

Minutes of 2011 BOG Meeting

Rev 3, Dec 5, 2011

Venue:

Nov 20, 2011, Torrance, CA

Attendees:

Michel Hoche-Mong, Mike & Paula Gibeault, Eddie Fiorelli, Erik Christiansen, Tom Smith, Kris & Christine Marciniak, Phil Stewart-Jones, Ray Hocker, Brian Hamblin, Pat & Denise McMahon, Pete Soper, Jim Robison, Michael Taylor, Sean Gallagher

Attending via conference phone:

Dick Rockrohr, Rob Blout, Alex Rademacher

1. CRS Rallycross Championship

- **Alignment of Points:** It was decided to align the event counting / dropping chart for the Rallycross Championship with the one used for the Rally Championship. This change will only impact the number of events counted when there are 7 or more events. This change will also allow the use of a single table in the rulebook instead of having two slightly different ones.
- **2012 plans:** It appears that we will probably have enough events in the North to once again have both North and South championships.
 - The North championship will probably have CRS events at Reno-Fernley Raceway, Santa Rosa and Prairie City
 - The South championship will probably have CRS events at Ridgecrest and Glen Helen with the additional possibility of an event in the San Diego area.

2. Rally & RX Membership Chairmen Report:

- Christine reminded both Rally and Rallycross organizers, that event announcement emails can be sent to the CRS membership and encouraged them to take advantage of this capability to get the word out about their respective events.
- It was decided to eliminate the RX Membership Chairman position from the BOG. Christine will work to have someone fill in for her at RX events that she doesn't attend.

3. Webmaster

- Eddie announced that the new CRS web site has the capability of having email addresses associated with it (like StockClassChairman@CaliforniaRallySeries.com to CRS. It was decided to take advantage of this approach for all of the CRS BOG officers. Eddie agreed to develop a list of candidate email addresses for BOG comment and approval

4. Press Liaison

- For the last 2 years Erik has produced nice color post cards advertising both the Rally and RX championships. It was decided to continue this promotional activity for 2012.
- Next year Erik will be trying to do both pre-event and post-event press releases.

5. CRS Windshield Banners

- Eddie brought up the concept of creating CRS windshield banners for sale to the rally community. Since there are several options for the design of such a banner, Eddie suggested we do a design contest to develop options to select from. Eddie will be developing a set of rules and guidelines for the contest.

6. Sponsorship Liaison

- Michel & Mike agreed to put together a candidate CRS sponsor shopping list for BOG consideration.

7. BOG Officers for 2012

- Eddie has been Stock Class Chairman for 3 years now and would like to be replaced for 2012, so the BOG will be seeking candidates for Stock Class Chairman.

8. Banquet Plans

- Christine presented information on a candidate location for the banquet in Long Beach, which was subsequently accepted. The banquet will be on Jan 21st at The Grand in Long Beach at a cost of \$35 per person.
- Amy Floyd has volunteered to host a workshop for organizers focusing on effective recruiting, managing, training, and retaining volunteers. This will most likely be done the same day as the CRS banquet.

9. Rulebook changes and plans

- Given the historical usage of rulebooks, it was decided to initially print 600 rulebooks for 2012.
- It was decided to revise the pricing of the color ads in the rulebook. For 2012 a full page color ad will be \$300 and a half page color ad will be \$175.
- It was decided to add words to the rulebook formalizing the need to get BOG approval for any non-rental use of CRS equipment at non CRS events.
- It was decided to formalize what constitutes a "first time rally" for the rulebook. An event will be considered a new event if it has a new organizer and new stage roads or has not been run for 2 or more years
- It was decided to add to the BOG Operation Appendix a section that states that the CRS BOG shall review an existing CRS event for CRS inclusion if:
 - There is a new organizer or
 - There are all new stage roads or
 - The published stage mileage and the winning time are less than their respective thresholds.
- It was decided to formalize that the minimum rally event spacing will have at least 2 empty weekends between rallies.
- The section on Rally weighting will add verbiage to indicate that for purposes of determining stage mileage the distance for the Start control to the Stop control will be used. In addition that same section will also include a 10 stage mile minimum length for single points rallies.
- The Event Eligibility section will add verbiage to indicate that Rally organizers will be limited to 3 CRS events per weekend with a total of no more than 6 coefficients.
- The Event Points section will be modified to indicate that organizers can not get points as a competitor in their own event.
- The rookie co-driver wording will be modified to indicate that to be a candidate a co-driver must begin the year having never finished a Rally as a co-driver.
- All usage of the term RallyCar will need to be changed to Rally America

10. Equipment Manager

- It was decided to authorize \$200 for the purchase of new switches for the timewise clocks.

11. Rally Championship

- After discussion as to whether CRS should consider adding a CRS "Open Lite" type class, it was decided to monitor activity in the RA Open Lite class during 2012.

12. CRS Moto Championship

- It was decided to not have a CRS Moto championship for 2012 and to move the CRS Moto rules to an online appendix.
- It was also decided to eliminate the CRS Moto Liaison BOG position.

13. CSR Rally Calendar for 2012

April 21	High Desert Trails Rally, Ridgecrest, CA (3)
June 9, 10	Idaho Rally, Boise ID (3, 2)
July 13, 14	North Nevada Rally, Lovelock, NV (2, 3)
Aug 4	Mendocino Rally, Ukiah, CA (3)
Aug 25	Gorman Rally, Frazier Park, CA (2, 2)
Oct 5, 6	Prescott Rally, Prescott, AZ (2, 3)