

**April 1, 2014 - General Membership Meeting Minutes
(held at Texas Lone Star Grill, Dixon Road, Etobicoke, ON., upstairs)**

WELCOME – 8:10pm

Pat McDiarmid, President

Pat called the meeting to order. There were 40 people in attendance, which based on recent meetings was quite a large number.

MINUTES

Pat McDiarmid, President

Mike McDiarmid made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes of the March Membership Meeting; it was seconded by David Brown and carried.

DEPARTMENTS

MEMBERSHIP

Pav Krumpochova, Membership Chair

- BARC currently has 169 members, there are 33 new members. In 2013 at the same time there were 80 members and 7 new members.
- Bill Lobban suggested it would be interesting to see how many were drivers and how many were potential new volunteers. Pav did not have the information, but Pat said she would review the records.
- There were a number of guests, including Ron Gray and F1200 driver Matt Garwood.

TREASURY

Keith Whorley, Treasurer

Finances –

- The BARC Ice Prix was a success with the club making some money.
- BARC is solvent and has the money to pay for the two 2014 road races.

WRRRC

Keith Whorley, BARC's WRRRC Representative

- For the benefit of the new members present, Keith gave an explanation of the role of the WRRRC.
- There will be a WRRRC booth at the Georgian College Formula North event in May. This is an attempt to attract new members/talent to road racing.
- Keith has also spoken to the department head of the Automotive Faculty about organizing a presentation to students on April 8th. This would cover among other items, opportunities in racing, including driving, race organizing and marshalling.
- The CASC Board has also approved for two volunteers to have the opportunity to go to the Race School and experience race driving.
- They are also hoping to get feedback from the students.
- Keith also took the opportunity to thank everyone who helped at the ice race.

BANQUET/SOCIAL

Sherry Jones, Social Director

- The 2014 BARC Banquet event will take place on November 29th in the same location, with the same number of tickets being available.
- She reminded everyone that 50/50 tickets were available.

MAIL

Bryan Rashleigh, Vice-President

- The BARC magazine from the UK is in.
- The Ice Race Banquet will take place on April 26, at the Oshawa and District Shrine Club. Tickets are \$45 per person.
- The newsletter has been sent out via e-mail. Anyone who wants to receive the newsletter via e-mail should provide their personal e-mail.

REGIONAL RACE/ORO

Paul Einarson, RR/ORO/RC Director

- Jason Sharpe and Diane Dale took over the management of the F1600 group in 2013 and more cars are expected this year.
- David Clubine and his Britain West race team will be returning to the series.
- They are also promoting the F2000 series and have asked to be included in the June program of the BARC race. Paul has included them.
- There are two classes, an 'A' class with Zetec engines and a 'B' class using the older Ford Pinto engine.
- Jason had approached Paul in December with a list of 4 races for the 2014 inaugural season of the F2000 series. It included the BARC July date; however the schedule was already full. Paul referred him to BEMC and MCO to see if they could accommodate his request. However they could not. Paul then suggested running shorter races, but that would still require volunteers to stay on track until 7:00 p.m. Paul met with the President of MMS and he agreed to that timetable.
- Paul asked the other volunteers present their opinion and willingness to stay that late.
Bill Lobban suggested getting a guarantee of the number of cars on track. No one wants to work late for a small number of cars. They expect at least 12 cars and it was suggested they could run with the Libre class if they did not have enough cars.
Paul Clarke suggested that they could run a split race start with the Libre class. Or they could practice with that class and then have their own race. Paul said they would like to run two races with their own classes.
Bob Page suggested that if they fill the grid with enough cars at the June race, that we allow them to have a July race.
Pat McDiarmid suggested telling them if they do not have enough cars, they will be required to run with the Libre class.
- Paul said the Board would be looking to provide special incentives for the volunteers if BARC agrees to the longer schedule.
- There are six region races in 2014 and Paul does not know what DAC plans are for the future in regards to organizing races.

- The current number of series cannot all run at any one event with a reasonable end of day time for volunteers.
- There will probably be some discussion about six race events next year and some series may have to step down from each event, to accommodate reasonable end of day times.
- Paul has complimentary tickets available for the 2014 CASC races.
- Paul said the expected Radical series will attend with a higher entry fee and they may run with the Libre class.

RACE COMMITTEE

Mary Lobban

- There were no issues raised at the Race Committee Meeting. Issues were deferred as none of the people who wanted to raise them attended the meeting.

ICE RACE

Wayne Wannamaker, BARC Ice Race Director

- Wayne was not present.

HONDA INDY TORONTO

Scott Ellsworth/Greg Adamkowski

- All plans are on track for 2014.
- David Bayley mentioned that the usual pit and start/finish straight stands areas were now construction site. Scott said the planning took into account that change and it was not considered an issue.

RACE INTERNATIONAL

Phil Delahaye

- Phil reported that the IMSA Tudor United SportsCar Championship's Rolex 24 hour race at Daytona International Speedway was disappointing with the officiating being particularly incompetent. His group of friends with whom he normally attends the race, have suggested they may not return.
- The race of the weekend was the Lamborghini race which had 5 drivers dueling for the win.
- The Continental Tire race was also very good.

GUEST SPEAKER

Clive Rayman

Clive Rayman started a motorcycle trip in October 2012. He had his new motorcycle shipped to California by BMW Canada and started his trip down through Central America to South America. With little more than a compass and a map, this admitted rookie travelled to many countries and met many interesting people. Among the details of his adventures were:

- Visited Mexico where he found the drivers polite and the highways in excellent shape. He also visited among others Guatemala, El Salvador, Panama, Costa Rica, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia, Argentina, Chile and Antarctica.
- Found that one of the perks of riding a BMW was the service departments in every country was excellent.
- Rode across the largest salt flats in the world, located in Bolivia.
- Part of his trip required him and his motorcycle to travel in a small sailboat.
- At this point in the trip he has covered 43,000 kilometres.
- Posted a BARC sticker in Antarctica.
- Suffered hypothermia in the Andes riding in a cold fog, with limited visibility.
- Visited Machu Picchu.
- Spent 4 hours driving down a dirt road in the rain only to find it was a dead-end.
- 90% of the time he rode solo but met and had riding partners along the way.
- BMW has given him a camera and he will be documenting his trip on video for them.
- He is just visiting Toronto and will be flying back to South America to continue through Brazil, Guyana and Suriname.

NEW BUSINESS

- Bryan Rashleigh has the new BARC stickers.
- Happy Birthday was sung to Bryan by all present.

OLD BUSINESS

- There was no old business

BUY & SELL

- Howard Cohen is selling the PowerAll portable battery jump starter. It has a built in LED flashlight and can power cellular telephones along with the ability to jump start multiple vehicles. This lightweight tool would be a great alternative to the current large battery used to start Formula cars. Howard is sourcing an adaptor which will allow this function.
- Moe Aye is looking for an oil filter housing for cap for a BMW
- Tom Hyland is selling a 2001 Subaru WRX with 327,000 kilometres and two sets of tires.
- Tom is also selling a custom build log home.

NEXT MONTH'S MEETING: at the Lone Star Texas Grill (upstairs) – May 6th, 2014 at 8pm.

Tom Crossman made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Tom Hyland.