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RSO Board/Executive Meeting – Oct. 14, 2008

Minutes

LOCATION – Peter Gulliver’s home, Bridgenorth – dinner 6:45 meeting 7:30 PM

19/10/08

NAME	POSITION	PRESENT
Ray Felice	President	Yes
Rob MacKenzie	Vice-President – Performance	Yes
Rita Moore	Vice-President – Navigational	Yes
Ross Wood	Secretary	Yes
Peter Gulliver	Treasurer	Yes
Paul Henshall	Executive Assistant	
Jeff Hagan	Assistant V.P Performance	Regrets
Roger Sanderson	Scorer	Regrets
Mark Ockwell	Chief Scrutineer	Yes
Christina Chinn	RSO Growth Committee	Regrets
Alasdair, Robertson	Legislative Affairs	Regrets
Jeff Lantz	OPRC Classic Class Coordinator	
Ross Wood	RallyCross Coordinator	Yes
TBA	BEMC Club Representative	
Christina Chinn	KWRC Club Representative	Regrets
Jeannie MacGillivray	MCO Club Representative	Yes
Ross Wood	MLRC Club Representative	Yes
Rob MacKenzie	PMSC Club Representative	Yes

Nuwan Dantanarayana	SPDA Club Representative	
Paul Moore	TAC Club Representative	Yes
Peter Watt	Guest	Yes

Agenda

1) Approval of/additions to Agenda – approved as amended – Moore/Gulliver

2) Approval of August 18,2008 meeting minutes – approved as published – Gulliver/Moore

3) Treasurer’s Report – report received as presented

- discussed levies & fees for 2009 – no changes except for club affiliation fee – motion Gulliver/MacKenzie to offer special reduced rate of \$50 per year to new clubs for first two years - carried

- discussed GIC’s

4) CARS Update – reflective vests to be provided for Media to wear at events

- there will be a 2WD Championship in 2009

- Rule changes are ongoing

- sponsorship search is underway for 2009

- decision has been made not to have permanent door numbers

5) Old Business - (a) RSO Calendar Meeting – Note – rescheduled to Sunday,

November 2nd at 10 AM

(b) RSO AGM & Awards Banquet – March 21, 2009

- venue -

(c) RallyCross/RallySprint – Bancroft – MLRC's request to waive \$5 per car levy has been granted for 2008 summer events
- decision to be made at Calendar Mtg. if RX will continue to be an RSO series or a club series
- Burnt River site update – good progress being made re rezoning to allow cars

6) OPRC

(a) Series Standings – GCFR now included – Defi to be added soon

(b) Defi – Steward's Report pending

(c) GCFR – Steward's Report received – very positive

(d) Tall Pines – Supp. Regs. published

- Seeded Draw – Tuesday, November 4 – Musket Restaurant, Advance Rd., Etobicoke

- still need someone to manage Merchandising on rally weekend – contact

Donna Huber at donna@tallpinesrally.com

- needs lots of volunteers – contact Ross at ross@tallpinesrally.com

(e Shannonville Rally – April 4, 2009 – investigating insurance options

(f) Lanark Highlands Forest Rally – May 9, 2009 – committee formed and getting underway – will be a one road event on Lavant Mill Rd. – 48 km of stages

(g) Black Bear Rally – changes for 2009 – Donna Huber will be Coordinator – event may be moving to Bancroft

(h) Road Damage Fund – Pines – work being done on Egan Creek roads

(i) Scrutineering – Ontario now divided into three areas for the purpose of vehicle inspections with a Scrutineer in charge of each – Eastern – Chris Krepski,

Central – Mark Ockwell, Western – Martin Loveridge

(j) Special OPRC Award – working on a special award – series within the OPRC Series

(k) OPRC Series – composition for 2009 - tabled

7) ORRC

(a) Series Standings – current as posted

(b) Infinite Monkeys Rally – written Steward's Report received

(c) President's Prize Rally – October 25th - has been greencrewed – need more CP crews

(d) Northern Lights Rally – December 6th – greencrew has been appointed

(e) Navigational Think Tank – clubs will get together to discuss growth

8) Growth Committee - (per Christina Chinn)

- no report

9) New Business –

(a) Tall Pines Spectator Guide – RSO will purchase the usual ad

(b) Toronto Auto Show – working on plans for RSO to return

(c) First Aid Course – set for January 17/09 in Newmarket

10) Club News

MLRC (per Ross Wood)

- the Mini Series is now complete for the season – Series Awards will be given out at the

MLRC meeting on December 9th at the Musket Restaurant in Etobicoke - the MLRC Board has decided to make changes for 2009 – single set of simple instructions, improved marketing etc. – Ken Nazeer will continue as Series Coordinator

- there has been a "cabinet shuffle" in the MLRC board – due to personal commitments,

Bryn Epp has stepped down from the President's position, but will remain on the Board

As Director at Large – Ryan Huber will take over as President – Kym Prime has resigned from the Board and James Drake has been appointed to complete her term as Secretary while Matt Barnes will continue as V.P., as will Bruce Leonard as Treasurer

- the Rallycross series has continued to run very well under James Drake's care with good events at the new Golton site in Bancroft – one summer event remains to be held on October 19th

- numerous MLRC members participated in Targa in various roles from competitors to service crew to stage workers to radio operators to committee and I was there as Clerk of the Course. Some of our members placed very well in the standings. Alan Ryall, co-driving for Bill Arnold from California in a beautiful BMW Bavaria, were leading the event overall until midway through the last day, when they broke a strut, causing them drop down in the standings. Andrew Comrie-Picard, with Jen Horsey co-driving in a brand new Evo X, placed first in the Modern Division and third Overall. Frank Sprongl and Rod Hendricksen brought out Frank's incredible Group B Audi Quattro for a 25th anniversary run and placed first in the Open Division.

- Testing Days have been booked to capacity every time they are offered – so far Days were held in April, May, June(two) and July – next one is set for October 30th

- contact Ross Wood to participate either with your rally car or as a worker

- Tall Pines – things are shaping up well under Mike Koch as Coordinator – the Supp Regs have been published, the Route & Schedule are final – Work Day is Saturday, October 18th – anyone helping on the Work Day will receive a \$10 discount for the RallyCross on Sunday – needs lots more help – a few committee positions need to be filled – Merchandising Coordinator, Equipment Manager and Iron Bridge Spectator Area Manager plus needs lots more workers for the rally weekend on November 21-22-23. Contact ross@tallpinesrally.com to volunteer – the new Golton Spectator stage in Bancroft is shaping up beautifully

TAC (per Paul Moore)

The TAC summer rally events are came to a close with the wind up of the Ralliette series in September and the last ORRC event for the year in August.

The Ralliette series had very low attendance this year with one event only drawing three participants. These are very well run events with three classes of instruction and superb routes in mostly the Halton area west of the GTA. Discussions are underway to determine a plan to "kick start" the series or offer an alternative especially for beginning rallyists.

The Infinite Monkeys Rally held in August also had low attendance with only twelve teams starting the event. A full report of the event can be found on the event website.

Preparations are underway for the next TAC-ORRC event, the January Jaunt the first weekend in January 2009.

TAC members also winding down their seasons for SOLO, SOLO Sprint, and road racing.

Of course, the falling leaves also signify that Ice Racing is just around the corner! I can't recommend ice racing enough for rallyists. There is no better way to learn car control in ZERO traction situations than circling the track built on the fair grounds in Minden. Ice race cars, especially in the "rubber-to-ice" classes tend to be those which are one step beyond ready for scrap. If you have \$200 invested in a ice racer (exclusive of tires) you have paid way too much. It is inexpensive racing, with lots of track time (two practices and 5 races a weekend for 6 weekends in a row weather permitting) and a great bunch of participants! The classes are scheduled to allow for "second driver" classes with many drivers loaning/renting out their cars. It is also one of the few forms of racing that allows for passengers. Show up at the track with a SNELL-rated helmet in hand, sign the waiver and someone will be happy to take you out for a race. That's how I got hooked!

MCO (per Jeannie MacGillivray)

Motorsport Club of Ottawa (submitted by Jean MacGillivray)

The MCO Rally Group has a few things on the go right now. The following are updates on:

- The Summer Night Rally navigational series
- Targa competitors
- Rallycross
- The Lanark Highlands Forest Rally (May 2009)

Summer Night Rally #4

To date, we have held four events in our Summer Night Rally series. We had eight entries for the first event, and have gained one or two with each successive rally. The last event was held on August 27. The fifth, and final, event will take place during the day starting from Perth on November 8. We have had some expressions of interest from rallyists in the Greater Toronto area, and are looking forward to seeing some of those folks out enjoying beautiful Lanark Highlands! Glen Clarke of Open Road Motorsports is the series organizer.

Targa competitors Two brothers have just proved how important it is to take rallying seriously. Hugo and Maxime Vadeboncoeur took not one, but both of Glen Clarke's Targa schools, and came out to most of the Summer Night Rallies. They placed eighth overall at Targa Newfoundland in their 1997 Honda Civic. Glen Clarke, with a new co-driver from Newfoundland, drove a 1991 Subaru Legacy and finished 14th overall.

Rallycross

MCO's first Rallycross event was held on Sunday, August 24, on a dirt-track facility in Augusta, north of Highway 401. We had an amazing 29 entries for our first Rallycross! Our second event will be held on Saturday, November 1, at the same facility. Greg vanDalen is the series organizer.

One-road regional stage rally

Darryl Malone is the organizer for this rally, known as the **Lanark Highlands Forest Rally**. The Lanark Highlands Township Council approved our request to close the road for one day, and that day will be Saturday, May 9, 2009. There will be six runs, for a total of 48 km.

Darryl and I presented our proposal to the Lanark Highlands Public Works Committee, who made a unanimous recommendation that the full council approve our request. Darryl and I owe a debt of thanks, in particular, to Ross Wood for all his advice and to Peter Gulliver, who met with the organizing committee. Your insights and advice have been most appreciated!

The road in question is Lavant Mill Road, whose south end is about 15 km north of Malberly (itself about 30 km west of Perth on Highway 7). This road is non-winter-maintained and has only a few cabins on it — thus our wish to hold the rally before the Victoria Day long weekend in May, when folks start to come back in.

Darryl has been busy organizing his extended team and developing a budget for the event. The core be handling publicity for the event, and no doubt other duties (as needed).

KWRC (per Christina Chinn)

PMSC (per Rob MacKenzie)

The Peterborough Motor Sport Club has 76 members to date. Pete Gulliver will be giving his annual Targa Talk to members and friends October 22nd.

The Presidents Prize Rally ORRC event will take place October 25, 2008 starting at the Cango gas station on the southeast corner of Hwy 7A and Cty Rd 10 in Cavan. This event is organized by Dan Demers and a few more check point crews are needed.

PMSC AGM and elections of Officers will be held November 26th.

PMSC will be looking into how to rejuvenate its clubs TSD rally program. While the Club has had a very active series in the past there is currently a lack of interest.

SPDA (per Nuwan Dantanmarayana)

11) Next Meeting