

San Diego SOLO Board Meeting 11-3-2008

PRESENT: L. Chan, M. Contour, W. Leach, B. Schiller, L. Dennstedt, M. Vasquez, R. Robinson, S. Licata, R. Perry, J. Lonsdale, R. Chapman, Dalene McC-C, Underdahl

Call to Order: Mr. Contour @ 7:05 PM

Correction to October Minutes: Exhaust tips are not only "kart" types, rather, ALL types. Minutes Accepted.

Treasurer's Report: Accepted

Equipment Report: A start/finish battery will need to be replaced. All else OK.

Timing & Scoring Report: Software fixes are good.

Sound Report: SDAD Oct event had 10 violations; TART event had two.

Novice Report: Novice school survey of students came back positive. Two instructors were not "verbal" enough. Students liked the course. It was suggested that instructors go to "instructor school" by one graduate.

Membership Report: The bill for the new 2009 SOLO cards was presented to Dalene. All passengers must now be SCCA members, which is free. Mr. Chan proposed a passenger wristband. Active military are entitled to a ½ price SCCA membership. Mr. Leach expressed his displeasure with the recent SDAD event with regard to discharging his membership responsibilities. SDAD members present agreed that the Oct event was not up to their usual standard.

Waiver Report: All is OK.

Lot Report: Alternate military lot is proceeding up the chain of command. Mr. Contour recently visited an SCCA autocross event held on a military base in North Carolina, and he brought back some contact information.

Past Events:

SDAD event Oct 18 & 19. 98 entrants on Saturday with 20 novices. Novices were very slow on course and caused one run group to be extended by 30 minutes, which failed to mollify some entrants. Some entrants ran in the wrong run group which further slowed the event. Sunday saw 150 entrants. Course adjustment was required. 160 cones were hit and 15% of entrants DNF'ed. This event was not well organized. One participant voiced strong complaints and threatened to contact the SCCA about the course design. Mr. Contour expressed that all club members should have their "best face" on for their respective events as participants equate the hosting club as the region leadership. One member related a story whereby an alleged SDAD member unnecessarily lectured a spectator on smoking in the parking lot, twice.

The TART event had an excellent course design and attracted 140 entrants whilst breaking even. The lunch truck exited after the first run group.

Old Business:

The awards banquet will be held @ 94th Aero Squadron on January 31, 2009 from 6-10 pm. The place is owned by the Butcher Shop and will require a deposit. Entry fee discussed. The room has a capacity for 120. The number of trophies was projected. How much to spend and what the trophies will be was left undecided.

The sound proposal to move the sound meter around the course lost 3-2 (For: SDAD, TART, against: DCCSD, SCAT, SCNAX) and it was noted that it is already legal to move it around.

The second sound proposal, regarding moveable exhaust tips, lost 4-1. (For: SDAD, against: DCCSD, SCAT, TART, SCNAX)

Proposal # 3, the junior Kart proposal, failed by one vote 3-2. (For: DCCSD, SCAT, SCNAX, against: TART, SDAD)

2009 officer nominations added were Mz. Kit Licata (vs Anne Pease) for treasurer and Mr. Ken Berchtold (vs Brad Underdahl) for secretary. Votes will be tallied @ the December meeting.

Mr. J. Woodruff wants to have a chili cookoff in the parking lot at the upcoming SCAT upcoming event.

Upcoming Events: SCAT Nov. 16 and SCNAX Dec 7.

New Business:

E Board minutes should be posted on the region's official Solo site.

Mr. Chan made a presentation on how entry totals are compiled for billing purposes.

Questions to taken to the individual clubs: Should SDR host a National Tour event in 2009; A divisional event?; Both? This will depend upon the stadium draw and possible proximity datewise. Opinions will be heard at the Dec meeting.

The Rev. Tom Cook requested that he be allowed to have a jacket made at his own expense to commemorate his 1999 championship. Motion defeated 1-3-1.

MEETING ADJOURNED: Mr. Contour @ 9:19 PM.