

CenDiv board meeting (teleconference) on 8/01/18

Present: Jeff Kulawinski, Mark Utecht, Paul Gilbert, Chuck Duncan, Mike Smith, Tracey Gauper.
Called to order at 7:10 pm.

There are 3 bullet points for tonight's meeting:

- 1) season end date of CenDiv Championship Series
- 2) double points for Drivers School weekend races
- 3) add Sport Renault to CenDiv classes

1) Currently the last event to qualify for the Run-Offs thru the Central divisional path is Labor Day Weekend. Discussion of whether the last race should be a fixed date each year or a number of days before the Run-Offs start. (See GCR 3.7.4.A.2.c). The CenDiv Season Championship will end 3 weeks (21 days) prior to the start of the Run-Offs. (for 2020, this will 3 weeks prior to 10/5/20)
Passed unanimously.

Discussion of stated date for all years and separate dates for season championship and Run-Offs qualification. Consensus that we do not want 2 computations of points, ie calendar year vs. Run-Offs season.

3) Should Sport Renault be added as a CenDiv class? This is currently a class in Midwestern Council. Discussion of using Midwestern Council rules for the class. There may be safety rules which have been removed by Midwestern Council. Tracey Gauper will contact SCCA for an electronic version of the Sport Renault rules as they last existed. Tracey and Chuck Duncan will review the Midwestern Council and SCCA rules to ascertain that all safety rules have been incorporated in MWC rules. This item was tabled until the rules can be reviewed.

2) Proposal for double points for the Drivers School weekend races. It's hoped that by encouraging drivers to compete at the beginning of the season, car count will increase throughout the year. Discussion of bonus points vs double points. As the proposal stands, each CenDiv Drivers school race finish will be awarded double points. For participation, each race is a single race (one race Saturday and one race Sunday). For points, each race will be treated as 2 races, 1st place on Saturday will be awarded 25 points and 25 points. 1st place on Sunday will be awarded 25 points and 25 points. There will be no bonus points for racing at this track (currently Blackhawk Farms) for the Drivers School weekend races. Bonus points will continue to be awarded for the 1st race attended by a driver at each CenDiv track, these bonus points will not be awarded for the Driver's School weekend races.

Similar to the bonus points currently shown for attending each track, there will be a column for race points at each days' driver school/regional weekend and a separate column for bonus points scored each day. The Saturday and Sunday races each will score as one race for participation. Should the same driver win both races, (s)he will be scored with 25 points for each win and 25 bonus points for each win. This 100 points would appear as 4 races (of the 6 currently used to calculate CenDiv Championship points). This example would also be 2 of the required 4 races to be eligible for a CenDiv Championship.

To allow board members to study the proposals and see them in writing, the meeting is recessed until Monday, 8/20 at 7 pm.

Paul Gilbert, Secretary