

NCCC Nat'l Competition Meeting – RCD Notes from Nov. 13, 2015

The following are the notes I captured during the meeting. The official Competition Meeting Minutes will be posted at a later time and shared with you on the SWR Website; Nat'l Report page. E-Board Meeting Updates

Meeting Agenda

- Meeting started promptly at 6:30 pm
- Welcome and Introductions of RCDs 14 out of 16 regions were present and represented
- Approval of Meeting Minutes for 09/11/2015 Competition Committee Meeting - all were approved as posted

VP Competition Comments

- Agenda Review – [Outlined & Discussed](#)
- Meeting format, ground rules – outlined and discussed
- HS and Novice Cards
- E-Board Meeting Updates
 - There are a couple of standing rules which will come to the floor tomorrow – dealing with finance
 - NO DRONES at any NCCC Event, not even a social / photo shoot / etc.
 - Waivers need to be retained now for 3 (not 7) years including the minor waivers – Clubs responsible for original and RCD should still have electronic copy. If an incident occurs at an event, send the original signed waiver, paperwork, etc. to Jack / Insurance.

2015 Sanctioned Event Review

- Record Drag Race index updates
- Record Drag Events
 - Clay Johnson – 1E in Kerney, NE
 - Larry Longwell – 3N in Kerney, NE
 - Travis Martin – 3K in Nobile
 - Mary Anne Kolb – L1H in Nobile
 - Jonathan Bradford – 1J in Nobile

Old Business

- 2015 Rulebook Issues – no issues reported
- Online Registration – Walt Jenkins – making progress – looking better and testing will begin soon – it will not have payment options until some date in the future
- In the case where two entries are competing and one competitor DNFs, an FTD would still awarded – Walt will update the code to reflect that.
- Classes such as J/K ...wheel and tire sizes are per original class, not the combined class used only for competition points ...i.e. J is J and K is K – they must run wheels in their class
- Tear-Down Equipment – I brought up recent issues with the flex dial indicator, need to upgrade and provide new brackets - \$300

New Business

- **2017 rulebook proposals**
 - **Discussed and remove from the consideration list**
 - Add a National Top Worker Award – decision was to leave it at the region level; some regions already have this Award and others opt to not do it – based on current trends, we don't see someone competing nationally for this type of award.
 - Point Structures – proposals to go to 3 cars and change points – leave as is for now; elevating the points does not resolve the statement asked about
 - Ranked Concours – leave as is for now – in the future we might add an option to include ranking concours; similar to the choice of People's Choice and Concours
 - Change so that a maximum of 5 events could be held per day – the decision was to retain the option for a club to host 7 per day
 - Allow an aftermarket Cam in Grp 2 – failed – reasoning is that we have Group 3/RP
 - Allow non-DOT Tires in Grp 2 – failed. The reasoning is that some non-Dot tires (more expensive) definitely offer a performance advantage; where the submission was stating to allow them for cost savings.
 - Eliminate the requirement for a Fire Suit in Group 3 – failed. The reasoning is that it isn't a requirement due to speed (High-Speed) it is for safety reasons. Many of the Grp3/RP cars have been so highly gutted and modified that they are sometimes a safety risk where Grp 1S/1 cars are factory stock.
 - 7.8.1 – add a requirement to own a car for autocross like for Concours ...with two exceptions allowed per year. Impossible to police and it complicates the situation of cars that break at events.

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- Proposal to change the Top 15 national ...take total points and divide by number of events to come up with an average per event. The highest averages would be the final Top 15. Failed – leave as is – not that we can't continue to look at options for making it more of a competitor award – or possibly even adding a different #1 award sometime in the future.
- Change the rule book to further address drivers that DNF – failed – leave as is
- Eliminate the last two competition weekends to shorten the season – failed – leave as is
- Concours – eliminating exhibition class – failed – leave it as it is
- In 1.8.1.5, change the wording to require that NCCC Cards be shown when registering / checking in at an event. The wording currently reads “All drivers have an active NCCC membership number in the NCCC Membership Database to be awarded NCCC points (01/15).” Leave membership card requirement for attending events as it is – with modern technology many events have mobile devices that can validate NCCC Membership and their number
- **Discussed and keep on the list** – these topics will be discussed further and flushed out to be voted on for the 2017/18 rulebook.
 - Loss of Facility due to no fault of the club. Some of the bigger venues should have the same option as the loss of a drag strip. Also, the verbiage in the rulebook allows you to cancel within 24 hours so there isn't currently anything keeping a club that knows they lost their venue to wait until the last minute. This would really hurt the image of our competition program.
 - Numerous suggestions from Paul Hamersly were primarily verbiage fixes, etc. which are good ideas.
 - All of the Forms: Tear-Down, Tech, Event Results, etc. will be updated before 2016 season starts. Bill is already working on several and will get those to the RCDs for review as soon as possible.
 - Allow adding of wheel adapters for older cars – currently C4 and up can have those and this would allow older cars to use more modern tires – taking advantage of the +/-1” rule without going to a higher classification
 - 1/8th Mile Record Drags – 1/8 mile tracks are more numerous along with being safer; in some cases they are less expensive to rent than 1/4 mile tracks.
 - RCD to Rule as Safety Steward – define / expand role – more discussion needed
 - At events, the host RCD has final say ...however, guest RCDs can also step in when they feel the course & safety concerns aren't being met. Will need considerable discussion
 - C7 classification – continued consideration of what to do with GS, C6 Z06 and Stingrays, several situations were stated and we need to figure out what is best way to handle them. Currenly we have the right to move the 2014/15 Stingray because it is a new model – even in 2016. The GS has been out so many years that moving it would need to wait until 2017/18 rulebook.
 - Updated Flyers – several language changes – Bill D. will resend to the RCDs for review once he has them completed
- Dale (VP of Comp) will go thru pull the actual verbiage as is and provide the “review list” back out to the RCDs.

Clarifications

- Concours – removal of loose items – page 7.9 remove all loose items – **ruling is that all items must removed by stop-cleaning**
- Speed Events – Pilot Cup 2 tires – 2.7.1.14.1 – states “STREET tires with MINIMUM DOT wear rating of 110 & HAVING 2/32” or more tread remaining (i.e., tread must be ABOVE wear bars). (01/13)Any size that safely fits wheel.” What is the priority since these conflict with this specific tire – is it 2/32 or the wear bars (since they are at 3/323? **The priority is 2/32” tread depth**

Hospitality Break: (8:00- 8:30)

RCD Roundtable

- Most regions are complete for 2015 – only 4 more weekends on the 2015 competition schedule.
- Putnam Park most likely won't be an option starting next year; they lost their standing date and the new date proposed by the venue isn't doable by the hosting club
- SWR has one more event next weekend at Texas Motor Speedway
- One SWR Club did not host events in 2015
- The SWR 2016 Schedule already has 16 of 19 clubs with weekends on the schedule

Protest/Appeal hearing if required (None)

Adjournment: (12:00)