

August 4, 2015 – BARC General Membership Meeting
Location – Texas Lone Star Grill, Dixon Rd., Etobicoke, ON

Recorder – Moe Aye

Meeting held by – Pat McDiarmid

Called to order at 2000h

Minutes – Minutes from July meeting posted on Web within the required time period.

Accepted 1. Andrew Jordan & 2. Tom Cressman

Correspondence – Bryan Rashleigh

Empty mailbox; BARC memorabilia still available.

Membership – read by Phil Bigioni (as Pav Krumpochova was absent)

202 members (with 2 new ones: 1. Paul Everatt-driver; 2. Yvonne Marshall-pit marshal)

Treasurer – read by Pat McDiarmid (as Keith Whorley was absent)

Sorry for missing the meeting but my voice is gone and I am still recovering from whatever thid crud is.; I want to thank everyone for their support for the August race. Thanks to Paul Einarson for supporting me on the financials while I was on vacation. Thanks to Tom and Sandy and their support staff in registration for their efforts and the great reconciliation process that they have in place.; The August race had more entrants and cost reduction or avoidance measures were put into place to keep expenses to a minimum. Some of the cost reductions included moving to one ambulance from two, issuing no volunteer gifts, reduction in trophy costs through recycling. CTA reduced their costs by \$100 and Cornerstone Courier is going to pay for the volunteer breakfast. Although the Club still realized a loss it was much less than what was realized at our June race.; Thanks to TRS for the \$4800 they earned and passed onto the Club for supporting the DAC and Time Attack events.; Please ask Howard Cohen to update the members on WRRC.

WRRC – Howard Cohen

CTMP always has a booth, will see if they will let BARC join to get volunteers

Need new ideas to get volunteers

Sent out emails

People did approach me, re-volunteering at the last BARC race

Newsletters – Amy McCleary absent (a discussion ensued as to the relevancy of the newsletter)

We need more content; should we just not do newsletters as it is irrelevant by the time it comes out; but a newsletter is organized and formatted and it shows the full detailed story. (send ideas to Pat McDiarmid or Amy McCleary.

Race Report – Paul Einarson

**On the BARC side:* Thanks for a great BARC season. It was not great for the number of competitors we got, but it was for all of you that came out to work with the Club. I don't have much else to say on Regional Racing this month.

**On the ORO side:* All organizing clubs have until August 12 to determine what their event plans are for 2016. There have been many voices saying that the move from 6 to 8 races in 2015 was a mistake and just diluted competitors causing clubs to incur losses – us included. BARC has not yet decided what our intentions are for 2016 and we will be meeting before the 12th to determine our position. A number of ideas and strategies have been identified to approach new markets, new offerings, etc. to appeal to groups to become exposed to regional racing that we have not tapped before. One problem is that the delivery of some these items requires people to step up to the plate and those folks are becoming harder to find. We are trying with the resources available. Next month I can report on the Regional Program for 2016.

**CASC Race Committee:* Before Dave King speaks, for some reason, I have called Dave, James all season long. I have no idea why this is the case, but I publicly apologize for this faux pas.

(some discussions on ideas – evening laps with events to raise money; one day events with driving school taking 2nd day.)

QUESTION: Phil Bigioni – How do drivers know where/when races are?

ANSWER: General Annual Race meeting drivers are told.

Phil Delahaye – thanked Paul Einarson for organizing the last 2 races and getting radicals (some of the Radical Racers got Track Day Radicals to come out as they had so much fun last year at the races).

Paul Einarson – Radical Leader also bought the Mosport Podium and paid the difference for better trophies for the winners (with Paul's approval). This is a good leader to promote this series.

Bryan Rashleigh – We need an open forum meeting (Town Hall meeting) to ask people to why competitors aren't coming out.

Pat McDiarmid – Mass mailout (letters) with questions to drivers.

David King – drivers come up with many excuses why they don't race, but most are not true, such as CASC only gets a fixed fee (not per driver).

Pat McDiarmid – Some Radicals didn't know there were races, only knew about lapping days.

Bill Lobban – Mr. Burgess imports and sells these Radicals

Paul Einarson – We got more 'thanks' for volunteers than ever before.

Phil Delahaye – Spectators were scattered around the track @ 9am Saturday. There were 2 @ corner 3.; Thank Subaru for pace car.

** Radicals & 1600s – Spec series, GTs are not (no one wants to watch 5 cars racing. Needs to be more organized)

Dave King – All politics (road tires vs slick tires)

** Keith Whorley & Paul Einarson: both are stepping down, we need to find replacements ASAP

Social – Sherry Jones

More banquet information to follow

Winner of books: 1. Bob Page & 2. Sandy

Old Business: N/A

New Business:

Buy & Sell: Bill Lobban - Round piece of wood with a painted BARC emblem, 3ft diameter.

Ice Racing – Wayne Wanamaker

A teleconference call was held on the evening of Sunday, June 14, 2015. I was unable to participate as this was the last day of the INDY. The ice race director was aware of this but went ahead with it as planned. I got notes from Len Arminio. The main thing that came out of this meeting was a proposal put forth by the 6 organizing clubs of a new fee structure for the rental of the ice race track from the Kinsmen. Historically, it has always been a flat fee per day plus a per entrant fee payable to the Kinsmen. We have proposed a percentage of the total entry fee collected. This creates a set up that shares the risk of lower entries between the Kinsmen and the race clubs, which we have been seeing more of each year. We have also formally asked for an accounting of the Maintenance Levy, which is not going to be collected next year.; Heather will present this to the Kinsmen and then call a meeting of the organizers this fall to finalize everything.

Motion to Adjourn – 1. Phil Bigioni & 2. Greg Clement (2100h)

of Members attended – 22

Next meeting – same place and time on September 1, 2015