

STEEL CITIES REGION, SCCA

General Membership Meeting June 1st, 2011 at Gene's Last Chance Saloon, Penn Avenue, Pittsburgh

Regional Executive Jim Farrar called the meeting to order at 7:29 PM.

*A Motion (Mike Connolly/Haus) to approve the minutes of the May meeting as corrected passed 12-0-0.*

TREASURER'S REPORT: Beth Anselm

Available upon request...

ACTIVITIES REPORT: Bridget Connolly

7/6/2011 – Monthly membership meeting at Gene's last Chance Saloon on Penn Ave in the Strip District

8/3/2011 – Monthly membership meeting at Gene's last Chance Saloon on Penn Ave in the Strip District

The Wild Things picnic is set for August 13<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$21/person, and we have the hot tub section! Information will be posted to the website soon.

9/7/2011 – Monthly membership meeting at Gene's last Chance Saloon on Penn Ave in the Strip District

10/5/2011 – Monthly membership meeting at Gene's last Chance Saloon on Penn Ave in the Strip District

11/2/2011 – Monthly membership meeting at Gene's last Chance Saloon on Penn Ave in the Strip District

12/7/2011 – Monthly membership meeting at Gene's last Chance Saloon on Penn Ave in the Strip District

Bridget is still working on a picnic in the fall.

The sanction is up on the website and we already have our first entry (per AJ).

MEMBERSHIP: Paula Hawthorne

Reports show we had 376 members last month. There are 5 new members: Byron Hannah II from Pittsburgh 15224, William Handy from Clarksburg WV, Kurtis Emigh from Freeport, Jonathan Morris from Clairton, and Raymond Kronz from Pittsburgh 15215.

Paula is concerned about our high turnover rate. Walt stated that typical large organizations turn over nearly 20% per year, and SCCA National's turnover is even higher than that. We do have over 180 people on our Facebook page.

Paula asked for us to send her information for The Tickler that will go out later this month so that the event dates will be fresh on everybody's minds.

Adam Reichbaum, a friend of AJ, and Mike Nicolella, a friend of Mike Connolly are with us tonight.

Paula is also sending out renewal reminder letters.

Dan McNally was congratulated for 25 years of membership.

Volunteers were recognized – Barry Kaplan, Steve Mortimer, Vicki Ropar and Don Baker all have between 12 and 19 days this year.

ROAD RACING REPORT: AJ Anselm

Motorsportsreg.com is open for our National, we have the sanction, and we are waiting for confirmation that our mailing list was sent.

Please read FasTrack for many changes.

National is seeking volunteers for several advisory committees.

HILLCLIMB REPORT: Ray Colbert

Ray needs a check for \$100 for the Polish Mountain sanction tonight. John wants the event run like last year, so they will front the insurance money.

For the Jefferson Circuit event, we want to split it with Blue Mountain Region while providing the staffing (as we voted in April). Jeremy was to talk to them and they were to provide more financial information for us, but he is not here tonight. They want to do registration – we need a detailed accounting at the end of the event. There were 73 cars at the spring event, and Jeremy's budget is based on 60 cars.

SOLO REPORT: Mark Andy

So far we have held 3 "low-key" BeaveRun events, drawing about 20/20/40 cars each. We make about \$300 at each of these. Interest is high, and we have one new member from this group so far.

We had 47 at our last SCR event and made around \$520. Our next event is this coming weekend, and good weather is expected.

THE PVGP event and the low-key events at BeaveRun were discussed with Bill, and we need to find out what Audi wants to do. There will be a non-points autocross at BeaveRun July 15, open to all. Entry is \$40, and it starts at 4PM.

The PVGP autocross will be a 2-day event, SCCA sanctioned.

The Season Pass system is working well – 7 people have signed up. It saves the driver \$25 per event.

RALLY REPORT: Don Baker

The SCR 24/2 rally, written by Rick Beattie, starts at Panara Bread in Robinson on June 18<sup>th</sup>. Registration is 10-11AM, first car off at noon. It ends in Berkley Springs WV. It is actually half of his 24-hour rally (hence the designation 24/2). Entry fee is \$120, and we need volunteers for 20 passage controls (not checkpoints since the cars don't have to stop).

We had our National Rally 2 weeks back, but there is no info from Chuck's event. Bruce's event had a delayed start and they had to throw out 5 of 24 checkpoints. 7 cars were entered.

TRACK TRIALS REPORT: Jeremy Deitzel

None – Jeremy was absent

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Mike Connolly proposed that Paula's "The Tickler" be renamed "The Drift". Mike made a motion that was not supported and was withdrawn.

The 50/50 drawing awarded \$23 to Chris Granche.

A motion to adjourn (Granche/Bridget Connolly) was approved at 8:20 PM

Respectfully submitted by

Walt Matenkosky, Secretary, Steel Cities Region, SCCA