

New Jersey Chapter of BMW CCA Board Meeting August 14, 2019

Board members present: Neil Gambony, Dave Allaway, Ross Karlin, Jamie Kavalieros, Jeff White, Kevin Sheehy, Colin Vozeh. Board members absent: Bob Isbitski, Mark Hulbrock, Jerry Faber, Paul Ngai, Ron Gemeinhardt. Others present: Mark Mallory, Doug Feigel, Warren Brown, Stan Mayer.

President

Neil Gambony called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM at Alfonso's in Somerville. Jeff White motioned to approve the July minutes as distributed and Ross Karlin seconded (approved unanimously). Neil Gambony reported on the Regional VP teleconference. The national dues increase will probably be the beginning of 2020, with adequate notice for renewal at the current rate. The requirement to mail printed newsletters has been eliminated. There will be a national conference for chapter presidents in Dallas the first weekend in November.

Vice President

Neil reported, on Paul Ngai's behalf, that the 9/12 membership meeting will be at DCC with guest speaker Jake Mooney, Special Sales Manager at BMW NA, on European Delivery and Performance Center Delivery. A Cars & Croissants get-together will be held on 9/21 at BMW NA, concurrent with E30 M3 SIGFest 2019. Attendance (and parking) will be limited, with registration on MotorsportReg per Jeff White. A BimmerFest car show will be held at BMW of Bridgewater on 9/22. Oktoberfest at Circle BMW will be 10/12.

Driver Schools

Jamie Kavalieros reported that Summit Point was hot, and lightly attended by students. The banquet was great. We had 42 racers. There was a split start for the Spec E46 contingent. We anticipate a \$8,900 profit. Shenandoah has 16 students and 10 instructors signed up so far. There are three student run groups planned. Warren Brown reported that Mirril McMullen will be Chief of Tech for 2020. Neil reported, on Larry Engel's behalf, that registration is open for the September Tire Rack Street Survival (TRSS) school, with availability. We are OK on staff. A third TRSS of the year is planned for 11/16 at the NJMP Lightning paddock.

Club Racing

Ross Karlin reported that we had a good turnout of racers (as noted above). Ice water and cold washcloths were employed successfully. Our process for handling medical forms proved effective.

Autocross

Neil reported, on Elihu Savad's behalf, that Sunday's autocross (8/18) is confirmed with 10 sign-ups as of this morning.

Driving Events

Jeff White reported that we are still considering a Cars & Coffee concurrent with an autocross. We need a Rallymaster for the November Whack-Your-Turkey rally.

Treasurer

Neil distributed the year-to-date income and expense reports from Ron Gemeinhardt. Per Ron, we are in good financial shape and essentially at the same status as August 2018. We are still awaiting reimbursement from the NY Chapter for the April school. Matt Baratz has stepped back in temporarily as Business Manager. Colin still needs a current list of sponsors.

Newsletter

Neil reported, on Jerry Faber's behalf, that the deadline for the next Bulletin is 8/17.

Members at Large

Bob Isbitski has ensured that everything on FaceBook is up-to-date. Kevin Sheehy reported that he has sent out two sets of new member welcome e-mails. A member spotlight in the Bulletin was suggested.

Old Business

Ross Karlin is ready to purchase six radios, as previously approved.

New Business

Colin Vozech suggested that we post favorable comments on the website forum following events. The next board meeting was set for Wednesday 9/18 at 7:30 PM at Alfonso's. Ross motioned to adjourn at 8:35 PM and Jeff seconded (carried unanimously).

Respectfully submitted,
Dave Allaway, Secretary