

Texas Region SCCA Monthly Meeting Minutes

Monday, September 9, 2024
7:00 PM on Zoom

Regional Executive

Matt Lucas

AREs

Ron Bashor (Asst. Race), Jason McCall and Debbie Carey (Street Survival) – both not present, Taylor Burnidge (Time Trials), David Powers (Solo), John Poulos (Rally), Sitara Wilson (Race)

Directors (4 is a Quorum)

Nolan Eberl-Coe – not present, Paul May (Chairman), Bob Neff, Sue Anne Rische, Ethan Wiseley, Art Tapley, Tammi Enriken

Officers

Sherrie Ledbetter (Treasurer), Danny Bullard (Secretary)

Guests

Phil Osborne
Buck Enriken
Misty Wiseley

Meeting Opened at 7:06 PM

New Attendees

- No new attendees.

Minutes – Tammi moved to approve the August minutes; Ethan seconded the motion – minutes approved.

What's Happening?! — Matt Lucas

- Discussion after the last race regarding the paying of workers. Quite a few are crossing the threshold for filing a W-9 and a 1099 at the end of the year. Sitara recommended issuing a W-9 prior to paying the worker. Sherrie remarked that Quickbooks can issue a 1099. Art questioned if gas cards were considered part of that threshold. Matt replied that the gas cards are considered a reimbursement (not compensation). Matt wondered about trailer tow reimbursement. Bob replied that this was also considered reimbursement. Sitara added that any (trailer tow) reimbursement should be reimbursed based upon IRS mileage. Sherrie remarked that this is not a big deal as long as we get the information. However, we need to account for workers doing both Road Race and Time Trials (combined compensation).

- Banquet – Tammi is proposing the first Saturday of February (2/1/25). Lone Star Park as the venue offers a reasonable cost. We should have an SCCA backdrop for trophy presentations. Sitara said the NOLA race might be a conflict. She also added that having the banquet on that date would be a problem as we will be two races into the new season making it awkward – some won't attend. Tammi said we need to hear from Sitara regarding a race conflict for that date as soon as she knows. Sitara said she should know this week. Matt “considered it blessed.”
- Trailer Insurance – Tammi yielded the floor to Bob who described (with photos) his encounter with a semi tractor trailer damaging the Time Trial trailer. The semi admitted fault. He is now waiting to hear from the semi's insurance company. Nevertheless, Tammi was asked to add the 4th trailer (Tech). The premium for all 4 trailers was \$1,917 with deductibles of \$1,000 per incident and \$500 for a combined event. There is a \$250 fee for AMWINS each year. The premiums per trailer are:
 - Race = \$249
 - Tech (for Race) = \$441
 - Solo = \$786
 - Time Trials = \$441

Tammi continued by stating that the coverage is only Comprehensive Coverage, while Collision follows the vehicle towing the trailer. The big issue – theft – is covered under Comprehensive Coverage. Bob questioned if this was really worthwhile while Taylor questioned the calculations for the values of the trailers – seemed like more than they are worth. Sitara mentioned that the cost for the Time Trails trailer should be shared with Road Race as they use it as well. Bob recommended that we move forward (purchasing the insurance) as long as the ARE's recommend it. Various discussions ensued, mostly about Actual Cash Value, Replacement Cost, and coverage for contents in the trailers. Sitara advocates covering the Tech Trailer. Art disagreed. Sitara countered that trailers cost twice as much to replace these days and that there are 30 fire extinguishers plus cones (very costly to replace). Paul remarked that the scales are worth \$4,000. David said he would follow the Board of Directors' recommendation. Taylor is against purchasing the insurance. Bob reiterated that we move forward (purchasing the insurance) as long as the ARE's recommend it. Bob moved for a motion to drop the Time Trials trailer from the insurance. Ethan seconded. Sitara said she's okay with moving forward if the resulting premium was less than \$1,600. Bob moved to confirm Sitara's opinion and Art seconded.

October Meeting - Matt will not be able to attend and he wants to push the deadline for nominations to the 14th of October.

Treasurer's Report – Sherrie

Same as before, this month's report has income that didn't match with the expenses. It looks like a hefty loss. We still have not seen the contribution from National Headquarters (NHQ) for Street Survival. The August Race is showing expenses (\$30K) but none of the income. Matt remarked that the site registration fee for Frederick (Solo) event is not shown as paid. Sherrie will get it paid. Bob asked if the Time Trials August 10th event income is being shown. Also, are

we missing income from Cresson (Time Trials event). Taylor confirmed that it is not adding up, including track rental costs at Cresson, Sherrie will investigate.

Discipline Updates

Rally (John Poulos)

- Planning one more event – the Book Run – for 11/9/24 or 12/7/24 as a TSD Rally. It will be the final event of the season.
- Also wants to include a trek (non-competitive drive) to conclude at Eagles Canyon Raceway (ECR). It was discussed that this was not doable to have even parade laps. Bob mentioned that concluding at a Road Race event can be done, but requires advance planning. Sitara added that it would be doable as long as it's written into the schedule and included in the Supplemental Regulations for the race event.

Road Race (Sitara Wilson)

- The last event, all went well. There were a lot of misbehaving drivers. We should break even on the income/costs. Some competitors never raced on that track – drivers from outside the Region trying to get points for Run-Offs. We had one rollover and a couple of car fires.

Solo (David Powers)

- No Solo event since the last meeting – nothing to cover.

Time Trials (Taylor Burnidge)

- No Time Trial event since the last meeting.
- Should net a considerable profit from the Cresson event.
- Looking at a Nationals event at ECR and a Hallett event for 2025.

Street Survival (Matt Lucas)

Tentatively, the next event is set for around May 1st in 2025.

Membership (Matt Lucas)

- Still looking for a Membership chairperson.

Roundtable

Phil - the Solo nationals was a lot of fun / a good overall event. Matt added that there were 1,300 drivers.

Paul – Track Night in America on 9/17/24 on the 3.1 mile circuit at Cresson.

Bob – The Region had 26 entries – lower than the historic norm. However, 5 finished in the top 10. There was excessive alcohol consumption at the event.

Ron – Applauded Sitara doing another great job at the last Race event!

Taylor – When complete, he'll send web pages for award nominations.

No other comments during the roundtable.

Matt - The next meeting will be October 14th in person at the Black Walnut Café. Also the same in November.

The meeting adjourned at 8:53 PM.