



## General Meeting -- Minutes

Date: December 13, 2010 (7 pm)

Location: Brampton, in person

In attendance: Ross Wood, Rob McKenzie, Peter Gulliver, Ray Felice, Rita Moore and Paul Henshall, Paul Moore (late)

Regrets: Christina Chinn, Roger Sanderson

1. Approval of/additions to the Agenda
  - a. RSO decal
  - b. Stewards
  - c. RSO web site
2. Approval of the last meeting minutes (October 18, 2010)
  - a. Change required to the header of the agenda/minutes
3. Treasurer's Report
  - a. approved
4. 2011 Budget
  - a. approved
  - b. Scrutineer expenses to be billed directly to competitors: RSO protocol is to pay Scrutineer expenses for original log book inspection and creation only. Any subsequent inspections required and/or requested is responsibility of the car owner or builder requesting an inspection. These expenses will be paid to Scrutineer by RSO, however owner/builder should be informed that they will be invoiced by RSO. Inspection of Turbo restrictors [that are not part of Original log book inspection] is as above an expense payable by owner/builder if done at their shop and not at an event.
5. Cars Update, per Ray Felice
  - a. CARS is in the process of getting a new competitor representative. They currently have five potential candidates.
  - b. There will be no changes to insurance levies until March 2011. There is no change foreseen after that date.
  - c. License fees will remain the same until the AGM and reviewed at that time.
  - d. CARS will have a new website shortly which will include on-line licensing.
  - e. "CARS is looking into purchasing an electronic timing system for the East, or have the eastern regions acquire it. Either way it can be used for performance events in the CRC if CARS owns it. If RSO purchases it the region would then





rent it to the eastern national events and also have use of it for other regional events." The West already owns a system.

- f. RSO VP Performance expressed concern that CARS was not willing to provide detailed information required for OPRC scoring citing privacy.

#### 6. Old Business

- a. RSO Annual General Meeting
  - i. Location reserved for March 19, 2011
- b. RSO Procedures Manual
  - i. Volunteers are still being sought to work on an RSO procedural manual. Ray to contact those who may have an interest.
- c. Affiliation, Levies and Listing Fees
  - i. No change in fees for 2011
- d. Navigational Rally School
  - i. Plans are underway for the school in March 2011. A section of the curriculum will be devoted Targa Newfoundland.
  - ii. School will be advertised.

#### 7. ORRC Report

- a. First Frost Rally
  - i. The rally was well attended (20 cars) and very well organized.
- b. January Jaunt
  - i. Planning is well underway with a website available. Same location as in past years: Waterdown.
- c. Rideau Winter Rally
  - i. Planning is underway for the two-day event to be held in Perth. Details to follow shortly.
- d. ORRC Awards
  - i. Awards will be given out for top three Expert teams, top two Intermediates, top four Novice drivers, and top three Novice navigators at the AGM. Novice drivers will be awarded two firsts, a second and a third as a result of a tie.
- e. ORRC Scoring for 2011
  - i. Seven out of ten rallies to be scored towards the series in the 2011 season.

#### 8. OPRC Report

- a. Tall Pines
  - i. Disciplinary penalties have been imposed by the CARS Board resulting from conduct of competitors and crews at the Tall Pines Rally.
- b. Perce-Neige
  - i. The organizer, Terry Epp, is working with a large motivated committee to get this event ready. One new stage is expected this year.





- c. OPRC scores
    - i. Current and posted
  - d. OPRC Awards
    - i. Awards will only be given for first and second in some classes due to low numbers of competitors.
  - e. OPRC Scoring for 2011
    - i. Four out of six rallies will be scored towards the series in the 2011 season.
9. Growth Committee Report
- a. Volunteers are still being sought to lead and work on the Growth Committee.
10. Legislative Affairs Report
- a. none
11. Scrutineer's Report
- a. Tall Pines went well. There were no major issues in Scrutineering. A post rally report was sent to the organizing committee. Most of the DNFs were mechanical and thankfully, only 2 cars were DNFeD by off road excursions.
  - b. There has been eleven logbooks issued in 2010. Most of the cars have already competed.
  - c. I (Steve Van Rees) would like to thank all the volunteers who came out and helped at all the events this year. Without them, the rallies would never run.
12. Equipment Manager's Report
- a. Pop-up shelter
    - i. The Board approved the purchase of an additional pop-up shelter.
  - b. Course car lights
    - i. The Board approved the purchase of a third set of "new" course car lights and related parts.
  - c. Electronic Timing Equipment
    - i. The timing display unit did not work at the Tall Pines however the timing system worked well. More development work is underway.
    - ii. The Board approved the purchase of new "atomic" clocks.
    - iii. The Board approved the purchase of new FRS/GRMS radios.
13. New Business
- a. The Board welcomes Chris Pye as the MCO Rally Representative
  - b. Policing of Production Class Eligibility
    - i. The RSO Board confirms that it is not the responsibility of rally organizers or the Scrutineer to police the eligibility of production class cars entered in rallies. Should any competitor question the eligibility of a





production class car, the competitor must file an inquiry with the event Steward. The Scrutineer will continue the practice of random eligibility checks at random events.

- c. Medic Group organization
  - i. Justin Fitzpatrick will lead a group of “medics” who will attend RSO performance rally events in 2011.
- d. Auto Show
  - i. RSO will not be participating in the Toronto Auto Show or the Canadian Autosport Expo in 2011.
- e. Calendar Cards
  - i. The design is being finalized by the printer and the calendar cards should be available shortly.
- f. RSO Decals
  - i. Paul Henshall to arrange for the printing of additional RSO decals
- g. RSO Website
  - i. Rita Moore confirmed that she most recently updated the website main page.
- h. Memorial Fund
  - i. Kitchener Waterloo Rally Club has set up a memorial fund for a club worker who was killed in a traffic fatality recently. RSO will not be contributing to the fund until the wishes of the family can be confirmed.

#### 14. Club News

- a. BEMC
  - i. None
- b. KWRC
  - i. As most of you know, we lost one of our members in an automobile accident the night of the Tall Pines rally. Dennis brought forward that the club donate \$ 150.00 as her home club. KWRC is asking MLRC do the same as the sponsor club to Tall Pines really as well as RSO and C.A.R.S. as governing bodies to donate the same amount to be sent to a charity of Sabina's family's choosing.
  - ii. KWRC had a very high attendance at Tall Pines. Adam sends his congratulations to the membership on a good turnout and for being such a great force in the success of the event.
  - iii. First Frost went well. Nice roads, well organized.
  - iv. We are still waiting to hear from Sabina's mother about her memorial service.
  - v. The Tall Pines broadcast has a memorial to Sabina at the end of it.
  - vi. January Jaunt is on 8 January. Same place.
- c. MCO
  - i. None
- d. MLRC





- i. The Rally of the Tall Pines was very successful with 48 cars running the event. Road conditions were full gravel, resulting in a very fast event and a good spectator attendance. The day ran smoothly with no major issues. Competition was intense, especially at the top between Antoine L'Estage/Nathalie Richard in their Evo X vs Pat Richard/Alan Ockwell in their Subaru Impreza WRX STi right up to the last stage, when Richard/Ockwell broke the suspension, causing a DNF. So 1<sup>st</sup> Overall went to Antoine & Nathalie, giving them the 'triple crown' – they won the Rally America Championship, the North American Championship and the Canadian. 2<sup>nd</sup> O/A in the event was claimed by Craig Henderson/Lyne Murphy in an STi and 3<sup>rd</sup> O/A went to Bruno Carre/Yvan Joyal, also in an STi. Brothers Nick and Massimo Narini came 4<sup>th</sup> O/A also winning the Ontario Championship.
  - ii. Thanks to the well over 200 volunteers who contributed to the success of the event.
  - iii. For 2011 MiniRallies will be run on Saturday afternoons, beginning in February. The tentative schedule is as follows: February 5<sup>th</sup>, March 12<sup>th</sup> and April 9<sup>th</sup>. These rallies will be run in the afternoon/evening (each about 1/3 in darkness), will be about 150 km in length and each will have a different Start/Finish location each time, with possibly a different Start/Finish location for a specific event. Instruction format will remain very simple. Classes will be Equipped and Unequipped.
  - iv. The 2011 FourStar RallyCross series in Bancroft is set to go. Dates are January 23<sup>rd</sup>, February 27<sup>th</sup>, July 10<sup>th</sup>, September 25<sup>th</sup> and October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Check the website and sign up online at <http://www.mlrc.ca/rallycross/>
  - v. Plans for the Maple Leaf Winter Rally are well underway. It will run on the night of February 11-12 out of the Bancroft Fish & Game Club, featuring the traditional great roads in the Bancroft/Coe Hill area. Organizer is Bruce Leonard. The MLWR has been chosen to be included in a new WINTR Series featuring six events in Canada and the U.S. For details - The website address is [www.nescca.com](http://www.nescca.com) Click on the "Road Rally" tab and you will get to the WINTR Series information.
- e. PMSC (per Pete Gulliver)
- i. Mike van Rees will be taking over from Rob MacKenzie as PMSC Rally Representative.
  - ii. Results of the November PMSC election of Officers:
  - iii. Pete Gulliver acclaimed as President.
  - iv. Len Arminio taking on the newly created role of Communications Director.
  - v. Mark Newell will be Secretary.
  - vi. Dan Demers was elected Competition Director [Dan will also be Past President].
  - vii. The above will join current Board members:



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- viii. Mike van Rees Vice President.
- ix. Peter Watson Treasurer.
- x. Travis Grubb Director at Large [formerly Public Relations].
- xi. The next big event for PMSC is Ice Racing in Minden February 12/13.
- f. TAC
  - i. TAC elected new Board members at the December AGM. Rob McAuley returns after a four year hiatus as President of TAC while Rita Moore was acclaimed Treasurer. Dietmar Seelenmayer returns to the Board as both Competition and Social Director.
  - ii. TAC members are eagerly awaiting the start of the 2011 ORRC season with the January 8<sup>th</sup> "Jaunt".
  - iii. TAC members are also gearing up for the 2011 Ice Racing season. The Ontario Ice Racing Director has extended a special invitation to rallyists to participate in ice racing this season.
  - iv. The TAC Futures Committee presented its final report to the AGM with many recommendations for the future of the club.
  - v. As always, the TAC monthly meetings are held the third Wednesday of each month at the Moose and Firkin Restaurant, 7600 Weston Road, Woodbridge at 8 pm. All are welcome to the meeting and to drop in early for dinner with the members.
- g. SPDA
  - i. None

Next Meeting: To be scheduled in February 2011

Special Meeting of the Board (only): Tuesday, January 4, 2011 at 7:30 at the Newmarket Girl Guides Hall.



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