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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.

- George Curl, Texas

La Junta

October 5 & 6, 2019

La Junta is NEAR. RMVR has not been to the southern track for many years and it time to rekindle that racing relationship. Saturday night is being up for a party; whereabouts TBD. The food vendor is ready to serve and all safety contractors are set up.

The track has been improved and there are also RV sites with 30 and 50 amp.

Get ready and lets GO RACING BOYS and GIRLS.

Event Tech Reminder

...A reminder to all drivers that they must have their Annual Tech on file and every race their vehicle must be inspected by the owner / driver and a tech inspection sheet must be filled out and signed to give to tech at registration please and thank you.

Annual Tech Inspection

"Good news: If you obtain a pre-season Annual Tech inspection before showing up for your first event, the car is exempt from further at-track event inspections for the entire season. Your registration process at every event will thus be considerably streamlined. On rmvr.com, read about how the new procedures for 2019 and works to your great advantage. [use the hot link to <http://rmvr.com/how-to-get-an-rmvr-tech-inspection/>]

Estes Park Grand Prix

Keep the date open!!!

June 27th and 28th, 2020 are looking good for the 1st annual Estes Park Grand Prix, the EPGP. Stay tuned...

2020 Drivers' School

Yes drivers' school! It is not too early to begin promoting the 2020 school. The first weekend in August we will have the RAKC and what better time to begin talking up next year's school. We want to achieve our goal of 80 students so time is of the essence. LET'S GO!!!!

Board Meetings will be typically held the 3rd Wednesday of the month, at 7:00PM. The Board Meeting location is:

The Blue Bonnet Café

457 S. Broadway Denver, CO 80209 303-778-0147[[MAP](#)]

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Minutes

RMVR Board Meeting
Blue Bonnet Café
September 18 2019

Call To Order Time: 6:47PM

Roll Call of Board Members:

Patrick Fay (President) – P
Brian Nelson (Past President) – P
Jeff Payne (President Elect) – A
(Excused)
Eric Schakel (Treasurer) – P
Scott Stekr (Secretary) – P
Ken Tisdale (At Large) – P
Martin Willis (At Large) – P
Brant McClung (At Large) – P
Wayne Siebrecht (At Large) – P
Rob Van Westenberg (At Large) – P
Jeff Hall (At Large) – P
Brad Leach (At Large) – P

Motion to approve August

Minutes – Ken Tisdale
2nd – Brad Leach

Approved – All present voting
board members.

President's Opening Remarks – Patrick Fay-

Great weekend in Pueblo last weekend; thank you for everyone that participated. We are going to move forward with the LaJunta Race.

Treasurer Report – Eric Schakel –

August Treasurer's Report – Question regarding the difference between the membership fees vs. other incoming revenue and the buckets they land on the P&L. Also, there were some missing expenses missing that are now accounted for. Further reporting regarding membership fees will be explored and also worked

backwards for 5 years to have some comparative data.

Motion to approve August Treasurer's Report – Ken Tisdale
2nd – Jeff Hall

Approved – All present voting
board members.

Overall 2019 we have a decent cash flow however expenses are increasing year over year which needs to be considered. Overall the Enduro/Sprints will show an estimated (\$4,000) loss simply due to the lack of entries. There were only about (66) entries to the event and simply not enough revenue to cover the fixed costs of the event.

Motion to approve September Treasurer's Report – Ken Tisdale
2nd – Wayne Siebrecht

Approved – All present voting
board members.

Chief of Specialties Report: Eric Ladner Van & Equipment

– Everything went well at the Enduro, however oil dry and brooms have been going missing. It's great to use these items if they are needed but please return things that are borrowed. The brooms have "RMVR" written on them.

Branden Sumner – Tech –

Recommend moving Tech closer to turn 9 at Pueblo. Move Tech to a location between the first and second track exit location, to catch cars coming off track before they head into the pits.

Lisa Williams - Marshals –

Overall we were about 3 volunteers short for the Pueblo event so we did have to hire 3

people to help out, which is never desirable but had to be done.

Chad Wight - Steward's Report

– 2 cars suffered suspension breakage and there were 3 drivers sanctioned for loss of car control @ the Pueblo event. There was a rollover accident in T6 the race was red flagged within 10 seconds and Medical staff at the scene within 2 minutes. There were also couple drivers that were already on probation that had infractions as well that extended their probationary periods.

John Victoria – Grid –

Great attitude from the drivers, enjoyed the Enduro and the experience of that event. I am looking to attend the driver's school as a competition student in 2020 and would appreciate a volunteer to take over Grid for the school event next year so I can attend Driver's School as a student.

CDI – Lynn Fangue –

We have licensed two Justin Wiley and Bert Nash. There have been (25) licensed drivers in 2019. This may be one of the best years ever for licensing drivers. Regarding the reinstatement of the "One race per year to maintain license" rule: Three people have not enjoyed the reinstatement of the participation rule, but over a dozen have expressed support for the reinstatement of the rule.

Special Orders Discussions / Upcoming Events - None

Unfinished Business

Worker Van Plight Update –
Eric Ladner – Still looking for a new van, need budget from the

Introducing RMVR's New ***GATEWAY RUN GROUP***

Starting with the *Return to La Junta Race Weekend*

RMVR is exploring ways to expand participation in RMVR events, while maintaining the Vintage Spirit which has driven the organization for decades. You can be a part of the process by participating in a newly established ***Gateway Run Group*** at our upcoming La Junta race October 5-6. We're seeking 8-12 entrants.

Our goal is to use the La Junta event as a prototype to guide us in the 2020 race season. Please note that the guidelines are subject to modification at any time during this exploratory phase.

The purpose of this new RMVR run group is to welcome otherwise non-eligible **race cars** the chance to race with RMVR as well as allowing people with an Exhibition race cars to race more than twice a year. This new group will give RMVR Drivers' School graduates holding a Provisional license the opportunity to obtain their full Competition license in yet another manner.

Additionally, this new run group will allow friends of RMVR members to run their non-RMVR race vehicles with our club so that we can expand participation and show others just how truly wonderful RMVR is.

These simple guidelines are established for this new ***Gateway Run Group***:

- All vehicles must be closed wheel and have a Log Book from a well-established and recognized road racing organization.
- All vehicles must be nicely prepared - NO LEMONS.
- All vehicles must pass an RMVR Event Tech Inspection.
- All RMVR safety requirements must be met.

- Regarding Fuel Cells:
 - As long as the vehicle has passed preparation rules regarding the use of a fuel cell (or not requiring one) by the organization issuing the Log Book, the vehicle will be allowed to run in this *Gateway Run Group*.
 - Such *Gateway Run Group* vehicles without fuel cells will be confined to the new RMVR *Gateway Run Group*. (RMVR log book cars with the "Historic" class designation (which does not require fuel cell) can run in their normal RMVR race group.
 - Drivers must hold a valid and up-to-date medical exam AND a current Competition License OR Provisional License from their issuing organization.
 - For drivers holding a Provisional License, an X will be displayed on the back of the vehicle and a driving instructor will be assigned.

Please help us grow this great new RMVR *Gateway Run Group*. Let your friends, family along with fellow race car drivers know that they now have the ability to run with RMVR. This group is sure to have a large diversity and speed difference. This will certainly prove to ensure great racing!

We look forward to building this great new RMVR *Gateway Run Group* along with RMVR in general.

[YOU CAN REGISTER HERE](#)

Please feel free to call with any questions:

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Race Co-Chairs;

Richard Bowler rewbk@msn.com 720-849-2255

Jeff Hall jwhall@aol.com 863-398-9091

Chief Of Tech:

Branden Sumner sumnerautomotiverepair@yahoo.com 970-218-4652

Board. For current van: Gross Loaded weight is 14,000, and the GVWR of the van is 10,700.

There is 5,500 lbs of equipment in the van. A budget for the solution needs to be established. Wishlist to be developed for what the van needs to do that can encompass not only what the van does today, but also what it could do for RMVR in the future (i.e. transport the Radios, Flags, Timing Equipment, etc.) that is all currently brought to the races in personal vehicles.

Elections for 2020 – Establish Committee - We need volunteers for the committee, and the committee must include non board member participants. There are many terms expiring and positions opening up this year, including Secretary position.

Eligibility Expansion Committee – Update - Discussion ensued about mixing newer cars into existing run groups or creating a separate run group for only newer cars. Again, currently there are provisions in our rules for “exhibition” cars to participate in their own run group. There was discussion regarding moving the eligibility date to 1989. A further discussion was brought up about having a dedicated ‘exhibition’ run group comprised of logbooked cars from other -select- organizations that would serve as a test bed for eligibility expansion. Branden Sumner expressed interest in facilitating invitations to potential drivers.

Propose allowing an “exhibition only” group to be opened up for LaJunta Race – Ken Tisdale
2nd – Jeff Hall

Approved – All present voting board members.

New Business

Driver’s School 2020 Cost Structure – Lynn Fangue –

Recommend we increase the non-early-bird entry fees up \$10 for Precision and \$15 for Competition to: A) entice early entries, and B) bump revenue for later entries. Our goal for the school this year is 75 students. The insurance for the event will be going back to the normal rate.

Motion to approve proposed pricing adjustment: Wayne Siebrecht, 2nd – Eric Schakel

Approved – All present voting board members.

RMVR Financial Fitness – Patrick Fay, Eric Schakel

- i. Rising Costs
 - a. Some costs are flat, others are rising and maybe not noticed by event chairs year over year.
- ii. Optional Vs. Fixed Costs
 - a. All expenses are needed to be turned in within 2 weeks after each event.
- iii. 2020 Entry Fee Increase – Discuss the voluntary truck fund.
 - a. The board is considering multiple ways to fund a new support vehicle. Possible ideas include selling advertising space on the side of the new vehicle as well as a voluntary truck donation fund that would be part of the 2020 membership fee.

Year End Banquet – Lakewood Country Club Date is TBD.

Estes Park Latest News: CDOT, School District and others have approved, waiting on the town manager approval. Submitted a budget today, hopefully this happens in the next several weeks. 10 months and counting... Of 190 drivers polled, 160 said they would support this event by entering. The event would be financially successful with 100 drivers. There are 40+ RV spots, a 15,000sf indoor parking area, and plenty of pit space on the facility. Teamwork with the city regarding food and other co-op things put this exiting road race event in a much better place financially.

Open Discussion –

Jeff Hall – Discussion regarding the naming of the events, feels they are currently stale. Possibly have each run group come up with a name for each event that they can make it their own / bring some creativity and maybe new life into the events.

President’s Closing Remarks – None

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:59 – Wayne Siebrecht
2nd – Jeff Hall

All in Favor – All present voting board members.

Next meeting will be 7:00PM Wednesday October 16, 2019 at the Blue Bonnet Café.

Stewards Report to the Board

Chad Wight & Gary Merrifield

09-17-19

The 2019 Pueblo Sprints/Enduro was a successful event, but not incident free. One car suffered two suspension failures that might have caused injury or collision, but thankfully, did not. In other incidents, three drivers were sanctioned for over-aggressive driving and loss of car control.

The most spectacular incident happened on Saturday when Robert Jimenez driving #128 Blue Mustang lost control in Corner 6, slid off the outside of the turn, rolled his car once and landed shiny side up. Marshals Jim Morton and Don Watts reported the emergency to Control. The race was Red-Flagged within 10 seconds and safety crews responded within 2 minutes. Robert was found safe in his car, still in harness and wearing a HANS device. He told first responders he lost his brakes and was okay. He was assessed in his car by EMT's John and Desire' and assisted into the Ambulance for evaluation. He had no obvious injuries, but was advised to go to the hospital for full evaluation. He refused and was released to his wife for observation in the paddock and advised to go to the hospital if anything changed. Chad Wight contacted Robert Monday night 9/16 by phone. Robert said he was doing fine, but the car was heavily damaged. Robert explained that he had just pointed a car by and his brakes failed causing him to go off track. Gary took photos of the scene. The incident was called a Class 4, single-car, metal-to-"dirt." Disciplinary action is pending Gary's return from vacation, but posted as suspension pending.

On Sunday, Andy Gould driving #24 Brown FV spun for the second time and voluntarily trailered himself. A flat tire may have caused the second spin. But Andy made no excuses and took responsibility. Andy was already on Probation and will continue on Probation until he has a "clean" weekend.

Also on Sunday, Steve Bachenberg driving #24 Orange BMW while on Probation forced Brian Hively in #49 Blue MG to go two-off in Corner 10 to avoid contact. The drivers were not aware of any contact and there were no reports from workers, so the cars did not come in to Tech for inspection. However, it was learned after the race that Hively's car had a light tire mark that was brushed off. Steve apologized to Brian and it might have been considered a "that's racing incident" except that Steve was already on Probation for hitting the wall in the same corner last year. He will continue on Probation.

Chad conferred with CDI Lynn Fange who concurred on penalties and will also make contact with involved drivers. Thanks to Ken Tisdale for assisting with stewarding this weekend. If you missed Pueblo, you missed Karaoke by your President Patrick Faye, Race Chair Judd Evans, and the Karaoke Queen, Megan Sumner. Hope to see you all for the Return to La Junta. Should be an interesting event to close the season with the addition of the Gateway Group.

<u>Event</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Infraction Report 09-16-19</u>	<u>Penalty Remaining</u>
PMP	Eric Stange	#2 M2M	1 event probation
PMP	Mark Shillingburg	#2 M2M	2 event probation
Snowmass	Frank Jones	#3 4-off into barrier	2 event probation.
Pueblo	Dave Gardner	#2 at Cnr 9 M2M	2 event probation
PMP 6/19 PMP 9/19	Steve Bachenberg	#2 4 off Into Barrier (PMP) #1 M2M OAD (PMP)	2 event probation
Snowmass	Scot Petitt	#2 through hay bales	1 event probation
Pueblo	Dan Stowell	#2 at Cnr 9 M2M	1 event probation
HPR	Steve Rogers	Unauth track entry OAD #2 M2M	2 event probation
HPR 5/19	Seth Letterly	Class 2 M2M, OAD	1 event probation
HPR 5/19	Allen Johnsen	Class 3 M2M, OAD	2 event probation
HPR 5/19	Terry Hefty	Class 1 M2M	1 event probation
HPR 8/10 PMP 9/15	Andy Gould	Class 2 M2M OAD 2 spins on prob	2 event probation Continued
PMP 9/15	Robert Jimenez	Class 4 roll-ever	Suspension pending
Key:	OAD= Over- Aggressive Driving	M2M= Metal-to-Metal	Class 1,2,3,4 = Level of severity
In lieu of penalty, drivers are invited to volunteer as Corner Marshals for one or more weekends. To be properly credited, a driver must sign-up, show-up, & report to the race steward. Also, non-participation only cancels suspension, not probation. For further detail on infractions, see <i>Operations Manual</i> , Appendix J: p.54-56 (2018 Edition)			

October 2019 President's Message

As I write this, we are making plans to head to La Junta for our first race there in ten years! We have over 60 cars signed up, and it promises to be a great time had by all. I hope you are planning to make it.

And I have some great news! The La Junta race will include the first ever RMVR Gateway Run Group! What's this, you ask? The RMVR Gateway Run Group is designed to welcome otherwise non-eligible race cars to race with RMVR in their own group. It is a chance for drivers of newer production race cars to try racing with the Vintage Spirit, RMVR-style! Head to RMVR.com and click on Driver Registration for the La Junta event to see all the details.

I want to let you know that even though the RMVR Gateway Run Group might seem brand new, it's been in the works for months. The board has been working throughout the summer to determine how best to move our eligibility rules forward. When RMVR was founded, "Vintage" cars were around 16 years old. Here in 2019, none of us is ready for vintage cars from 2003! However, we do recognize there are great cars (and people who love them) from the 80's and early 90's. We're building a gateway to that era by putting together this group.

Our desire is to make the RMVR Gateway Run Group part of every race weekend starting in 2020. The La Junta race is a perfect opportunity to work out the bugs, of which I'm sure there will be a few. So, "Please pardon our dust" while we work to expand the club. And if you see a way to improve the RMVR Gateway Run Group, please let us know.

See you at La Junta!

Patrick Fay
RMVR President 2019
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Classifieds

For Sale: 1966

Lotus S7 1500cc, 135hp Ford, non-cross flow, 4 cyl. with 2 Weber 40 DCOE's. Dry sump, Leeson Gearbox,



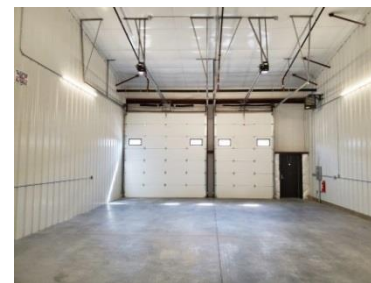
gone through in 2016. New Fuel Safe cell in June of 2016, 13" X 6" wheels, Brakes are disc front, drum rear. Some spares and original road parts [windshield, headlights, etc.]. Car has been racing with RMVR since 1987. Front runner in small bore, running 2:11's at HPR, down to 2:08 with new tires. Also raced in the Monterey Historics, various other US tracks, and in New Zealand. Augie Pabst raced the car several times in the Steamboat Springs Historic Races in the late '80s and early '90's. It is a solid, reliable, totally legal DP81 car. Has current RMVR Log book. Prepared by Thomas Vintage Motors. Call Tom Ellis 303-449-9112

For Sale: Single axle car trailer, bed tilts on trailer ball for easy loading, extended ramps and fresh rubber. Small production, Formula, etc. 60" between rail



sides. overall length 10.5' with tilt arm removed for storage. \$750 terryallard1@q.com

For Rent Garage Space- Very large 32' x 50' heated garage condo available for rent. Two large overhead doors can accommodate Motorhome and Car Trailer. Plenty of room for several race cars too. Condo amenities include club house, gated entry, RV dump and much more. Located near Wadsworth and Hwy 36. Call Frank at 303-877-5365.



At the Enduro event, one of our visiting racers from CVAR, Steve Bachenberg, mentioned that there is someone **repairing** AMB Transponders which might be acting up or not working. This could save a BUNCH of money. Here's the info he provided:

". . . . during the drivers' meeting, I mentioned a contact for transponder repair, and I was asked to send contact information that could be posted on the RMVR website and/or newsletter. Here goes:

John Mueller
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Schertz, TX 78154
210-504-8697
john@kartingdepot.com

Good Racing,
Steve Bachenberg"

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RMVR Apparel Now Available On-line

If you need some cool RMVR logo apparel, you can get it here. If you forgot to purchase an event shirt from past events, here they are!! Keep returning as the store will add more products as our members request them.

Support our club and advertise RMVR by purchasing and proudly wearing these cool products!

<https://represent.com/store/rockymountainvintageracing>

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RMVR Website- <http://rmvr.com>

2019 RMVR Schedule

Oct 5-6, 2019

Return to La Junta

La Junta Raceway, La Junta, CO

January 18, 2020

Annual Banquet

Lakewood Country Club

Event Registration: Register [online](#)

2020 Provisional RMVR Schedule

April 4, 2020

Fire/Rescue School

April 25-26, 2020

Drivers' School

May 9-10, 2020

Spring Race

June 5-6, 2020

Thunder on the Arkansas

Pueblo

June 27-28, 2020

Estes Park Grand Prix (pending final approvals)

Estes Park Road Course

August 1-2, 2020

Race Against Kids' Cancer

High Plains Raceway

September 12-13, 2020

Sprints & Enduro Reimagined

(possibly changing to
9/19-20)

Pueblo Motorsports Park

**Provisional at this time. It
depends on whether Estes
Park happens or not.**

La Junta

La Junta Raceway, La Junta, CO

ROCKY MOUNTAIN VINTAGE RACING
Vintage Messenger
33828 Hemlock Lane
Evergreen, CO 80439



RMVR VOLUNTEER NEWS

October 2019

By Lisa Williams

As our last race of the season is here, I want to take this opportunity to sincerely thank my amazing volunteer team whom have joined us throughout the year. As Fall is upon us, I wish everyone well hoping all will continue to be a part of RMVR and all it has to offer. Continue to check your e-mails for updates around current events and happenings within the club.

Warmest regards,

Lisa

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