

YELLOWSTONE REGION SCCA FAST TIMES

P.O. Box 30956 • Billings, Montana 59107

March 1996

JANUARY • FEBRUARY • MARCH MEETING MINUTES

The January meeting was called to order by RE Bill Schaff.

Minutes were approved as read in last newsletter.

Treasurer reported a previous balance of \$2,800.56

Expenses were: Kinko's \$15.50 for newsletter printing, \$83.20 for postage. We had deposits of \$21.00.

New balance \$2,722.37.

Old Business

The last newsletter had pamphlets enclosed for the Billings Motorsports Park. One for your use and two to pass out to interested parties that are interested in donating to the BMP. We also talked about the need for people to work on a club project for the BMP fund raiser. We are also looking for fund raising projects.

The Great American Race is looking for local clubs to help in putting together this event that will be passing through our city in June sometime.

New Business

Tim Urbaniak has been working with the college to build a car that would compete in our Auto-Xs. A team of students will supply and build the car that they get a chance to run.

Tim will also edit the film from the BMP General Meeting and air it on channel 7 in one of our spots.

We discussed new Auto-X sights and Dave will chair this committee to see what other lots are available for this season.

The club needs better radios for communication during our large Auto-Xs such as Lewistown. After discussion Bill will check on pricing of CB radios and report at the next meeting.

Dale moved that we adjourn and Dave seconded, all agreed.

The February meeting was called to order by Sec/Treasurer Dale Dinsmore.

Minutes were approved as read in last newsletter.

Treasurer reported a previous balance of \$2,237.

Bills that were paid: \$3.18 to Kristi Mathson for newsletter, \$200.00 to Deaconess Foundation (Grant Cameron Memorial fundraiser) and \$200.00 to Skyview High School for the Falcon Finale.

New balance \$2,319.19.

Old Business

Dave talked to Wal-Mart they want to see our insurance package. Dave was gathering ideas for this presentation in hopes of gaining use of there parking lot. Dave reported that Costco is a go for this season.

Bob will do a presentation to the Town Pump in Columbus. The Columbus Town Pump has just paved a large parking lot.

New Business

Orders are being taken by Dale for rule books and supplies from SCCA. If you are interested give him a call.

Dale moved so we decided to adjourn, Dean seconded

The March meeting was called to order by RE Bill Schaff.

Minutes were approved as read in last newsletter.

Treasurer reported a previous balance of \$2,319.19.

Bills that were paid: \$10.00 to the State of Montana (corporate report) and \$5.00 to the State of Montana (certificate of good standing). We had deposits of \$70.00 (\$60.00 for renewals and \$10.00 for hat sales).

New balance \$2,391.54.

Old Business

Bill talked about replacing our group of people representing SCCA for the BMP. Dale is willing to replace someone. Any other interested parties can contact Bill Schaff. Also we talked about the importance of everyone donating to the BMP before the end of April so that construction can start in 1997.

Bill reported on radios for the club. He recommends hand held CB radios because they have twice the distance over FM radios with half the cost. After discussion Dave moved that the club purchase 3 CB radios and chargers at

a cost of \$380.88. Dean seconded and all passed. Discussion changed to amplifying our PA system on the club trailer. Dean volunteered an amp that he is not using. Bill and Dean will get together to test this system and also see if the speakers will survive.

Tim is working on the film from the BMP general meeting, it will run on channel 7 this month.

New Business

There will be a pylon counting party to see how we are doing on our cones.

AUTO CROSS SITES

During the January meeting the subject of sites for autocrossing came up and some suggested that we should try to find some suitable sites in town that are in close proximity to Billings, like Round-Up, Shepherd, Huntly, Joliet, Laurel etc.. If anyone knows of a suitable plot of asphalt please give me, Dave Eberts, a call at 252-4717.

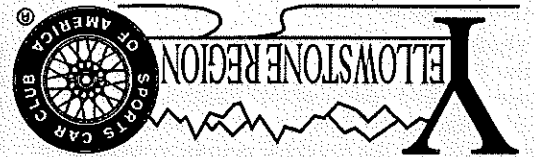
The number of houses has increased near Sky View High School so we can expect increasing opposition for us to use that site. We most likely will have to go house to house again to let people know what is going on. This is kind of a tough job so if anyone can help, please do!

I managed to survive fall semester of college at Havre and even came away with decent grades. Living there wasn't too bad. I grew up in Glasgow, Montana in the 50's but having lived here in Billings for about twenty years I had forgotten how friendly the typical Montanan is. When you are traveling around the country in your car they will still wave to you (the typical gesture is to lift a couple of fingers off the steering wheel) even if they don't know you. But I am glad to be home. I couldn't believe it when I ran across a couple of students that actually knew what SCCA and autocrossing was. They might show up to try it this summer.

May all your asphalt be firm and warm

Dave Eberts

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1996 AUTOCROSS LIST OF EVENTS:

- April 14th Chili Feed (BMP)
- April 21st Billings Vo-Tech
- May 5th Skyview High School
- May 18-19th Lewistown
- May 27th Costco
- June 16th Billings Vo-Tech
- June 30th Town Pump (Columbus)
- July 13-14..... Top Gun (Helena)
- July 28th Billings Vo-Tech
- Aug 10th..... Costco (night event)
- Aug 24-25 Black Otter Hillclimb
- Sept 8th Skyview High School
- Sept 15th Lewistown

This a tentative schedule of events

- There will be a free chili feed for the BMP at the Sandstone Place Building at the fair grounds on Sunday April 14th from 2 to 5pm. We need to show our support, so bring as many interested friends as possible.