

## PENNSYLVANIA HILLCLIMB ASSOCIATION

### Minutes of the March 29, 2014 Meeting

The meeting of the Pennsylvania Hillclimb Association held at Giannotti's Restaurant was called to order at 1:00 PM after it was determined that a quorum of SCCA Regional Representatives were in attendance.

#### I. Regional Representatives Poll

PHA Officers: President Tom Knorr; Vice President Rich Rock; Treasurer John Pitman; and Secretary Dave Merritt

SCCA Regional Representatives: Susquehanna – Kurt Eikenberg, Don McLaughlin and Gordon Wise; Blue Mountain – Steve Lewis; Philadelphia – Dale Gogel; and NEPA – Gail Knorr

Others attending: George Ackerman, Joyce Christ, James Crocker, Don DeHart, Jennifer DeHart, JoAnne Foering, Daniel Frasier, Bert Geib, Richard Good, Terry Hanushek, Jerry Hartman, Grace Huntzinger, Nelson Kase, Richard Kase, Nancy Lewis, Chad Moser, Bob Oswald, Norma Oswald, Tony Preston, Toni Rapp, Gary Reider, Michael Robinson, Jane Stinsmen, John Stinsmen, Donna Sumner, Bonnie Weikel, Keith Weikel, Dale Witman and George Witman

#### II. Minutes of the January 18, 2014 Meeting

Printed copies of the January 18, 2014 minutes were distributed, read individually, and then approved based on a Richard Case/Dale Witman motion.

#### III. Treasurer's Report

John Pitman indicated that there were no changes since the January 18<sup>th</sup> meeting. Gordon Wise had a printing expense paid this AM. A treasury audit would occur following the meeting today.

- IIIa. Terry Hanushek was introduced by Tom Knorr. Terry indicated that his background is as a road racer from the South Jersey region. He indicated that the Northeast Division (Area 2) is a major hillclimb area for SCCA, and that he will support and facilitate rules changes for the PHA. There was a discussion on the previous and expected rules process.

#### IV. 2014 SCCA Time Trial Rules – 2014 PHA Supplementary Regulations

David Merritt walked through the 2014 PHA Supplementary Regulations which consisted of the following:

- Incorporation of the entire March 2103 Time Trial Rules (TTR) for levels 3 & 4
- Incorporation of the entire 2013 PHA Supplementary Regulations
- Modification for any SCCA GCR class changes
- Plurality of duties for officials

Fuel cell and harness rules will remain as they had in the past (Grace Huntzinger). We will modify the Supps as changes are made to the GCR, generally once a year for classing (Kurt Eikenberg). Levels 3 & 4 were combined, resulting in a cage rule for level 3 (Rich Rock). Nelson Case will email the Supps to PHA members.

V. Jefferson Track Trials

Rich Rock indicated that Summit Point wanted to get our Jefferson track rental up to \$8,350 as soon as possible. We are currently at \$5,900, which recently had replaced \$5,700 where it had been for quite a while. They had asked for \$7,050 for 2014, but Rich was able to negotiate \$6,400 (a \$500 increase over 2013). There was interest expressed in continuing the Jefferson events, particularly Spring for test and tune/safety (Kurt Eikenberg) and new drivers (Nelson Kase) Rich Rock also indicated that the track extension would not be available yet for the 2014 Spring Jefferson event. Polish Mountain was mentioned as a holiday weekend option.

VI. Event Updates

- Weatherly - Tom Knorr indicated that fire extinguishers would be bought, and that radios remained an issue. He indicated there would live TV coverage, a parade Friday and fireworks Saturday. Weatherly would like to keep the new date going forward. Nelson asked if there was a Weatherly Hillclimb Association (WHA) logo. [No]
- Pagoda – Rich Rock indicated that BMR free entry raffle tickets were available, that the old orange fencing was available to anyone who would haul it away, that the hill cleanup would be April 12<sup>th</sup>, and that the recycling center seems to be resolved for this year. Bill Weaver's car will be on the Reading hillclimbs event poster this year.
- Giants – Tom Knorr indicated that he will be sending the sanction request soon. The wireless timing pole at the finish line is being worked on; the Giants Despair Hillclimb Association (GDHA) will have a meeting at the end of April.
- Polish Mountain – Dave Merritt indicated that a number of changes were in the works for Polish Mountain: registration in the pits, Saturday dinner (BBQ?) in the pits, and a better way to stage Group 2 cars from the paddock and from the road. Nelson raised the issue of regulating the number of runs relative to others [by novices].

VII. Pennsylvania Hillclimbing and Vintage Cars – 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Motorsport Caucus, PA State Capital, June 10 from 10 AM to 2 PM – CANCELLED

Gordon Wise indicated there would be an Import Kit Car Show in Carlisle May 16-18. There will be a display of cars and a tent for PHA with in car video, 4 display boards with 60 photos, handouts, calendars and t-shirts. Cars can be displayed if the owners pre-register.

VIII. Workers - Norma Oswald

As in the past, a request was made for workers for the 2 Jefferson events.

Norma Oswald will collect worker information at every event for building a worker's data base. Workers who work at 6 days or provide key services will get a free invitation to the banquet. The information also helps with weekend memberships.

Dave Merritt gave a brief update on the Volunteer Incentive Program (VIP). Our events now contribute to VIP on a per driver basis, and this represents an opportunity for reduced membership rates for the workers. Terry Hanushek provided additional details. Rich Rock also mentioned the referral process for new members.

IX. Website

The following documents will be updated on the PAHILLCLIMB.ORG website:

- GCR link
- Supplementary Regulations link
- Solo Rules link
- Remove previous TTRs

X. Other Agenda Items

Bob Oswald raised the topic of the Hall of Fame (HOF). Tom Knorr indicated that the HOF is a committee of the PHA and that timely notification and accurate information for the presentation are desirable. The issue of inducting 1 driver and 1 organizer was questioned. It was agreed that the reference in the January 18<sup>th</sup> minutes should be revised from “should” to “could” with respect to that issue. Jerry Hartman advised that differences be discussed between the PHA officers and the FOH before bringing to the (overall) PHA.

XI. Next Meeting – November 1, 2014

Tom Knorr announced that the next meeting and PHA Banquet would be Saturday November 1, 2014.

XII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by a Gordon Wise/Dale Witman motion.