

Monday, July 10, 2023
7:00pm,

ZOOM

Texas Region SCCA Monthly Meeting

Regional Executive—
Matt Lucas

AREs—
Ron Bashor (Asst Race), Danny Bullard, Sam Graff (Street Survival), Taylor Burnidge, David Powers, John Poulos, Sitara Wilson (not in attendance)

Directors—
Paul May, Bob Neff, Phil Osborne, Sue Anne Rische, Ethan Wiseley, Open, Open

Officers—
Sherrie Ledbetter (not in attendance), Misty Wiseley

Guests— Nolan Eberl-Cole (Time Trials Board and Hagerty)

Meeting Open 7:02pm

Motion to approve June meeting minutes by Phil Osbourne and seconded by Ethan Wiseley. Unanimous approval.

Occasional Zoom vs In Person— Considering a mix of zoom and in person meetings concept.

Logos, Sue Anne— Will discuss at next meeting. She'll get them out to everyone before meeting.

What's Happening?!— Matt Lucas

Solo Nationals— Matt signed up day of and is on waitlist. It sold out in 4 hours.

Trailer Storage— seems safe and secured with a rent increase of a curious amount we are not privy to.

Divisional Convention— Huge topic/push from Topeka for divisions to hold conventions. Matt is curious if it would be smart to go into it small so the work does not fall on 2 people. Potentially a 1-day event. John P is familiar with divisional conventions, and they are scaled down national, in-person conventions.

Bob says these would be a supplement to the national convention assuming nationals stays virtual. Ethan is curious if it would be a good time for certain types of training? Topeka states they will put money towards it, along with support staff. It would be difficult in our division due to

SowDiv being Road Race only oriented. Nolan has a ton of experience with watching all of the clubs... and how to help other groups grow via what works well vs not. Matt is worried more about participation versus content. They want the division to do it... but Matt was the only person in our division to respond.

BoD Nomination— Taylor has nominated Nolan Eberl-Cole to be an official board member. Ethan seconded that nomination. The board voted via the private chat to Matt. Unanimous approval by all board members.

Financials— Unreported income Matt to discuss with Sherrie. Race program and membership have us looking good. Banquet winner claimed the \$1000 free tires. **Have the entrants that caused the issues at the Time Trials paid their bills for the issues?** Taylor is curious of the expenses and now that he is well, he is ready to learn what happened there. Potentially waiting on merch money to be transferred in TT. “Merch is an excellent investment to the engagement of the community” said Eberl-Cole.

We need a system to immediately charge driver error fees when it happens rather than wait. Costs need to be agreed upon and taken care of on-site. Bullard mentioned a release form signed by individual, ECR, and our region.

Discipline Updates:

John Poulos / RoadRally Update— August 12th holds the Tick Tock TSD Rally has been slated with rally school. Will try a FB ad for the first time. John would be interested to share rally experience to the division convention.

Sitara / Road Racing Update— Huge success was the last event. No immediate events.

David Powers / Solo Update— No events in June. Next event is at LSP on July 23rd. Planning with Brian Fipps, the Solo Chair for OK, on not overlapping events. Frederick has opportunity. National Tour in Frederick in on opposite side in October of this year. Good news overall on how Frederick could evolve.

Taylor Burnage / Time Trials Update—

Event in June ran smoothly even though Taylor was out sick. Was one of the best events in ages and had to break up to 3 heats. More deeply looking at the financials, detailed granular look. Matt has ideas and problem solving them. Event on ECR long course; entries are light at 50, but there is hope with Rachel’s social media event posts. Matt states, it is difficult to have an event without Taylor, and Nolan seconds that. Everyone did well stepping up, but Taylor is a Godsend when present.

Sam Graff / Street Survival—

Waiting for school to open to do anything with site. Did get new banners. Waiting till early August 7th-ish to know more... ton of people on the waitlist. Hagerty is ready to step up to help. Ethan is ready and Misty has a nephew and his friend chomping at the bit to attend the late fall event. Perhaps Jan/Feb for a second event in 2024 if there are people waitlisted.

Danny Bullard / Membership Update—

Bad news, lol, peaked out and down to 1199 from 1203 members.

Round Table:

Bob Neff— On that front... leading American Sedan in Southern Conference is Sam Daniels. Any updates on photographers for the July TT event? Nolan is having lunch with a professional photographer that has moved here from Colorado. Scarlett will be there, Jim Bunch is out of town, but an entrant wants to have his own photographer. That photographer will need a regular SCCA membership and be identified as a race team member in order to be covered under the SCCA insurance. Insurance needs to be discussed more thoroughly with the new rules that are now involved. Minimum insurance requirements. "Lens glint from a photographer that causes an incident is a real thing," says Nolan.

Nolan Eberl-Cole— Came from Colorado region TT and driver's education. Driver education is a missing link here at this time.

Ron Bashor— Nolan is an excellent addition with his fresh input, drive, and knowledge.

Taylor— Let me know if you see any website issues? Anyone competent in web design that would be able to take this position over so he can focus on TT? It is set up impeccably.

Danny— Glad to have Nolan. Danny may be interested in taking over the website for Taylor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:32pm.

Next meeting August 7th, 2023 at 7pm, BWC.