

CACC Vintage Discipline

Minutes – 2017 Fall CACC Meeting

19 November 2017

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Attendees

Current 2017 CACC Vintage Licence Holders: Roger van der Marel, John Elliott, Gayle Baird, Tom Sproule, Mike Hawthorne, Ken Butler, Trevor Sandham, Paul Haym, Lorne Andras , Stanton Guy, (This was sufficient for a quorum.),
Guest: Paul Bonner

Motions

The following motions were carried by votes of the current CACC Vintage Race license-holders present.

1. Acceptance of the Spring MOM 2017

Moved by: Lorne Andras

Seconded by: John Elliott

Motion passed.

2. Increase Travel support for 2018 to \$125 per event, but budget stays \$500

Moved by: John Elliott

Seconded by: Paul Haym

Motion passed.

3. 2017 Budget for CACC Vintage Discipline as presented in the meeting

Moved by: Ken Butler

Seconded by: Paul Haym

Motion passed.

4. Re-election of Vintage Discipline Director – Roger van der Marel (no other candidates😊)

Moved by: Gayle Baird

Seconded by: Paul Haym

Motion passed

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Discussions

The following is a summary of discussions at the meeting:

2017 Budget

2017 Budget includes \$500 travel fund. Increase the travel assistance from \$75 to \$125. Rest of the items reviewed during the meeting and accepted. Signed and returned to Dave Bell.

2018 Vintage Regulations

Stan passed out several copies of the current 2017 'CACC Vintage Competition Regulations' and asked everyone to look for possible errors and confusing statements (as 'homework') that should be revised for 2018 and let him know. He and Dennis will look after the editing for presentation at the spring 2018 AGM. These regs are also available on VRCBC and CACC websites.

Early Arrival on track

Possibility of earlier access to the paddock on night before for those who travel significant distances. Stan and Roger to discuss with SCCBC executive to see if such permission could be included as part of their agreement with renters (for example). This would be for any race event.

On-track incidents

2017 Race Season was executed very safely and previous concerns continued to be addressed. Strict enforcement of rules and penalties to ensure people respect each other and their vehicles was put in place, but everybody behaved well and no actions were required. 2018 will strive for the same performance and enforcement of rules.

Potential 'Double Weekend' for Vintage

Stan reported that the SCCBC has suggested to the VRCBC that a similar mid-August date will be available for the 2018 BCHMR. They had advised the SCCBC that if (as in 2017) there would be a regular SCCBC weekend the week before, then the VRCBC would forego the Vintage (REVS) time scheduled for that Sunday. And the VRCBC is currently discussing with Time Attack (and the SCCBC) to see if they can swap that Sunday time slot for a Saturday in an earlier race weekend to create a 'Vintage Double' weekend. There was a consensus that this was a good idea and that the CACC June weekend (date TBD) would be the best option for the double.

One of the main attractions of the full weekend is the social aspect of the Saturday night. Another possibility would be to try for the CACC weekend before the Knox Mountain Hill Climb.

It was noted that we appreciated the SCCBC's attempt to provide early identification of their Schedule, particularly in view of the extra complications introduced to all PNW scheduling due to the return of the Portland IndyCar race.

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Post Meeting Note: It appears that Time Attack will have too limited participants and will likely not have any timeslots in 2018 CACC race events, opening further possibilities for double weekends.

Changes in race day time distribution

Several options were discussed to review the Practice and Qualifying versus the race time. Suggestion: That we start the season with 20 min Practice, 15 min Qualifying and then a 20 min race and a 15 min race. Also suggested that this be changed after 2 race weekends, into a 20 min Practice/Qualifying and then 3 races (1 @ 20 min and 2 @ 15 min)

Increasing participation in Vintage racing

Activities continue to reach out to a wide audience to attract Vintage Racers and get some previous racers back to the events.

Suggestion that there should be some CACC Vintage recognition of “performance” within certain classes for each individual races.

Solicit input from all vintage drivers and review and decide at the Spring 2018 AGM, and implement for 2018 series as appropriate.

Discussion about replica cars – Should ‘copies’ of Vintage cars (e.g. Factory Five Cobras) be eligible to compete in Vintage events? No conclusions were reached but it was noted that eligibility is now quite open, and that the VRCBC, who are responsible for defining the eligibility criteria, have indicated that they would be happy to consider potential candidates on a case-by-case basis.

Consider (FIA style) Vintage-passport to ensure cars are similar.

As long as people respect the Vintage spirit, we can create a separate class and have them participate.

Our main short-term aim should be to get to a 20-car vintage grid for a typical Sunday race.

Make young drivers aware of cheaper Vintage options, such as E36 BMW, first gen Miatas, etc.

Advertise the rolling year, at various target clubs.

Vancouver International Auto Show

It was generally agreed that Vintage license-holders should continue to support the upcoming VIAS. It was noted that the VRCBC is working on new marketing materials to promote our events this time with a variety of cars. The consensus was that all promotions should include making it clear that the VRCBC has a ‘rolling’ (automatically adjusted annually) minimum age of 25 year old/young cars. (e.g. Cars manufactured on or before Dec 31 1993 are eligible for 2018)

Marketing materials using 5 different cars was great
Location could have been a bit better in 2017.

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Committee to help organize this event (with CACC).

Trevor's Mini would be a great car to display in '18. (Previous years, BMW 2002, Camaro and Alfa GTV).

Abbotsford Trade-Ex – Suggest Camaro, Honda Civic, Datsun 510

All British Field Meet at Van Dusen Gardens – possibilities (Geoff's Mini, Ivan's Healey, Ralph Z.'s MGA)

Watch out for volunteer burn-out with too many events.

Election of Vintage Discipline chair

As no other volunteers jumped at the chance to become Vintage Discipline Director, Roger offered to do this another year.