

CARS Board Meeting Minutes

January 12, 2019

Item	Discussion
	Section D – Round Table Discussion
1E	<p>Meeting was called to order by John Hall on January 12, 2019 at 14:00 MST</p> <p>Introductions were made</p>
2E	<p>Championship Points – A competitor raised a concern with having 8 events and the scoring of the championship highlighting a potential problem of someone being able to win the championship having never competed outside of Eastern Canada.</p> <p>This was discussed at length. While it might be possible to win the championship this way it is not likely and the fact is the real issue is that western teams can compete in all the same events it becomes an issue that a western team has to travel east probably 2 or 3 times while an Eastern team can probably get away with travelling west only 1 or 2 times. Unfortunately this is largely a geographic/demographic issue within Canada and regardless of what we do we seem to have this challenge.</p> <p>It was also pointed out that Eastern teams have the extra bogey event meaning that they get that extra chance to get good points while causing some teams to have to do an extra event to improve their score.</p> <p>We will continue to monitor how the championships play out. An ideal championship from a scoring fairness point of view would be 6 events, 3 East and 3 West. The problem is we have 5 national standard events in the East.</p>
3E	<p>Past Winners in Rulebook – A competitor indicated that he would like to see the past winners back in the rulebook.</p> <p>This was discussed as it related to an online only rulebook. General consensus indicated that competitors prefer to have a printed rulebook. The competitor indicated that he would be willing to pay for the CARS to put the list back in the rulebook. The sentiment is understood but having individual competitors buy something like this is not the precedent we want to set. If it is the right thing to do and we need to raise money to do it, we should charge all competitors for a rulebook.</p> <p>We will look at the online version for including the past winners. In the printed version, maybe we make the printed rulebook with past winners available for a fee at the time of licensing.</p>
4E	<p>Restart Rule – A competitor suggested that the restart penalty should be changed to be 10 & 5 min on top of the late time or slowest car versus the fastest car.</p> <p>The group discussed at length. The current penalties seem to have been working well. They are large enough to prevent a top competitor getting back on the podium while still allowing the possibility of some points. It is points that likely get those competitors back out for the benefit of spectators, sponsors and the like. For slower competitors, the point was that 5 minutes plus the fastest time could possibly be quicker than his driving time would be on a long stage. It's agreed that this is a possibility but based upon observations by John and the scorers this doesn't appear to be an issue. Its also safe to say that someone that is 5 minutes slower than the fastest guy is most likely quite far back in the field and his other stages would leave him way back even with a couple of breaks by getting the restart penalty of 5 minutes plus the fastest drivers time.</p> <p>The restart penalties will stay as they are</p>
5E	<p>Car builds direction – A competitor asked for clarification of what cars will be allowed, what is the direction. John referred to the current rules, which allow for FIA cars that meet the weight, boost and restrictor requirements of our O4WD class. It was then asked about cross platform versus only</p>

	allowing same manufacturer builds, is there any thought of allowing them in the near future as this might influence his and others decisions. John indicated that he would ask the TRC and Graham to review this and confirm the direction.
6E	Alberta Transportation – Competitors reviewed the Rally car exemption process that has been established in Alberta. A competitor is currently testing the process with his own cars. Competitors will be working in Quebec to try and get a similar process in place.
7E	TSN – The group again expressed concern that we don't get notice of when CRC rally shows is on TV. The media team indicated that they only gets the information from TSN a day or two before the airing. The issue is that rally tends to be filler and because we don't have to pay to get our show aired we also don't get the luxury of a set time window.
8E	Meeting Adjourned 16:10 MST