



## Friday, September 24th 2011 General Membership Meeting Minutes

Gazebo, Dexter Lake

Lowell, Oregon

6:00 PM

### 2011 Board Members

**Sparky Rose**  
Commodore  
Eugene, Oregon

**Lee Reinhart**  
Vice-Commodore  
Crooked River Ranch, Oregon

**Cherri Willis**  
Secretary  
Springfield, Oregon

**Debi Julius**  
Treasurer  
Damascus, Oregon

**Dwight Timm**  
Race Director  
Eagle Creek, Oregon

**Mike Grover**  
Safety Director  
Myrtle Creek, Oregon

**Jim DeBoard**  
Board Member  
Prineville, Oregon

**Joe Willis**  
Board Member  
Springfield, Oregon

**Rick Coffman**  
Board Member  
Klamath Falls, Oregon

**Al Zemke**  
Board Member  
Bend, Oregon

**Board members present:** Sparky Rose, Lee Reinhart, Debi Julius, Cherri Willis, Mike Grover, Dwight Timm, Rick Coffman, Jim DeBoard, Joe Willis, Al Zemke

**Welcome: Sparky Rose**

**Roll Call: Al Zemke, Parliamentarian for Board of Directors**

*Al discusses the basic premise that if you are not a member of the association, you will not have a vote. He calls out the roll call in alphabetical order.*

**Financial Report: Debi Julius, Treasurer.**

Debi offers the financial report explaining that "we are running in the red". The club still owes \$4,000.00 for the Haystack race. She went on to explain that last year the "Northwest Nationals" race cost us approximately \$11,000.00 and our gross income as of Friday for this race is \$5383.00. Debi reminds everyone that the "CDBA" financials are an "open book" and that she would be happy to go over any information that a member would like to have.

**Financial Report Continued: Al Zemke, Chairman of Financial Committee**

*Al discusses the use of QuickBooks and the information that Andy has entered into the computer. He states that we have a good idea of our financial condition and that we have numbers that we can rely on and that these were not present before. Al also explains that this has been done so that anyone coming into the positions will have the foundation so that the club can make good sound financial decisions. He discusses the fact that the Board of Directors will hold a "special" meeting in October for finances only. The Board will then come to the general membership with the recommendations and financial decisions. For the first time, the club was able to run a "point of sale" accounting at Friday's registration.*

**Recommendations: Sparky Rose, Commodore**

*Sparky explains the Board's recommendations for necessary cost cutting measures.*

- 1. No more free registrations for the winner of each class.*
- 2. The club does not have the money to pay for high point jackets. Sparky explains that the Board of Directors themselves will pay for the jackets.*
- 3. Limit the number of people who can sign in as crew. It is costing the association a lot of money in admission fees. The Board will set a number.*
- 4. Sparky asks for ideas from anyone about ways to raise money and cut costs.*
- 5. He reminds everyone that there will be changes in registration*

**Jeff Green: Idea to generate more funds and give back to the drivers**

*Jeff explains to the membership that by eliminating the free registrations, that will put over \$4,000.00 back into the association for one year. Jeff also discusses that we are running at huge deficit. He suggests a plan to raise the entry fee by \$50.00 for each class, multiply this by the 139 entries the club has had this year, add the 42 that are at the current race, and this adds over \$12,000 to the association's bottom line (including eliminating the free registration). He then offers the suggestion of paying out for first and second place in each class from that \$50.00 increase.*

*His example: If the 8 second class had 6 people, that would be an additional \$300.00 for the class. Take that \$300.00, 50% to first place, 25% to second place, and 25% to the association.*

**Andy: Jeff asks Andy for a figure on the association's debt**

*Per Andy, the association is in debt approximately \$6,000.00 as of the Haystack race. He explains that this is "even though" we have had a higher boat count this year than last year as well as a higher revenue for spectators. Andy then asks us to give a hand to Lucas Oil as they have given the association a lot of money. He then reminds the membership that over \$8,000.00 is still owed for liability insurance (including all five races). The association paid last year's insurance of \$10,285.00 this year in March. Andy explains that everyone has done a good job of controlling the outgoing money. He also adds that Lee Reinhart did an excellent job of getting donations for the Haystack track and that everyone involved in that project did an excellent job.*

**Andy:** *Andy then made a motion to raise entry fees by \$50.00 for next year. Lee 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.*

**Sparky:** *"A motion has been made and 2<sup>nd</sup> to raise the entry fee next year so that we are running in the black". He asks for vote. The motion is passed. The entry fees will be raised by \$50.00 for each class. Sparky then remarks that "we have strived for years not to increase the money from the racers but that for us to keep going, to give everybody a place to race that we have to do it".*

**Andy:** *Informs that if we have the same boat count next year that we had this year, this vote will have raised \$7500.00.*

**Jeff Green:** *Announces that CDBA is continuing to work on the relationship with NJBA and asks that anyone who can go down to Bakersfield in October will be showing NJBA that "we" are serious about supporting them. NJBA is requiring pre-registration and is canceling races if the boat count is not high enough.*

**Sparky:** *Again, asks for ideas. He then asks for volunteers to see those ideas through. He asks for marketing ideas and reminds the association of the fundraiser that Liz Edward's is doing with the calendar.*

**Mike Grover: Sponsors**

*It is discussed that the "sponsor packets" are available on the website. He asks everyone to try to get sponsors and to review the packets to let them know what they are getting.*

**Sparky: June Race**

*Sparky explains to the membership that he has been in contact with the Lane County Visitor's Bureau and that the Track and Field Championships will be June 22 – July 1. The race will therefore take place the first two weeks of June. This will help with getting lodging. Sparky also lets the membership 2012 schedule will be out by the October meeting.*

**Nominations: Andy explains the process for nominations**

*Andy explains that in the past people have been uncomfortable for one reason or another with the way the ballots are handled. The bylaws state that the ballots will be a mail ballot and therefore a secret ballot. Cherri has a list of all voting members, all the people on the list can vote. Anyone who is not on the list at this time will not have a vote. Andy further explains that the ballot will be placed in a plain envelope which will be placed in the mailing envelope. The "secret" ballot will be left un-opened until the meeting. Andy then asks if there are any questions. The witnesses for ballot count are the board of director. Cherri will bring the un-opened ballots to the meeting. It is asked if the ballots will be counted by the board members. Andy then asks if anybody would like a member not on the board to help Cherri will the counting procedure. It is suggested and confirmed that John Loshbaugh will help Cherri will counting procedures.*

**Sparky: Opens nominations for the Board Member positions (2)**

*Cherri nominates Jim DeBoard, Rick 2nds motion. Jim declines nomination*

*Rick nominates Doug Young, Debi 2nds motion. Doug is later deemed ineligible due to membership status.*

*Michelle nominates Mike Collins, Sandi 2nds the motion, Mike accepts nomination.*

*Mike Grover nominates John Loshbaugh, it is 2<sup>nd</sup>, John accepts nomination.*

*Lee nominates Darreld Murphy, Tom 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, Darreld accepts nomination.*

*Rick nominates Al Zemke, Cody 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, Al accepts the nomination.*

*Al nominates Jim Brown, Andy 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, Jim accepts the nomination.*

*Nominations for board members are closed.*

**Treasurer:**

*Cherri nominates Debi Julius, it is 2<sup>nd</sup>, Debi accepts the nomination. John Loshbaugh moves to close the nomination for treasurer. Andy 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The nominations for treasurer are closed.*

**Commodore:**

*Rick nominates Sparky Rose, Lee 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, Sparky accepts the nomination.*

*John nominates Andy Haavisto, the motion is 2<sup>nd</sup>, Andy accepts the nomination.*

*Michelle nominates Doug Young...he can't be nominated for two positions and is not a member and is deemed ineligible.*

*Rick nominates Andy Erskine, the motion is 2<sup>nd</sup>, Andy Erskine declines.*

*Al Zemke is nominated and the nomination is 2<sup>nd</sup>, Al declines nomination.*

*The nominations for Commodore are closed.*

**Cherri: Changes in registration for next year**

*Cherri explains the challenges faced in registration this weekend. 24 people registered all day on Friday and 18 registered in 45 minutes Saturday morning before the driver's meeting. Several of these drivers had been there the day before. Cherri explains that there will be an on-line registration for next year and to please keep checking the website for further changes.*

**Mike Grover: Commodore's Ball**

*Mike has been contacted by the Keiser Inn asking if we were interested in having the Commodore's Ball this year. They have added a stipulation that if we have over 150 people, they will require security at \$500.00 for the evening. Mike asks that the members give him suggestions if they want to have the ball somewhere else. He also reminds the membership that the Keiser Inn has given the association several comps such as free meeting rooms, etc..*

**Meeting is adjourned.**