



CACC MEETING

March 15 2009

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Meeting called by	CACC Executive
Facilitator	PoCo Inn & Suites 1545 Lougheed Hwy.
Executive Attendees	Lorne Stead - President, Paul Bonner - Vice President; Carol Wong - Treasurer Campbell Carlyle - Director at Large
Absent	Sheree Wall - Secretary
Meeting Called to Order	9:55 a.m.

Attendance - Lorne confirmed membership is currently 201 licence holders and there is a quorum in attendance. (42+)

Lorne advised that Pam Stec offered to take minutes for the absent secretary, and asked if there were any objections. There were not.

Minutes of the **November 9, 2008** meeting were posted on the website and copies were made available at this meeting. However, the attachments that were referred to in the minutes were not on the website and not at the meeting.

Moved by Mike Kaerne and seconded by Rob Dunlop to *Adopt the minutes of the November 9, 2008 meeting as provided, subject to the missing items being published on the website within 2 weeks.*

Carried - 42 in favour, 1 opposed and 4 abstentions

Business Arising out of the Minutes: None.

DISCIPLINE REPORTS

Race Report - Lorenzo Constantino

- Nothing to report since the last meeting; looking forward to a good year.

Novice Report - Steve Paquette

- Nothing to report.

Solo Sprint - Campbell Carlyle

13 licences to date - 5 events scheduled at River's Edge in 2009, 1 event at Knox Mountain Hill, 2 events for Western Speedway (dates TBA) and 1 TBA at Hemlock Valley Hill. Expecting strong licence sales as the season & Knox Mountain approach.

Solo Slalom - Campbell Carlyle

UBC & VCMS events at Pitt Meadows. VCMS 2 weeks ago enforced 92db sound limit and designed the course to keep the sound from reaching the neighbours. It went well and Bill Rhodes did a good job to liaise with the neighbours. Last year there were significant complaints regarding noise resulting in the Pitt Meadows Council meeting with the Driving Centre Management and the Solo Group to set rules for this year.

Ice Race - Doug Wall

- Another successful season of Ice Racing in B.C. Knox Mountain Motorsport Club ran 4 one day events on Swan Lake in Vernon. They averaged 8 cars for each event.
- WCIRABC ran 4 two day events including the annual 2-hour Enduro. They had 15 to 20 cars on each weekend.
- Forty-seven Ice Race Licences were issued this year, 13 of which were to new Novices running with WCIRABC.

CLUB REPORTS

British Columbia Corvette Club

- Not in attendance - no report submitted.

Burnaby Coquitlam Motorsport Association

- Not in attendance - no report submitted

British Columbia Triumph Registry

- Not in attendance - no report submitted

Canadian XK Jaguar Register/Canadian Classic MG Club

- Not in attendance - no report submitted

Fraser Valley British Motor Club

- Not in attendance - no report submitted

Island RallySport

- Not in attendance - no report submitted

Knox Mountain Motor Sport

- Not in attendance - no report submitted

Motorsport Emergency and Turnworkers Association - Mike Bailey

- META (brought their renewal cheque with them)
- As of the end of February, we have 24 regular and 5 honorary members for 2009. We expect more membership renewals when the racing season starts. We are looking forward to supporting SCCBC with two major racing events in 2009, along with its usual racing events. META's AGM and elections were held at the end of November, our executive remains unchanged. President - Mike Bailey, VP - Roger Salomon, Secretary - Tasma Wooton, Treasurer - Doris Gildemeister.

Okanagan British Car Club - written report submitted by Bruce Stevenson (OBCC Past President)

- OBCC had a very quiet year. We lost our AutoX site and could not race. That left only the geriatric owners of British cars going on runs and dinners in various parts

of the valley. We did hve a grat co-event with the Studebaker club which involved various driving skills. We hope to have a location for next summer and resume our very successful autocross program.

Old English Car Club & Registry of British Columbia - Fred Bennet

- Fred Bennet reported that the club is not a racing group but is a registered society in B.C. and has 350 - 400 members over 6 branches., 3 of those being on the Island,. Each branch has a full calendar of events throughout the year which include drives, shop visits, tours, parts sales and many other things that they find interesting. The AGM was held in 2008 in Nanaimo and will be in Victoria in 2009 in conjunction with the Fort Rod gathering. Significant events of the branches are the *English Car Affair in the Park*, held by the South Island Branch, *Brits on the Beach* by the North Island Branch and the *London to Brighton Commemorative Run* held by the Vancouver Coast Branch. One of the highlights of the year is the *Brits 'round B.C. Run*, when all the clubs join together to tour the Province and enjoy each other's company as well as recounting adventure and repairs. The event covered 2200 miles. This is their first time attending the CACC Meeting. The object of the club is the enjoyment and preservation of English vehicles no matter what their age or marquee and to do it in the company of other like-minded people.

Performance Drivers Club - written report submitted by Michael Provenzano, President

- PDC is a non-profit organization formed in 1999 and based in Vancouver, B.C. It promotes and facilitates recreational motorsports through high-performance driver education (HPDE) held at race tracks across the Pacific Northwest. PDC welcomes participation from owners of all makes of automobiles so long as our safety requirements are met. PDC events are designed to provide a safe structured training environment for members to learn advanced car control and driving techniques from certified instructors. Events hosed by PDC or PDC's affiliate host clubs are not racing, preparation for racing or competition. Events are organized for members to progressively improve their driving skills and graduate from novice to advanced levels. These events are held at various race tracks in British Columbia, Alberta, Washington and Oregon. Participants enjoy 100 minutes of track time at each event, with the time divided into four stints of 25 minutes each. PDC will host six events this year at Mission Raceway Park and its affiliated clubs will host a further 18 events

Sports Car Club of British Columbia - Ray Stec

- Ray Stec reported SCCBC has 230 members, 5 CACC events scheduled and 2 schools. Profits from last year are being put into improving the track in the 5 - 6 turn area. The club continues to share the facility with other CACC clubs and the Westwood Motorcycle club. Westwood Karting is expected to hold events this year as well, and Allen Berg Racing School from Calgary has a one week trial event this summer with an eye on moving to B.C. in 2010. They have open wheel cars, giving our locals new opportunities. SCCBC continues to support CACC through regional events and club members holding CACC licences.

**The Western Vintage Automobile Racing Club - written report submitted by
Jim Latham, President**

Introduction:

VRCBC is looking forward to our most exciting race year in a long time. Of course the centerpiece of the year will be the Historic Motor races we always host, but this year, supported by CACC, META and combined with the efforts of SCCBC and the Celebration of Westwood 50, the weekend of July 17, 18, 19 will be special.

Executive for 2009:

Same as 2008. *President* - Jim Latham; *Vice President* - Leigh Anderson; *Past President* - Evan Williams; *Recording Secretary* - Wes Stinson; *Treasurer* - Solomon Nordine ; *Competition Director* - Ivan Lessner. Additional appointed key positions include *HMR Chair* - Ian Wood; *Membership Secretary* - Stanton Guy; *Regalia* - Bruce Jamieson; *Vantage Editor* - Tom Johnston and *Webmaster* - Michael Zbarsky.

Race Schedule and Entries:

In addition to the HMR/Westwood 50, 5 Sundays make up the REVS series on CACC weekends at Mission; April 19, May 31, July 5, Sept 20 and Oct 4. Last year grids averaged 14 cars and this year at least three additional cars are expected so we anticipate our best race turnouts yet. Membership continues to grow. We have over 75 paid members which is excellent for this time in the year.

Monthly Meetings:

Each of our past few meetings has had strong attendance averaging over 30. This February we were hosed by Weissach which was really special and about 35 members and guests attended. Lots of lovely Loti and Porsches to dream on.

Support for SCCBC:

Several members were able to assist SCCBC in the annual track cleanup. Thanks to them and thanks to all others who supported SCCBC so we can all race.

Competition Rules and Vehicle Eligibility 2009 Revisions:

Some of the changes made are to reflect a safety focus and to ensure that we have a sound process for dealing with infractions, should they occur. The Purpose of the VRCBC "The goal of the Vintage Racing Club of British Columbia (VRCBC) is to restore, race and exchange information concerning vintage sports and racing automobiles. VRCBC supports the philosophy of racing competition and encourages participation, sportsmanship and display of the vehicle in its natural state - on the track. The "Spirit of Vintage Racing" embodies authenticity, appearance and integrity in vehicle preparation, and good sportsmanship in competition. While vintage racers strive to exercise their cars under competitive conditions, common sense, good judgment and safety are paramount. There are no prizes for placing in a race; neither is there any incentive or recognition for improving racing position. Emphasis is placed on participation and completion of the race". We are in the process of reviewing the REVS series point allocation and will have that ready for the first race weekend.

Website:

The complete Rules and Eligibility documents are now posted on our www.vrcbc.ca Be sure to check out the latest Vantage by *Editor* Tom Johnston and Mike Tate.

Kudos:

Our thanks to all members of SCCBC, META, CACC, and CACC affiliate clubs who work diligently to ensure that Motor Racing continues to flourish. We look forward to working

with everyone this year. Final Note: We hope everyone will support Westwood 50 in any way possible. It is an historic event that will not come along again and really celebrates the heyday of circuit racing in B.C

UBC Sports Car Club

- Not in attendance - no report submitted (event in Pitt Meadows)

Vancouver Chinese Motorsport Association - Owen Kirby, Competition Director

- VCMC have about 70 members. They have scheduled events at Pitt Meadows and Mission. Mission being the first Sunday in April

Victoria MG Club - written report submitted by Jim Mills, Motorsport Director

- Projected Membership for 2009 140 + or - The club calendar covers about 25 events, starting with the New Years Day Burn, and ends with the Christmas Party. Mother Nature added a challenge to the New Years Burn this year with lots of snow, but the turnout was great. The motor sport side of the club includes a two part auto slalom driver training session and six auto slaloms. Two of the events are held at Camosun College with the balance at Western Speedway. Other events include the annual Anniversary Meet Car Show, Barbecues, Tech sessions, fun rallies, tours, and garage tours etc. As of now, 16 cars, (mostly Little British cars) will be touring to the Historic Race weekend at Laguna Seca in August 2009 This will be the fourth time that VMGC has toured to this venue. Club members will tour to and participate in the annual Portland Oregon All British Field Meet on the Labour Day weekend.

Victoria Minis Car Club Association

- Not in attendance - no report submitted

Victoria Motor Sports Club - Marcel Poitras, President

- Currently have 64 members, which is good for early in season
- Already held two auto slalom events this year (Jan 26th and Feb 16th) with good early season turnouts of 31 and 44 entries respectively
- Schedule will have a total of 11 Auto slalom events (including CACC regional #1 on May 25th) running from end of January to end of September
- Also holding two CACC sanctioned race driver training school (April 5/6 & July 24/25)
- Depending on scheduling and interest level we may also hold a Solo Sprint event

Western Canadian Ice Racing Association of B.C. - Paul Bunbury, V.P.

The 2009 season had 54 club members, 31 of which were active racers. We had 3 different tire divisions with 20 races in each making a total of 60 races in 8 days of racing over the 4 scheduled weekends. We started 20 cars on our first weekend of racing and 9 novices began their ice racing careers. Throughout the season we saw a total of 13 novices race and 18 different senior drivers. A 2-hour Enduro was held on the third weekend and the race was started with 15 cars and 12 finishers raced for a full 2 hours. We would certainly like to thank META members and all the volunteers that helped out throughout the very successful season that ended February 22. Our AGM will be held on April 4th at the

Sundance Inn in Ladner. Break down of Entry Fees: it costs \$800. in entry fees for a full season of 3 tire division races which makes a total of 60 one minute races in the season, not including the Enduro. That's 900 minutes of racing! for only 88 cents a minute. Some phone calls cost more. At the end of this report, Paul noted that Honda CRXs are needed, in an endless supply for stunt drivers that love to ice race

Clubs not renewed to date:

- Fraser Valley British Motor Club
- META (brought their renewal cheque with them)
- Z510 SX Enthusiasts of B.C

Treasurer's Report: *Carol Wong*

- Financial Statements were circulated
- The ASN Grant (\$3650. this year) was previously divided between each discipline. It is shown under General Revenue this year until a decision can be made on how to best use the money. That decision is reported to ASN.
- **Moved** by Brian Hellevang and **seconded** by Mike Kaerne to adopt the Financial Statements as presented. **Carried** with 1 abstention.
- 2009 Budget - Marc Ramsay inquired about the Car Show co-operative with SCCBC. Lorne advised that CACC was sharing the cost of a booth.
- Ray Stec asked about the Vintage operating loss due to funding the Westwood 50 celebration. Lorne is recommending that some of the ASN funds be used to help alleviate the financial stress on the Vintage budget.

Moved by Steve Paquette and **seconded** by Campbell Carlyle to adopt the budget. **Carried.**

Vice-President's Report - *Paul Bonner*

- Only 9 of 18 clubs present today. He wants to work toward improving their participation.
- Ray Stec noted that other organizations require small affiliate clubs to make annual reports and suggested that may be implemented for CACC.
- Paul Bunbury noted that the Vintage in California workers come from the MG Club and wondered if clubs in CACC couldn't support each other's events.
- Randy Custer noted that most workers at Knox Mountain come from the Ice Racers

President's Report - *Lorne Stead*

After two years as your President, I am happy to report that we have made progress in the business of CACC. We have active motorsport disciplines with growing numbers of entries in a wide range of competitions from ice racing to solo events to road racing and vintage. We have a good base of associate clubs with wide interests in motorsport. Our revenues

are healthy and continue to show well and we have even reduced permit fees in some areas. We have a dynamic website with ability for upgrades and lots of colourful images provided by our members. There is truly something for just about anyone who has an interest in amateur motorsport competition throughout the province of B.C. I hope that the new banners you see on the walls around us accurately reflect these thoughts.

Today also marks the end of my term as President and I will not be seeking re-election. It has been a privilege to serve the community of CACC and its members. It has been a challenge of my abilities and I have learned much about myself in dealing with our business. I know that some of my involvement has not always been agreed upon, but I have acted with the best interest of our association in mind. I am certain that whomever the upcoming president is, the business of CACC will be well represented by this person and the rest of the executive team we now have.

When I reflect on my two years as President and 2-1/2 years before as Vice-President, it has given me a unique perspective on the business side of our association. One of the real challenges we face is resolution of our bylaws. We need to protect the rights of our licence holders, which have been the very foundation of our society since 1998. We need to recognize the Member Clubs with their own voting rights and also the work of volunteers within CACC that are presently not represented. The challenge will be to find a way to agree on all of this without sacrificing what we have gained over the years. We also need to address the operational documents that are not presently in place. I refer to a Policy & Procedures Manual, a Member Club Affiliation Requirements guide a set of Conflict of Interest Guidelines, and better day-to-day job descriptions of executive and board members.

As a completely volunteer organization, we must change our focus to results and achieving goals without fixing the blame on lack of time or the "I'm just a volunteer" idea. I think that our executive and directors should move toward a more boardroom-based style of business, with fixed term actions focused on results in a timely manner. If someone on the team runs out of time or is unable to deliver, they should be able to call on another member to help out and deliver the results in a timely, professional and consistent manner. We need to more clearly define the roles of each position within our group, in a manner that is open for all to read and should include posting of these policies on our website.

We need to actively and continuously update our website, driven by each discipline committee chairman and his assistants, to take advantage of the power of the internet. We need to better determine how to use budgetary surpluses when we have them and how to responsibly spend these dollars for the betterment of our society.

We need to establish better succession plans in a public document, tied into a modern and effective Manual of Operations. In short, the time has come for CACC to be operated more like a mature business. The challenge is there - our next few years will define our history.

In closing, I want to wish all of you the very best in your pursuit of whatever form of motorsport you enjoy - may it be safe and most of all, MAKE IT FUN!

Old Business:

BYLAWS: Lorne noted that at the fall meeting a presentation was made by Pam Stec on behalf for the Bylaw Committee. He read the report that was submitted in November

2008. A discussion ensued regarding possible changes to the voting structure. Issues that were raised:

- Limiting licence holders to voting only at the discipline level and giving the voting power at general meetings to clubs
- Clubs pay \$50. annually to belong to CACC, the licence holders pay more
- 9 of 20 clubs are here today, more licence holders are in attendance
- "AGM business" includes budget approval and elections
- It was suggested that it is difficult to grow the entire region when meetings are held in the Lower Mainland. Clubs can represent drivers from remote locations with a delegate system with 1 vote per licence holder
- A delegate votes for members who neither hear or participate in information exchanges and debates
- The delegate system is used by another local body
- Would a compromise be having clubs have proxies from their drivers
- Each discipline should have more autonomy, create their own budgets
- Clubs putting more revenue into CACC should have more say
- How many of the clubs are members by need, rather than by want, just using CACC for insurance
- Concern that the bulk of the vote is carried by bigger clubs which equates to the rich have more say than the poor
- CASC Ontario region has a structure that gives more votes to larger clubs by increasing their number of votes by 1 for each block of 10 over 20
- Suggestions about 2 types of memberships for clubs. Full & Associate. About having non-event holding clubs participate more.
- Lorne explained how the club vs licence holder vote could have lead to a breakup of CACC years ago when a certain faction of the organization wanted to take the funds of the solo account and form their own organization. At that time the funds amounted to $\frac{3}{4}$ of the total cash on hand. Randy Custer noted it is better to put the protection of the organization in the hands of the many as opposed to the hands of the few. Lorne explained that the lawyer reviewed our bylaws and determined that the only voting members of the society are licence holders. It is up to those members to decide who they want to have voting privileges. He recommends that member clubs be given a vote in addition to the licence holders. He would like us to first define our goals and then let the lawyers write the bylaws that achieve that end. He recommended that the incoming executive call a special meeting to discuss bylaws.

Question rose about recommendation of Bylaw Committee to change the elections so that all board members would be on the same rotation. This would possibly lead to a more productive board as the same people would be working together for a longer period.

ASN Advisory Board Meeting is on the 28th of March in Toronto. ASN asks the regional bodies to send their President and one other person to represent their territory.

Tech writer was asked if he could review the GCRs in an effort to clean them up. He has advised that he unable to do so.

New Business:

Changes to GCRs as voted at the November Race Committee meeting were discussed, and further discussion took place regarding the process to change GCRs. Whether general membership should vote or the board approves as proposed by disciplines. The board had approved the changes. Pam Stec **moved** and Ron Simpson **seconded** the adoption of proposal changes to **13.2F** (*changing the maximum tear down bond from \$500. to \$3000.*) and **4.8C** (*allowing the Steward the flexibility to allow car or driver changes*).

After some discussion GCR **2.3B** was read "CACC reserves the right to alter these regulation at any time". The motion was withdrawn and the board approval stood.

Elections:

PRESIDENT: Mike Kaerne was nominated by Ray Stec
Paul Bonner was nominated by Ron Simpson
Mike Kaerne elected by ballot.

SECRETARY: Gayle Baird was nominated by Pam Stec
Gayle Baird elected by acclamation.

Meeting Adjourned

- It was **moved** by Paul Bunbury , **seconded** by Mike Kaerne to adjourn the meeting at 12:45 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Pam Stec, March 15, 2009 (transcribed by Gayle Baird)
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