Minutes of 2009 BOG Meeting

Items in Blue impact the 2010 Rulebook

Dec 17, 2009

1. CRS Rallycross Championship

- Class Names: Due to confusion between the CRS class names and the class names in other championships it was decided to revert back to the 2008 CRS class names. For 2010 the CRS Rallycross class names will be Street Stock 2wd (SS2), Street Stock 4wd (SS4), Street Modified 2wd (SM2), Street Modified 4wd (SM4), Rally 2wd (R2) and Rally 4wd (R4).
- To try to improve participation in the CRS North Region RX Championship, Michel Hoche-Mong will work with Amy Bakchis to find someone to be Amy's assistant for CRS RX membership at the Northern CRS Rallycross events.
- To reduce travel costs for competitors and simplify the calculation of championship points, "Out of Region" replacement points will be eliminated from the rules.
- Mike Malsed took an action to get photos of competitors for the year end RX awards to Paula by Jan 7.
- It was decided to combine the jobs of RX Equipment Manager and RX Points Keeper into those of the RX Liaison.
- The 2010 calendar looks good for the South Region, but a bit lean for the North Region. It should be noted that at the beginning of the year (2010) we need a minimum of 2 venues and four events in both the North and South Regions to have dual (North & South) RX Championships. Mike & Phil will be working to see if we can meet this requirement in the North Region by early Jan, so that we can have two championships for 2010. Currently the 2010 CRS RX events are as listed below.
 - North: Prairie City (3), Fresno ?, Thunderhill ?
 - South: Ridgecrest (1), Glen Helen (3), Johnson Valley (?), Lake Elsinore (?)

2. Rally & RX Membership

- There was discussion of the possibility of having a two tier CRS membership, where a RX membership would cost less than a Rally membership. Mike G took an action to do a budget analysis to assess the pros and cons of this approach. If this approach is feasible and the BOG decides to try it, implementation would be in Oct 2010.
- There was a discussion of questions that many competitors have about how CRS works and where the money goes. It was decided to develop a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document, which could be put on the Web site or printed to hand out as needed. Paula, Kris, Christine, Michel and Mike G will be on a committee to develop such a document.
- A "How did you hear about CRS" area will be added to the CRS membership form. Christine will do the update to the form and Mike will make the necessary changes to the online form.

3. Treasurer

• The treasurer will be taking on the role of getting payment for Ads in the CRS Rulebook as well as those ads on the CRS Web Site.

4. Director

• For 2010 we will have the following new BOG officers

- RX Liaison Phil Stewart-Jones
- Press Liaison Erik Christiansen
- Dick Moser took an action to suggest more descriptive names for some of the BOG officers. This needs to be done by Jan 1 to have time for BOG discussion and approval before the rule book goes to print.

5. Webmaster

- Michel and Ray indicated that there seems to be some confusion concerning the site hosting our web site. Paula took an action to call Steve Bender and figure out what the status is.
- There was a discussion about including Google ads in the CRS web page. Michel agreed to do some work to determine what our volume is which could then be used to estimate whether this would be worth the trouble and inconvenience.

6. Marketing & Press

• Erik Christiansen and Dick Moser will be working on a marketing plan for CRS which may include a brochure, a downloadable poster (PDF), rally car ridealongs at Rallycross events as well as other promotional activities. Anyone interested in helping should contact Erik.

7. Rulebook

- It was decided to order 1,000 copies of the rulebook for 2010.
- It was decided to clarify (with a table) what is meant by awarding trophies to the third of the competitors in each CRS class. Since this will impact all of the rally organizers it was decided to defer the decision as to where the splits should be, to the BOG email group so all rally organizers can participate.
- It was decided to clarify who gets awards for CRS classes at events and why. Mike and Paula will develop the text.
- Christine and Mike will **reword the Membership area** of the rulebook to bring it more in alignment with the text on the membership application.

8. Banquet plans

- The year end awards banquet will be on Jan 23, 2009 at Maggie's Pub (same location as last year).
- Dick is planning on having a raffle at the banquet this year, and is going to set it up so people put their tickets into the drawing for a specific prize or category of prizes. This way those that win will get something they want.
- Dick would like to invite some of the people who were active in the CRS during the early years to come to the banquet as our guests. Paula, Pat and Ray agreed to develop a list of candidates and contact information. Paula has the minutes from the meeting that formed the CRS and volunteered to see if there are some interesting tidbits in there.
- Christine volunteered to do the "Name that stage" game for this year's banquet.

9. CRS Moto Championship

• It was decided to not make any changes to the CRS Moto Championship for 2010.

• Doug reported that feedback he has received is that entry fees are too high for Moto competitors. If organizers choose to lower their entry fees they will probably get more entries.

10. Rally Championship

- Kris reported on feedback that he has received from competitors.
- There was discussion of how to add competitors' sponsors to the Event Results web pages. It was decided that it would be best to make a separate set of results pages that includes competitors' sponsors. A link to the page with sponsors would then be added to the top of the normal results pages.
- There was discussion about how to properly set the split between CRS-2 and CRS-5. Michel, Kris, Eddie, Erik and Mike G formed a committee to research this issue, with changes (if any) to be implemented in 2011. If you have any input on this question, please contact Mike G.

11. Rally Equipment manager report and needs (Paula Gibeault)

• It was decided to allocate up to \$200 to Michel & Mike for prototyping expenses of a Doppler radar timing system.

12. CSR Rally Calendar for 2010

The following calendar is preliminary but will be finalized by the end of December.

Mar 13, 14	Desert Storm Rally, Blythe, CA (3, 2)
April 17	High Desert Trails Rally, Ridgecrest, CA (2)
May 8	Plan B Rally, Indio, CA (2)
June 4, 5	North Nevada Rally, Lovelock, NV (1, 3)
July 17, 18	Idaho Rally, Boise ID (3, 3)
Aug 28	Gorman Rally, Frasier Park, CA (3)
Oct 1, 2	Prescott Rally, Prescott, AZ (2, 3)
Nov 6 or 13	Seed 9 Rally, Jean, NV (2)

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- June 4, 5 North Nevada Rally, Lovelock, NV (1, 3)
- Aug 28Gorman Rally, Frasier Park, CA (3)
- Oct 1, 2 Prescott Rally, Prescott, AZ (2, 3)