



CACC Fall Race Discipline Meeting – November 15, 2020

Meeting Chair – Gary Kwong, Race Discipline Director

Minutes – John Gillespie & Gayle Baird

Race Licence Attendees: 23 + (2 Tech people with voting privileges)

Scott Arthur, Gayle Baird, Werner Berger, Martin Berryman, Olov Brandfors, **Mike Currie**, Malcolm Curtis, Doug Floer, John Gillespie, Al Harvey, Rob Johnston, Hubert Kuckelkorn, **Jim Kurtz**, Gary Kwong, Heather McEwan, Keray McEwan, Calle Mirkowsky, Bill O’Kell, Keith Robinson, Norm Shaw, Ray Stec, Cherie Storms, Carlos Tesler-Mabe, Nobuyoshi Torigoe, Kevin Wall
There was a quorum.

John Gillespie MOVED “that the minutes of the Spring AGM be accepted as posted on the CACC website”. *SECONDED* by **Norm Shaw**. By a show of hands, motion *CARRIED*.

The newly updated **Policies and Procedures Manual** is now on the CACC website. Look for it under ‘Bylaws’. Review it when you get a chance.

Old Business:

- **“Civic Racing Series”** The majority of the entrants in the series are from Washington, and due to COVID they were unable to cross the border and race with us this year.
[MOTION #1](#)
Gary MOVED “that we extend for the provisional class through the end of 2021”.
Keith Robinson *SECONDED*.
DISCUSSION: None required.
By a show of hands, motion *CARRIED*.
- **Tech Support** – At the Spring Meeting, we had **John Elliott** volunteering to help out during the race weekends. For the past couple of years, we have had the discussions about the Tech situation. We really need some more manpower to help them out.
Mike Currie – My understanding is, that a number of Race Licensed people had taken out Scrutineer and Tech Inspector Licences and were available to assist if we needed.
Al Harvey – I did send a number of Novices down this year.
Jim Kurtz – **Keray McEwan** took out a Scrutineer’s Licence this year.
Gary – If you need help at any time on the race weekends, just let me know and I will send a couple of my crew members down to you. I hope that we can find a successor who wants to train with Mike and Jim and help lessen their workload.
Kevin Wall – I can always help out, I have been doing Tech for years for Ice Racing and helping out with Time-Attack as well.

New Business:

- **Novices** – A lot of the 2019 Novices did not complete their Novice Programs in 2020, due to COVID. There were also some returning drivers as well.

MOTION #2

Gary MOVED *“that we extend the status of the Novice Licence Holders and returning drivers until the end of 2021 to give them an extra year to complete their Novice Program”*

SECONDED by **Al Harvey**

DISCUSSION – **Ray Stec** – Are you talking about the validity of the “Driver Training Certificate”? You normally have a year in which you must have your first race. You don’t need to finish all 3 races in one year. I am questioning what this motion is about.

Gary – We are talking about the group from 2019.

Ray – So the group from 2019 who took D/T who have a year to get their licence, did not do so this year because of COVID, now have the opportunity to extend their certificate into 2021 in order to get their first Novice Race instead of this year.

Keith – I am wondering if we really have to pin it down; maybe give the permission to the Race Committee to decide on individual cases.

Amended Motion #2

Gary MOVED *“that the Race Committee accept and extend the deadline for those who completed the June 2019 Driver Training Program and are beginning their Novice Program. The Race Committee will decide on each individual case. Consideration will also be given to returning drivers.”*

By a show of hands, motion **CARRIED**.

Al Harvey – The intention is to send out a letter to all of these people to advise them of our decision and let them know of the extension.

Norm Shaw – When the letter goes out, can we **remind the Novices that they need to renew their membership** this year. It was included in their D/T course for that year.

- **Women in Motorsports** – **Gary** – We have committed to help get their program going in 2021. Originally I had allocated \$500 dollars in the budget for them. I am wondering if you would accept a larger amount for our budget. I am proposing \$1,500 dollars. We have a good balance in our bank account (close to \$47,000).

Motion #3

Ray Stec MOVED *“that the Race Discipline give \$2,000 dollars toward the funding of the **Women in Motorsports Committee**”*

SECONDED by **Norm Shaw**.

DISCUSSION: Calle Mirkowsky – The Committee reached out to all the disciplines, giving them a general idea of what we would like to do, just getting off the ground. We are waiting to see what we got back as a response from the motorsport community in general. That would give us a little better idea going forward as to how effective we will be able to be. Our basic requirements are to design a logo that can be used on decals, on our Facebook media and have it be something that is very recognizable. We need to purchase a web domain that is just going to direct, directly back to the CACC *Women in Motorsports* page that will be developed. From that point we will see what kind of support we got from the disciplines. The \$2,000 dollars the Race Discipline is offering is very generous and will give us a good head start.

John Gillespie – It will be interesting to see how successful all your strategies are because we all need to learn from your gains in marketing and attracting new people into the sport in general. It is an exciting time for all of us and we look forward to feedback from your efforts.

Calle – That is a really good point John, for us to track which of our marketing efforts seem to be the most successful and figure out which things are not ‘money well spent’ and I will bring this toward out Committee so we can monitor that.

Pam Stec – The Committee has asked for a start-up fund of \$2,500 dollars. CACC General Revenue will be contributing to that as will a couple of other disciplines. They will have far in excess of the \$2,500 dollars. The Committee needs to come up with a budget showing what they want to do with those funds.

By a show of hands, motion CARRIED.

- **Novice Administrator – Al Harvey** – I would just like to put a note out there that I am getting older and I do plan on being the Novice Administrator for at least another year, BUT if there is **anyone out there is interested in becoming a future Novice Administrator**, I would like to mentor one or two people if they like. Even if it is just to try it and see if they like it, and then possibly in a year or two they might want to take it on.
- **Budget Proposal – Gary** – reviewed the budget expense estimates and suggested adding \$500 dollars to the **‘Steward Travel’** as there has been difficulty in getting Stewards to attend events.
Mike Currie – Is this fund in addition to what SCCBC does for the workers on the race weekends? Workers are provided with either a free lunch or equivalent in a Save-On grocery card and a \$25 dollar gas card for each day worked.
Kevin – Technically Stewards are part of the CACC not the club so that would be taken care of at the discipline level. If the club is providing lunches to the Steward that is the club’s decision and that would be separate from what Gary is proposing.
Mike Kaerne – SCCBC has traditionally looked after the Stewards as far as lunches, dinners or breakfasts. The past couple of years, there were gas cards given to the Steward by the club. If we want to budget something for Steward Travel that is great, as long as it isn’t a “double dip”. If the club doesn’t provide for that, then the Steward can apply to the discipline for gas money.
Gary – We do want to make it encouraging for the Stewards to come out. They shouldn’t be ‘out of pocket’.
I would like to increase the **‘Awards & Trophies’** from \$1,500 dollar to \$1,800 dollars because I would like to get a new trophy done for WIM and add a trophy to the CACC list.
Ray Stec – Before going that route, you should talk to the WIM Committee and see if that is something they would be interested in. In my mind, the racing is always inclusive of everyone.
Calle – I can see where you are both coming from. I don’t think WIM would be offended if it was just a WIM trophy that we will provide to someone in the Race Discipline and we can determine what the criteria are and that would make the Race Discipline inclusive. I would suggest “most laps over the year” to encourage participation.
Last item is the **‘Travel Fund’**. Last year it was zero. I would like to bring it to \$3,000 dollars.
David Bell – You can budget the travel fund now and come up with an allocation method before the season starts. As long as the allocation rules for the travel fund are established and published so all members are aware of them before the start of the season, it will be fair. I believe the ‘steward travel’ would be covered under the CACC Travel Expense policy in the *Policies and Procedures Manual*. **We will table the travel fund until Spring.**
Gary – In total, my budget expenses for 2021 will be \$10,500 dollars. Our income with the limited race weekends we had was \$11,500 dollars.

Motion #4

Gary MOVED “that the proposed budget for 2021 be accepted and the Permit Fees remain at \$250 dollars”

SECONDED by **Keith Robinson**
By a show of hands, motion *CARRIED*.

- **Licence Fee for 2021**

Motion #5

Ray Stec *MOVED* “that the 2021 Licence Fee be a flat \$45 dollars across the board; no early bird or other discounts”

SECONDED by **Kevin Wall**

DISCUSSION: **Doug Floer** – As the previous Licensing Administrator, it was always nice to have the *Early Bird Discount* so I could get as many licences processed before the season began. It did provide that incentive.

John Gillespie – I think we should leave the fees the way they are. It is harder to raise money than to lower it.

Kevin Wall – I agree to the reduction in cost and knowing that race has a large sum in the bank that by lowering the fee we will still make a ton of money.

Al Harvey – I can see dropping it to a flat fee of \$50 dollars and taking away the Early Bird.

Heather McEwan – I agree with making things easier on people who have to administer this stuff, so an Early Bird Discount is a good idea.

Amended Motion #5

Ray Stec *MOVED* “that the 2021 Licence Fee be \$55 dollars with a \$10 dollar Early Bird Discount”

SECONDED by **Kevin Wall**

By a show of hands, motion *CARRIED*.

- **Election of Race Discipline Director**

Gary – I want to thank you all for working with me for the past 2 seasons. I think it is time for me to pass on the duties to my successor. I will not be running for the position.

I am nominating **John Gillespie** to take on the position.

Is there anyone in the room who would like to come forward and run for the position of Race Discipline Director?

John accepted the nomination. There were no other nominees.

By acclamation, **John Gillespie** is our 2021 Race Director! Thank you JOHN!

Meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.