



## **Minutes of the General Membership Meeting**

**16 May 2009, Knap Shack, SMP**

Members in attendance:

Patrick Weightman	Mary-Lynne Weightman
Betsy Meeko	Sidney Thomson
Shirley Jones	Christina Bruce
Debbie Zschuppe	Wayne Walsh (BOD)
Dan Smith	Dan Nowell
Lorie Cooper (BoD)	Ken Miller
Marty Cooper (BoD)	Devon Bartley
Darrell Briggs (BOD)	David French
Larry McMillan (BOD)	Jim Davis

Note taker:  
Lorie Cooper

- 1) The meeting called to order at 5:36 p.m.
- 2) Minutes of the last GMM (15 Sep 07) were not brought to the meeting. All GMM & AGM minutes are available from the club website at [www.crca1.com](http://www.crca1.com)
- 3) *Officers Reports*  
Nil
- 4) *Committee Reports*  
Nil
- 5) *Special Orders*  
Nil
- 6) *Unfinished Business*  
Nil

## 7) *New Business*

- i) Marty Cooper thanked everyone for coming out to work the weekend, for braving the cold weather and for staying for the meeting.
  - (1) He stated that numbers overall are up considerably over last year, an example being Round 1 on Fabi with 52 marshals total for the weekend vs. 28 total for the same weekend last year. This weekend (Round 2) the numbers are down slightly but not my much
  - (2) This year we were contracted for CASC's Spring Fling and it looks like it will probably happen again next year since CASC was quite happy with the way things worked out. It gives us a little more car experience here.
    - (a) Question: Why did they decide to hold it on a Friday-Saturday vs. Saturday-Sunday?
      - (i) Although not certain, Marty suspects it was because CASC booked the track time late and were not able to get a Saturday-Sunday because of a conflict with the drags. The way they did it probably resulted in lower numbers of participants.
  - (3) CRCA was asked to accept a contract to provide marshalling services for the Super Moto organizers at SMP. We declined the contract because we felt it was too dangerous to put marshals on the track as it is laid out (adjacent to the skid pad). If they move it to use part of the main track next year, we'll reconsider but it won't happen for this year
  - (4) ICAR event – We're still waiting for information on accommodations and camping at Mirabel and as soon as we have it we'll forward it for anyone interested in working the event. Marty has asked André Lalancette to get us as much information as he can so that people will be able to register for the Superbike event
  - (5) Indy Car in Toronto – keep an eye on the MMS site. As soon as we get something from MMS we'll send out a callout email to everyone, as we will for the Superbike event at Mosport.
    - (a) A number of changes are anticipated for the Indy event this year: there may be a limit on the number of marshals accepted to work (75 is the rumour), and rumour has it that they will be using the Toronto Fire Department as part of their safety teams
  - (6) In 2 week's time we have our one and only car event of the season, followed by the Vintage Road Racers' Association (VRRRA) bike event. It would be great to see the vintage event get as much support as our other events. They need the safety workers just as much as any of the other race events and we do have a pretty good time. Some of the vintage bikes are getting pretty fast as well

- ii) Comments by other BOD members:
  - (1) Darrell Briggs (Vice President) commented on the results of the membership survey that was sent out in March.
    - (a) We asked 2 questions:
      - (i) What would be a good reward for members who work 15+ events in a season?
        - 1. The suggestion of gift certificates that families could enjoy was put forward, and is a viable option
      - (ii) What could we do to encourage you to come out to more events?
        - 1. A majority of responders (14 out of 20) said that they'd like to come out to more events and it is a matter of balancing their social lives, work and families
  - (2) Wayne Walsh (Social Director)
    - (a) The next RACE Round, we'll be having a "Surf 'n Turf" night with lobsters and steak. If you plan to stay for dinner, make sure you say so when you respond to the callout email and if you want lobster, you MUST let us know as they are being ordered a week in advance
  - (3) Marty Cooper (President) reminded people that if they do not get a response to an email they send to the club address, we did not get it so please resend it or call 613-539-1803 or 613-372-1892. That includes online registrations to work events or replies to email callouts. Lorie always acknowledges receipt of an email, even if it's only a few words. Also, if you know you're coming to an event, please let us know. It makes it easier to set up the boards. If you're not sure then by all means just show up. If you've committed to coming and that changes, again, please let us know by phone at 613-539-1803 (Marty's cell)

8) *Announcements*

Wayne has a great meal planned for this evening – bbq chicken and salads – and Euchre is being organized for afterward for anyone interested. There's also a movie, "Slumdog Millionaire", for anyone who would like to watch it.

- 9) *Adjournment* – there being no further questions or issues for discussion the meeting was adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

*Original signed by*

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President

18 May 2009  
Date