

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

SOUTH JERSEY REGION – SPORTS CAR CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.

SEPTEMBER 2021

The September 2021 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, September 1, 2021. The meeting was called to order by R.E., Jim Tornetta at 7:10PM.

Present were: Jim Tornetta, J.D. King, Sue King, Mike LaMaina, Steve Kado, Joshua Kuehne, and Steve Thomas. Guests were: Matt Wojtkowiak, Jim Wakemen, Jr., Nick DiMeo, and Dan Zane.

Autocross Report – Sue King started off the report by stating that there were 63 entrants that took time on Saturday and 92 entrants that took times on Sunday of the Battle at the Bay event held at Bader Field on August 28-29, 2021. Joshua Kuehne then reported that we had rain and lightning on Saturday and had to shut down until the lightning dissipated. There was so much rain that it affected our timing equipment and that equipment may have to be replaced. Sue reported that she asked Vincent Briffa, our timing equipment chief to go over the equipment and get back to her if we need to replace it under our insurance. Jim Tornetta reported that Bill Richter had contacted him Saturday evening and let him know that the timing equipment had sustained water damage. Jim will contact Craig Zane and ask him to go over the equipment to see if he can repair it as it is needed for our next autocross event that is scheduled for September 26th. The Battle at the Bay is our charity event and Christ Gospel Agape Community Life Center has been our charity the past few years. Steve Kado made a motion to send Christ Gospel Agape Community Life Center a check for \$1,000.00. Second by J.D. King. There was a discussion on the motion as to whether or not we should send this amount, as in past years it was less than the amount requested in the motion. After a lengthy discussion, the motion was carried. Sue King asked Mike LaMaina to send the charity check to her and she will put together a cover letter, as she has done in past years, and send the check to Christ Gospel.

Time Trials Report – Joshua Kuehne reported on the Summer Thunder time trials stating that we had 13 entries for the track day and 13 entries for the track sprints. Joshua reminded all about our track day and sprints that will be held September 4, 2021 on Lightning in conjunction with the Millville Air Museum air show. We will start the day with Tech at 7AM with first car off at 8AM. We will run until 1:50PM and take a break to watch the air show. Then there will be an open track between 5PM to 7PM.

Treasurers Report – Mike LaMaina reported that we have \$37,897.00 in our operating account, \$92,345.00 in our race account, \$2,799.00 in our scholarship account and \$20,000.00 on deposit with NJMP. Tech has \$100.00 in petty cash. Mike further reported that from January 1st to the present we have had an income of \$349,845.57 with expenses totaling \$346,009.19. Summer Thunder had a net loss of \$11,373.00.

Race Report – Mike LaMaina reported that he had a conversation with Butch O'Connor about our advanced drivers schools (ADS) and they are in the process of redoing this school. Mike went on to state that Butch would like to relinquish his participation in the ADS and Mike further stated that everyone thought you needed to have a license from another race sanctioning body, i.e. NASA, in order to attend one of our advanced drivers schools. It seems that the GCR is pretty vague in that area and Mike approached his instructors, Tom Smith and J.D. King to get their take. It was felt that a potential student for the ADS should present a resume of their history in the motorsports driving venues. An ADS committee, consisting of Mike LaMaina, J.D. King and Tom Smith has been formed to review potential students. Mike is in the process of rewriting the curriculum and power-point presentation for the school. Discussion centered on how to attract more drivers/cars to our race events. Mike went on to report that he thought that with our collaboration with WDC and the MARRS series we would have attracted more cars from down south. J.D. King mentioned that the bracket racing events seem to be increasing in the number of cars that are participating in this type of racing. Jim Tornetta asked Mike LaMaina to form a committee to come up with ideas that may help in attracting more entrants.

Rally Report – Jim Wakemen, Jr. reported that, to date, there are three entries for the Fall rally being held in partnership with NNJR.

New Business - Matt Wojtkowiak reported that there will be eight MIB going to the SCCA runoffs which are being held in Indianapolis. Matt stated that he is having additional MIB shirts ordered at a cost of \$525.25, additional MIB jackets ordered at a cost of \$629.82 with printing on the shirts and jackets at a cost of \$360.00 for a total of \$1,506.60. Sue King made a motion to pay up to \$1,500.00 toward this bill. Second by Steve Kado. Motion carried.

Dan Zane reported that he was asked by Bill VonSuskil, who has made a contact with one of our members who would be able to prepare meals for our volunteers, as to what our costs had been in the past when the Zane family would cook meals on the region's grill. Dan came up with a figure of \$2,500.00 for a total of five meals prepared over three days. Sue King will have Bill VonSuskil set up a meeting with this individual to go over costs for future meals.

Mike LaMaina has been contacted by WDC region on behalf of their MARRS event for the JRRC being held in October. The supps stated that the race would be 22 laps and the MARRS drivers are requesting that the race be a total of 20 laps. After discussion, Mike will poll the MARRS drivers for their take on 20 or 22 laps for this event. Once Mike hears from those drivers he will get back to Nick DiMeo with the findings.

Nick DiMeo reported that, next year, we are planning on four events. J.D. King reported that, to date, he has scheduled May 21-22 for one of those events. J.D. is working with NJMP to schedule the remainder of our 2022 events. J.D. further stated that Pitt is on top of our usual August event.

Garages – It seems that Thunderbolt garages are in demand and many individuals are reserving more garages than what they need resulting in a wait list. After discussion it was felt that we have drivers reserve garages for the entire race season.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue King
Secretary