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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.

- Keith Christianson -- Spruce Grove, Al
- Mike Kunz -- Colorado Springs, CO

PPIR Spaghetti Dinner

Thank you to all who purchased tickets and/or made donations for the Volunteers' spaghetti dinner at PPIR, Saturday evening. The Volunteers appreciated the meal greatly!!!

Andrew Jordan, Heather Dixon

President Mike Ries called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM

President's comments:

The Annual Banquet will be held January 12, 2014 at the same location. Meal cost will increase by \$3.00.

Mike commented that other Clubs are experiencing reduced entries just as we have. Tracks are feeling the pinch as well. Some organizations are resorting to increased entry fees to make ends meet. RMVR fees at \$250 remain an excellent value.

The September meeting minutes were approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report:

-Current cash balance is \$91,599.97

Annual Banquet

Mark your calendars for the Annual Banquet, to be held on Saturday, January 12, 2013, at the Lone Tree Golf Club & Hotel, near I-25 & Lincoln Ave.

- Approximately \$19,000 of payment to HPR not reflected.
- Net balance after outstanding invoices and checks is \$62.6K
- The Enduro Event produced a loss of \$2005.
- YTD P&L is essentially Break-even.
- Detailed Report attached

CAMA Report:

Bob Darcey reported that the Third Quarter Financial Report has not yet been reviewed.

The Track is seeing a reduction in event dates requested for next year.

Flag & Communications:

Conchi reported that the new radios worked perfectly for the Enduro weekend. BJ appears to have enough workers for the PPIR weekend.

Minutes

Board of Directors Meeting
Rocky Mountain Vintage
Racing
October 17, 2012

Board Members Present:

Mike Ries; Dan Berry; Paul Kuchay; Pete Myers; Christy Hopkins; Pat Hogan; Bob Darcey; Graham Nessel; Mike Cotsworth

Absent : Mark Robinson;
Andy Gould; Ed Milstein

Other Members Present:

Conchi Fay; Frank Leslie;
Tony Peak; John Brosseau;
Tom Dietz; Bill Miller;

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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Timing & Scoring:

Frank is looking into an application for next year that would allow live streaming via MyLaps.com. He is still evaluating whether to recommend purchase of new transponders, or just to repair/service the ones the Club already has.

Chief Instructor Report:

Report given by Paul Kuchay; Lynn continues to work on the Drivers' School for next Spring. The date of April 19-21st is being targeted.

CMC Update: No meeting, not even an email canceling the meeting... Dissolution of the Council seems likely. Status of the Council's Non-profit tax status was discussed.

Old Business:

Upcoming PPIR event –

Low number of entries is a concern. Event will almost certainly be a financial loss. Discussed whether better to run event at a loss or cancel. Consensus was to run event. Feedback session is still planned.

Enduro event –

John Brosseau presented a written Race Summary of the Event.

John thanked the contributors to the pot-luck dinner.

The V-8 American Thunder race was well received. The CVAR members who brought

cars to the Event gave very positive feedback, and vowed to return.

John recommended that strong consideration be given to allowing Saturday only entries for this event. He also suggested that the Club be more pro-active promoting the Event, and seeking sponsors.

Tom Dietz presented a detailed Stewards Report for the weekend. Besides a few "four-off" episodes, there were two incidents, neither of which warranted any driver discipline. Pat Hogan read a letter from Char Blackler which included her expression of gratitude for the fine work of the RMVR Safety workers.

New Business:

Request from BMW Club –

Andrew Jordan presented a request from the BMW Club to use the RMVR timing and scoring equipment at their BMW Club Races to be held at HPR in conjunction with their Driver's School, the weekend of May 25th, 2013.

A motion was made to grant this request, as long as RMVR Timing & Scoring personnel control and operate the equipment. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

VMC Meeting –

The Vintage Motorsports Council will be meeting in Denver on November 10th,

and will be celebrating the 25th Anniversary of the founding of the Council.

As the host club, RMVR will be making a financial contribution to the dinner that is part of the meeting and celebration. A motion was made to authorize up to \$1200 to be contributed by RMVR. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

2013 RMVR Racing Schedule

– Paul Kuchay presented the provisional schedule for next year. A Labor Day event at Hastings is included. There was considerable sentiment that a June event at Pueblo be included as well. Paul will firm up the schedule soon, and distribute to Board members via email.

President Mike Ries adjourned the meeting at 9:17 PM

**Respectfully submitted –
Mike Cotsworth, Secretary**

November President's Message

Once again, while attendance was not great, the weather was good and the track time was excellent at PPIR at the end of October. Thanks to Tony for organizing a great time for all! We do not have the final numbers from the weekend, but unfortunately, we are going to lose quite a bit of money. Paul has this season-ending race on the schedule for next year, but I am not sure we can really afford to run it again. To break even this year we would have had to get the track for free ... and that would never happen.

The feedback session was held at PPIR, and we got some excellent input from all of the different race groups and the workers. We gathered input on how to get more cars out to our races, potential point systems and their management (would you like to volunteer?), how long our races should be and anything we should change or emphasize more. If you were unable to attend, feel free to send your input in email to either me or/and Paul Kuchay.

Speaking of the club next year, elections are coming up. I am certain from the many energetic comments I have received throughout the year that many of you know how to run the group better than the current establishment. Well, now is your chance! Paul has been working on the list of nominees, but if he has not contacted you, and you are interested in helping to improve RMVR, please send a note to either me or Paul. We would love to have you on the ballot.

As we head towards the holiday season, please think of our less fortunate members and their families. The loss of Greg Stanley and Dick Orwig is difficult for both their racing and more immediate families. We will miss them both. You also recently heard about volunteer and driver Char Blackler's financial difficulties following an unfortunate racing incident. And I can't say enough about the sprit Bill Rosenbach continues to bring to RMVR despite his personal medical and financial challenges. Wow! I think RMVR has had more than its collective allocation of bad luck this year. All I can say is that we are all lucky to have each other and the thing we so love to do.

This Thanksgiving give thanks for all of the opportunities and experiences in your life. Many people can only dream of doing what we do. Don't take it for granted.

Wishing the best for you and your families,
Mike Ries
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Classifieds

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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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2012 Event Schedule

January 12, 2013

Banquet

Lone Tree Golf Club & Hotel,
near I-25 & Lincoln Ave

2013 Event Schedule

March 23 & 24, 2013

Fire/Rescue School

Race Schedule (Provisional)

April 20 & 21, 2013

Spring Drivers School @ PPIR

May 18 & 19, 2013

Spring Race @ HPR

June 1 & 2, 2013

Trans Am Race @ Pueblo

July 27 & 28, 2013

Charity Race @ HPR

August 30 & 31, 2013

Labor Day Race @ Hastings

October 5 & 6, 2013

Enduro Race @ HPR

October 19 & 20, 2013

Spooktacular @ PPIR

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RMVR VOLUNTEER NEWS

November, 2012

By BJ Kellogg

We learned a couple of things from the Octoberfast at PPIR on Oct 27&28. You cannot whisper secrets on the new radios, If your race car is street legal you can warm it up on I-25, Do not do silly stuff at the track when BJ and Conchi are planning the Banquet stuff (where did those flags go?). And it gets dang cold in Colorado in October; it should have been named Octoburrrr.

Thanks to Rick B, Anita B, Jeff C, Alan W, Frank L, Dennis and Eloise M, Tony P, Camille F, Lynn F, Dave G, Bill R, Heike R, Conchi F, Robert A and Char B our Starters, Grid Workers and Corner Workers for a great event.

I believe that the Banquet is Jan 12th at Lone Tree golf course again

As in prior years, we are kicking off the racing season with our Fire & Rescue School (a.k.a. Crash & Burn School) on March 23th & 24th.

And a thanks to you all for a great 2012 we are looking for some new and exciting things for 2013.

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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