

Meeting: Marine Racing Club
Date: March 16, 2010
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Residence of Jim Fairchild (Batavia, IL)
Attendees: Jim Fairchild, Bill Pavlick III, Mike Pavlick, Rich "Mr. K." Keylard, Jim Sobol,
Dakotah Fairchild, and Michael Mackey
Secretary: Michael Mackey

Meeting was called to order at 7:48 p.m. by Bill Pavlick III. Motion made by Pavlick III to accept the February 23, 2010 meeting minutes without reading. Motion seconded by Jim Fairchild. Motion approved.

Secretary Mackey stated concerns for Commodore Nielander. Concerns were: 1) What is the date, time, and location of the Region 7 meeting? 2) Signage and SORC Web site – Commodore Nielander and Jerry Brewster are working on the site and will have a progress report in 30-60 days. 3) Will we have enough boats for our Driver's School and is having it on Friday still a good idea? 4) Budget concerns were approved at February meeting, and looking for further discussion about Rochelle.

Region 7 Meeting: As of meeting time, still no word as to the status of this meeting. APBA sent an e-mail March 18, 2010 stating the Region 7 Meeting will be held on April 11, 2010, 10:00 a.m., at the Brat Stop in Kenosha, WI.

Driving School: Jim Fairchild has one person who is definitely interested. It was decided that a "Rookies Only" class(es) (one adult class and one JH class if warranted) will be incorporated into the race schedule on Saturday and Sunday as a featured class(es). Below is the schedule of events for the weekend.

- Friday Driving School Class from noon to 1:00 p.m.
 Open testing from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
 Rookie Only driving from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

- Saturday Driving School Class from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.
 Driver's Meeting from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
 Rookie Only driving from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
 Racing beginning at 11:00 a.m.

- Sunday Repeat of Saturday.

The Rookie drivers will be in the turn boats (accompanied by seasoned drivers) in the first set. The featured class(es) will then run in the second set.

Equipment will be handled by Bill Pavlick III (providing a JH rig) and Mike Pavlick (providing a Yamato-based rig). We need to establish who has what of the club's safety

gear. Mackey has the adult Kevlar pants, sleeves, life jacket, and helmet. We also need a list of volunteers for the weekend. Confirmed volunteers so far are Bill Pavlick III as Race Director, Mike Pavlick, Jim Fairchild, and Dakotah Fairchild. We would like to hear if the following individuals are available to help: Bill Carter, John Korbus, Gene Schertz, Kevin Schertz, and Chris Fairchild. I am still on the fence if I can make it for the entire weekend.

Promotion for the Driving School requires consideration. We would like to reach out to the Candlewick Association, Ross at the Rochelle Convention and Visitor's Bureau, and NIU. I will be talking to Ross to see if we can generate any promotional ideas through his office, and I will investigate about getting fliers hung throughout NIU's campus as there is a process involved with obtaining the required permissions.

A potluck is planned for Rochelle, as well as DePue (which is June 26-27).

Jim Fairchild had a photographer set up to shoot various races, however, the paid photographer idea for this year has been unanimously scrapped. Jim Sobol volunteered to take photos, and it is presumed that Kristy Allen will also be on hand as she usually is.

8:57 p.m. Motion made and passed to adjourn meeting.

Next meeting: April 22, 2010 – 7:00 p.m.

Jim Fairchild's residence
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