

PENNSYLVANIA HILLCLIMB ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the November 7, 2015 Meeting

The meeting of the Pennsylvania Hillclimb Association held at Holiday Inn Grantville was called to order at 2:00 PM after it was determined that a quorum of SCCA Regional Representatives was in attendance.

I. Regional Representatives Poll

PHA Officers: President: Rich Rock; Vice President: Dave Merritt; Treasurer: John Pitman; and Secretary: Cannon Roberts

SCCA Regional Representatives: Susquehanna – Kurt Eikenberg; Don McLaughlin; and Don Dehart. Philadelphia – Grace Huntzinger; Dale Gogel; and Rich Sweigart. NEPA – Tom Knorr; John Pitman; and Gail Krorr. BMR – Rich Rock; and Steve Lewis. Steel Cities – Mike Ancas; Dave Merritt; and Cannon Roberts.

Others attending: Susquehanna – Ursula Whisler; Tony Preston; and Crystal Whisler. Philadelphia – Marc Gerstein; Rob Campbell; Chuck Christ; and Rick Johnson. NEPA – Damaris Wilkie; and Joe Wilkie. BMR – Jane Stinsmen; John Stinsmen; Richard Kase; Nelson Kase; George Witman; Mike Robinson; Donna Robinson; Keith Weikel; Pat Schmchl; Mike Vanino; Toni Oswald Rapp; Donna Summer; Nancy Lewis; Bertie Geib; Matt Green; Brook Green; Norma Oswald; Bob Oswald; and Randy Spitler. South Jersey – Terry Hanushek. Steel Cities – Tom Wuellette; Doug Bober; Glenn Hoffman. Gaum – Mary Ann Fieux. Cen. Florida – Garth Knorr.

II. Minutes of the April 11, 2015 Meeting

Printed copies of the April 11, 2015 minutes were distributed, read individually, and then approved based on a Motion: Nancy Lewis / 2nd: Kurt Eikenberg. Minutes can be found on the PHA website.

III. Treasurer's Report

John Pitman presented the Treasurer's Report. Income (\$7135) was from Banquet (Fees) & Program (Fees). Expenses (\$1331.73) were from Banquet (Refunds, Trophies, & Raffle Tickets) & Program (Printing). The Treasurer's Report was approved based on a Motion: Steve Lewis / 2nd: Chuck Christ.

IV. Audit Committee

Mike Robinson and Gary Reider will audit the financials after the (Nov 7, 2015) PHA meeting.

V. 2016 Schedule

Rich Rock – Rose Valley should be considered tentative for the 2016 schedule.

Dave Merritt – Fall Shenandoah

- a) 120ct. 110v hookups available for \$10 per night. Dave suggests if campers insist on using their generators a fee of \$20 per night should be assessed.
- b) For 2016 the Shenandoah track rental will be the same as the Jefferson Track.

Spring Jefferson	May 28– 29 (Memorial Day weekend)
Spring Weatherly	June 11 – 12
Pagoda	June 25 – 26
Giants Despair	July 9 – 10
Polish mountain	August 6 – 7
Duryea	August 20 – 21
Fall Shenandoah	September 3 – 4 (Labor Day weekend)
Full Weatherly	September 17 – 18
Rose Valley	October 1 – 2

The 2016 PHA Schedule was approved based on a Motion: Chuck Christ / 2nd: Ursula Whistler.

VI. 2016 Supplemental Regulations

- a) Rich Rock discussed with Matt Yip using the current PHA supplement regulations for the 2016 season. At that time Matt Yip did not foresee any issues.
- b) Dave Merritt also contacted Matt Yip to discuss any possible changes to the TTR. At that time Matt Yip did not foresee any changes.
- c) Dave Merritt contacted SCCA National Road Racing Tech about the GCR Classes. Dave will do some minor class cleanup in our documentation once he gets conformation.
- d) Dave Merritt will reach out to Matt Rowe to make clarifications in our regs for video camera tethers and side windows being left in cars. Example: Rally

VII. Classing Changes

- 1. Rich Rock presents Don Kennedy’s proposal for Rally Class changes. A. Rally to be split into 2 subgroups

Naturally Aspirated and Forced Induction. B. Vehicle must meet rags and have current law book from one of the following rally organizations. Rally America, NASA Rally Sport, Canadian Association of Rally Sport, SCCA. C. Vehicle must meet all regulations of one of the above sanctioned bodies. D. vehicle must have entered and passed tech in an event in one of the above sanctioning bodies in the last five years. E. Certain items required for rally competition may be removed from vehicle. The above motion was tabled based on a Motion: John Stinsman / 2nd: Rich Rock.

2. Mike Robinson proposes eliminating ITE and creating a new class (SMX) for cars modified beyond street mod regulations but to include Regional ITE cars with motor swaps.

3. Matt Green proposes a class in-between Street Prepared and Street Mod, and a group to look at broad overall classing structuring (long term).

4. Rick Rock assigns new committees.

A. Rally: Don Kennedy

B. SMX: Mike Robinson

C. Street Prepared Plus - In between SP & SM: Matt Green

D. Strategic street car committee for Class and Classification (Multi-Year): Matt Rowe / Matt Green

E. Vintage / Historic Car Potential Expansion: Rich Rock / Chuck Christ

5. Tom Knorr mentions why we use 1972 GCR. 1972 had a big change for production cars.

VIII. 2015 Season Critique

1. Rich Rock reports we had well over 200 individual drivers.

2. Carlisle - good turnout and has been restructured to include more cars. May 20-22, 2016

3. Spring Jefferson – Saturday morning was a slow start. Steve Lewis suggests Spring Jefferson would be a good time to have a refresher course on driver safety equipment.

4. Pagoda – Cold and Rainy.

5. Duryea – 112 entries and still had 5 runs.

6. Weatherly – Numbers were good. Chuck Christ would like the brush to be cut back on drivers right before finish next year.

7. Polish Mt. – 81 timed entries, in the black this year 2015. 2 driver car solution being adjusted for next year.

8. John Pittman – Over all 2015 was an improvement the number of drivers who competed in every event increased this year, 11 (2014) to 19 (2015).

IX. **Oil Dry**

The new Oil Dry was used at all the PHA events. Contact Rich Rock if you would like some, \$20 per bag.

X. **Safety Steward Training**

See Dave Merritt to sign up for classroom training at Spring Jefferson.

XI. **Website**

Steve Lewis - suggests having the schedule and results page open when the schedule and results button is selected.

Mary Ann – On forum page the link back to the PHA website doesn't work.

XII. **Membership Cards**

At this time the members in this meeting were not interested in having a separate PHA membership.

XIII. **Non-Agenda Items**

George Witman asks about setting up a Tech Inspector training. Matt Rowe suggests setting up mini training session and a guideline sheet for Corner Workers, & Tech Inspectors. Drones are not allowed at SCCA events. 2005 will be legal for 2016 season.

XIV. **Nomination of Officers**

President: Rich Rock

Vice President: Dave Merritt

Treasurer: John Pitman

Secretary: Cannon Roberts

XV. **2016 Banquet**

John Pitman will book the 2016 banquet this weekend.

XVI. **Adjournment**

Motion: Steve Lewis; 2nd: Dave Merritt