

Buccaneer Region Meeting for Summer Haze Event May 18, 2020—Go-To-Meeting

NOTE: THIS IS A SPECIALLY CALLED GO-TO-MEETING TO DISCUSS THE SCHEDULED SUMMER HAZE AT ROEBLING ROAD RACEWAY AMID THE CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK (AKA COVID-19).

Present with GTM: Don Johnson, Bill Dennis, Bob Horansky, Jack Abbott, Nona Heinzen

Don began the meeting talking about precautions that had been taken by SCCA at an event that he had attended over the weekend to avoid the spread of COVID-19. Don said that at the outside Driver's meeting a bullhorn had been used to give directions. The radios and flags were cleaned between each use with antibacterial cleaner by a person wearing gloves. Face masks were not required but that the 6-foot rule was applied. Results were given out on Facebook within about 20 minutes after the end of the event to reduce the chance of gathering.

General Status-

Bill then directed everyone's attention to the agenda. He said that the sups have been approved, we have a sanction number and Insurance certificate. All we are waiting on is the paper packet but he isn't worried about it showing up in time since we are in good shape with the time frame. He sees no problems with proceeding.

COVID-19 Observations and Ideas from the RRR WERA weekend May 16-17

Jack spoke about the precautions that RRR had taken during the WERA event the previous weekend. He said that they had signage placed all over reminding people to stay 6 feet apart and to wash their hands frequently. He said that people came to the window at the gate sporadically, some wearing gloves, some had their own pens, etc. WERA actually did their registration inside. The WERA staff had masks and gloves and thousands of pens while doing registration. The concession stand had given out menus that could either be completed and turned in or you could text your order to the number provided. They moved most of the tables out onto the grass and removed the wood covering the screens. He said everyone, for the most part, complied with the rules. Thomas and David cleaned the bathrooms periodically with a bleach solution. Bill asked how many bikes were there? Jack replied that they sold 245 armbands.

COVID-19 Mitigation Procedures at Sebring June 5-7-

Bill stated that he was planning on going to Sebring to race/watch their mitigation procedures as they were expected to have 200+ people/club course. He is planning to meet with Herb Shipp. He will let everyone know what he sees.

COVID-19 Mitigation measures for Summer Haze- Round Table-

Bob asked if anyone had looked over the mitigation procedures that he had emailed. Everyone replied that they hadn't seen the email. Bob said he would resend it. Bob said it covered pretty much everything that we need for mitigation. Bob said everyone's temperature would be taken and would not be allowed in if they had a fever. He would have a written driver's meeting. Have the paddock marshals to park the rigs at least 15 feet apart. Unfortunately, it will create spillage into the outer paddock a little more. The exceptions would be the spaces across from the garages.

Registration-

Bill asked if more time was needed for lunch (an hour and 15 min-an hour and 30 min) with the new ordering procedures? Bob replied yes, but that we'll make it happen. Don suggested that we only needed 2 lines at registration instead of 3. Bob said no, that we will have 1 single line up to the decking at registration, then three windows to register at with the windows only being opened 4 inches.

Corner Workers-

Bill then addressed the corner workers. Bob said that we would be having some issues with having enough people to fill all positions. Bob said that if he said so, he could run one person on a station since he is the Chief Steward. He thinks the only stations where he can safely do that at is Turns 6 and 7. He is hoping that Jack can get us some workers if we need them. Jack confirmed that he could but to please give him a week's notice.

Race Officials-

Bill stated that he thought we were good on officials. He thinks he is not going to run in the Summer Haze if he runs at Daytona. He would observe and assist where needed if he doesn't run the Summer Haze. Basically, we have got all of the traditional commitments filled except for sound. The reason we don't have a commitment on sound is because Larry Buell has health issues. He feels that we are in good shape as far as officials are concerned.

Open Track Event Friday August 14-

Bill asked Don to tell how the Jax Solo received the info. Don said that when he discussed it some people actually applauded. He stated that if they were interested, that Bill's email info was on the website and to contact him. Bill then asked Bob if the Friday should be an SCCA sanctioned event or an open track event? He said that he would have to pick Jenny Paradis up in Atlanta if it were a sanctioned event.

Bill then asked Jack if he saw any liability with an additional group. Jack said 5 run groups instead of 4? Bill replied yes. His expectation, if he does this, is that he would hold a classroom session early Friday morning, they'll get 1 run late Friday morning and 2 runs in the afternoon. Jack said he would need to mull it over as far as price/time. As for money—if we choose to do this, we would bring them in for less, and even discount it more if they want to stick around and work on Saturday and Sunday. No decisions need to be made tonight. He stated that it was more expensive if it was a sanctioned event because it would mean hiring 2 Fire Trucks and 2 Ambulances plus the associated personnel to staff the vehicles. Bill said he believed that we were going for just the fun run—not the sanctioned event. Bob said to make it just the fun run—no sanction.

Entry Fees-

Bill asked Bob to talk about entry fees. Bob said the Region needs to buy a couple of thermal thermometers, face masks, hand sanitizers, pens (or get someone to donate-Hagerty's or Hoosier maybe). For the stipends Bob would like to use the T-shirt shack on Saturday to issue the stipends from. Then on Sunday, to be picked up at Registration building. He will check with Kaye.

Entry Fee Increase-

Due to the increased mitigation costs associated with COVID-19, we need to increase the price. Currently the fees are \$250 Vintage, \$275 SARRC. It was decided to increase the fees to \$275 Vintage, \$295 SARRC. Bill will take care of the documentation since it's purely a Region business decision.

Credit Card payment for entry fees-

Don has spoken with Betsy about using Credit cards. She said we could set it up through Motorsports.reg. He will work that out with Betsy since we have settled what the fees will be. Bill said that he can easily modify the documents to read Credit Card payments to be made to Motorsports.reg—No Checks, No Cash.

Bob then gave a history of COVID-19 vs Spanish Flu in 1918. He said that in all of the time since 1918, there has been no improvements in the mitigation procedures. He said that so far, COVID-19 has followed the Spanish Flu. If COVID-19 continues to follow the course, there will be a 2nd peak in June and then a 3rd peak in October.

Bill pointed out that in putting the event out on Motorsports.reg, we should put it out about a week before the SEDIV double—about one month out from now. So that when people are registering for the SEDIV-DBL, they can see that there is another race 6 weeks later that they can run in. Everyone agreed that it was a good idea. Bill will let everyone know what he sees in Sebring.