

CLUB RACING BOARD

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CLUB RACING BOARD MINUTES | May 31, 2019

The Club Racing Board met Face-to-Face on May 31, 2019. Participating were Peter Keane, Chairman; David Arken, Jim Goughary, John LaRue, Paula Hawthorne, Sam Henry, Steve Strickland, and Shelly Pritchett, secretary. Also participating were: Bob Dowie, Peter Jankovskis, and Marcus Meridith, BoD liaisons; Eric Prill, Chief Operations Officer; Deanna Flanagan, Director of Road Racing; Rick Harris, Club Racing Technical Manager. The following decisions were made:

Member Advisory

None.

No Action Required

GCR

1. #26938 (Eric Heinrich) Address On Track Behavior

Thank you for your letter. Please refer to letter # 26270 posted in July 2019 Fastrack.

2. #26944 (Charles Armbrust) Contact Log

Thank you for your letter. Please refer to letter # 26270 posted in July 2019 Fastrack.

3. #26961 (Joe Camilleri) Request to address cars producing excessive exhaust smoke, fumes

Thank you for your letter. There is no realistic way to write a rule that could be consistently and fairly applied to address exhaust emissions from race cars.

Strategic

1. #26538 (Charles Duncan) Letter to Club Racing Board Concerning Eligibility for Runoffs

Thank you for your letter. Your input is appreciated.

2. #26581 (John Hertsgaard) Objection to Vintage Proposal in February Fastrack Item 2

Thank you for your letter. Your input is appreciated.

3. #26922 (Paul Greigger) Vintage and Formula Cars

Thank you for your letter. Your input is appreciated.

4. #26969 (Armen Megregian) Runoffs qualification suggestion

Thank you for your letter. Your input is appreciated.

ST General

1. #26962 (Jeremy Tanner) Are all wheel drive vehicles allowed to run in any ST class?

Thank you for your letter. All Wheel Drive is permitted in Super Touring.

STL

1. #26937 (Robert Paszkiewicz) Right Hand Drive Integra

Thank you for your letter. Competitor may race JDM Integra as long as it meets this part of the ST Regulations; "Vehicles used in this category must be identifiable with the vehicles offered for sale to the public and available through the manufacturer's distribution channels in the US."

STU

1. #26878 (Rich Lee) Request to classify Acura TL car approval

Thank you for your letter. There is no requirement to class a car in STU if it is under 3.2L. You may compete with the TL as long as it meets all other STU regulations.

T2

1. #26846 (Drew Cattell) Request to allow overbore of .020 for T2 Cadillac CTS-V

Thank you for your letter. 0.020" overbore is already allowing in Touring. It includes a 30lb weight penalty.

2. #26847 (Drew Cattell) Request to allow LS7 clutch system on Cadillac CTS-V

Thank you for your letter. T2-T3 only: Any clutch disc and pressure plate of OEM diameter may be used, provided that they shall be bolted directly to an unmodified stock flywheel and weighs at least 95% of the factory OEM clutch disc and pressure plate.

Not Recommended

P2

1. #26968 (Armen Megregian) Request to rescind Cars in Table 1 Spec Line

Thank you for your letter. The Club Racing Board does not recommend this change. The Club Racing Board considered the points you raise in reaching a solution to a supply problem with the original engines. Please see the response to letter #25595, January 2019 Fastrack Technical Bulletin. The Club Racing Board will continue to monitor class performance and will make appropriate adjustments as necessary.

GCR

1. #25822 (Todd Butler) Eliminate Physical Requirement for Full Comp, go to Self-Cert

Thank you for your letter. The Club Racing Board, after risk management advice, does not currently support eliminating the physical exam requirements from the Competition License requirements.

2. #26536 (Andrew Jenkins) WRL/Champ Car License Experience for Regional Events

Thank you for your letter. Neither WRL or Champ Car has a process for licensure or issues licenses to their participants so accepting participation/experience from those organizations would fall outside the scope of what Appendix C 2.8.B is intended for. The purpose of this section allows for a driver to show his/her competition license from another accepted organization to a registrar in lieu of an SCCA license. There would be nothing for a driver to show for WRL or Champ Car experience beyond results. Furthermore, these organizations do not require a medical or approval by a physician certifying they are fit to race. The licenses listed in App C 2.8.B require a physician's review, in line with the SCCA physical form. Including WRL or Champ Car in this list would be outside of the current driver eligibility guidelines which requires a medical examination form signed by a physician. WRL and Champ Car experience may certainly be considered if drivers are requesting a SCCA competition license waiver through the Divisional Licensing Administrator.

GT3

1. #26818 (Richard Smith) Request Peripheral Port carb and choke change

Thank you for your letter. The Club Racing Board feels that induction specs for disfranchised GT2 cars is correct as listed.

2. #26819 (Richard Smith) Request to change SIR for GT2 RX7

Thank you for your letter. The Club Racing Board feels that induction specs for disfranchised GT2 cars is correct as listed.

3. #26820 (Richard Smith) Request weight change for Disenfranchised GT2

Thank you for your letter. The Club Racing Board feels that the weight specs for disfranchised GT2 cars are correct as listed.

STU

1. #26396 (David Mead) Request to add Rotrex s/c to supercharged S2000 list

Thank you for your letter. BOM for S/C Kit was requested multiple times. Competitor nor Jackson provided requested information. S/C Kits will not be permitted without BOM for kit.

2. #26397 (David Mead) Request to allow K20 Honda Rotrex c38-81 S/C

NR: Thank you for your letter. BOM for S/C Kit was requested multiple times. Competitor nor Jackson provided requested information. S/C Kits will not be permitted without BOM for kit.

3. #26667 (Kevin Koelemeyer) Request BRZ 100m Jackson pulley

Thank you for your letter. Your request is not recommended at this time. Author is asking for more horsepower and it is not warranted. The Club Racing Board will continue to monitor performance.

4. #26884 (Joel Baez) Request to approve alternate turbocharger on Subaru WRX/STI
Thank you for your letter. This change is not recommended at this time. There is a list of approved alternate turbos for STU. Please choose either the stock turbo or one from the approved list.

5. #27020 (Dave Mead) Request to change eligibility allowances for ST
Thank you for your letter. This change is not recommended. The Club Racing Board feels that the rules are adequate as written.

Recommended Items

The following subjects will be referred to the Board of Directors for approval. Address all comments, both for and against, to the Club Racing Board. It is the BoD's policy to withhold voting on a rules change until there has been input from the membership on the presented rules. Member input is suggested and encouraged. Please send your comments via the form at www.clubracingboard.com.

GCR

1. #26248 (Bob Clark) Remove mandatory SCCA drivers school for 14/15 year olds
Make the following change to Appendix C.2.6.H:

"No 14 or 15 year-old will be allowed to race without having ~~successfully completed at least one SCCA driver school. In Divisions in which SCCA driver schools are not available, the student may be allowed to race after completing two SCCA Accredited Schools subject to the approval of the Divisional Driver Licensing Administrator.~~"

2. #26766 (Harley Kaplan) Request Safety tail and brake lights

In GCR section 9.3.31, strike the wording, replace and number as follows:

~~"All non-Formula cars shall have two operating red brake lights. All Formula (open wheel) and Sports Racing cars shall be equipped with a red taillight of at least the equivalent illumination power of a 15-watt bulb. This light shall be mounted as high as possible on the centerline of the car and be clearly visible from the rear. The taillight shall be illuminated when ordered by the Race Director or Chief Steward. Light assemblies shall be considered one light for the purposes of this rule, irrespective of the number of individual lamps the assembly may contain. Light assemblies may perform both rain and brake light functions provided they have two distinct illumination levels. An optional tail light ("rain light"), as described above, may be added to cars in all other classes. Lights that function as a strobe lights are not permitted except that in Formula and Sports Racer classes, the tail light may strobe when directed to be used as a rain light.~~

A. BRAKE LIGHTS

All non-Formula cars shall have two operating red brake lights.

B. RAIN LIGHTS

All cars shall be equipped with rain light(s) clearly visible from the rear.

- 1. Non-Formula and Sports Racing cars shall utilize red tail lights, the rain light described in 9.3.31.B.2 or both.*
- 2. All Formula (open wheel) and Sports Racing cars shall be equipped with a red taillight of at least the equivalent illumination power of a 15-watt bulb. This light shall be mounted as high as possible on the centerline of the car. Light assemblies shall be considered one light for the purposes of this rule, irrespective of the number of individual lamps the assembly may contain.*
- 3. Light assemblies may perform both rain and brake light functions provided they have two distinct illumination levels. Lights that function as strobe lights are not permitted except in Formula and Sports Racer classes. The taillight may strobe when directed to be used as a rain light.*

C. Exposed glass headlights shall be taped. Rear brake lights may be taped with transparent tape. Turn signals, front parking lights, backup lamps, and side marker lights may be taped or painted. Lights mounted on or below the bumper shall be removed, and all resulting holes shall be covered

to prevent air passage through said holes. Lights mounted within the bumper may be removed or covered and any resulting holes shall be covered to prevent air passage through said holes.

In Appendix F, Technical Glossary, add red tail light as follows:

"Red Tail Light: A red light at the back of an automobile that makes it possible for the vehicle to be seen from the rear."

T1

1. #26934 (Dave Mead) Allow Alternate Manufacturer Differential Housing for Honda S2000 Effective Jan 1, 2020, In T1, Honda S2000, add to the notes as follows:

"Alternate Manufacturer OEM differential housing allowed."

Taken Care Of

FA

1. #27011 (Michael Devins) Opposed to combining FA/FB

Thank you for your letter. Please see the response to letter #25823, January 2019 Fastrack Minutes, which was approved as recommended, January 2019 Board of Directors Minutes.

GCR

1. #26270 (Marc Cefalo) Request to review on track incidents and officiating Improving On-Track Driver Conduct

Plan:

- Develop Facebook post to keep members up to date on current process (See below for latest post in italic)
- Discuss at the face to face BOD / CRB / staff meeting in May.
- Use SM as the catalyst for improvement and standardize common in all classes.
- Get SMAC and possibly the CAT (collision avoidance team) to identify possible ideas to help educate new (and experienced) drivers to establish common expectations.
- Continue to evolve, educate, and standardize race operations on how to deal with on track incidents and car damage.

On track behavior- Working towards cleaner, safer race events.

*Contact between racers- a metal to metal incident, whether minor or major, is a hazard that comes with our sport. We all want close, hard racing, but we also want to load our car up at the end of the weekend without the hassle and expense of damage. This is a particular concern in our ~~Spec classes~~ **large fields**, where it is easy to cross the line or get caught up in another on track event. In fact, we have received recent and specific feedback from the ~~Spec Miata~~ **racing** community that many believe there is a disconnect between each drivers interpretation of the conduct rules.*

*The GCR in section 6.11.1 On Course Driver Conduct attempts to define the parameters of on track conduct, most notably with this phrase: Drivers are responsible to avoid physical contact between cars on the race track...(It goes on to lay the groundwork for corrective action)..... If a driver is involved in significant body contact, the driver and car shall stop at the designated incident investigation site for review of the incident by the stewards before going to their paddock area..... "Significant body contact" includes but is not limited to: contact resulting in 2 or 4 wheels off course, spins, loss of position, or repairs to suspension or bodywork. **The Clerk of the Course at Hoosier Super Tour events will be coordinating with Race Control and the Safety Team to present disabled cars involved contact to Tech.** Currently, our ~~Majors Clerk of the Course is directing race operations to respond to contact called in by workers or actions resulting in cars being towed back from the safety team.~~*

Currently, our leadership is looking into the best way to establish a common and uniformly understood interpretation of this part of our rules- essentially, our expectations for on track conduct. While SCCA

provides a safety infrastructure and Stewards to deal with these issues, these steps only deal with the fallout of poor conduct - at the expense of valuable track time and potential repair costs.

*One idea is to increase the **driver** awareness and education level by setting up a library of videos that use a known driver doing the narrative on what they see and how things should have been done (are you reading this, Randy Pobst). Other ideas involve more punitive measures including maintaining **a centralized database of contact logs of repeat offenders**. ~~contact logs and data bases of repeat offenders at a National Level.~~*

If you have any thoughts on this topic, please write letters to crbscca.com. Let's all work together to improve our on-track racing experience.

2. #26731 (Ralph Provitz) Collision Avoidance Team

Thank you for your letter. Please refer to letter #26270 posted in the July 2019 Fastrack.

3. #26858 (Marc Cefalo) Request for rain lights on all cars

Thank you for your letter. See letter 26766 posted in the July Fastrack.

4. #26859 (Patrick Fanning) Request for rain lights on all cars

Thank you for your letter. See letter 26766 posted in the July Fastrack.

5. #26863 (Danny Steyn) Request to mandate Rain Lights

Thank you for your letter. See letter 26766 posted in the July Fastrack.

6. #26974 (Chris Edens) Request Rain Lights

Thank you for your letter. See letter 26766 posted in the July Fastrack.

Strategic

1. #26815 (Scott Rettich) Request SRF3 and FE/FE2 race group scheduling

Thank you for your letter. Your input is appreciated. This has been corrected for the 2019 Runoffs. The Club Racing Board does not have influence over divisional schedules.

What Do You Think

STU

1. #26908 (Mark Liller) Request a Rule Freeze

The Club Racing Board is requesting member input regarding freezing the rules in STU through the end of 2020. This would not include any prudent BOP changes including weight and restrictor.

RESUMES

1. #26698 (Eric Yagel) Request to join the B-Spec Advisory Committee

Eric Yagel has been added to the B-Spec advisory committee.

2. #26781 (Anthony Roma) Application to join the board and/or the Ad Hoc for B Spec

Anthony Roma has been added to the B-Spec advisory committee.

3. #26984 (Derrick Ambrose) Resume for Touring

Derrick Ambrose has been added to the Touring advisory committee.