

Texas Region SCCA Monthly Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 14, 2024
7:00 PM at the Black Walnut Cafe

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) – not present

Directors (4 is a Quorum)

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

Officers

Sherrie Ledbetter (Treasurer), Danny Bullard (Secretary)

Guests

Buck Enriken
Misty Wiseley
Linda Cardenas
David Burke

Meeting Opened at 7:05 PM

It was established that we have a quorum.

New Attendees

- No new attendees.

Minutes – Nolan moved to approve the September minutes; Ethan seconded the motion – minutes approved.

What's Happening?! — Matt Lucas

- Phil Osbourne passing – His service is scheduled for Monday the 21st at Temple Baptist in Flower Mound at 10:00 AM. Visitation is at 10:00 AM with the funeral at noon. Dawn Stokes wants a celebration of life at Texas Motor Speedway sometime between Thanksgiving and Christmas.
- Trailer Insurance – Tammi announced the insurance policy has been received and covers the two Race trailers. Bob mentioned that the Bylaws require that the Region

Secretary maintain a copy of that policy. Tammi responded that she would email a copy to Danny.

Runoffs Reports – Matt, Bob, and Paul

Paul reported that there was **a lot** of Pace Car activity. There were two serious injuries with both drivers recovering. Lou Gigliotti took a big hit into the wall. He's back in Texas with cracked ribs and his car destroyed. There was a 2nd Place finish for a Texas Region member. In GT2, John Attwell was taken out. People were overdriving during test days, likely due to the new resurface of the track. There were 15-20 cars lost within the 10-day period. Bob mentioned that there were clearly cars/drivers that were on track that had no business being out there.

Presentation of Nominees

The Nominees are:

- Paul May – Board of Directors
- Bob Neff – Treasurer
- Nolan Eberl-Coe – Regional Executive

Bob added that the Board of Directors must fulfill the role of the Secretary if not filled within 90 days of expiration. And even though nobody is opposed, we still must conduct the elections. Tonight is the cutoff for nominations.

Treasurer's Report – Sherrie

All of the Road Race items from August are in and the event had a positive cash flow.

Still waiting on \$3,500 for Street Survival from National. Bob recommended that we reach out to Aimee Thoennes (Director, Member Services). However, we're nicely cash flow positive overall. Bob mentioned that we always lose money on Eagles Canyon Raceway events. David mentioned the charge for the Frederick Solo event has been paid.

Discipline Updates

Rally (John Poulos)

This was a "minimalist" year. However, he has a planned December 7th Book Run Rally to wrap up the season. There is a calendar item in MotorsportReg.com.

He needs a Rally Master and they're not easy to recruit. He's not sure what will happen next year.

Road Race (Bob Neff)

The schedule has been published for 2025.

There is no longer a Divisional path to the Runoffs. However, SCCA Majors events will still provide a path to qualify for the Runoffs.

The first race in December is the first race for the 2025 season. The Supps for this event have been approved by the Executive Steward, but not yet by the Road Race Department.

The Super Tour schedule has been set for 2025.

Sitara will not chair the Super Tour event in New Orleans in 2025.

Solo (David)

Looking at the 2025 schedule. There is a new person at Lone Star Park as our contact.

At our last Solo event, we had 133 registered.

Last weekend was the UTA FSAE event and there were 100 more entrants than last year with 40 teams competing.

Next events are:

October 27th at Lone Star Park.

November 24th at Lone Star Park. This is a charity event.

Looking at sites already for 2025. Texas State Technical College Airport is a likely candidate. He might call on Tammi and her site committee to assist,

Time Trials (Taylor)

Saturday's 3.1 at MSR event - registrations look good. Almost sold out in the Novice group.

Trying to get a Nationals event.

Bob related that according to what he's heard from Executive Stewards across the country, the Texas Region has **the** premier Time Trials program in the country!

Membership (Matt)

Membership continues to stay above 1,100 members

Roundtable

Taylor said he will get the nomination forms on the website next week.

Nolan said he went to a CVAR event and a NASA event and made him realize he was really happy for what we do.

Tammi mentioned that the Awards Banquet is scheduled for 2/1/25 at Lone Star Park and prices have gone up.

David Burke (from F&C) wanted to discuss the Labor Day Race and wanted to get any further thoughts from the officials. On the Test Day a car flipped over in Wagon Wheel due to contact with another car. The session should have been red flagged with Medical teams, crash trucks and fire trucks scrambled. He felt that the Stewards had become complacent. Later, during a race session, a car went off and caught fire. A miscommunication between Stewards and F&C combined to create a problem. He did say he was grateful for Mike Vandement taking over F&C for the Region.

Ron mentioned that Texas Motor Speedway is no longer an option as a site as it is grossly overpriced.

Bob reminded everyone that the Area Director election is coming up and that we need to vote! The Area Director is responsible for almost all that happens in our area.

Matt made a final request to the nominees to submit a quick paragraph of a bio and why we need to vote for you.

Next meeting will be in person at Black Walnut Café and will be the legally-required Annual Meeting.

No other comments during the roundtable.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.