ACA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes 13-Dec-2023

A meeting of the incoming 2024 board was held at the East End Brewery. All newly elected members except Sara and Mike were present.

The purpose of the meeting was to introduce the new incoming board members to issues and proposals that were discussed during 2023 but were deferred until the 2024 board was elected. The following issues, in no particular order, were discussed.

In 2023 there were two women's races: W3-4-5 and W1-2-3 the latter which was run simultaneously with the Masters race. The possibility of two separate Women's races: a W1-2-3 race and a W4-5 race was discussed. This would then eliminate the W1-2-3 race within the Masters' race.

It's been proposed that at least 5 racers would be required in order to run a separate race. It was also proposed that at least 5 racers would be required to award points for any given race.

With or without a sixth race (W123), changing some of the races to different nights was discussed. With the addition of a sixth race and possible switching nights, the logistics of combining races due to weather or low turnout were also discussed.

The addition of Cat 1 racers back into the Masters race was discussed. The possibility of allowing Cat 1's into the Masters race but excluding them from scoring series points was also mentioned.

The possibility of occasional clinics during the racing season was discussed.

It was decided that we would offer a 20-week racing season beginning in April, with a new racer clinic the week prior to the start of the racing season. Points would be awarded in June, July and August, excluding the week of the picnic.

The acquisition of permits from the City and USAC were discussed. Because the City requires proof of insurance, USAC will have to be acquired first. Ideally the USAC permit should be acquired in January, since last year the City was slow in issuing us a permit.

Elise will confirm the availability of last year's officials for 2024.

It was asked if race registrants could be automatically added to the ACA mailing list to facilitate dissemination of race information. Although automatic inclusion is not possible, new registrants could be added to the list manually.

Alternate race sites such as the autonomous vehicle test track on Second Avenue were briefly discussed.

An in-person meeting will be scheduled for early January in order to discuss these and other issues and make firm decisions regarding the 2024 racing season.

Jack Neyer, Secretary