

Houston SCCA Solo Committee meeting minutes 03Jan2017

Tech Report:

- Annual tech is set up; posted details to Facebook. Don't have the web site details up yet but we sent an email to Goot.

Fastrack:

- Small classing changes
- Proposal to not allow > 95 octane in some classes
- They are proposing to greatly simplify the ECU mod paragraphs in the ST rules

Treasurer:

- We had to return the payments for the December event that was not allowed to occur. **EVERYone** that paid using Paypal for the December event got reimbursed so there should be no one at registration claiming that they don't need to pay for January because they paid for December.

Event sites:

- Discussion on whether to have any 2017 events at GGP. If we stick to the better sections of pavement it reduces the area but it would avoid the sections where the pavement is breaking up. It needs the loose gravel swept. We have done this several times in the past when GGP was the primary site. Not impossible but deemed not worth it.
- First look at the Smart Financial Center does not look suitable due to light poles, curbs and greenery. Roger will take a closer look soon.
- Reserved all the HPA event dates on the schedule and paid the deposit.
- Emailed the Feb 5th and June 10th/11th reservation request to Seth at RPR but no reply yet as of 4Jan.

Last event:

- RPR management prevented us from holding event due to concerns over the weather. It was cold and raining, not as hard as the day before. We closed up and sent everyone to have breakfast.

Next event (Jan 8th at HPA)

- On the test drive if the finish is deemed too fast then we can reduce the distance between the last cones before the finish. After the X if the 3 cone slalom feels too tight we can offset the cones slightly. Roger plans to be there for the event and will help with setup.
- Course approved with adjustments made during safety drive.
- Wayne will bring the truck and trailer. Setup and gates open at 7:00 AM
- Ricardo has the fire extinguishers filled. Not sure who is bringing the extinguishers.
- RX7 club will be there.

Trophies:

- Zack Barnes and Raymond went through the event results. Raymond has sent Facebook messages to get jacket sizes.
- Voted on Rookie of the Year
- Action item to define a "full season" for the purposes of determining who qualifies as a rookie in the Solo Operations manual.
- Voted on Driver of the year
- Barry Ballard (awarded to person who has contributed greatly to the Solo Program in Houston)
 - Raymond will send email to the committee or set up a survey monkey to get votes (only committee members and last year's recipient get votes for Barry Ballard).
- Sarah Tooth award (awarded to most improved driver with specific formula): Raymond and Adam will Excel the hell out of the numbers. **Done.**
- Jackets: Martin Gremm, Mark Gifford don't have Facebook accounts. Need to get email addresses or phone numbers. **Done.**
- Raymond should collect the travelling trophies ASAP so we can get the engraving done.

- Raymond needs keeper plaques for the 2016 winners of the Barry Ballard, Rookie, DOTY, and Sarah awards.
- The year-end banquet will be Feb 25th at Spaghetti Warehouse; at least so far in the email chain. They don't seem to have made it public yet.

Permanent numbers:

- Adam has all the names/numbers in a spreadsheet and will be able to filter out all the people that have not used the numbers/class and then we will purge all, then update the list with the resulting spreadsheet. The result will be only actively used class numbers will remain.

Riverside Annex (Texas A&M) event

- Due to scheduling issues where we ended up is April 22nd for the practice and April 23rd for the regional. TAMSSC agreed to share the event with us since they already have their own regional scheduled for the 23rd.
- We could do this a few different ways.
 - TAMSSC does not pay site rental fee which is why they can afford to hold the events for \$20. We could let TAMSSC run the event and they provide insurance and keep all the money. We would count the event as one of our regional events for year end points. We think they use Axware so the files should not be a problem.
 - We could run the event as a HouSCCA event and TAMSSC would count it as their regional. HouSCCA would provide timing, insurance, etc. and would keep all the money except some fee we negotiate with TAMSSC.
- Have the event details by the next meeting.

Other:

- We should check to see if helmets need to be replaced.