

January 2016 Board Reports and Meeting Minutes

In attendance (9): President Mike Hinton, Vice President Craig Steele, Treasurer Jerry Gladstone, Autocross Director Grady Carter, Safety Director Mac Cranford, Past President Vern Rogers, Membership Director Tom Short, Bob Hall and Kai Chang (415/997-8880, pjammer@gmail.com)

Absent (9): Webmaster Barbara McCrory, Secretary Chip Witt, Goodie Store Director David Bunch, Concours Director James Heisey, Sponsorship Director Simone Kopitzki, Thorsten Kopitzki, Social Media Director Kurt Fischer, der Riesenbaum Editor Jamie DeRuiter, and Newsletter Committee Dawn Gee.

Meeting called to order at 7:10 p.m. PDT by President Mike Hinton at Mary's Pizza Shack, 121 San Marin Drive, Novato.

Motion to approve the November 2015 Board Reports was delayed until Chip can present the completed document for electronic vote by the board.

President's Report (Mike Hinton):

- Attended Calistoga lighted tractor parade on 12/5. Met up with Gary Bayless there, and had a nice dinner. Parade was the biggest I've ever attended!
- Attended calendar-planning meeting at Craig's house on 12/9. I think we have a great slate of events coming up for 2016.
- Attended Holiday Party on 12/12. Thought that the food was pretty good, and the room we had booked was perfect for our group. We also raised a significant amount for CASA via the silent auction.
- Led the One One Fun Run to Cloverdale. Only two minor wrong turns this time! In my defense, I was not able to pre-run the course, and I was flying without a navigator. The red gravel on the shady sections dampened the fun a bit, but still was a good run. Big thanks to Gary Bayless for bringing some of his (excellent) wine to the Hamburger Ranch.
- Completed the annual Region Report requested by National. Vern forgot to tell me what a truly delightful experience that is!
- Sent in proxy for Board Meeting on the 23rd. Will have a report on that meeting next month.
- Renewed my AOA badge for another two years.
- Attended the kickoff meeting for Luftgekühlt in Los Angeles. Drove the 914 down for its first long trip. The main event is on 4/10/16, and will feature a large gathering of air-cooled cars. Patrick Long (Porsche racing driver) is one of the founders of the event.
- Almost forgot – Purchased a 2004 GT3 in Arlington, VA, and drove it back with Chris Harrell. What a wonderful car! Can't wait to get it out on the AX course.

Items for Discussion: none

Vice President's Report (Craig Steele)

- Held the 2016 RR Planning Session to Wednesday 12/9 at my Santa Rosa Wikiup home
- Published initial 2016 events calendar to board
- Schedule 2016 Board meetings at Mary's Pizza Shack, Novato
- Attended the Holiday Party at Flamingo
- Finish imputing 2016 Events on website Calendar and Calendar at a Glance
- Attended SVR Carb36 Planning meeting at Nelson's home, Shingle Springs

Event's Coordinator Report (Craig Steele)

February 20

- Winter Crab Feed and Social at Marin Yacht Club, 1-5pm
 - Sharon Castle, Event Coordinator

March 2

- New Member and Significant Anniversaries Social Mixer #1 at Mary's Pizza Shack, Novato, 7-9pm
 - Sharon Castle, Event Coordinator
 - Full board needs to attend to great our new member and congratulate our long term members anniversaries

March 19

- Whale to Whale Tail Rallye, Santa Rosa to Point Arena lighthouse
 - Bob Scheonherr and Craig Steele, co-event coordinators

April 2

- Lakeport Brewery Tour
 - Rob Nidel and Bob Scheonherr, co-event coordinators

May 13-15

- SVR Carb 36, Eagle Nest Private Airport, Lone
 - Registration open 2/15/16
 - Jackson Best Western has a block of rooms for \$85 per night
 - Events include welcome party, AM/PM AX and Tours, Concours, Rally, etc.
 - Want to organize a RR Porsche Caravan from Novato to Jackson on Friday May 13th, hoping get 10-15 cars to participate.

Items for Discussion:

- Discussed new flyer for Crab Feed designed by Cris to replace the version created by Jerry as a temporary measure to get MSR.com on line.
- Mary's had not entered the 2016 Board meetings into their schedule, Craig got the calendar dates approved and scheduled into their appointment book.
- Future events need the following lead times:
 - 5 weeks for MSR.com
 - 7 weeks for dR

Meeting suspended for dinner at 7:22 p.m. PDT for dinner break by President Mike Hinton

Meeting resumed at 8:05 p.m. PDT by President Mike Hinton.

Treasurer's Report (Jerry Gladstone):

This report covers the period from January 1 through January 22, 2016.

The Redwood Region Treasurer reviewed the Region's finances with the Board of Directors. Current bank balances and details of expenditures and income for this period were detailed and accepted. Finances remain strong and are in accordance with expectations. The 2015 Annual Treasurer's Report will be ready next month. Anyone wishing to see additional financial detail please contacts the Region Treasurer.

Notes:

- The West America online banking password has been changed; Mike has been issued a copy of this information.
- I have applied for a West America ATM card on Redwood's checking account so that I may make deposits after hours and on weekends via the automated teller machine.
- All of our credit card award points have been combined and redeemed. \$125.00 was deposited in the checking account. There are still unredeemed points as they must be redeemed in \$25 increments.
- As we have not changed officers, a revised Secretary of State Information Form is not necessary. Also, non-profit corporations are only required to file every two years; we filed last year (1/15/2015). Interesting factoid: according to the California Secretary of State's records we were incorporated 6/30/1966!
- Anniversary pins: I have a quote of \$2.44 per pin for the 250 piece order (\$610) which includes pins for all 5-year anniversary dates from 5 years through 45 years. Quantities of each year are consistent with Club demographics as supplied by Tom. The 250 pieces should last two years with a safety margin. You have all seen the design: Redwood Region logo with a blue ribbon at the bottom with the anniversary year in white lettering. Currently waiting for the artwork from the manufacturer.
- Pierre Ehret donated a case of 2010 Ehret Family Cabernet Sauvignon at the Holiday Party. We did not drink any of that wine as we had wine in abundance. We can use that wine for either trophies or an event this year. The wine is at my house. I have sent a thank you letter to Pierre.
- Working with Sharon Castle, worked out event details; then created the Crab Feed flyer (built on Craig's first draft), the MSR signup and an MSR event report.
- Completed the entire 2016 Autocross season's MSRs and reports.
- Wrote a book review of "Porsche Turbo" by Randy Leffingwell for publication in the February dR. Will offer the book to membership at \$35 each if there is enough interest (\$60/2 + sales tax + MSR fees).
- Working with TRG to arrange a Tech Session focused on autocross and DE car set up. Turmoil at TRG has forced an indefinite postponement of such an event. Sponsorship is also in question.
- Have not closed 2015's books nor completed the Annual Treasurer's Report as I am still waiting on inventory accounting from the Goodie Store.

Items for Discussion: none

Secretary's Report (Chip Witt):

- Attended Events' Planning Meeting at Craig's in Dec. Thanks to Craig for hosting.
- Attended the region's Holiday Party with a string of pics from 2015 in a slide deck, along with an awesome autocross video produced by Drew Powers. The whole event was amazing. Had a great time.
- Working on absorbing AX Director role, but still leaning heavily on Grady and Bob. I have nothing specific to add to the report Grady is delivering at this month's meeting

Items for Discussion: none

Past-President's Report (Vern Rogers):

- Attended the One One Fun Run once again (but that makes twice). Great route provided by Mike, very tasty BBQ at Hamburger Ranch, and even tastier Syrah provided by Gary Bayless. Also enjoyed the hospitality of Bruce and Cheryl Lawton who invited folks to an impromptu tasting at Peche Merle after the run.
- Had lots of back and forth emails regarding the upcoming Crab Feed.
- Attended January Cars and Coffee.
- As an FYI, Susan's knee surgery has been postponed.

Items for Discussion: none

Membership Director's Report (Tom Short):

Items for Discussion: none

Autocross Director's Report (Grady Carter):

- Have received the spare set of FarmTek timing eyes with tripods.
- Requested permission to proceed with trailer upgrade purchases.
- Request we pick a date for the trailer work party, no planning meeting.
- Currently printed time cards is an item that must physically reside with both the AX Director and his backup so I will be making a double sized order of time cards to allow a full supply with Chip and I will have a quantity as the backup to Chip.
- Need a plan for how to handle the cash box.
- Is it okay to go to replaceable battery for all the radios instead of the rechargeables we currently have in about half of the radios. Radios would then stay in the trailer.
- Talked with several insurance companies about our trailer with no luck. Now have an independent insurance agent checking for me.

Items for Discussion: none

(Acting) Webmaster's Report (Chip Whit):

- I am the Web Guy now, and will insure visitor stats are included in the final January report.
- Demo'd the concept for a new website for the region in Dec. After showcasing it to the EC, began work to migrate from legacy site to new infrastructure. Still working on buttoning things up in hopes of a Feb launch.

Items for Discussion: none

Goodie Store Director's Report (David Bunch):

- Nothing to report

Items for Discussion: none

Concours Director's Report (James Heisey):

- Nothing to report.

Items for Discussion: none

Sponsorship Director's Report (Simone Kopitzki):

- Nothing to report.

Items for Discussion: none

Safety Director Report (Mac Cranford):

- Nothing to report.

Items for Discussion: none

Charity/CASA Report (Vern Rogers):

- Nothing to report

Items for Discussion: none

Social Media Report (Kurt Fischer):

- Nothing to report

Items for Discussion: none

Der Riesenbaum Editor/Newsletter Committee Report (Jamie DeRuiter, Dawn Gee):

December issue archive link:

<http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs114/1101594196247/archive/1123046246149.html>

Target date for the February publication to go out: February 8th 2016

ALL SUBMITTED CONTENT REQUESTED BY MONDAY, February 1st

February 2016 Content:

- President's message
- Editor's message
- Flyers: AX#1, Crab Feed, AX Instructor school, Whale-to-Whale Tail
- Sponsor ads
- Membership report
- Board meeting minutes
- Contacts
- der Marktplatz

Other:

- Kurt's Korner
- Local & Regional events: One One Fun Run...
- Redwood region history
- Porsche car related article
- Misc.

Thank you for your time. If I missed anything please let me know.

Items for Discussion: none

Meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m. PDT by President Mike Hinton.