

SCCA Road Rally Board Meeting
Thursday, June 11, 2020

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

Attendees: Jim Crittenden, Mike Bennett, Wendy Harrison, Clyde Heckler, Peter Schneider, Mike Thompson (NEC), Larry Scholnick (SoPac DRRS), John Poulos (SW DRRS), Chris Albin (BOD Liaison), Jeff Zurschmeide (BOD Liaison), Jeanne English, secretary; not present: Jim Wakemen (NEC), Brian Harmer (National Office)

- Approval of May minutes – stand as published
- Road Rally Media
 - a. Planning calendar - last published 6/2/2020. Thank you Jeanne. New one tomorrow
 - b. RReNewsletter – Text “roadrally” to 22828 to subscribe. Thank you Cheryl.
- SCCA Staff Report – Brian Harmer. Not here, no report
- NEC Report – Mike T -- Series stands as published. Jim W – update on rules proposals re GPS time allowances and changing the definition of control slightly, currently says ‘defined by an SCCA sign’
- Old Business
 - a. Wendy – training videos, request for funding. – did not hear back from Heyward Wagner other than ‘looks OK to me’; Jim C asked Jeff and Chris about funding, Jeff asked about the final numbers and said that Heyward will put it in as a line item of the budget, it does not have to go to the BOD for approval. Wendy sent the video dialogue sent to the DRRSs, got no responses; she also sent it to Mark E Johnson and Clarence Westburg. Clarence pointed out that nothing in the video addresses GPS controls, needs to be added; Jim C said that we do want the video to address GPS controls and how they allow more variations. Wendy said that Mark thought the scripting of conversations might not work and he suggested having overview comments of in-car video, for example show the various kinds of controls, i.e. open, DIYC, passage GPS; Wendy will redo the control part of the video and send it out.
 - b. Peter - update on task list. – sent it out to all on June 2, look at tab for updated items; since last meeting 8 closed, 48 open (4 more closed by Rich Bireta today); 6 oldest and 3 newest items – communications, sees as periodic notifications; modernization of training, putting into LMS; getting Larry S his Safety Steward Instructor license (being done as we speak), Paul Eklund needs to get his RRSS license; 3 newest: Clyde, writing an article about why someone should join SCCA, he heard back from Aimee Thoennes that the marketing staff working on it but on hold because of COVID-19; notification that “starter kit” available, Jim and Clyde, and NEC expenses for convention; some task items came and went in same month, i.e. correct list of DRRS, (see email from Peter); Eric Salminen got inquiry from Robin DeMattia in Florida about rally. See below for current updates to Task List.
 - c. RRB mission: More regions, more rallies, more contestants, and more members. More ideas for implementation? Jim C- for the rest of year focus should be on getting rallies back up and running again after all the cancellations and postponements; he sent out the SCCA guidelines, will go over this again in next community email (in next few days); must adhere to local restrictions. Wendy is going to use Speedwaiver (see second item in New Business below), will let us know how it goes.

- New Business
 - a. Community email – share COVID-19 guidelines, new one in next few days continue to address how we put on rallies in the new environment.
 - b. Electronic waiver now available on MSReg. – K&K agreed to allow use of Speedwaiver electronic waiver, \$29 for up to 125 people; plus \$5 per month after to 'keep the account open', may waive \$5 every other month if no new waivers in a month; Jim C said it seems like more trouble than it's worth; another option is to get an annual waiver from SCCA, easy to do
 - c. Rule change proposals – have 4 proposals, 3 from NEC all relate to GPS checkpoints, 4th saying cannot run in airplane mode for GPS controls
 - d. Trek – Clyde – need to make changes to RRRs for Trek rules?, lots of disagreement in NEC meeting; need to submit sanction app, as a regional rally; RRRs – Appendix A – need to adapt for Treks, mention that RRRs don't apply to Treks, relatively few changes to RRRs needed, Clyde will write it up, especially in Article 1, collaborating with Mike T

Meeting adjourned at 8:47 pm CDT

Next meeting via conference call July 9, 2020

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne English, secretary

Task List Updated from the June RRB Meeting

Develop an Email Communication Strategy from January 2017 RRB Meeting (Task 201719) – Rich Bireta developed a RRB recurring Activities Calendar which was not carried over by the next RRB Chair. This Activity Calendar was added to the Task List Spreadsheet and should be referenced at the monthly RRB Meeting. This item can be closed

Safety Steward Program - Modernize/On-line training - LMS Training (Just In Time Training Software - RRSS Training/Testing) from the January 2017 RRB Meeting (Task 201722) – Peter Schneider received an update from R. Robbins May 21: Just a quick update on the LMS. Before the COVID-19 issue – which has changed the way we do business, but also makes an online LMS even more attractive – became fully known, Aimee and the IT Team had been updating and upgrading our Association Management Software (AMS), to improve our online Member Experience. The rework required process changes and programming rewrites, which were completed and rolled-out as our new Member Account Portal officially in late January. The final upgrade of the AMS to the latest version was completed the day before we furloughed half of our staff toward the end of March. The LMS integration had to wait until the AMS was fully updated and upgraded. Our LMS partner, Freestone, was chosen based on their capabilities and ease of integration with our AMS, NetFORUM. Our integration officially began May 1 and should take 12 weeks, scheduled to be complete on June 30. Even before the integration began, we'd been busy identifying our first population for receiving training, developing our plan to roll out the first course, and building the course for execution. That first course should be ready for testing in June and consumption July 1, 2020. Though our original plan was pushed back by approximately three months, we believe we'll make up that time as we get more courses ready to roll out and we should be back where we planned by the end of 2020. Safety Steward training is in that first round to be developed post integration.

NEC will be working on a Checklist of Committee responsibilities from the November 2017 RRB Meeting (Task 201737). On May 27, 2020 - M. Thompson agreed to dust this off and refocus on this task. Initially Mike T. feels that the "RR Rules Committee" should be merged into the NEC.

Updated RRSS Video from the January 2018 RRB Meeting (Task 201804) Wendy H distributed an expanded script to the RRB in May for comments. At the June RRB Meeting Pete S. suggested that Wendy share the draft script with the DRRS for input and she agreed.

Revised National claim forms from the April 2018 RRB meeting (Task201813) Per Jim C. as of June 2, 2020 no changes are required, this task can be closed.

The RRB received an inquiry from Greg Stewart, of Orbiter (an RFID supply company) to put on a rally from Dawson Creek, BC, to Delta Junction, AK, a distance of 1300 miles from the August 2018 RRB Meeting. Per Jim C. on June 2, he suggested that Greg Stewart work with the Richta App in order to develop an event and that the RRB could advise, Greg Stewart has not responded, this item can be closed.

Distributing the Trek rules for community input for 2020 review cycle from the July 2019 RRB Meeting. A Letter was sent out to the rally community on May 24, 2020 requesting input to changes to the Trek Rules. – This item can be closed.

Regional Development – Mississippi, per carry over from the 2018 K Poole RE Survey and reviewed at the September RRB Meeting (Task 201906-21), Per Rich Bireta on June 11, 2020 - Mississippi has been non-responsive to Rich's emails - Per Rich this item can be closed

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Regional Development – Nebraska, per carry over from the 2018 K Poole RE Survey and reviewed at the September RRB Meeting (Task 201906-21), Per Rich Bireta on June 11, 2020 - The Nebraska Region RE (Steve Ducharme) stated via email that ..the Region had an active road rally program for decades, but in recent years interest has flagged, possibly due to the popularity of Autocross. We bring it up to the membership occasionally, few have expressed interest. Your message reminds me that this is perhaps a good time to revisit it, as we have many younger members who have never had a chance to experience one. In the meantime, I would certainly be happy to help promote nearby RoadRallies to our members. We try to keep in touch with neighboring regions, but lately that has been mostly about Autocross, Rallycross, and Club Racing.

Regional Development – Oklahoma, per carry over from the 2018 K Poole RE Survey and reviewed at the September RRB Meeting (Task 201906-21), Per Rich Bireta on June 11, 2020 Oklahoma has an experienced National competitor - Jim Duea. Jim has put on an event in OKC and assisted Tulsa (NE Oklahoma Region) with their event. Sadly, the NE Oklahoma rally spark plug, Garry Deaton, passed away last week. Since the Region as a local resource to put on a rally, and Rich B. is willing to assist this item can be closed

Regional Development – Wichita, per carry over from the 2018 K Poole RE Survey and reviewed at the September RRB Meeting (Task 201906-21), Per Rich Bireta on June 11, 2020 - - Wichita has an experienced rally organizer, Bruce Bettinger. I know Bruce well and we spoke earlier this year at the convention. He knows how to contact me when he needs to. Since the Region as a local resource to put on a rally, and Rich B. is willing to assist this item can be closed

Develop - Financial Co-Hosting Guidelines from the December 2019 RRB Meeting (Task 201928). The Final version of the Guidelines were approved at the May RRB Meeting and posted on the Website on May 21, 2020. This Item can be closed.

Update/correction to the RRB Membership List on my.scca.com as noted by Peter Schneider in April (Task 202014), the website contained a list of 27+ prior RRB members, Brain Harmer updated the link and it now only shows current members. This Item can be closed.

Website Development/Updates – Per the May RRB Meeting, add the Trek Overview to the "What is RoadRally" Section and create a Trek Header on the Rules and Document WebPage (Task 202015). This was completed on May 21, 2020 and this item can be closed.

Request for assistance in working with a non-profit organization that is interested in presenting a road rally in Southwest Florida, she contact the Washington DC Region for assistance (Task 202016) - On May 15th, Eric Salminen (RRSS - DC Region) was contact by Robin DeMattia <robin@robindemattia.com> asked for assistance in working with a non-profit organization that is interested in presenting a road rally in Southwest Florida. Possibly a timed rally, though we are also considering a scavenger hunt style and was looking for an experienced rally masters who live anywhere from Tampa south on the west coast of Florida or in the Miami/Ft. Lauderdale area. Peter S. supplied two names (Bob Ricker & Jake Engstrom), June 2, 2020 -Peter S. spoke with Eric S. who will follow-up with Robin DeMattia