

WMRRA Board Notes

September 16th, 2025

Attendance:

E-board Members:

President: Kumpy Kump

First Vice President: CJ Hobbs

2nd VP: Tico Sandoval

3rd VP: Danielle Mulkins

Race Referee: Louis Stevenson

Novice Representative: Damon Poor – Not Present

Rider Representative: Don Williams – Not Present

Secretary: Jenny Chancellor

Treasurer: Neil Heineman

Guests:

BOD Members

Paul McComsey

Mark DeGross

Other:

Turin Cox

Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm.

Welcome and Introductions

The meeting began with greetings and a warm welcome to new Board of Directors member Paul McComsey and Jenny, who will serve as secretary. The format for the meeting was outlined: updates, individual reports, and a commitment to keeping the meeting to about an hour.

Event Dates and Scheduling Updates

Key dates for the upcoming season were discussed, including venue bookings, signed contracts, and deposit payments. There was some complexity in confirming event dates with “the Ridge,” with one date lost and later replaced. Specific racing dates at The Ridge and Pacific were laid out, along with notes on potential conflicts and logistical challenges, such as air fence transportation and costs.

Race Round Scheduling Challenges

Scheduling at Pacific Raceway involves balancing race dates to maximize turnout and minimize losses. Late September races can pose weather risks, and there are ongoing discussions about possibly shifting some races to earlier in the season.

Financial Considerations

A loss of approximately \$12,000 was reported for the most recent Pacific round due to low turnout and weather. Breaking even requires at least 100–110 racers per event, which was not met. Additional financial losses are anticipated, leading to ongoing debate about maintaining events at Pacific versus focusing on The Ridge.

Banquet Planning

Upcoming banquet dates and venues were confirmed:

- WIMRA Banquet: November 8 at Hazard Factory, Seattle
- OMRA Banquet: November 15 at Edgefield McMenamins, Portland

Plans include a more casual, party-like atmosphere with catered barbecue and awards. The goal is to reduce event costs compared to previous years, aiming to break even or minimize losses.

Alcohol and Raffles

Alcohol will be provided under a banquet permit, with strategies such as suggested tips and raffles to cover costs, while staying compliant with legal restrictions.

Subscription Model Discussion

The board discussed the possibility of implementing a season subscription for racers, allowing prepaid, all-inclusive access to races. The practical challenges of processing payments and preventing potential misuse were considered. The use of tiered pricing and individualized access codes was suggested to manage registration and incentives while maintaining financial stability.

Volunteer Recruitment and Marketing

A volunteer request form has been added to the website to streamline recruitment, and efforts are underway to improve positive publicity for Pacific. Ideas include promotional videos and enhanced PR campaigns.

Novice Program Improvements

There was consensus on expanding the novice program and coordinating between organizations to increase participation and improve training logistics. Novices may have more flexible training opportunities at each event.

Contingency and Sponsorships

The role of contingency representatives was clarified, and plans were discussed for leveraging contingency partnerships to attract additional sponsorships and increase club visibility.

Technical Topics and Proposals

The board discussed logistics for technical support at events, including potential roving tech inspections as a paid service. This would be coordinated through the registration system and marked by visible identifiers.

Rules Committee

A rules committee meeting is being planned for early November, with an agenda to be distributed ahead of time for efficiency.

Closing and Next Meetings

The meeting concluded with reminders about the next Zoom meetings scheduled for October 15 and November 5. Attendees were thanked for their participation and contributions.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.