

Monthly
Newsletter &
Meeting
Minutes



March
2011

UPCOMING EVENTS / IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

BAYLANDS CLUB RACES 1 & 2 – Saturday, March 12 & Sunday, March 13
MONZA #1 – Galante – Saturday, March 19 & Sunday, March 20
NEXT BAYLANDS CLUB MEETING – April 6th
Round Table Pizza – 2129 Morrill Ave, San Jose, CA 7:05pm

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Thomas Patterson 3/16
Colin Mullan 3/19



NEW GRADUATES:

Corina Boscacci
Congratulations!



The meeting was held at Round Table Pizza – 2129 Morrill Ave, San Jose, CA
Meeting called to order March 2nd, 2011 at 7:07pm by club President Doug Ambrisko.
Motion to approve February minutes as presented in newsletter. All voted in favor.

Board Members Present: Doug and Dana Ambrisko, Steve Bruno, Tim Quinonez, Dennis Rice, Sean Kanemoto, Marianne Kanemoto, Jerry Mostek and Ralph Sermeno, Vic Sias, Terry McCarthy, Famous Rhodes

Board Members Not Present: Kim Conwright, Luxie Aguino Thomas, Ben Fatehi, Cindy Rose, Dawn Stafford, Mike Epp, Frank Walsh

Baylands Members Present: Marcelo Marquez, Mark Korfhage, Marie Kimberly, Vanessa Bruno, Eric Mentch, Brink Rose, Jeff Rosas, Jean Quinonez, Rob Paterson, DJ Rice

Reports:

President - Doug Ambrisko - ambrisko@ambrisko.com ph: 650-903-0652

Our RD Ken Loveless sent out a note about the Honda 120, to extend the 120 class. Ken wants all feedback sent to him as email. National wants update to all the club's bylaws to include; Anyone coming into a club (new member) will not have voting rights for 1 year. This rule will prevent people moving from one club to another club and taking the club over, thus reducing risk of take over.

Get ready race club #1 & #2 coming up on Saturday, March 12th and Sunday, March 13th.

Monza report – Received monies from 2 of the 3 sponsors for last year. Still waiting on one sponsor. Doug will contact them about this year's sponsorship for the Jay Gradia Monza race.

Vice President – Sean Kanemoto

Keys – Steve Bruno has someone to do the re-keying. Will contact Frank about get a sign in exchange for the re-keying. Hope to have this done the Friday prior to club race #1 which would be March 11th, or on Saturday, March 12th on club race #1 event day.

Judging stands – Terry McCarthy talked to Andrew Napier and Andrew said he would do the work on the judging stands if club would supply the materials to do the job. Terry to ask Andrew get an estimate for the work to be done. There is also some decking in front of the snack bar that has been considered a tripping hazard. This has been brought up to Terry McCarthy by the rangers. The damaged planks need to be replaced before our first event. Sean will check into this and we can do the repairs the Friday before club race #1. A couple gates have some bolts missing that need to be replaced. Steve Bruno will see about getting this repaired and to also fix the one on the county side. Terry mentioned we have a bag of the spikes to keep the birds away over the snack bar. Terry says we could install these now with the birds being gone currently. Doug suggested we wait and see if the new awing keeps the debris off the snack bar counter. Sean will coordinate the re-keying, make sure the plank decking is repaired the Friday before club race #1, which will be Friday, March 11th, and contact Andrew Napier about the judging stands build.

Secretary – Dana Ambrisko

In the past, we included a sheet in the newsletter with all the club member's contact information, so those needing help with something or wanting someone to go up to the track with to practice could contact other members. Would like to start putting this information again in our newsletters. If anyone does not want their names, address or phone number listed, let me know and I will remove it from the print out. Doug says we cannot do it this way, as we don't want to post people's information on web site. Instead the member contact sheet will be included in the newsletters that are mailed out only and in a separate attachment that will be emailed out to club members. Will start doing this in April.

Membership – Dawn Stafford – not present

Treasurer – Famous Rhodes

A little under budget because we did not have the Hangover Race. Not too concerned as it will all get evened out with the States Race. Right now we are about \$800 under. People have received their bonds from the Monza or are in the process of receiving them. Keep the Promo Day cost at \$15. Need to get the flyers for Promo Day (hard copies) and electronic for Monza and States Races done. Have Frank Walsh do the flyers for Promo Day which is April 17th and email flyer to Famous Rhodes. Famous will print them up. Need the flyer done before the first club race March 12th. Members will have the flyers available to hand out. We have \$500 from National for publicity. We need to submit a request for that. Doug will have Frank look into this.

Track Director – Mike Epp – not present

Safety Director – Ben Fatehi – not present

Pit Stewart – Luxie Aguino Thomas – not present

Technical Director(s) – Jerry Mostek/Dennis Rice

April 1st can run up to a 70 jet in the 120.

Training Director – Steve Bruno

Turning one of the training cars into show car. Steve has someone to do the paint. Steve and Frank Walsh will work on this project. Steve's correct phone number is 925-383-3934.

Training Coordinator – Ralph Sermeno

Graduates – Cornia Boscacci. Have a couple of new prospective trainees. Get information to Doug on trainers/nights and kids in training so they can be posted on the web site. Terry has volunteered to help train if needed. He feels all members should step up and help with our training program is the life line of the club. Those present were in agreement. There is also another family that will be starting training on Wednesday evenings.

Tower Director – Kim Conwright - Nothing to report

Publicity/Fundraising – Frank Walsh

Not present. Need to get flyers ready. Promo Day flyer and cost \$15 – Event is Sunday, April 17th.

Snack Bar Director – Dana Ambrisko for Cindy Rose

Snack bar needs to be cleaned up before and after every race. Can be cleaned up on Thursday or Friday before a race, just need to contact Cindy ahead of time. Cindy also would like people to be aware that she will need help with serving dinner for the Monza, States and Regional races as well as cleaning up so it is ready for the next day. There is a schedule being passed around. Please help by signing up to work. Please contact Cindy for clean up before this coming club race #1 which is March 12th. Snack bar schedule sheet will also be at sign ins so you can sign up to help out there. Marcelo Marquez needs to get the freezer that he is donating to the club out of his house. He needs help to move it to the Rose's. Tim Quinonez and Eric Stafford have offered to help with this. They will be moving the freezer Saturday morning.

Points Director – Maryann Kanemoto - Nothing to report.

Trophy Director – Vanessa Bruno for Lora Marquez - Nothing to report.

Flagging Director – Vic Sias/Terry McCarthy - Nothing to report.

Historian/Webmaster – Doug Ambrisko - Nothing to report.

Parking Official – Tim Quinonez

The parking lot chalker is in bad shape. Looking into replacing it if under \$100, also needs to get chalk. Chalker could maybe be repaired with new tires and some parts. Doug suggested Tim get Dolomark for chalking from Orchard Supply. Tim will check into it.

County Liaison – Terry McCarthy

Permits. Everything is in order for permits. We will be able to get one permit to cover both events and will save the club almost \$500. Emergency Action plan needs to be reviewed at the 1st club race event. Terry will present the Emergency Action plan at the Driver's Meeting. Only has to be reviewed once a year.

Old Business

Vote for 2nd Monza rep. - Marcelo Marquez or Frank Walsh – candidates. Ballots passed out and counted by Dennis Rice. Marcelo Marquez will be our 2nd Monza Rep. Thanks to both Frank and Marcelo for stepping up to volunteer for this position.

Vote on Baylands Club racing rules. Famous Rhodes motioned to approve and Brink Rose seconded.

11 voted in favor – 0 against. 2011 Baylands Club racing rules passes.

Permit and parking fee cost(s). Need to determine this at the next meeting.

Club banquet. Vote on location. Motion made by Terry McCarthy to hold the banquet at the Hyatt again this year. Famous Rhodes seconded. All were in favor. This passes.

New Business

The switches are ready for the training cars. They need to be installed. Doug will try to get them installed the first club race weekend. Doug has put up one remote kill box. Has the other one to put in at the flagger station.

Tires. Couple options. Come up with our own tire rule or leave it an open rule for now and then cut over to the National rule on June 1st. Terry McCarthy made a motion to leave open tire rule and cut over to the National rule on June 1st. Famous Rhodes seconded. Tires should be available with no issues when tire rule goes into effect. 13 voted in favor – 0 against. This passes.

Jr. Animal. Needs to be a competitive class as of April 1st as long as National is ready to run. Doug supports doing track records and trophies, but not sure about doing points, as we don't know exactly when the Jr. Animal will be running. Also, the person(s) that starts racing first will have the points advantage. Other viewpoints were if the class can get 6 races in then they should be allowed to do points, if not 6 races in the year, then no points. Jr. Animal will be it's own separate class/race needs to have 2 cars in the class. Steve

Bruno made a motion to have the Jr. Animal class run with points as listed in our existing rules. Marcelo Marquez Seconded. 15 voted in favor - 0 against.

Famous Rhodes said a donation of a Xbox Kinects was made to the club. This item will be raffled off. Tickets will be sold for \$1 each at club race #1 March 12th and club race #2 March 13th. Drawing will be held Sunday night, after the club race.

Open Forum:

Reminder that no tires can be disposed of or left at the track period. There have been tires being thrown away in the black trash bins. This is not allowed!

Good of the Club:

Free Race won by Vic Sias. Congratulations!

Please contact Dana Ambrisko – Baylands Secretary at secretary@racing4kids.net or call 650-903-0652, if you prefer to receive the Monthly Newsletter/Meeting Minutes by email and SAVE A TREE!

Meeting adjourned at 8:07pm.

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! No disposal of tires in any trash cans, bins, dumpster or at the track period. Thanks.

Prez'es Corner

Handlers and Drivers are you ready to race? This month we start racing. We have most of the paper work behind us now so now we can have some fun! I would encourage new families that I don't know to come and talk to me at our first 2 races. If you have any questions I can probably point you in the right direction.

This year will bring some changes that will be interesting to watch. Who will be the first to run Jr. Animal and who will be the first to get the White Vega's? It will be fun to watch the Novices develop and start racing. It should be interesting to watch the older drivers trying out WF.

Let's remember that we don't have promoters behind the scenes making this happen and making money. So please help out at the races, snack bar and work parties. One note about work parties is that is that it doesn't have to be an organized time. Ask Sean what needs to be worked on and then when it works for you, come up do the work. When you are done let Sean know how much time you put it. Checking with Cindy when she could use your help would be great. There is more then just work during the day. There is clean up and clean up. That is clean up to get the snack bar ready and then cleaning up after.

So let's go racing!

Doug Ambrisko
Baylands President