

April SCTA Board Meeting

April 20, 2010

Meeting called to order 1920 hr. by Oswald

Attending:

Chris Cullins, Ty Cullins (VOTE)

Charlie Rowlett, Johnny Scharnweber, Bob Madden (Plonkers)

Peter Croft, Paolo Oswalmontesa (SCTA)

Finance:

Oswald continues to reconcile individual club accounting. Should be complete by summer. Some statistics have come to light while researching other issues. SCTA has averaged 470 riders per season since 2006. Not including Youth Fund raisers and EI Trials (non rounds). We are averaging 50 memberships a year over the same period as well.

Correspondence:

Attorney Ruth has agreed to provide counsel to the SCTA for a reduced rate. Some questions remaining to be answered are now back on the front burner.

Old Business:

State and Federal Taxes have been filed by Oswald. SCTA stands in good stead with the FTB and IRS. We file informational returns to both entities due to our 501(c)7 filing status and modest income.

El Trial de Espana was a success on every level. The Saturday trial was a good test and seemingly enjoyed by all. The Saturday Night "Flying Pig" Barbecue served 70+ dinners to hungry and appreciative trials riders and their support teams. The Sunday adventure ride was conducted by Todd Bennett and Brad Hannon and was deemed to be entertaining, challenging and exhausting. They adventure troops returned just in time to see the beginning of the Battle for the El Trial Championship. The exhibition sections were reported to be terrifying to set up by architects Croft, Head, Belair, Wenger, and Oswald. To see them ridden was truly something special. Many great rides by all of our competitors. The large crowd of spectators (100+) were treated to the first ever "Ride Off" in El Trial history! Keith Wineland took the title from Cody Webb.

New Business:

SCTA was invited to participate in the City of Menifee General Plan OHV Focus Group. This meeting was attended by Oswald and Clyde Butler. Mr. Butler has fostered a relationship with some principals of the Menifee Code enforcement and planning commissions. These two groups wanted to gather a group of OHV users from the area around the city to discuss what was needed to make the city of Menifee more motorcycle and OHV friendly and include these ideas and suggestions in the city's general plan. The Focus group included the McGrath, Deegan, and Metzger families as they have private race tracks that get a lot of attention. The brothers from 3Brothers KTM as well. Within the confines of Menifee city limits, or nearby, are some tracts of land that may be of interest to SCTA for practice or event use. These areas will be reconnoitered at a future date. Overall tone of the meeting was constructive. More meetings will be scheduled over summer.

The Plonkers have made some administrative changes. The president welcomed the new Plonkers president Johnny "Ringo" Scharnweber to the board. Look for more Plonker news soon. The SCTA would like to thank past Plonker president Todd Bennett for his work on behalf of the SCTA and Plonkers everywhere.

The board is exploring a PayPal solution to the president's desire to provide our riders with the ability to sign up and pay for events and memberships on line at our website. This would alleviate some work load at the sign up table on event weekends. The economics seem feasible. The mechanics and details of the website and how to best accommodate our needs will be worked out hopefully by mid summer, with launch well ahead of the first event next season.

Rule changes were discussed. There were no changes brought by clubs. The president brought two prospective changes. Rider fees paid per rider by the clubs to the SCTA and SCTA membership fees have not been increased in several years while the cost of administration of the association and operating the website has continued to climb. President proposes to increase rider fees from \$1 to \$2. SCTA membership will go up \$5 to \$25 per year. The president expressed the need to continue an effort to keep our rules as similar as possible to the NATC rules. With that in mind the president proposed to adopt the NATC's definition Non Finisher/DNF. The board is in agreement with these items. Both issues and their language will be finalized at the May meeting.

The TEC-Cycles.com Southern California Trials Association 2010-2011 Championship Season calendar dates were discussed. All clubs will

maintain their basically traditional dates and events with some date "creep" due to event cadence (that is, how many weekends between rounds). Additionally there will be a possible VOTE/SDTR combined (maybe two day?) event tentatively in December. Nothing firm yet but the season potentially will have 9 rounds.

Administrative questions were answered by the president.

The president thanked the board for all of their good work and making the effort to attend despite the rains.

Adjourned by Oswald at 2045 hours.

Humbly submitted,
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