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Fastrack

- Effective Jan 2015
- Seven pages long due to the significant changes to lots of classes.
- Overview from Steve Hudson http://www.solomatters.com/summary_of_major_rules_changes_for_2015
- No Street R classes except SSR in 2015
- Tire tread wear 200 minimum
- Proposal to change rule for passengers: Must be >= 12 years old or at least 57 inches tall.
- M3 2015 -> AS
- 2015 GTI -> GS
- 2015 WRX -> STX
- STU 2014-2009 WRX
- STC no longer a national class

Treasurer

- Houston SCCA board requested we send extra cash to (\$20K) to Houston account.
- Letter makes it clear that we have paid invoices (trophies and insurance) that they would not send invoices for this last year. As part of the agreement we are considered paid up.
- \$17,672 after outstanding checks in the bank.

Event review double header

- Saturday we only had 50 drivers. We were still in the black because the insurance is cheaper for a double header.
- November 2015 is a double header again. Need a special incentive to get drivers at the double event. Maybe Axis and Allies.

November review

- They were fun courses, except maybe the pin turn on Saturday. Some actually liked the pin turn on day one.
- We had a close call on Sunday with a spin in the finish area. The car got close to the
 grass because of the dirt/dust. We cleaned the line but we should have cleaned the area
 between course and grass where the dump trucks trail was. We blew off that area after
 the spin occurred.
- The event was pretty smooth and everyone got plenty of runs.
- Tweaking and safety drive shared by Zach and Robert.
- Bunch of money from the fun runs was collected which we put into the cash box.

Next event:

- HPA gates open 7:00. Goal is to have course ready for walking 8:00.
- Special skills: tech, safety, timing and setup. Worker chief needs to keep lists of names that are qualified for those categories.
- There is a workers folder with an excel spreadsheet where we can keep track of the specialty workers. Chiefs need to update this spreadsheet
- Daniel will call HPA to inform them we will start at 7:00.
- Lynn needs DB person to handle waivers from 8-9.

Course Review

- Course is too close to fence after the cross over.
- Near the staging lanes, move the course in to stay away from the barrels.
- More fixes on Raymond's copy. Raymond will send revised copy via email with the fixes to the whole committee.

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• Future course reviews are to be done in two stages. First stage is a review two meetings prior to the event. The second stage should be a pretty clean copy for the committee to review one meeting prior to the event for final approval.

Year end trophies

- Rookie of the Year: Zach will look at results and send email to committee. One suggestion is Landon (Sonic).
- Driver of the Year is numbers only, basically PAX competition. Zach will check results after reading the Houston Solo rules.
- Sarah Tooth Award is for the most improved driver over the course of the year. Zach purchased an trophy very similar to the Stanley Cup. Zach will write up guidelines on how to make the choice, who qualifies, etc. in the Silver cup like the Stanley cup. Jan has offered to write program to help filter results. Sarah Tooth's parents want to be at banquet for the award ceremony. Zach will send the description of what this award means and run it by Julie Tooth. Possible nominees are Levitz (went to Nationals and won a Pro Solo this year) and the younger McCelvey.

Roger offered to host the Solo year-end banquet at his house. Daniel will talk to the Houston board about this plan next week.

Timing truck cleanup:

- We found the grid worker vests. Daniel bought two different safety and grid worker vests.
- Insurance paper for the truck is needed. Jan getting a copy.
- Air Compressor purchased.

Yearly Tech:

- Proposed that we have one gathering at Track 21 kart track on hwy 6. kart track in December 13th. Action create facebook event. We would also set up at the next two events.
- 38 drivers used annual tech last year according to Hedderick's records.
- Waterproof labels needed. Keep the money separate.
- Send out invites via email list and facebook invites.

Misc Items

- Feb 28 will be the SCCA Starting Line. \$1200 for site rental. We will invoice them Jan 1. Zach sent the SMS messages to Ricardo. We will provide site support, timing setup/operation. Our workers got to run when students were not using course last time.
- RPR says our agreement does not include staging lanes and drag start area. This
 means we have to set up barrels and rope each event.
- Double entry:
 - Proposal that DB is pre register only. We will mention at the next couple of events. Approved. Already have DB class on DLB.
 - o Cars with 2 drivers can't DB.
- Don and Daniel are working on a big web site update.
- Any documents that we work on should be added to the drop box. Daniel has
 reorganized the folders. If you think there is a file missing it is probably in the Archive
 folder. Course maps should always be added to dropbox. Trophy stuff, forms, insurance
 docs, etc. s/b in dropbox.
- We will be sending out invites via facebook and email.
- Next committee meeting will probably be after Christmas. Probably the 30th of December. Perhaps at Ricardo or Daniel's house.

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