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Meeting Minutes: Yellowstone Region 108 - February Meeting

The February 2008 meeting of the Yellowstone Region was called to order by RE Scott Cranston at 6:35 p.m. on February 6th.

Secretary/Treasurer Mark Richlen provided a Treasurer's report which indicated that the Region had approximately \$3,500 in the bank and that no bills were owing. Some monies had been received from membership renewals.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the Treasurer's report and the minutes of the December meeting as published in FastTimes with the clarification that the decision to require RE Cranston to select the Region's two traveling trophy recipients for 2008 was the result of an ad hoc vote taken during the December Region meeting.

Old Business:

There was no old business to report.

New Business:

S/T Richlen noted that Kurt and Char Schultz had historically put a significant amount of effort into awarding the traveling trophies. Accordingly, some thought should be given to establishing a procedure to keep track of member contributions over the entire year so that such efforts would not be overlooked when it came time to select award recipients.

CC Brewer submitted a preliminary event schedule for 2008 which has been posted to the website. It was decided that two events would be scheduled per month to provide time for members to attend events in other regions.

Brewer stressed that the schedule would likely be "tweaked" somewhat, but that most of the dates were "close." Brewer also reported that he had been in contact with some neighboring regions and efforts were being made to avoid major conflicts. Entry fees for 2008 would be discussed at the March meeting. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:30p.m.

Wedding Bells Ring in Region 108!

Well, not exactly, but Competition Chairman Chris Brewer was married in Chicago on Thursday, February 14, 2008! WHAT A ROMANTIC! (At least he should have no trouble remembering his anniversary!)

Folks who attended the year-end SCCA party had the privilege of meeting Chris' "better half."

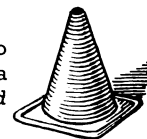
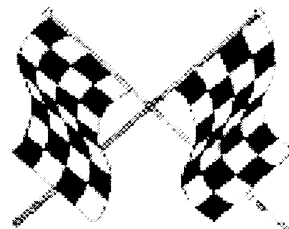
At the party, I asked Sarah if she had plans to participate in any of the club's events. As is the case with most brides-to-be, she worried that her participation would adversely affect her husband's "performance." (I think I understood what she meant.) Although

he swears that he did not plan his wedding around the Chicago Auto show, Chris filed a full report of the show together with pictures (both of which are posted on the website).

Chris claimed that upon arriving at the hotel, he picked up one of those "What's Going On" booklets that grace most hotel nightstands and noted that the Chicago Auto Show was in progress during his stay.

Chris was impressed with the 1.2 million-square-foot convention center (McCormick Place) and the complete range of vehicles from the KIAs to the latest concept cars.

Chris also noted with interest the large display from the Chicago Re-



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gion SCCA including an extremely clean Sunbeam Tiger in addition to cars from all types of racing that the SCCA sanctions in the area including autocross, Indy, club racing and vintage road racing.

Last, Chris claims he tried to talk Sarah into saying their vows at the Mini Cooper booth, but for some reason, that did not go over too well.

What's Brewin'?

— From the Comp. Chair

As many of you who frequent the website have noted, there are a few changes afoot for our club this summer. The tentative schedule has been posted. The dates are pretty firm, but we are not prepared to finalize all the locations just yet. Thanks to the assistance of several members, we have two new sites available to us, as well as two former sites.

There will no longer be any holiday events. However, I did try to have an event close to each of the three summer holidays. I hope this will allow more members to participate in events without leaving the family BBQ feeling neglected.

There is now a nationally-mandated \$15 dollar differential between member and non-member entry fees. In the past, we have charged a \$10 dollar differential. This has resulted in \$20-\$35 for regular events and \$25 - \$40 for special events. I hope this will encourage non-members become full members in the SCCA. Over the nine-event season, a non-member would spend an extra \$135 over someone who is a member. We will be setting entry fees at the March meeting.

Finally, I would like anyone who has some new ideas to feel free to present them to me. I am always open to new ways of doing things. (However, I also hope that you are willing to offer some help to implement your suggestion;-)

Chris

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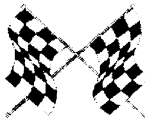
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The Finish Line

The 2008 solo season is shaping up to be a good one. The two new sites for our Region look promising. I trust Chris will "set" some challenging and fun courses. Our "sister" club, the Eastern Idaho SCC, has scheduled a joint event with Bozeman which will take place in Pocatello, ID, on July 19th and 20th. The event will be called the "Utah, Idaho and Montana Challenge." I hope we can send a few members. Other noteworthy events are the NORPAC Divisional on July 12-13, and "Top Gun" on August 9-10. Both events are in Helena. In this area, it looks



like Bozeman's "Test and Tune" in Helena on April 19-20 is the "lead-off" event. In Billings, the first event is at GM Petroleum on May 4th. Get those dates on your calendar! Look for some changes to the club's website over the next few weeks. I have obtained a new "links-bar" program to make navigation easier. I am also making some changes to event photos to make them faster to download. My goal for 2008 is post results on the website before the sun sets on the day of the event. As a participant, I hate having to wait several days before I see the final results. I also hope to post the photos the same day.

Get out of town! Make plans to attend one or two solo events out of town this summer. Combine the events with other summer activities such as vacations, business or ?? . I guarantee you will come back with ideas to make our events better and/or an appreciation of how good our events really are!

Monthly Region Meeting
March 5, 2008
GH&R Law Firm
 10 N. 27th Street, Suite 100
 (Just south of Walker's Grill—
 park in the lot where the old Empire Bar was located)
 6:30 p.m.

Websites

Yellowstone Region 108

www.yellowstonescca.com

Southwest Montana Region

www.swmtscga.org

Montana Region (Great Falls)

www.geocities.com/montanasca/

Eastern Idaho Sports Car Club

www.eiscc.com

Big Sky Region (Missoula/Kalispell)

www.bigskyregion.org

Northwest Hill Climb Association

www.mbahillclimb.org/

From the Webmaster

The Webmaster from the EISCC recently reported that "I goofed up and we lost our site, but we are getting it back." Before I started doing this webpage stuff, I couldn't fathom that type of thing happening. However, every time I open FrontPage, the thought of crashing the site is the first thing on my mind! I have sifted through the event archives and am happy to report that results and pictures are now available for 2004 and 2005 (in addition to 2006 and 2007). Please let me know if any of the links don't work. I will do my best to get them repaired.

