

**Willamette Motor Club**  
**Date: Thursday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

**General Meeting Minutes**  
**Start: 7:32pm End: 9:23pm**

**Introduction of the Guests:** Rod Wynn, Pete Hoffman

**Approval of the minutes:** Yes

**Attending Members:** Ripley Bryant, Charles Cope, Eric Jennings, Frank Fields, Barry Warren, Chris Wilcox & spouse, Alex Rux, Steve Rux, Paralee Grant, Mike Grant, Otto Grant, Paul ?

**Treasurer's Report: NONE**

**Committees Information / News:**

**Website:**

- No Changes

**Autocross:**

- Ripley and Tim are doing the 1<sup>st</sup> Autocross. Ripley reports that they have not yet contacted McKay or the school district. Ripley will contact them this coming week (Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>)
- July 30, 31 event – Eric Jennings will Chair, Frank Fields will co-Chair.
- Barry reported that he gave out our schedule to OK Tire & they have it posted and are handing copies out to customers.
- Paralee – Talked to Cesar about painting the helmets and he wants \$50/helmet.
- Alex Rux – Alex knows a painter and will check with him on cost. When he knows, he'll contact Charles with details & Charles will forward the info on to Paralee.
- 2011 Yearly tech stickers – Charles volunteered to pick them up and print them.
- Charles reports that he still needs to purchase batteries for our handheld radios.

**Hill Climb:**

- Bible Creek – Charles has not yet contacted BLM.
- Barry has been to the hill recently and it looks fine.
- Maryhill
  - Ripley, Charles, Lucas, and Phillip went up to Maryhill on Monday, Jan 31.
  - Met with Sandra Williams and discussed costs and checked out the hill. Charles followed up with all parties involved and the costs are as follows:
    - \$1000 for hill rental for the weekend.
    - Hay bales, setup, and teardown is included in the price.
    - \$500 up front deposit is required.
    - Port-A-Potties - \$55/day dry unit, \$65/day includes handwashing station, need 2, 1 at top and 1 at bottom of hill.
    - Towing – Charles contacted the local towing company and negotiated a price of \$500 plus a case of beer for the weekend to have a truck and driver on the hill.
    - Paramedics – Charge is \$40/hr door-to-door for EMT, \$60/hr door to door for EMT with Ambulance. Door-to-door means from the time the EMT leaves their house to drive up to the hill till the EMT arrives back home at the end of the day.

- Insurance - \$895 via NHA for the weekend.
  - Total projected costs in the range of \$3825.00 - \$4225.00 to put on the event.
  - Charles reported that Mike from NWAA's boss's wife who was at last year's Bible Creek Hillclimb is a registered EMT and they're checking to see if she would be willing to man the hill as the EMT on site.
  - Charles contacted Affordable Towing about bringing a truck up to the hill as well. Waiting on a response.
  - Total length of the hill is right around 2 miles.
  - No camping on the hill.
  - Absolutely NO SMOKING on the hill, inside or outside. Extreme fire hazard.
  - Nearby towns/cities include Biggs, Goldendale, The Dalles. There is a nearby gas station with mini-mart and deli as well.
  - Discussed costs and a motion was made to co sponsor the event with NWAA and hold the event on Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>.
  - Discussed dates and a motion was submitted and passed unanimously that we move our Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> Autocross to TBA status until we have volunteers for Chair and Co-Chair and schedule this weekend for the hillclimb.
  - Charles stated that an informal poll of the NWAA folks and others shows that there should be a lot of interest in this event. Charles suggested getting 65 entrants should not be a problem.
  - Looking at a cost of \$125.00/entrant, we should be able to break even with 36 entrants.
  - Deb has volunteered to be the registrar for both the Bible Creek and Maryhill hillclimb events.
  - Ripley has volunteered to be in charge of timing for both Hillclimb events.
- Ripley will mark the Sept 25<sup>th</sup> Autocross as TBA and will add Maryhill to the schedule on the website.

### **Old Business:**

- Banquet –
  - Paralee's guest, Pete Hoffman's girlfriend works for McMinneman's and suggests the "Hotel Oregon" as a possible site for the banquet. There is no charge for the room and there is no requirement that people order food. This venue is in McMinville.
  - Another suggestion was the 'Seven Brides Brewery' in Silverton.
  - Charles announced the date for the banquet will be Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>.
  - Rod suggested the Flight Deck Restaurant and Lounge Annex at the Salem Airport.
- Charles checked the IRS documentation on Non Profit organization rules and the question of using non-profit income for member benefit. The determination is NO, we cannot do this. All members are Volunteers and are here to participate and enjoy the club.
- Frank brought up the question about what do do about stickers. No one had any examples of what they wanted. Frank suggested similar to Woodburn Dragstrip. Ie: WMC logo and "Participant 2011" or something similar.
- Paralee had sent some information about stickers to a graphics artist she knows and is waiting for a response.
- Suggestions for the website:
  - Better advertisement on time of monthly meetings
  - Info on website saying meetings and events are open to the public

- Info on website on how to become a member
- Format website for mobile devices
- Karting
  - Had a great turnout on Feb 12<sup>th</sup>, ~17 people showed up.
  - Charles announced that Ripley posted a 28.9xx time in the 9 horse carts
  - Discussed next outing and decided on Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup>. Meet at Round Table Pizza at 6:30 pm to caravan up.
- Advertisement flyer – Paralee will send Ripley what she has so far.

#### **New Business:**

- Jimmy Pownell – OSP Guard has contacted Frank and Paralee about a car show on 6/25 possibly at the prison. Details are kind of sketchy so we suggested coming back in march with more info. Proceeds from the show to support a veteran's organization. Trophies, Lunch, and free t-shirt will be provided. No cost to show, inmates would pay entry fee to view cars
- Frank brought up an issue that he thought participants were disappointed with the quality of our end of season trophies. Suggested something more substantial so people would be more inclined to feel they were getting something out of racing in our series.
- Mike thought 1<sup>st</sup> place trophy should be a jacket.
- Ripley brought up that our trophies are currently paid for based on a set amount per autocross entry for the season. Said we really needed to have Chris here to lay out how we are budgeting for trophies, food drive, etc... so people can see what the money is earmarked for.
- Frank re-iterated his idea of selling numbers to the participants for a one-time fixed fee for the season (\$5-\$10) to raise money for the trophy fund.

#### **Swap and Sell:**

**Next Meeting Location:** Thursday, March 17<sup>th</sup> 2011, 7:30 pm at the Keizer Station Round Table Pizza