

Buccaneer Region Board of Directors Meeting

Meeting – April 17, 2017 – Online

In attendance: Don Johnson, Lee Stanley, Chris Ronson, Sr., Derrick Taylor, Lincoln Buell, Fred Clark, Ted Michelbrink. Bill Dennis, Bob Horansky, Tom Thompson

Guests: Hans Bliss

Call to order: 7:05AM, Don Johnson

Solo Reports

Jacksonville Solo

Chris White presented two reports: an Autocross Fund Statement of Activity showing revenue and expenditures by month for 2017 and an update on activities. Chris said their events had been extremely successful this year compared to last year. Event #1 at the Regency had 77 drivers including 30 Novices. Event #2 had 105 participants at the FIRM (Florida International Rally and Motorsports Park) and 50 drivers participated in Event #3 under a threat of rain at the Regency. They began using the Pronto Timing System at Event #3 and live timing was a hit with the participants.

The Solo group has experienced some difficulty filling leadership positions and are discussing some type of incentive for volunteers. A change in the leadership structures to consolidate responsibilities is being considered.

A runway maintenance day was held at Amelia Island Airport where volunteers helped patch holes with concrete. Breakfast and a free entry to Event #6 was provided to the volunteers.

Coastal Empire Solo

Derrick Taylor presented a financial summary through Event #4. 45 drivers attended the event this past Easter weekend. There was an issue with the Port-a-john not being delivered. Derrick said they agreed to provide the service free at the next event.

The meetings for the Solo group will no longer be at Lovezzola's Pizza in Pooler due to the difficulty in getting space for the meeting. Instead, Dave Mitchell has offered a meeting room in his building for the group. Arrangements will be made to have pizzas delivered.

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Derrick said that the two Solo groups have discussed changes to the “North-South Shootout”, with each group selecting a list of their top drivers to compete for the trophy. Derrick and Chris are working out the details.

Track Manager’s Report

Jack Abbott, Track Manager was unable to attend the meeting. Don said that Jack has someone coming out to look at the PA system. Don will be doing Jack’s performance review next week and will then work on Jack’s contract renewal.

Treasurer’s Report

Ted presented financial statements for the Region through the end of March. He said all bills are paid.

Chris asked about a reimbursement for the Solo Chair. He will resend the information to Ted.

Bob asked why we lost \$3000 on the Driving School after splitting the cost of the event with SVRA. We lowered the entry fee for the SCCA portion of the school in hopes of increasing the number of entries. There was no increase in entries and if we had not lowered the fee per driver, then there would not have been a loss for the event. We agreed to return to the 2016 pricing for the 2018 Driving School.

Race Chair Report

Don reported that there were 227 entries for the Jim Stark event on April 22-23 with registration still open.

CONTINUING BUSINESS;

Track Night in America – There are 60 drivers registered for the Track Night event on Friday, April 21.

Property Encroachment and possible sale – The adjoining property near Turns 1 & 2 was recently sold, and during the survey it was discovered that the fence separating the properties did not follow the property line and approximately 0.2 acres was encroached upon by the adjoining property. Buccaneer Region signed an easement for a small 1100 square foot area so that the seller didn’t have to move their road to complete the sale. We have asked the new owner to build a higher fence in that area, but he has refused to do so. The height of the berm is

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now higher in that area, which should prevent any cars from ending up in that area. Planting trees on the property has been suggested to provide a buffer from the track, but the new owner has not committed to planting trees on the property line.

Don J. closed on the Yagami property today, so we can now move forward with the land swap with Hans Bliss that has been previously discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

Joint TT event with VDCA in September – Fred said there would not be a sufficient group for a TT, but we might be able to have a PDX with VDCA in September.

Meeting adjourned at 8:01pm.