

Willamette Motor Club
Agenda
July 16, 2020

Members present: Aspen, John, Chris D, James Haag, Ed P, Gary D, Mike G, Steve and Chris and Emalee N, Grant G, Stephen Thompson (virtual meeting due to social distancing requirements)

Meeting Called to Order: 7:00 pm

June meeting minutes approved via email

Webmaster Report –
Not present.

Old Business

- Equipment Trailer Actions
 - Checklist for returning trailer to the storage unit - done! John will laminate and post on the trailer wall
 - 8' Ladder for Storage Unit - Purchased and delivered by Steve N. Receipt to be submitted to Treasurer
 - Registration Stickers - John delivered to Ed P. There are enough for helmets and cars for 2020.
- ORP – follow up
 - President summary: Successful event. Thank you to Steve and Mike for help with radios and Chris for generally being helpful.
 - Group feedback: Logistics of getting everyone on the track was tricky but got figured out for afternoon group. Course was good and well-designed. Feedback from participants was positive as well. Multiple participants report seeing it as a good bridge between autocross and track driving. Attendance might be greater without the shifting dates and other pandemic trickiness. Kudos to John for taking on twice the work without BCA president in attendance!
 - Would we do it again? General agreement to do it again - partnership with another club makes it manageable.
- Cars and Pipes at Evergreen – Follow up
 - President summary: lots of new drivers highlighted need for clear labeling of pit location and other vital info, eg. "Pit in the usual place" is not useful for new folks. Kudos to Chris in timing - it went smoothly with no issues.
 - Evergreen feedback: WMC left the site in great condition, and they were very pleased. Their only concerns were the lack of portapotty (due to failure to deliver, so not WMC's fault), and someone who plugged an EV into an unauthorized outlet.
 - Group feedback: Suggestion to spread out workers (one worker per island) for more efficient cone work. Suggestion to create a handout with info about where and how to pit, how to work a station, effective course-walking, etc. This would be especially helpful

this season without drivers' meetings. Word of mouth is powerful advertising: tell a friend and they tell a friend....

- Upcoming Events
 - Volcanoes – Confirmed for 7/26
 - John asked about permission to set up course Saturday morning - waiting for response and looking for volunteers (will send email to solicit help).
 - Confirmed recurring roles: Chris at registration, Paul and ____ at tech, Steve for novice course walk.
 - Walk-up registration? Flyer says pre-registration only, but some walk-up is possible if the event isn't full. People can add the afternoon session if the event isn't full.
 - Bible Creek – Confirmed 8/1-8/2
 - Both permits are done.
 - 28 registered so far.
 - Saturday, July 18: scheduled cleanup event. Approx. 7 volunteers so far, but could use more. Meet at base of Bible Creek hill at 11:00am. Bring equipment for yard work. Steve will post request for volunteers and a map.
 - Need someone at the top of the hill who can troubleshoot timing
 - Newbys will purchase PPE, water, bug spray for workstations
 - Need multiple (at least 3) open vehicles to accommodate people safely for novice drive and to deliver/pick up workers. Steve will email registered people to solicit volunteers.
- Palm Harbor Homes site.
 - On hold. John will reach out to the contact for this site when it makes sense to do so
- Business Cards
 - They're printed and ready to hand out at Volcanoes event!
- Banquet Planning
 - Chris got in touch with Whiskey Browns. We are tentatively booked for Dec. 12 - pricing has not been determined, so manager will update Chris, and logistics will get sorted at that time.
- Maryhill
 - Nothing to report at this time.

Other Old Business

- Contact for Awards and Trophies. – Paul
 - Devil's Advocate Custom Engraving - John will forward contact info to Chris

New Business

- Fall Frenzy at Volcanoes Stadium, 8/23
- 2nd Event at Evergreen on 9/13

- With the added 2nd event at Evergreen (9/13), total event count is 7. Discussion about Championship Points and the number of events that can be dropped.
 - Rules state drivers have to attend at least half of events to be eligible for trophy. With 7 events, drivers must participate in 4 events to be eligible. The odd number also reduces chances of a tie. Without ORP or hillclimbs, drivers would have to do all 4 autocross events.
 - Do we want to keep the two-drops rule?
 - Suggestion to keep as written (must run 4 events and trophies determined by driver's top 5 scores for the season), keeping in mind that it might have to change if the season gets truncated.
- Confirming event chairs to make sure everyone who wanted to chair still gets a chance
 - August 23 at Volcanoes: Ed P and Don E? (Ed will check with Don) Grant will also help
 - September 13 at Evergreen: John (but willing to step aside) and Jayme Harris? John will check with Jayme - if he's not interested, Gary D will co-chair.
 - Maryhill - Rob and Mike

Other New Business

- Question: Any update about McKay? Is their construction still on schedule, especially with COVID?
 - John will contact Bianca when school starts, or Emalee will contact her mid-September.
- Question: Any follow up on other automotive noises coming from the fairgrounds?
 - No new info.
- Question: Any follow up on the police training space?
 - No response to general inquiry. Not optimistic.

Action Items:

- John
 - Laminate and post trailer instructions
 - Done: Send email to get volunteers for course setup Saturday, July 25 at Volcanoes
 - Forward trophy contact info to Chris
 - Check with Jayme Harris about chairing September 13 at Evergreen
 - Check with McKay (in fall after school starts)
- Steve
 - Post about cleanup day at Bible Creek to get volunteers - include map
 - Purchase PPE, bug spray, and water for Bible Creek course workers
 - Email registered people about trucks to deliver/pick up course workers on course
- Ed P
 - Check with Don E about chairing August 23 at Volcanoes

Motion to adjourn: Chris. Second: Steve and Ed P.

Adjourned: 8:20pm