

Glen Region SCCA

2023 Annual Meeting

Saturday, November 18, 2023

Attendance via Zoom

OFFICERS PRESENT:

RE: Ed Zebrowski

ARE: - (Kyle Colbey)

SEC: Allan Kintz

TRES: Jennifer Kintz

DIR: Steve Goldberg

DIR: Greg Cliburn

DIR: Phil Kelley

DIR: - (Tim Meddaugh)

PAST RE: - (Larry Emery)

ACT: Cheryl Zebrowski

CALL TO ORDER: 7:15 pm

MOTION: Joe Atkinson, Pat S: Accept 2022 minutes as presented. CARRIED.

ELECTIONS COMMITTEE: Rob Craig, Bob Gillespie, Keith Colbey

MEMBERSHIP (Pauline Colbey): Currently at 260 members. Overall pretty stable given the last couple years but down a few from last year. Overall had 33 members choose to not renew membership but 30 new members join throughout the year.

TREASURER (Jennifer Kintz): Currently \$143k in checking. A large chunk of that will move back to investments in the next week. Also currently \$73k in that investment account. P&L statement available at the meeting. Quick discussion from Ed to remind that we are "not for profit" and the difference between that and non-profit.

BUDGET: No specific report.

ACTIVITIES (Cheryl Zebrowski): Next event will be Awards Banquet on January 27 from noon until 3pm. Will be hosted at Watson Woods in Painted Post. Expect to be typical buffet with cash bar but contract yet to be signed.

GRAND PRIX FESTIVAL (Casey Creamer): 2024 event will NOT be paired with SVRA/vintage weekend at WGI. SVRA moved due to NASCAR date change and work needing to be done to prep before the NASCAR event. GPF could not be moved. Has happened once before, in 2015 when the track was paved. SVRA has "promised" to still get about 80 race cars for the GPF event, despite the race not happening. Expecting to have a number of Formula Vees. Casey looking to get a number of additional race cars and asking for the region to help get the word out to bring more cars to the event. Glen Region can work with FLR to reach out to the community and direct those interested to the GPF committee. One of the many current challenges is where to park trailers of those running their cars and to be able to get their cars onto the old course.

CLUB RACING (Allan Kintz/Cheryl Zebrowski): Club Racing: 2023 was our year to again host both the Super Tour and the July Sprints. Both events seemed to go well with good attendance at each and both made some money. Catering continues to be one of the largest expenses. Spent nearly \$25k over the Super Tour weekend between lunches and a dinner in the JD Club. Had to move the Saturday party to the JDC because they're no longer able to move tables into the garage (not sure if because of sanitary concerns or something else). We've said it a lot, but it could be one of the last years of continuing to host a Saturday party - even for the Super Tour. Aside from the expenses, the Super Tour had about 240 entries across 8 groups (pushed by national office to do 8 instead of 7 this year - but mostly worked OK given slightly tweaked track time requirements).

Cheryl can expand more on the Sprints but she did a great job planning a well-attended event. Along with the FV Championship series we also able to include a Formula First series, Spec MX-5, and had an unusually high number of SRF3s for the weekend. The weekend had about 160 entries and ended up making about \$9k - which was way better than an initially projected loss of about 5 figures.

Next year we will only have one race as the Super Tour goes back to FLR. Dates for next year's events: Super Tour will be 5/31-6/2, Sprints will be June 29-30 (July-ish Sprints), and the Fun One date swaps with NASCAR as the WGI race is moved into the "playoffs". So the Fun One will be Aug 17-18.

DISCUSSION: Ongoing challenges of catering and costs at WGI. Helping to add perspective to costs associated.

DISCUSSION: Request from Terri to try to get test day detail from the track sooner. Many drivers asking ahead of time and detail usually comes pretty late.

GREEN GRAND PRIX (Bob Gillespie): see email forwarded from Ed/Bob

F&C (Jim Wheeler): Thank you to those that came out to help. Still encouraging any others to come and check it out.

T&S (Kyle Colbey): There were some races and timing happened. Did have a new volunteer join this year and hoping to see him again. Continued great help sharing equipment and people with Finger Lakes. Considering updating a couple laptops (sharing cost with FLR), expect cost around \$500.

START (Mick Levy): Still looking for people. RSI membership is also low to cover stations. Need to make sure we still have people to still be run races.

DISCUSSION: Runoffs trialed an in-car flagging system this year. Has there been any discussion from WGI yet about doing anything like that? (No). Per Chuck, this system has been a point of discussion in recent board meetings. There were some issues with it at the Runoffs. National office will be working with the vendor to try to work out some of the bugs. Had a couple events lined up for next year to continue trial but will not be moving forward without the Runoffs bugs worked out. Chuck has some experience with it in other series and it has worked well - but is really only meant to augment existing flaggers (becomes yet another thing that a flagger at a station has to operate in addition to actual flags and also radio. There is an online course and test available from SCCA LMS if anyone is interested in becoming a flagger.

DISCUSSION: Cheryl Babbe from Arctic Alaska region working to get films and media from Ed Jakobus digitized. Donations can be made through SCCA Foundation. Additional discussion in November board meeting.

SOLO (Rob Craig): Overall for the year made about \$1500 before covering awards for the season. Entries varied throughout the season but hovered around 20 people. Tried to communicate more about the schedule and events. One challenge continues to be people and trying not to rely on very specific people to be able to run each event. Starting to standardize more to make it easier to do things (T&S, packing trailer, etc). Still looking to get another display for timing and hoping to replace laptop. Expecting to use the same three sites again for 2024 (CCC, Arnot Mall, WGI) and hoping to work with Corning again to maybe get into Big Flats plant. Had number of people step up for the season including some new event chairs.

HISTORY (Bill Green): We continue to have history. It grows every day.

VEHICLE (Rob Craig): Put about \$1500 into maintenance of the van including new tires and replacement of most fluids and filters. Have also added a trickle charger for off season maintenance - need to be sure everyone is educated on making sure to disconnect and close up everything if needing the van.

WEBSITE (Pat Scopelliti): Has been working and reliable for quite a while now. No sign of issues that had crept in in the past.

EDU GRANT: Dylan Hall, attending Elmira College.

ELECTIONS RESULTS:

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SCHEDULING: Still waiting on contracts from WGI for 2024 season.

DISCUSSION (Josh Total): Thanks to Rob and Pat for making it easy to be an event chair for Solo. Was first time as event chair and was easy to do with course design and safety and all of the different aspects.

DISCUSSION: Follow up on past policy of refunding entry fees for those that made it to the Runoffs. Question was brought up at last Annual Meeting of if we are still doing that. Need to pick-up discussion. Last quickly found discussion was January 2023. Need to revisit and come to a decision.

ADJOURN: 8:50 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Allan Kintz
2023 Glen Region Secretary