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Secretary, Nan Einarson, Recorder

WELCOME – 8:00pm

Mike McDiarmid, President

Mike called the meeting to order and remind everyone to sign the Attendance Sheet being circulated around the room

Absent with Regrets: Keith Whorley, Treasurer; Pat McDiarmid, Membership Chair

Mike welcomed new member/driver Amy Castell (age 17 –drives the black F1600, #95) and her family – parents Noel and Alexandra, and brother Nick. There were 25 people in attendance at the meeting.

MINUTES –

Mike McDiarmid, President

Last month, a motion was made to adopt the Minutes of the July 3/12 General Meeting, at the August meeting, since the Minutes were not posted on the website by meeting time (due to technical difficulties with the site). They were posted the day after last month's meeting. The Minutes of the July 3/12 General Meeting were posted well within the deadline (48 hours prior to the Meeting.)

Motion to Adopt June 5/12 and July 3/12 General Meeting Minutes: Sherry Jones
Seconder: Pavlina Krunpochova
Carried

At this point in the meeting, Mike was feeling unwell, and Paul Einarson took over the Chair

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Bryan Rashleigh brought mail from the Post Office Box, which included: A & W Coupons; a cheque from Green-Savoury; BARC-UK Newsletter

DEPARTMENTS:

<u>MEMBERSHIP</u> –

Mike McDiarmid, for Pat McDiarmid, Membership Chair:

- We have 210 members at the end of July for 2012, compared with 207 at this point last year

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TREASURY

Paul Einarson reports for Keith Whorley, Treasurer:

Finances -

- Keith is going to be ordering Name Tags to replace those whose names were incorrect, misspelled or missing. If you know of anyone who needs a replacement Name Tag, please contact Paul Einarson.
- We do have money. We lost a small amount from the Canada Day race, and the money we made on the August race will balance us out
- There was concern that we used to make several thousand dollars on races in past years. HST, increased track rental fees and decreased entrants were among the reasons presented.

<u>WRRC</u> - There are only 4 award recipients who have not received their gifts. They will be mailed if they cannot be delivered in person.

- The Durham College filming project is still in the works
- Keith will take the Board's idea of having CASC investigate establishing a major benefit of Club membership – eg. discounts on travel costs (hotels, insurance), free roadside assistance, etc to WRRC

SOCIAL and Charitable Donations

Sherry Jones, Social Director:

BARC Big Christmas Bash -

- Bill Robb has agreed to be Master of Ceremonies for the Christmas Banquet
- Vic Henderson Sr. will create a video display, as in the past two years
- Vic Henderson Jr. will provide DJ services again
- Room rates at the Delta Hotel will be \$109 per night recommend get early check-in and late check-out times
- Sherry and Pat will begin purchasing gifts for prizes and supplies for table centrepieces, etc.
- The second deposit to the Delta has been made

Donations - \$1,000 annual donations for 2012 will be made as follows:

- A donation of \$500 will be presented to the Lymphoma Foundation of Canada at the golf tournament for the Foundation on Tuesday, August 21/12. Anwar Knight has invited us to present the cheque and have 2-3 race cars on site at the Eagles Nest Golf Course in Maple, Ont., and will show film of it on the CTV 6pm news
- A donation of \$500 will be sent to Epilepsy Canada, in recognition of Wayne Wanamaker's son

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- In January, 2013, on the BARC weekend, we will present a donation of \$500 to the Minden Food Bank, as part of the 2013 annual donations budget. If any member has an idea for a charity for the second \$500 donation in 2013, please talk to a Board member
- Tom Hyland reported about the "Caring for Karen" cart racing fundraising event that was held July 18/12, and thanked all who contributed

NEWSLETTER -

Nan Einarson for Amy Harrison, Newsletter & Program Editor:

Please continue to send articles, pictures, cartoons, ads, business cards, announcements, etc., to Amy at amy.harrison25@gmail.com for the next Newsletter. Deadline for submissions for the next Newsletter is the 15th of October. The Summer newsletter has been sent out. We have some copies here for anyone who doesn't have a home email address.

- If you have any pictures of the weekend's BARC race event, please send them to Amy or Nan

REGIONAL RACE/ORO/RACE COMMITTEE -

Paul Einarson, RR/ORO/RC Director:

Regional Race: - Paul thanked everyone for a very successful BARC summer racing season:

- There were some complaints about the quality of the food. Some didn't like the kind of multi-grain bread from which the sandwiches were made. It is impossible to place special orders, and it was suggested that those with special requests might want to bring their own lunches. Food vouchers for the restaurant are not practical.
- Paul posed some questions for discussion:
 - Do people like the race volunteer appreciation gifts? YES
 - Should we continue giving them? YES

Everyone thanked Dave King for donating the breakfasts for the race volunteers at CTMP.

- Paul mentioned that he thought Nan, in the role of Paddock Marshall, scootering around the Paddock all day, chatting with competitors and crews substantially improved our image as an interactive and fun Club, and offered thank you.
- Our Regional Race Director, Nick Majors, has commented at meetings that there are often more race volunteers giving of their time than there are competitors
- Paul noted that, for the first time that he could remember, we dealt with Podium Ceremonies in the rain. He was not present, but will follow up to see how the Ceremonies went, and if there were alternatives.
- Tom Hyland and Sandi need volunteers to be trained for the entry process for registering drivers next year

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- A chronic position we have trouble filling is a Blend Line Judge of Fact
- We have periodic absences of various positions, which we can usually work around. The crosstraining we have been doing with several folks in various departments has really helped those situations
- Aside from Registration, our real race volunteer need is for Scrutineers. If you know anyone that is mechanically inclined, please contact Dave Bayley or Dave King

Race Volunteer Recruitment ideas were discussed -

- BARC pamphlets should be at the Scrutineering Trailer and with the Paddock Marshall
- Howie Cohen wants 500 passes and brochures and will distribute them to his customers
- We should be handing out brochures to fans possibly putting them on windshields
- Paul placed an ad on Kijiji it got 130 hits, and 2 people responded. One wanted to know how much it paid, and the other arranged to meet Paul at Mosport, but didn't show up

Paul conducted the Memorabilia/Gift Giveaways – Winners were: Mike McDiarmid, Bob Page, and Bill Robb

Memorabilia gifts are courtesy of Ken Graham and Marilyn Travers Meleta.

ORO:

- We are grappling with what to do about Libre, as well as options to keep race days short, but include enough entrants to make events financially viable
- The 2013 Schedule may be different. A Calabogie weekend may or may not exist in 2013, and if it does, it may not be on a long weekend.
- Paul posed some questions:
 - -What are your opinions about BARC races on long weekends? WOULD PREFER REGULAR WEEKENDS, NOT LONG WEEKENDS
 - -Would you be willing to forego a Mosport event in 2013, for a Shannonville one? PREFER NOT

Race Committee:

 The Race Committee Wrap-Up Meeting will be held Tuesday, September 11/12 here, at the Lone Star – 6pm dinner, 7pm Meeting Start. Please start thinking about opportunities for improvements for next season

ICE RACE - N/A

Wayne Wannamaker, BARC Ice Race Director:

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MARKETING AND PROMOTION

Nan Einarson

- - After discussion, it was decided that the term "race volunteers" will be used in recruitment ads (the terms "worker" and "official" were eliminated)
- Suggest putting recruitment ads on the Homepage of the Website perhaps replace the history story that's there now – has not yet been done

Volunteer Recruitment -

- For ice racing, Registration volunteers will be needed talk to either Tom Hyland or Wayne Wanamaker
- For the 2013 race season, additional volunteers will be required for: Registration, Scrutineering, Pit Lane, and Blend Line Judge of Fact. Please consider volunteering for these roles or inviting your friends/family to join BARC and volunteer with us

HONDA INDY TORONTO: - at the September Race Committee Wrap-Up Meeting, Scott Ellsworth & Greg Adamkowski will take a ½ hour or so to discuss/debrief the Honda Indy.

- They would prefer that any ideas/suggestions be emailed to them in advance of the meeting
- One major problem was the traffic congestion after the event, just trying to get out of the building and the Exhibition Grounds

OLD BUSINESS -

Paul E for Mike McDiarmid, President:

- We had problems with the Website in July. It was down for 10 days, mainly due to 1. issues connected with information about the site that, over a long period of time, had not been passed along to new boards of directors. Thanks to Scott Ellsworth for his help in getting us back on-line. The problems have now been corrected. The Board has noted several gaps in the management of the site, however, and will be taking steps to ensure that the same problems will never reoccur. They will meet with an IT specialist (hopefully, Scott Ellsworth in September or October) before making any further changes.
- November Elections Reminder that in November, 4 positions will be up for elections -The President, Secretary, and 2 Directors (currently, Social Director and Ice Race Director)

Please start thinking now about running or nominating someone. If you have any questions about the duties and responsibilities of any of these positions, feel free to contact Mike, Nan, Sherry or Wayne.

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NEW BUSINESS:

Paul E for Mike McDiarmid, President:

- Paul Siemans noted that he had been considering getting out of race volunteering, but he had such a good time at our BARC race weekend – he felt really appreciated, and a real sense of friendliness, and so, he has decided to continue. Yay, Paul – Welcome back!!

REGIONAL RACING -

Bill Lobban reports:

- Bill provided a comprehensive report of BARC member driver wins. Congratulations to:

F1200 - 1. Michael lamundi

2. Phil Wang 3. Andrew Waring

F1600 - A. 3. Caitlin Johnston

B. 2. Jean-Guy Fournier

3. Mike Lee

FLibre

1. Steve Wagland (back to racing after 10 year absence)

GT Challenge - 0,

GT 1,2,3 - 0 GT5 - 0

GT 4

1. Dylan Gibson

2. Martin Gray

<u>Overall</u>

F1200 - 2. Michael lamundi

F1600 - A.

1. Caitlin Iamundi

B. 2. Keith Lobban

3. Jean-Guy Fournier

ALMS -

Phil Delahaye Reported:

- He observed that there were a lot more people there than at CTMP Nascar
- Every time he goes to the track, the has found subtle changes each time, in addition to the major ones
- Corners 3 & 4 have lots of room for several big trailers
- The racing was well organized they had a schedule and they stuck to it
- They had 30 minute breaks between races, and people socialized
- The Touring Cars were out, and people really enjoyed them
- The Big Race was a 2hour and 40minute Enduro The GT race was phenomenal Porsche came back, Ferrari was sandbagging it was a great race, and Phil even got a chance to visit with Kyle Marcelli

Mid-Ohio -

Robby Reck Reported:

- Robby enjoyed his weekend there especially the Formula 2000
- The Indy turned out to be boring no cautions throughout the entire race
- The fan experience was great excellent facility
- No bicycles, no pets

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Bryan Rashleigh Reported

Touring Cars at Trois Riviere -

- Bryan and Jonathan raced at Trois Riviere on the weekend
- There were 3 classes, 35 entries
- Jonathan qualified 12th scratched his door
- In the night race, Bob Attrell Jr. had to change a motor
- Sacha had to replace a drive train
- The Paddock is too crowded
- Star Mazdas and Indy Lights were there, along with Canadian Tire Nascar
- They had a lot of fun

BUY & SELL - Bryan Rashleigh still has the Hyundai Accent available - 1997 Hyundai Accent — It would make a great Ice Car, or a Project Street Car, or it can be rented for ice racing. It had a new motor put into it 3 years ago. \$3,000. (contact Bryan at bryan at brashleigh@mississauga.subarudealer.ca

- The Royal King BBQ is reduced to \$20
- Toro Lawnmower self propelled, rear-bagger FREE
- And, 195 Fox14 summer tires, that would fit a Toyota Camry \$100
- Also, 4 205x55x17 Toyo Tires, with 8,000kms \$300
- Dave King has a cherrywood dining room table that is over 100 years old (very large 44" w X 60"l, with 3 X 1ft extensions)
- Howie Cohen has a brand new set of Air Horns \$30
- He also has an autographed book \$10
- Paul Einarson still has a 2000 Damon Daybreak RV for sale 34 ft long, with one slide-out adding 300 square feet of living space; 2 Sleeper Sofas + Dinette + Queen Size bed in bedroom sleeps 8; New Tires; Generator just services; New Awning; New Window Blinds; DVD Player; Satellite Dish Bell Express Vu unit comes with it (not Connected); Chev 454; low mileage, new brakes and batteries \$25,000. 289-878-5765, barcracedirector@gmail.com
- Also, he has a Floor Jack \$50
- The pop-up trailer has been sold

NEXT MONTH'S MEETING WILL BE HELD at the Lone Star Texas Grill (upstairs) – September 4, 2012.

Meeting Adjourned at pm. Motion by: Tom Hyland

Seconded by: Sherry Jones Carried