

SCCA Road Rally Board  
Thursday, October 10, 2019

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

Those present: Jim Crittenden, Mike Bennett, Peter Schneider, Wendy Harrison, Clyde Heckler, Mike Thompson (NEC Co-chairman), Jim Wakemen (NEC Co-chairman), Brian Harmer (National Office), Mike King (National Office), Jeanne English (secretary). Not present: Earl Hurlbut (BOD liaison), Jeff Zurschmeide (BOD liaison). Jim asked Mike King, new director of Rally/Solo, to introduce himself, he said he is "here for you guys", feel free to ask him questions, his email is [mking@scca.com](mailto:mking@scca.com).

- Approval of minutes – stand as amended
- Road Rally Media
  - a. Planning calendar - last published September 17, 2019. Thank you Jeanne. Another one soon, will include 2020 events
  - b. RReNewsletter – Text "roadrally" to 22828 to subscribe. Thank you Cheryl. New one just published.
- SCCA Staff Report – Brian – nothing to report
- NEC report – Mike Thompson and Jim Wakemen, Sr.
  - Jim W - need to get started on items for 2021, like the RRRs need to acknowledge use of new timing apps; put together list of commonly used exceptions, for rallymasters, put the list at back of generals; list of 2020 liaisons, checklist of when things need to get done; NEC wants sanction exceptions 60 days prior to event, not with early sanction app.
- Old Business
  - a. Jim - deploy Richta GPS checkpoint system – continues to do well and be well received; Apple rallymaster app coming in maybe 4 or 5 months
  - b. Peter - sent out certified letters to RRSSs with no emails, 3 replied, 3 others no response those licenses will be suspended; now have emails for 11 of 14 w/no emails
  - c. Wendy - training videos; not heard from Mark recently, he asked about Learning Module System but SCCA's will not be ready for a while; waiting to hear from Mark E Johnson about who is doing outline and module (Mark or Wendy); Mike B still available to help
  - d. Mike - USRRC 2020 – new info – not sent in sanction yet, but intent is to do it in October; Jim C asked about a formal proposal from Detroit Region, it was sent out June 14, Mike B read it out loud tonight; need to nail down third event; good committee/workers; NEC Mike T and Jim W say it sounds good. Jim W suggested approving now to let committee know and also to start letting rally community know that the USRRC is back for 2020. Jim suggested letting the committee know that some contestants will be using rental cars  
*Mike B – motion to accept Detroit Region proposal for 2020 USRRC, passed unanimously 5-0*
  - e. Clyde - sanction issues – the new sanction form has a \$250 late fee for submitting the application late, Clyde sent an email to sanction department to verify the fee and asking why. Jamie responded that the fee is correct and there are several reasons for it; primary is that they felt that \$25 (former late fee) is not a deterrent to repeat offenders; being late puts a heavy burden on sanction dept; it is the same fee as other programs. Clyde also asked about the region paying insurance deductibles, Jamie said this does not really apply to road rally. Jamie said sanctioning of events is the same amount of work for all SCCA events, that road rally is not any less work. 2019 due dates for sanction apps has not changed: 14 days for regionals, 45 days for divisionals, and 90 days for nationals. Brian says he thinks the late fee penalty should be 14 days for all events; he will talk to HQ people to see if it can be changed back to 14 days. Mike K says \$250 not set in stone, but is an effort to cut down on late application submissions; it can be waived for good reason.
  - f. Convention seminars – SCCA has accepted our proposals and they are on the SCCA spreadsheet, waiting to see final schedule
  - g. Chattooga Trek had 27 cars and was well received, it seemed to spark rally interest
- New Business
  - a. 2020 rule change proposals - discussion and decision on proposals 4, 5, and 6 – see list of proposals below (proposals 1, 2, and 3 were voted on last month; proposal 7 is rejected)
  - b. Listing of National events on Sports Car wall calendar. Deadline is mid-November to submit events for the calendar.

## SCCA RoadRally rule change proposals for 2020

1. Change the first sentence of the Protection MRD to the following.  
Protection – the main road, as determined by this determinant, is that single road leaving the intersection that has neither a stop sign nor a yield sign at that intersection.  
Reason: This is a simple grammatical correction that will have no effect on current practice.  
*Motion: accept this proposal as stated; passes 4-0*
2. Remove the 9 month advance notice requirement for “new” rally committees for sanctioning a Championship rally.  
Reason: There is no need for this extra time.  
The NEC has taken over this responsibility, to make sure a new committee gets things done, do not need 9 month lead time. *Motion: accept this proposal as stated; passes 4-0*
3. Remove the definition of ‘Blinker’ from the Glossary of the RRRs.  
Reason: There is some ambiguity in the current definition that has caused confusion in at least one rally. NEC – so many new devices are blinking, it causes confusion, let individual committee define if they want to use it.  
*Motion: accept this proposal as stated Fail 3-0-A*
4. Change the Protection MRD to the following: (changes are in red text)  
Protection- the main road, as determined by this determinant, is that single road leaving the intersection having neither a stop sign nor a yield sign at that intersection. **The presence or absence of stop and yield signs positioned on small triangles/deltas/turn pockets at intersections of 4 or more roads are not to be considered in determining the main road by using the Protection MRD. The presence or absence of stop and yield signs at intersections of 3 roads (Ts, Ys and sideroads) that contain small triangles/deltas/turn pockets may be used to determine the main road by using the Protection MRD. Turn pockets are small auxiliary roads at intersections used to make right turns.** Contestants are required to recognize (possibly from the backside) the stop signs and/or yield signs.  
*Motion to accept this proposal with the change in wording Fail 5-0*
5. Add the following to Article 24C (Approved Main Road Determinants)  
Some road configurations contain a nonpaved area within the boundaries of the roads. These areas are commonly known as triangle/ delta and/or turn pocket. For all purposes of determining the correct course through these road configurations, these road configurations are either a single intersection or multiple intersections as determined by their size. If all sides of the Triangle/Delta are approximately equal to or less than 100 feet, then the road configuration is a single intersection. If at least one side of the Triangle/Delta is greater than approximately 100 feet then the road configuration consists of multiple intersections. The intersections defined as T in Article 27, "Glossary," or Diagramed as a T in Article 27, "Diagrams of Intersections," are T intersections and thus are single intersections. Traps based on the size of these road configurations are not permitted.  
*Motion to accept as stated Fail 5-0*
6. Add to the definition of Protection MRD:  
If contestants will have to apply the Protection MRD at a delta, triangle, or turn pocket intersection, the event's GIs must clearly explain how the Protection MRD is to be applied at that type of intersection.  
*Motion: accept this proposal as stated Pass 5-0*
7. Count all Regional rallies as Championship rallies.  
*Decision – reject this proposal*

Meeting adjourned at 9:23 pm CDT  
Next meeting via conference call on November 14, 2019.  
Respectfully submitted,  
Jeanne English,  
Secretary