



Minutes of the Annual General Membership (AGM) Meeting  
11 November, 2017, Dinkels Restaurant, Belleville, Ontario

Members in attendance:

Klaasje Bergveld  
Darrell Briggs  
Chris Chapelle  
Dede Duncan  
Rick Helman  
Michael Liebscher  
Michel Paquette  
Wayne Walsh

Secretary: Darrell Briggs

The meeting was called to order at 14:10.

**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) The President requested that Klaasje and Chris act as scrutineers (if required) for the meeting and both agreed.
- d) Statement of quorum - the Membership Director advised quorum was met in accordance with the By-Laws.

**2) Reading of the Minutes of 05 November, 2016 AGM** - no errors or omissions were reported. A motion was made by Rick Helman to accept the Minutes of the November 2016 AGM as written, seconded by Michel Paquette and carried.

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

**a. President - Darrell Briggs** - Hello and welcome to the 2017 CRCA November General Meeting. Thanks for coming out to this general membership meeting. I would like to start, firstly, to thank the BOD for their many hours of effort and support over the last year. I would also like to thank the members who supported the club and the sport by participating in 2017.

Membership was stable in 2017. We had three QEs 'graduate' this year. We had increasing support from MMS and MCO marshalling clubs at SMP this year. Many of our members supported motorcycle and car events at Calabogie, CTMP, St. Eustache, Gilles Villeneuve Circuit and Grand Bend road courses in 2017. CRCA also supported motorcycle flat track and Supercross racing. Michel will provide more detail in his report, shortly.

Recruiting efforts in 2017 included the two Toronto motorcycle shows, Kingston mall event, Motorama show in Toronto as well as Kijiji ads. Two marshal schools were held.

We had a busy year with the opening round of CSBK, Vintage bikes, a CASC-OR car event and of course the five event RACE series. Unfortunately, the DAC ice race and RACE round one were cancelled due to adverse weather conditions. For 2018 we currently have a CASC-OR/CTCC event, the DAC ice race, VRRRA event, and the opening CSBK event confirmed. We expect the RACE schedule soon.

2017 was a financial success as well. Rick will present the details. The RACE series riders have generously supported our banquet attendance this year.

RACE series participation was a little greater than 2016. We can only hope that that participation will grow and encourage CRCA membership participation. The sale of SMP is still pending, and nothing has changed from an operational standpoint. Radio reliability continues to be a concern.

Thanks again for your support and I look forward to a great year of racing with my existing and new marshalling friends in 2018.

I am happy to answer questions and respond to comments anyone may have.

**b. Vice-President - Wayne Walsh** - I would like to take this opportunity to once again acknowledge the hard work of our President; Darrell Briggs, Michel Paquette and the rest of BOD have put in over the past year to get the membership and visiting marshals out to our events. When I reviewed the corner assignment sheets from the past season, we had good numbers for most events, with the final event being one of the best attended of the season. We were able to get 3 of our QE's licensed and a couple more are their way to qualifying next season. However, its one thing to get new marshals qualified it's also important to ensure they continue the mentoring process beyond the QE phase. We need to make sure we get maximum attendance at all our events to continue this process with our experienced marshals. We attended numerous car/bike/sportsmen shows to recruit new members throughout the winter/spring however this year we have only been able to retain a single marshal that attended the New Marshal School. In the past people have talked about finding the "hook" to keep these prospective marshals coming back, I believe we the membership are that hook that by being enthusiastic, showing a positive attitude and our passion for motorsport will help to convince prospective members to keep coming back.

**c. Treasurer - Rick Helman** - Rick distributed copies of the financial reports (year ending Oct. 31, 2017) and reviewed the Statement of Operations and Statement of Financial Position.

Highlights of the financial year follow;

Revenues

- Marshalling Services revenue down significantly from prior year; reflects one fewer contract event and lower attendance by Marshals
- Banquet Tickets were in part paid for by RACE
- Investment Income is earned on our GIC (one year maturity; 0.55 % interest; interest earnings are reinvested at renewal)

Expenses

- No incentives (in the form of gas cards) were issued in the 2017 season; we had found that in 2016 the cards were always going to the same core group
- Annual Banquet Costs are net of RACE contribution to ticket costs, and collections during the event from the racers toward the Marshals' bar tab
- No Logo wear was purchased in 2016-17
- Other costs were comparable with those of the prior year

Summary:

- In spite of reduced Marshalling Services revenue, we finished the year with a small surplus.

Rick Helman moved that the financial statements for 2016 be accepted. Motion seconded by Dede Duncan. Motion passed by the attendees.

A motion to suspend membership fees for 2018 was moved by Michel Paquette and seconded by Wayne Walsh. Motion passed by attendees.

**d. Education/Performance and Safety - Larry McMillan - no report filed**

**e. Membership - Michel Paquette**

- In 2017 we had 63 members, which are 3 more than last year.
- 15 of those are “life” members with 9 of those considered still active.
- We only added 3 members, 1 coming from MMS. Only 1 of our new member participated.
- Participation was down this year. 22 members participated in at least 1 event compared to 27 the year before.

**Michel agreed to update the call out distribution list prior to the 2018 season as planned (action).**

**f. Recruiting** - Recruiting was again managed on a regional basis (Toronto, Quinte) for the season. CRCA collaborated with VRRRA at the January bike show in Toronto and at the February bike show in Toronto. A number of Kijiji ads were placed prior to both New Marshal Schools and events early in the season. Recruiting efforts also included the Motorama show in Toronto. Thanks to Darrell, Rick, Michel, Randy, and Wayne for their effort and support.

**4) Old Business**

a) A discussion was conducted on the various issues relating to radio communication at SMP.

The following points were raised;

- Current radios are often dying during race events.
- Numerous preferences amongst marshals (Motorola hand held radio, headphone, eye piece, foam plugs)
- **It was agreed that Darrell and Wayne will approach Mr. Gauthier in the spring regarding radio upgrade options (action).**

b) Klaasje discussed the request from Mr. Gauthier that CRCA vacate the storage shed if we no longer required its use. It was agreed that the space was no longer required by CRCA. **Klaasje agreed to dispose of all redundant CRCA materials in the shed (action).**

## 5) New/Other Business

a) Larry McMillan notified the club that he intends to retire from marshalling next season. **Wayne and Rick agreed to review the current training materials and training course format prior to the New Marshal schools next spring (action).**

Instructor responsibilities will be agreed prior to the schools.

b) SMP track surface condition was reviewed. Post season, paving was completed at the exit of corner 4 (long track), corner 5 (nelson track), and corner 9. The condition of corner 10 was highlighted as an area of concern.

c) Refresher fire training was discussed and will be considered in the review of the New Marshal School curriculum.

## 6) Nomination Report

a) Confirmation of Nominee's Acceptance

- i) Wayne Walsh - Vice President
- ii) Michel Paquette - Membership Director
- iii) Chris Chapelle - Director at Large

b) Nominations from the floor - none received.

c) Election

- i) Wayne Walsh acclaimed as Vice President
- ii) Michel Paquette acclaimed as Membership Director
- iii) Chris Chapelle acclaimed as Director at Large

d) Recording of Results

- i) Motion to destroy ballots unnecessary
- ii) Motion to accept the 2017 BOD by Michael Liebscher, seconded by Darrell Briggs & carried.

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

## 8) Adjournment

- a. Motion to adjourn by Wayne Walsh, seconded by Klaasje Bergveld, carried.
- b. Meeting adjourned at 15:55 hours

## **2017 CRCA Award Winners**

Founders' award	Not awarded
President's Award	Not Awarded
JV Award	Chris Chapelle
Rider Award	Leo Foley
Rookie of the Year	Joe Pelletier