

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
SOUTH JERSEY REGION – SPORTS CAR CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.
OCTOBER 2018

The October 2018 meeting of the Board of Directors for the South Jersey Region of the Sports Car Club of America, Inc. was held at the home of Mike LaMaina on Wednesday evening, October 3, 2018. The meeting was called to order by R.E., Nick DiMeo at 7:40PM.

Present were: Mike LaMaina; J.D. King; Bill Richter; Jim Tornetta; Matt Wojtkowiak; John Hainsworth; Nick DiMeo; and Steve Thomas. **Guests were:** Dan Zane and Terry Hanushek.

Old Business – Sue King asked if the Board members had read an email from Diane O’Connor and Karen Petersen about shorts on grid. As most of the Board members had not read the email which Diane and Karen had felt was a hot area, Nick read the email to the members. Terry Hanushek reminded all that the August 2018 Board meeting a decision was made to allow shorts on grid as it was felt that grid was not a hot area as defined under Chapter 62. Mike felt that the Board should have communicated that decision to the Chiefs of Grid. J.D. reminded all that there is no mention in the GCR as to this requirement. It was felt that Chapter 62 applies to over the pit wall only. After a lengthy discussion, Mike will follow up with a letter of opinion to Diane and Karen.

Rally Report – No report.

Activities Report – Steve Thomas reported that there is no change to the current schedule.

Membership Report – John Hainsworth reported that we have 445 paid members to date.

Treasurer’s Report – Mike LaMaina reported that we sustained a loss of \$17,696.24 for the JRRC event. There is \$24,636.16 in the operating account; \$63,702.36 in the race account; and \$2,799.00 in the scholarship account. Mike further reported that we are up about \$28,000.00 for the year.

Road Race Report – J.D. King reported on the JRRC was a well-run event with a low turnout. Terry Hanushek will be heading an RPC meeting on Monday, October 8th, at Wegman’s in Cherry Hill to go over the 12 Hour. This meeting will begin at 7:30PM. Dan Zane went over some of the logistics for the 12 Hour such as there will be two (2) meal rotations consisting of three (3) hours each. Dan will need an additional fourteen (14) volunteers to cover these rotations for flaggers. NJMP only has available seventeen (17) track flaggers. Dan will need fifteen (15) track flaggers for Friday and nineteen (19) track flaggers for Saturday to man thirteen (13) stations. We will need to promote volunteers from our Solo group to help with this event and Dan will be at the next Solo event on October 14th to recruit volunteers. Lunch will be between 11:00AM and 2:00PM with dinner being between 5:00PM and 8:00PM. Terry Hanushek reminded all that this is a joint effort between South Jersey Region and Northern New Jersey Region. We will need to contact Brandon Fetch, the R.E. of Northern New Jersey Region to have him recruit volunteers from his region. Discussion followed on how best to get word out to potential volunteers.

J. D. will order trophies for the 12 Hour. Discussion followed on the number needed. Jim Tornetta made a motion to purchase trophies at a cost not to exceed \$2,500.00. Second by Matt Wojtkowiak. Motion carried. Sue King will follow up by contacting the creator of the overall Devil in the Dark 12 Hour trophy. Checkered flags were discussed as well as champagne.

Merchandise Report – Steve Thomas reported that we have shirts and mugs available for purchase.

Solo Report – Bill Richter reported that there were 74 entrants at the last event at Bader Field. Each entrant got eight (8) runs. The Pronto software ran real well – a great system. Bill wasn’t sure, but the results might be available on the Race Hero app. The next Solo event is scheduled for Sunday, October 14th. Bill stated that he will push the Devil in the Dark 12 Hour to the Solo group on social media.

Competition Report – Jim Tornetta mentioned the RPC meeting on Monday. Discussion followed on medical/emergency requirements at NJMP. Terry Hanushek reported that he has been in contact with John Redden, former owner of Millville Rescue which is now Inspira. Millville Rescue provided us with a chief medical officer (CMO) which could be a paramedic or nurse practitioner. Terry further stated that, with John Redden’s help, we would like to recreate the environment that we had with Millville Rescue like we had in years past as to ambulance response. Terry has approached John about contacting local ambulance companies as a backup support vehicle at a cost of \$640.00 a day. Terry and John are in the process of firming up this plan and Terry wants authorization to pursue this plan and explore agreements. After a lengthy discussion to clarify the requirements of the State of New Jersey under Chapter 62, our GCR, and costs involved, Matt Wojtkowiak made a motion to have Terry Hanushek pursue this plan and explore agreements with local ambulance services and get back to the Board with his findings. Bill Richter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

PDX Report – In the absence of Josh Kuehne, Mike LaMaina reported that the PDX program has earned \$12,600.00 from the beginning of the year. Mike and Josh will be getting together in the off season to develop a curriculum.

New Business – The 2019 race schedule was opened with Terry Hanushek reminding all that we have to be sure there are no conflicts with the AER when we schedule our 12 Hour. Nick mentioned that every weekend in the month of September was full this year, should be stay away from that month in 2019.

Terry felt that having a PDX on our test days was restricting the growth of our PDX program, we should package our PDX program differently. Nick mentioned dates according to NJMP schedule that are available to us - we have no dates in March, no dates in April, May 31-June 1-2 Lightning Challenge on Lightning; Majors on July 12-14 on Thunderbolt; Summer Thunder on August 9-11 on Thunderbolt; no September date and the 12 Hour October 25-26; no date for the JRRC. Nick had a conversation with NJMP and they are waiting our response. We can move the 12 Hour up a week and have the JRRC on the late October weekend. This would be a lot of work for volunteers. It was felt that we put the JRRC on in October as it is usually a well-attended event. Maybe plan the 12 Hour the first week of November. Discussion followed. Matt Wojtkowiak made a motion that we talk with NJMP about the 12 Hour in November. Seconded by Mike LaMaina. Motion carried.

We are in need of a points keeper for the 2018 New Jersey Road Racing Series (NJRRS). Steve Thomas stated that he will consider taking on that position. He will confer with Meg to get some insights.

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Terry Hanushek reminded all that nominations for three (3) open Board positions will close on October 10th. Voting opens on October 31st and closes November 13th.

We are in need of an editor for At Speed. Anyone interested to contact Nick DiMeo.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue King
Recording Secretary