



## UPCOMING EVENTS / IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

*May 6th: NEXT BAYLANDS CLUB MEETING*

**NEW MEMBER SOCIAL:** after Club Race number 5 – on **May 30<sup>th</sup>**. All club members are welcome. Details soon to follow from Dana Ambrisko.

### April BIRTHDAYS



Antonia Boscacci  
Dylan Epp  
Dakota Korfhage  
Evayn Marquez  
Michael Sieffert  
Jagan Subramanian  
Daven Subramanian



### NEW GRADUATES:



Russell Biernier  
Eddy Valdovinos  
Yury Peneff  
Matthew Stafford



**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Terry McCarthy, Brink Rose, Doug & Dana Ambrisko, Matt Carver, Todd Flavetta, Dennis Rice, Eric & Dawn Stafford, Angel Cappas, Andrew & Laurie Napier, Craig Conright

**BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:** Susan Carver (interim), Karen Flavetta, Kim Conwright, Ken Beck (at Lego Land), Ed Sieffert

**BAYLANDS MEMBERS PRESENT:** Tom & Lucy McCarthy, Peneff William Jr., Tim Quinonez, Kanemoto

### OPEN FORUM

The group had an open discussion, including; reviewing the set-up workshop at our first race and having a “meet & greet” party for new families to meet the older ones at the Saturday night of our 5th race.

Terry provided five new green safety vests for the corner workers, Flagger and Track Director and will provide new cones for training as well as post some new QMA signs.

## Old & New Business

-**Racing Rules for 2009:** Terry reviewed the QMA rule revision short-sheet.

-**Training Status:** Dawn provided a spreadsheet that identifies the training status. Andrew has changed the keys the training shed and will provide keys to the trainers and President. Primary trainers will be provided with an additional key that they may provide an alternate trainer if they deem appropriate. Ken Beck has spearheaded a project to alter the front bumper on the training cars but was not in attendance to discuss so this item was tabled to the next meeting. All spare parts are in and available. Parts used are to be logged and tracked so the club knows where they're going and when to order more. If there is a trainer that uses one of the last parts, please contact the Training Director so other trainers don't provide broken cars to their trainees'. Dawn has red and blue QMA restrictor plates. Keep up the great work!

The workparty hours were reviewed and will ask Kim to include them on the club points sheet when the tax season has come to an end.

The track lights need repair. There is one light that isn't working. Andrew will coordinate to ensure the light is repaired prior to the next event.

Terry, Andrew, and Dave Bower will relocate the flag holder and light switch to be more user friendly at the workparty Friday prior to the next event. Terry will look into purchasing newer, bright-flashing yellow lights to replace the dim signal lights currently in use and attempt to install them Friday prior to the next event.

-**QMA Membership:** Terry made a sign and placed in the on shoot reminding people that anyone in the on shoot, pit area, and track surface must be a current QMA member. Dawn provided a current list of members. We currently have 53 member families.

-**Work Party:** Work parties are planned for the Friday afternoon prior to all eight events weekends. Andrew provided a work party hour detail list so the Club can track the status.

-**Snack Shack:** Snack shack has missing items. Someone is taking food & ice from the snack shack so Cindy will have the locks re-keyed prior to the next event.

-**Suggestion Box:** It was suggested to have a club suggestion box for visitors to place ideas and suggestions to improve the QMA experience at Baylands. Terry will make such a box and have forms attached and made available at the snack shack. All suggestions will be reviewed at the following club meeting with a written response made available in the monthly newsletter.

-**MONZA:** Susan will send an invoice to the sponsor and provide more information at the next meeting. The MONZA has decided to host all three legs at Madera.

-**Advertising:** Dana made some BQMRA decals and placed them on the QMA brochures and has placed them in Ranger station. Club members are encouraged to get some from Dana and distribute them hot rod stores, race car shops, events, etc. Dana has also made a new Promo Day flyer and distributed them to the membership at the meeting to post in schools and other areas.

-**Social:** The club decided to have a spaghetti & soda social ½ an hour after club race number 5 on 5/30. There'll also be special activities planned for Saturday night of our big Regional event on May 23<sup>rd</sup>. Dana will craft a special flyer for this event too.

**-Banquet:** The club decided that an optimum date for the 2009 BQMRA Awards Banquet is November 21, 2009. The Banquet committee will try to lock-in that date and location.

**-Parking:** The members discussed and agreed that the Parking Director has full responsibility and authority to configure the parking lot spaces and place rigs in the most appropriate location for all events. A new parking configuration will be tried, reducing the large spots by two to allow more small rigs to have optimum pit locations. The Parking Director will provide his best efforts to get there on Thursday night to chalk out lines to help clearly designate parking stalls.

**-Judging:** Craig Conwright spearheaded a discussion on judging and calls. Craig reviewed with the membership highlights of the judging procedures. The judging video will be played for the membership in the clubhouse tower on Saturday night of our next event. Sr. Honda and Lt 160 races will have senior judges as selected by the tower and club executives.

**-Code of Conduct:** Andrew discussed the recent Code of Conduct threats. That there is unacceptable behavior by a few of the club members and that warning letters will be sent out. There'll be no more warnings. Any future yelling, cursing, etc. will not be tolerated. If this happens again, the member(s) behaving badly and/or causing the scene will be told a CoC issue will be filed against them and BoD action will take place, and they'll be put on notice of the action by the end of the day. Depending on the severity, the club may choose to take immediate action or table the action until the next club meeting and deal with it as a closed-session personnel matter.

**-Appreciation:** The club nominated DJ Rice and Mike Thompson for a BQMRA certificate of appreciation for all their hard work and effort running the set-up workshop on Saturday night of Club race number 1. The club also nominated a certificate of appreciation to Dave Bower for continuing to step-up and support the club by filling-in when asked to Track Direct, Flag, Judge, etc. The club unanimously approved the certificates of appreciation for the outstanding efforts of these members. Terry will have certificates of appreciation made, framed, and sent to these outstanding club supporters.

**-Financial Status:**

Checking: \$7K

Savings: \$13K

Fees for signage on the race track fence are due by all companies other than Dual, Rice, and Lee-Conwright & Hartley.

**GOOD OF THE CLUB:**

Free Race won by the Flavetta Family.

## **CLASSIFIEDS:**

Napier family selling their Rice Cars:

1- 2008 XR6-2 car with 160 or 120 engine

Please contact Andrew & Laurie Napier for more information: 831-345-2145 or 2146

## **REMINDERS:**

If you go up to the track to practice, you MUST HAVE 2 ADULTS present. The Rangers will not unlock the gates without 2 adults. You should also have your Baylands membership card with you. If you don't have a Baylands card, please contact the membership director to get one, or have your yellow membership copy available. The Rangers have a roster, but it may not be current. You must ALSO sign the release form that is posted on the display board. If there are none there, please let a Board Member know so that they may be replenished.

Please remember that no dumping of gray or black tanks from motor homes or trailers is allowed on the Baylands Facility (this includes the Park's paved area). Be careful not to spill gas during the rainy season. This is a request from the County of Santa Clara – Hazardous Materials Division. If you have any questions or witness this occurring, please contact the Baylands President or a Santa Clara County Park Ranger on duty. ALSO, make sure to clean up your tire shavings after the race and dispose of any trash in your area. The club will charged for cleanup, and it is not environmentally friendly! Thanks.

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