming to confirm the date of our Annual Banquet. Bill will follow up.

Bill Fleming noted that the Nominating Committee has been formed. Bob Mitchiner & Mike Curley are members, with Scott Sanders as Chairman. Scott reported they have a potential healthy group of nominees. Contact Scott if anyone is interested in serving on the 2008 Board, or with any suggestions for nominees.

Dennis McIlree asked for any suggestions for improvement in running the Enduro, especially in light of the problems encountered with the red flag this year.

#### NEW BUSINESS

##### High Plains Raceway

As CAMA representative, Bob Darcey reported that as progress continues on the USR (Use by Special Review) process, the possibility exists that the USR approval will precede the completion of the funding campaign. He suggests that CAMA close on the land purchase and continue with the capital campaign until construction can begin. The campaign has shown considerable success so far, and should increase

with the approved USR. With an approved USR, the value of the site increases substantially. With this in mind, Bob made the following motion:

*Contingent on approval of the High Plains Raceway Use By Special Review application by the Arapahoe County Commissioners, the RMVR Board instructs the RMVR representative to CAMA to vote in favor of proceeding with the land purchase.*

Tom Ellis seconded. APPROVED. FOR: Mitchiner, Alder, Robinson, Berry, Darcey, Ellis, Hubbell, Lynch, McIlree, Sanders, Hively (via proxy). OPPOSED: None.

##### Pikes Peak Hillclimb

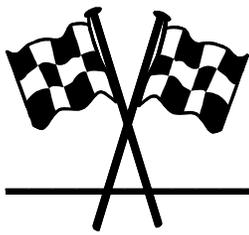
Member Tony Martins had previously approached the Board about inquiring about a possible Vintage class at an upcoming Pikes Peak Hillclimb. This is the second oldest racing event in US history, and it's held every year in our own backyard. Tony had received an email from Bob Gillis, Chairman of the Board, Pikes Peak International Hillclimb, seeking a meeting to discuss the possibility. Tony will attempt to organize a meeting with them and joining Tony for RMVR, Bob Mitchiner, Bill Fleming, and Mark Robinson.

##### VMC (Vintage Motorsports Council)

Bob Alder will be attending the upcoming VMC meeting on RMVR's behalf. He asked for any suggestions. Bill Fleming suggested bring up the concept of a "National Vintage Runoff" and gauging interest. There will be discussion on one organizer's concept for a "Vintage Racing League", among other topics on the agenda.

##### OPEN DISCUSSION

Bill Rosenbach noted that the RMVR van graphics do not spell out "Rocky Mountain Vintage Racing" anywhere. This was pointed out at the Conclave. The Board OK'd Rick Boucher to get graphics to rectify this situation.



# ***RMVR VOLUNTEER NEWS***

***November, 2007***

**By BJ Kellogg**

Our home computer broke in October, and I had to explain to the computer guy about my emails and websites. The information about plastic pink flamingos, angel pins, and battery operated bubble machines was very important to me. That yes, it was for me and not my three-year-old daughter. Computers and I do not get along, so when Chris Sundberg and Pauline get talking about our RMVR laptop, I just keep silent and nod my head.

Thanks again to Chris for getting that laptop up and running. Our laptop talks to the timing and scoring computer. Do not ask me how, I think it is magic. We use the laptop for checking on the leaders and seeing who is on the track. It is very helpful.

Now that my home computer is up and running I can go and look for more angel pins. We give out angel pins to workers who go above and beyond during situations and incidents. We have had our share of metal to metals, crashes, and accidents this year that we have gone thru our stash of pins. I will also be looking for more pink plastic flamingos. Some of our flock flew off this year, but thanks to Heike we have a scarf and hat for some of them to keep warm.

We finished up the season with the Enduro. It was a typical calm race. We did have some excitement however. Mrs. Colorado, Tiffany Sawyer, signed pictures in control for the workers, and then she waved the flag on the starter's stand. Skip and Dan might have set a new record for the amount of people on the stand at one time. Then there was a new distance record set for a four off that included going thru the fence. We also had a rookie on turn one, Mr. Kevin R who proved that he could wave a flag, blow a whistle, count back from 5 and drive a racecar. Not at the same time. He is very talented. Now we will see next year how his new car runs.

We had the weather come in and cause problems. The high winds and rain cut short our Sat. afternoon race so we put it on Sunday morning before the Enduro. Peggy Veit handed out candy bags to the workers. That was very appreciated. We had a great dinner from the formula ford guys, and then some margaritas over at the Cactus Flower afterwards. It was just another typical Enduro.

Don't forget the Feedback session at the American Motel Saturday 11/17 at 8 AM. As usual, we will contact you in December about the banquet.

With Thanksgiving approaching I would like to thank all the people that make a race weekend happen.  
To the drivers who all put on a great race,  
To the crew and families that let us have fun on the weekends,  
To the board members, stewards and chiefs of specialties for all their hard wok,  
To the forty to sixty volunteers who give of their time on the weekend so that we can go racing,  
And to you for being part of Rocky Mountain Vintage Racing,  
Thank You.

**PEASE 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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# Rocky Mountain Vintage Racing

## Pueblo Enduro

September 29 & 30, 2007

Mike Rogers reporting  
Photos by Mike Rogers



With fall descending on the on the Colorado front range, the racers with RMVR took their annual trek to Pueblo Motorsports Park for the season-ending Enduro event. This event is a favorite among many of the racers. The format allows for practice, qualifying and fun races on Saturday; followed by the 1-3/4 hour Enduro races on Sunday. The

"endurance" format requires two pit stops of at least 10 minutes duration. This allows driver changes, if desired, and refueling, if required. There were 138 cars entered for the races for the weekend, and everyone showed up in top form. There were five run groups for qualifying and the fun races. The qualifying and fun races were going great on

Saturday, until high winds decided to take over for the afternoon. The strong, unpredictable gusts were blowing too much debris across the track for safety, so the race steward decided to call it a day and postpone the final two fun races until Sunday morning.

Each year the Formula Ford racers and their families pitch in

together and provide an Italian feast for the workers. They put out a terrific dinner, including a cake featuring racing cars spinning out, which was greatly appreciated by all. After a dinner and drinks the Formula Ford group got down to the serious business of the evening. Each year one of the drivers is bestowed the honor of being the "Formula Ford World Champion of the Whole Freaking Universe". Last year's winner Bob Alder presented the one of a kind trophy this year's winner Andy Anitpas.



In his presentation speech Bob noted that not only has Andy been driving well in the vintage races, he has also been taking his 1972 Titan MK6B to the local SCCA races and running circles around the newer hardware.



Sunday morning brought with it crystal clear blue skies and none of the previous day's wind. We were joined on Sunday by 2007 Mrs. Colorado, Tiffany Sawyer. In addition to being the Guest of Honor starter for the Enduro

races, she also visited with many of the racers and their families, and took some laps around the track with her neighbor, Robert Jimenez; and with our pace car driver for the weekend, Ellis Cahn. On the track on Sunday morning there was an amazing back and forth battle in the group 5 "Fun Race" between Dick Benson in his 1964 Lotus Elan S-1 and Phil Shires in his 1962 Elva Mk-VI.



With the warm-ups and fun races out of the way it was time for the Enduro event to begin. The racers were split into two groups, open wheel and fendered cars. The first group on track was the open wheel group, with a mix of 36 of the quickest open wheel vintage contenders in the west. The race leaders included a mix of Formula B and Formula Ford cars evenly split over the top six places, with Formula Super Vees, Formula Vees and a Formula 2 car rounding out the field. The overall winner was Marty Fidrich in a 1970 Dulon

LD9-B FB, followed by Bob Darcy in his 1970 Lola T-200 FF-LP and Mike Henry in a 1971 Lotus 69 FB.



In the Formula Vee ranks Bonnie Mortimer finished first in class and 14<sup>th</sup> overall in her 1968 Zink C-4 FV, just ahead of Lothar Kremer in a 1972 Hawke DL-28 FSV. With very little attrition, the field was full and tightly contested from start to finish, to the elation of all in attendance.



The afternoon was capped off with one of the largest grids of racers in RMVR Enduro history. The grid was packed, as 57 cars were on hand to take the green flag. As Ellis Cahn led the group of production cars and sports racers on a parade lap in his Lotus Elan, it was a sight to behold. Once the green

flag dropped the thunder of big bore engines and the shrieking fighter plane like sounds of high revving sports cars took over. At the front of the pack was a rare sight for RMVR, with red IMSA Acura of Jack Ondrack

All through the race there were numerous fierce battles everywhere you looked. After a see-saw battle between the front runners, Walt and Chip Hane took the checkered flag in their 1965 Mustang Coupe K AS,



Other notable battles on track included those of Mike Ries and Dan Rose in their Porsche 911's; and Bill Brillhart in his 1965 MG B EP just edging out Phil Shires in his 1962 Elva Mk-VI BSR.



leading the charge, running in exhibition class. Jack's day was cut short due to transmission troubles on lap 23.

followed by Joe and Ian Cesare in their 1967 Bobsy SR-4 BSR and Bruce McGrath in his 1973 Porsche 911RSR.

Many of the RMVR drivers couldn't stand to see the racing season end quite yet, as they were headed to join CVAR for their Thunder on the Cimarron event the following weekend at Hallett Motor Racing Circuit in Oklahoma. For the rest of us, it's back to the garage to begin tinkering and preparing for the next season.



## Infraction Report

November 2007

Name	Date	Track	Car	What happened	Penalty
Bob Alder	9/9/2007	Hastings	FF	Failure to report to steward	Probation 1 race
Terry Allard	9/9/2007	Hastings	FF	Failure to report to steward	Probation 1 race
Brock McPherson	9/8/2007	Hastings	GT 350	Turned w/o looking, hit car, which rolled	Probation 3 races/suspension 1 race
Bob Mitchiner	9/8/2007	Hastings	MGB	Unsafe pass/contact/rollover	Probation 2 races
Bob VanGemert	9/29/2007	Pueblo	MGB	Hit barrier	Probation 2 races
Robert Jimenez	9/29/2007	Pueblo	Mustang	Unsportsman like conduct	Probation 13 months

Bob Darcey was approached by a member at about the music broadcast at 6:30AM at the Enduro. It was pointed out that this would fall under the authority of the Race Steward; future Stewards should be aware of those staying at the track and possibly disturbing those sleeping at such an early hour.

Meeting adjourned, 8:56PM.  
Mark Robinson, Secretary

## Classifieds

**Fall clean up of the garage.** Call or email with questions. Andy Antipas 970-963-8297 or [aantipas@sopris.net](mailto:aantipas@sopris.net). Offers are welcome. Thanks for looking!

Winkelmann WDB4 chassis (one of 5 made) = offers, used pair weber 40 DCOE nice and clean = \$400 pair, used ford cross flow inlet manifold = \$100, used Hewland FF gearbox adaptor good condition = \$100, Lucas/ford distributor missing skew gear, twin cam? = \$75, Ford Motorcraft distributor not race preped = \$50, pair Koni single adj shocks for FF/FB 13.75 in long = \$100 each, pair Koni single adj shocks for FF/FB 14.75 in long = \$100 each, pair bilstein shocks for FF/FB 12.5 in. long = \$100 each, pair Sachs gas shocks for FF/FB 13.75 in. long \$100 each, used K&N air filter for weber FF DGV, good shape = \$20, used K&N filter for weber DGV, compact but needs minor repair = \$10, Eastwood fuel tank sealer kit, new in box = \$10

**For Sale Race Bits.** Authorized dealer for Arai and Zamp helmets (SA2005), Hans devices, Sabelt harness sets (FIA), Sabelt nomex clothing, Sabelt racing seats, Pipercross airfilters, Spax shocks, and Titan drysump and steering equipment. Contact Andy Antipas (formula ford L&P #77) with your needs at 970-963-8297 or [aantipas@sopris.net](mailto:aantipas@sopris.net).  
[www.titannorthamerica.com](http://www.titannorthamerica.com).

**FOR SALE: 1961 DKW 750 Sedan.** Excellent Historic Group Entry Opportunity! A pair of them, actually, Das Kleine Wunder, one of the four rings of AUTO UNION. Audi, Horch, and of course, AUTO UNION, being the other three. The DKW 750 features a venerable, time-tested, 3 cylinder, 2 stroke, longitudinal engine, fitted with a 4-speed fully synchromesh transaxle, with inboard front brakes, to form its front-wheel-drive drive train. Four wheel independent, torsion bar suspension. Steel frame and coach work, 1400 Lb. curb weight in street trim. Join the 3=6 revolution, get POWER EVERY TIME a piston moves down, and reduce the number of moving parts you need for FUN! Competition history includes RMVR Steamboat, & Second Creek, for the one that has been on track. Both in very complete condition, 'safety tubes' (roll bars), included. \$2000/pair. Delivery available. Contact: Clive Averill, (303) 420-3062  
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**For Sale: CALDWELL D-13 FORMULA VEE.** Green and silver Caldwell D-13 Formula Vee as raced with RMVR for the last five years. This is a front running championship car that is ready to go with race prep just completed. All the go fast parts still on the car, nothing removed. Comes with four NEW slicks, mounted on a set of spare wheels, and a spare nose with new matching paint and clear bra. Call Mark @ (720) 272-2009

**FOR SALE:** The late Dave Boyer's **1967 Datsun 1600**, #875 RMVR certified & beautifully prepared as raced by Dave. Turn the key and race! Asking \$8500.  
Call Bill Cross @720-261-3935



**HIGH PLAINS  
RACEWAY**

An Update  
Bob Alder, Capital Campaign

Things continue to progress. The Capital Campaign moves ahead. (You are a **Founding Contributor**, aren't you???)

The county has responded to the USR (Use by Special Review) application with only a few small items which required responses. But nothing of great import — the dotting of "i"s and crossing "t"s sort of stuff. We're still hopeful that the USR will be approved before year end, but that is in the hands of the staff and county. That will be a BIG event. At that time, CAMA will exercise their option to buy the property.

If you haven't made your contribution yet, please consider doing it soon. When the USR is approved, having sufficient money in the kitty is all that will stop us from breaking ground. Surely you don't want to be one of the people holding things up? And remember, for your contribution, you'll either get a track or get your money back. You don't get many offers that good.

As a reminder, guided site tours are available by appointment. Just visit [www.HighPlainsRaceway.com](http://www.HighPlainsRaceway.com) and use the [CONTACT US](#) page to email a request for a tour. Or, just call me at 303-757-0868 to see when we're going out again, usually on weekends. By the way, the track layout is now completely marked with stakes along the centerline of the latest design. Every little wiggle is now current. So, it's real easy to envision yourself on this great track.

By the way. There is a new feature on [www.highplainsraceway.com](http://www.highplainsraceway.com). You can now sign up to receive the **HPR Email News Service**. Please sign up. It's a very convenient way to quickly receive the emails about news releases, news about new items on the website, etc. We'd encourage people to do this as a means of being alerted to any significant news related to the track and/or website additions. For details and how to sign up, please visit the [CONTACT US](#) page.

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## 2007 Event Schedule

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## Provisional 2008 Event Schedule

April 18, 19 & 20, 2008  
June 14 & 15, 2008  
July 26 & 27, 2008  
August 29, 30 & 31, 2008  
Sept. 27 & 28, 2008  
October 18 & 19, 2008

Drivers' School/Race- La Junta, CO  
Trans-Am Invitational- Pueblo, CO  
Inaugural Race- High Plains Raceway  
Showboat Grand Prix- Hastings, NE  
Enduro- Pueblo, CO  
Race- High Plains Raceway

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