



Minutes of the Annual General Membership (AGM) Meeting  
16 November, 2019, Dinkels Restaurant, Belleville, Ontario

Members in attendance:

Klaasje Bergveld	Marshal Trembley
Darrell Briggs	Mike Liebscher
Chris Chapelle	Linda Willis
Louise Eggleton	Mike Willis
Steve Eggleton	Mark Hooton
Michel Paquette	John Bordin
Joe Petrie	Judy Lang
Wayne Walsh	

Chairperson & Secretary: Darrell Briggs

The meeting was called to order at 13:34

**1) Opening remarks by the President, Darrell Briggs**

- a) Welcome and thank you all for attending
- b) Introduction of the Board members in attendance.
- c) Statement of quorum - the Membership Director advised quorum was met in accordance with the By-Laws (15 attendees).

**2) Reading of the Minutes of 10 November 2018 AGM** - one error was reported (a date). A motion was made by Mark Hooton to accept the Minutes of the November 2018 AGM as corrected, seconded by Joe Petrie and carried.

### 3) Officer's and Director's Reports

#### a. President - Darrell Briggs

Hello and welcome to the 2019 CRCA November General Meeting. Your attendance is appreciated. I would like to start, by thanking the BOD for their many hours of effort and support over the last year. They are a joy to work with. I would also like to thank the members who supported the club and the sport by participating in 2019.

Participation grew 27% in 2019. This is a significant increase. We have had continuing support from the MMS and MCO marshalling clubs at SMP this year. Many of our members supported motorcycle and car events at other tracks including, Calabogie, CTMP, St. Eustache, Gilles Villeneuve Circuit, Mont Tremblant, Toronto Indy and Grand Bend road courses in 2019. CRCA also supported motorcycle flat track racing and auto ice racing. Michel will provide more membership/participation detail in his report.

Recruiting efforts in 2019 included the three Toronto motorcycle shows. Thank you to all who supported our recruiting effort. Word of mouth continues to be our most effective recruiting method. We did not participate at the Motorama show at Toronto or the Quinte Sportsman show this year.

Two marshal schools were held again this year. Our instructor base has increased, thanks to Rick and Mark.

We had a busy year with the opening round of CSBK, two Vintage bike events, a CTCC/CASC-OR car event, a vintage car event, the DAC ice race at Minden and of course the full RACE series. The event calendar is expected to grow again in 2020.

2019 was another financially successful year. Our CRCA race wear inventory was replenished significantly this year. Rick will present the details. The RACE series riders have continued to generously support CRCA this year, with gifts, banquet tickets, donations and expressions of gratitude.

RACE continued to provide corner shade canopies, excellent weekend lunches and a year end BBQ which are helping to attract and retain members. SRA made numerous gift card donations to CRCA members at RACE events.

RACE rider participation was similar to last year. We can only hope that that RACE participation will grow and encourage CRCA membership participation.

Our CRCA 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations included the year end BBQ and a commemorative club jacket. A number of past CRCA members attended the BBQ.

The big post season news was the sale of SMP. The membership expects a number of positive changes to be made for the 2020 season.

Thanks again for your support and I look forward to a great year of racing with current and new marshals in 2020.

## **b. Vice-President - Wayne Walsh**

Our 60<sup>th</sup> season is in the books and once again the BOD has worked very hard to make this year as successful as possible. A very big thank you should be extended to our President and all the members of the BOD for a job well done.

This year's NMS schools were again conducted by having the classroom and trackside sessions split-up, students got some time trackside in a corner. I think this helped to generate more interest from the students. Thank you to Mark Hooton for stepping up to help with the school.

We conducted two NMS which yielded six QE's who have shown their interest by coming out to multiple events, on the road to becoming licenced marshals. We still need the support of the membership to ensure these QEs get the mentorship they need to develop their marshalling abilities.

Two QEs qualified for their basic licence Joe Pelletier and John Bordin.

Finally, I will not be putting my name forward for another term as Vice President; the time has come for someone else to step up who is prepared to take on the role of President in the coming years. I will continue with Education, Performance & Safety portfolio and supporting the club teaching NMS, working as a CCM and putting together the weekend corner assignments. Thank you all for your continued support.

## **c. Treasurer - Rick Helman** - Copies of the Statement of Operations (year ending Oct. 31, 2019) were distributed and reviewed. The financial highlights follow:

Revenues - Marshalling Services revenue was up over 28% from prior year; which reflects better coverage by Marshals at more contracted events. We expect the number of events to increase in 2020 and participation to remain at current or increased levels.

- Banquet Tickets were paid for by RACE

- Investment Income is earned on our GIC (one-year maturity; 0.55 % interest; interest earnings are reinvested at renewal)

Expenses - Expenses were almost identical to last year, with the exception of a \$1798 investment in logo wear, which included the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary jackets. Thanks to Wayne for coordinating the order.

Summary: - Thanks in part to better results from Marshalling Services; we finished the year with a healthy surplus (\$3223), and an enhanced net asset position. Beginning next season, we may wish to begin to consider some capital investments, in equipment, marketing, other types of initiatives.

Rick recommended that the majority of, our cash assets, be invested in a GIC. The motion was moved by John Bordin and seconded by Marshal Tremblay. Motion was passed unanimously.

Wayne Walsh moved that the financial statements for 2019 be accepted. Motion seconded by Michel Paquette. Motion passed by the attendees.

A motion to suspend membership fees for 2020 was moved by Michel Paquette and seconded by Chris Chapell. Motion passed unanimously by attendees.

An audit committee, comprised of John Bordin, Lou Murgaski and Louise Eggleton agreed to review the 2019 financial reports.

#### **d. Education, Performance & Safety**

Last year a recommendation was put forward that remedial fire training be carried out in 2019. Chris mentioned a rider resource who is a fireman. The BOD will consider the implementation of this recommendation in 2020.

#### **e. Membership - Michel Paquette**

In 2019 we had 57 members, a decrease of 15 from last year. This was the result of removing 15 non-active names from the database. We had another couple of MMS members join CRCA again this season. The “life” member count is now 19, which is 5 more than last year. Twelve “lifers” are active members. Six new members joined this year. Almost all of them (5) were regular attendees. As Darrell mentioned, it was a much better year for participation. We had 47 members from various clubs participating in at least one event compared to 32 last year. Hopefully we can maintain that momentum this coming season.

#### **4) Old Business**

a) A discussion was conducted on the various issues relating to radio communication at SMP in 2019. Wayne reported on the 2020 investment plans by SMP management. The BOD will continue to monitor radio communications performance and liaise with SMP management.

#### **5) New/Other Business**

a) Recruitment- Our booth at the January Toronto Super Show has been confirmed. We will liaise with VRRRA on involvement at the February Toronto Motorcycle show. Our plans also include participation at the Toronto Spring Motorcycle show. We expect marketing efforts by the new SMP management team will include a booth at the Quinte Sportsman Show in Belleville. We will enquire as to a coordinated effort at that show. We expect a significant increase in track promotion in 2020. If track attendance increases, we will consider recruiting efforts at SMP. Recruiting at the track has been very successful for MMS. The feasibility of community radio interviews was discussed as a potential recruiting opportunity.

b) SMP Ownership Change- The new management team at SMP, as of October 11, 2019, has made a commitment over the next five years to invest heavily in track infrastructure and track promotion. Some of the infrastructure upgrades are to include; track and pit resurfacing, marshal shelters at all corners, safety barrier upgrades, radio upgrades and building improvements. A request has been made to change the administration of marshalling fees, which the BOD will coordinate. The BOD will work out the agreement and service agreement. The RACE series has been renamed the ‘Super Series’. The SMP website has been changed. Overall, the BOD views the SMP management change as a big positive and is anticipating significant development of the track from a business perspective. We are looking forward to a brighter future for SMP.

d) A motion was forwarded by Chris Chapell to confirm that a half day marshal involvement would include a full one day log book entry. The motion was seconded by Wayne Walsh and carried by the membership.

- e) The following items were discussed and recommend to the BOD for implementation;
  - Upgrade the condition of the flags and flag bags.
  - Upgrade the recruiting signage (banners)
  - Utilize gas card draws at events
  - Investigate CRCA track signage
  - Investigate use of a CRCA pop-up at the track

## 6) Nomination Report

- a) Confirmation of Nominee's Acceptance
  - i) John Bordin - Vice President (Nominated by Wayne Walsh, seconded by Mike Willis)
  - ii) Mark Hooton - Membership Director (Nominated by John Bordin, seconded by Steve Eggleton)
  - iii) Michel Paquette - Director at Large (Nominated by Darrell Briggs, seconded by Louise Eggleton)
  - iv) Rick Helman - Treasurer (appointed by Darrell Briggs and the BOD)
  - v) Wayne Walsh volunteered to continue as Education, Safety & Education Director
- b) Nominations from the floor - none received.
- c) Election
  - i) John Bordin acclaimed as Vice President
  - ii) Mark Hooton acclaimed as Membership Director
  - iii) Michel Paquette acclaimed as Director at Large
  - iv) Rick Helman appointed as Treasurer
- d) Recording of Results
  - i) Motion to accept the 2020 BOD by Joe Petrie, seconded by Louise Eggleton & carried.
- e) The new BOD was welcomed.

## 7) Next BOD Meeting - to be scheduled after the AGM by the BOD

## 8) Adjournment

- a. Motion to adjourn by Michel Paquette, seconded by Linda Willis, carried.
- b. Meeting adjourned at 15:40

### CRCA Award Winners

Rider Award

Team Walker

Rookie of the Year

John Bordin