

SCCA Road Rally Board  
Thursday, June 13, 2019

The RRB met via conference call. Chairman Jim Crittenden call the meeting to order at 7:30 pm CDT

Those present: Jim Crittenden, Peter Schneider, Mike Bennett, Wendy Harrison, Clyde Heckler, Earl Hurlbut (BOD liaison), Jeff Zurschmeide (BOD liaison), Mike Thompson (NEC Co-Chairman), Jim Wakemen, Sr (NEC Co-Chairman) Jeanne English (secretary). Not present: Brian Harmer (National Office).

- Approval of minutes- stand as distributed
- Road Rally Media
  - a. Planning calendar - last published May 15, 2019. Thank you Jeanne. New one coming soon.
  - b. RReNewsletter – Text “roadrally” to 22828 to subscribe. Thank you Cheryl.
- Peter suggested that the RRB thank Howard Duncan for his contributions to Road Rally and wish him the best in his new responsibilities.
- SCCA Staff Report – there was no report, since Brian was unable to attend.
- NEC report – Mike Thompson and Jim Wakemen, Sr. – a potential solution to the “turn pocket” issue has been drafted, and that proposal will be updated soon. This is an attempt to define the size of “delta” which would be considered a single or double intersection. Jim noted that “turn pocket” and “delta” are actually separate problems, and pointed out that the illustration in the RRRs shows a delta with sides the width of the road. Whatever update is published may include wording disallowing a trap under certain conditions. The goal is to clarify what rallymasters have been doing, not to change to something new. Mike stated that the NEC is also working on two other issues, which they plan to complete by the end of June.
- Old Business
  - a. Jim – deploy Richta GPS checkpoint system – the system was used in a second competition (Roads Scamper) and performed very well. Nineteen vehicles logged over 2000 checkpoints (in total) with only one vehicle not recording five checkpoints (which were thrown). The winning score was 26 seconds out of 108 scored controls, illustrating that the system is accurate enough to compete with hoses & clocks. Jim noted that competitors appeared to be satisfied with the format and the outcome. The next road rally using the Richta app will be in Oregon on 8/08/19. Mike Thompson is also planning to use this format for his dual events on 9/13-14/19, and Jeanne will use on her “First Friday Niter”. Jim Wakemen may also use it for a Divisional event this Fall.
  - Co-hosting with new Regions – Jim has been talking with leaders of the Central Ohio Rally Club about running an event with their local Region.
  - Trek roll out – the Trek program was approved by the BOD at their May meeting. The National Office expects to start processing sanctions on 7/01/19.
  - b. Peter – update safety steward manual – the latest version was sent to all RRSS Instructors, and received no suggested changes, so the next step was to receive RRB approval. Peter moved to accept the Safety Manual as documented, Clyde seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.
  - Contact Kristen Pool list of Regions interested in RoadRally – Peter has contacted all 27 Regions interested in road rally programs. He has contacted the Regional Executive or Rally Director in each Region. In Chattanooga, Mark Johnson is willing to help. In Old Dominion, the RE is looking for help in creating a road rally email distribution. Peter suggested that they download their Region’s member list and look for interest flags. Jim Crittenden suggested connecting Dave Head with Mark Sanetrik (the RE).
  - c. Wendy – training videos – she has received no update from Mark Johnson, and needs to follow up with him.
  - Ft Wayne needs a Safety Steward for a rally at end of May; Mike B will take care of it
  - e. Mike - fine tune TSD safety steward manual – has given Peter feedback and a few suggestions.
    - Write script for safety steward video - waiting on Wendy and Mark.
    - Investigate Detroit Region USRRC possibility – see Executive Session minutes.
  - d. Clyde – starter materials for new rallymasters – he still need to get the 2-page General Instructions to Brian, and needs to fix a couple of links that point to the same document but shouldn’t.
- New Business
  - a. Rule change proposals – the deadline is 6/30/19. Jim Crittenden noted that only a few suggestions have come in so far.
  - b. Publicizing the GPS format – Earl suggested putting something in *SportsCar* soon. Jim Crittenden said Rick Beattie wants to wait until three rallies have taken place. But, with the current rally schedule and magazine lead time, an article would not be published until November. Jeff

Zurschmeide stated that an article for general publication is in-progress. Jim Crittenden will talk to Rick Beattie about moving up his article.

- c. Wendy stated that final prechecks for the Indy Region National/Divisional are planned for this weekend. She expects the events will be fun for competitors.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm CDT

Next meeting via conference call on July 11.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Bennett for

Jeanne English,

Secretary