

**Board Members Present:** Alex Raphael, Randy Baisden, Gary Hoskins, Maryann Elwell, Brett Burroughs

**Other Members Present:** Gene Williams, Debbie Raphael, Brent Kish, and a prospective new member.

The meeting started at the new MAXRPM building in Bremerton, WA at 7:10PM on February 9, 2005.

### Old Business:

1. **2005 Charity Event:** Gary sent letter to 917 owners asking when they're available for our Charity Event and offered for them to pick the charity if they'll attend with the 917. He should get a reply in a week or so.
2. **February Event:** Social planned for Sunday 2/27/05 1:30PM at Grand Prix Raceway in Tacoma on Cedar St. for Karting, Brett to do test drive on Friday. Estimated cost if we have 21 people is \$33+tax/person including helmet and all gear. Champs would charge \$49+tax per person. Motion made by Randy and seconded by Gary to have Brett reserve our group if he likes it on Friday at Grand Prix Raceway. All were in favor.
3. **Newsletter:** Reminder Gene needs input by end of Feb. for March Newsletter to have it ready by the second Wednesday. Randy provided a letter from the President to Gene. Gene expects Revis to provide trivia by Saturday. Gary will write something on Nuts About HiFi Movie Night. Gene has a track letter written by Will Bosnell for February newsletter. Randy suggested we mention our new members in future newsletters. Newsletter will be mailed to 45 members without e-mail addresses. Gary suggested we assign someone at each event to write an article within one week for the next newsletter and web site. Maryann will send pictures she took from Nuts About HiFi and January dinner to Gene and will write an article on the January dinner. Starting in April, Gene will begin a member spotlight section for the newsletter. Randy suggested that at the next board meeting we set up our calendar for the year. Maryann will print the year's calendars one month per page and bring to March meeting.
4. **February Dinner:** Scheduled 25<sup>th</sup> Feb. at Oden Inn for \$15/person including tax and tip and to pay the students who will be working. RSVPs coming to Maryann by the 18<sup>th</sup>. Information is posted on website and in Jan. Newsletter. Confirmed so far are: Brett & Diana Burroughs, Bill & Maryann Elwell, Debbie & Alex Raphael, Randy & Sandy Baisden, Nancy & Gene Williams.
5. **Membership Applications:** Gloria Mellon received applications requested by Gene Williams. Maryann distributed among the board and Gene, who will use to drum up new members.
6. **Tax Exempt Status:** Gary Hoskins and Maryann finished tax-exempt paperwork on 1/21/05, and Gary mailed to the IRS two weeks ago. Assume our tax-exempt status is being processed. There is no need for club to file a tax return with the IRS for the 2004 tax year.
7. **Other:** It was noted by Gary that Linda Dow had had knee surgery and her husband Doug had recently had a heart attack. Brett will stop buy and give them flowers and a Get Well card from the OPR PCA.

8. **OPR PCA Checking Account:** Maryann mailed completed forms with Jan. Board Meeting Minutes to Washington Mutual 2/1/05. Bank representative, Michele, called back to confirm that she or Randy can write checks. Maryann will enter into Quicken and set up on-line banking. Randy still has his ATM card, but Gloria cut hers up. Maryann requested an ATM card, but it hasn't arrived yet.
9. **Newsletter Advertising:** How do we plan to get the word out to bring in income? Collect for entire Calendar year of 2005 at \$60 (=12x\$5). Jan. Newsletter included YES USA and MAX RPM. Maryann collected \$60 from MAXRPM and YES USA to cover ads for the 2005 calendar year in the newsletter.
10. **Newsletters:** Gene will mail Jan and Feb. together to those without e-mail addresses, since he expects to have Feb. newsletter done this coming weekend. He needs 45 printed copies of each from Debbie to mail out. Gene motioned that since we currently have only two ads for the newsletter, we should use a bidder version to fill up more space for now. Maryann seconded and all were in favor. Gene can scan the Spiel ads for MAXRPM and YES USA and use those in the future newsletters until we need more space. Debbie recommended we mail a postcard to all members asking for their e-mail address and how they want the newsletter. Gene will send out an e-mail to everyone to see whose is valid and whose no longer works. He'll also mail out a postcard asking how each person wants the newsletter – electronically or paper copy. Maryann told Gene to bring receipt to next board meeting and she'll reimburse him from the OPR PCA checking account.
11. **Lack of Member Participation:** Gary pointed out that a bunch of people who regularly attended board meetings and other events are no longer participating. We need to find out why, so we can improve the situation. Debbie recommended that we attempt to call members and try to get them more involved. Hopefully we can also ask them for assistance in setting up an event or dinner.

#### **New Business:**

1. **March/April Event:** We need to plan an event for both March and April. Brent Kish will talk to Discount Tires to set up an event with a tire company representative, like Yokohama for April. If we plan a driving tour for March, we will need 3 weeks notice to get PCA insurance application in and processed. Electronic submission is the fastest method.
2. **March/April Dinner:** Debbie & Alex Raphael will plan a dinner for the 18<sup>th</sup> of March. We need to find someone to plan the April dinner.
3. **Future Events:** Randy reported that Ed Sneed mentioned that he'd plan an event and Bar-B-Q and George Avilla said he'd do a Bar-B-Q at his house this summer. Brett will call George to determine date and Maryann will e-mail Ed to determine a date, so we can update calendar during our March meeting. The Kraals also volunteered to do an event during a good weather month. Gene recommended we do joint event with the Oregon PCA and joint run down there with PNWR for the American Le Mans Series (ALMS) at Portland International Raceway the weekend of July 29<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup>. Alex noted that we may want to do a joint Tour with PNWR for their planned Peninsula Tour on August 21<sup>st</sup>. Gary noted that there's a SOVREN Historics race and car corral planned for July 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> 2005 weekend we may want to attend as a group. Gene asked if we should start looking at places for our Holiday dinner and agreed to talk to the new Bremerton Hampton Inn

about pricing. Randy will check with the Gold Mountain Golf Course for seafood buffet. We will see if Gene & Gail Shores will plan another lunch after a tour to Sequim at the Petals restaurant. Gene also mentioned that the Clearwater Casino does a surf and turf dinner as well. Maryann will print out monthly calendars and bring to the next board meeting, so we can start planning the rest of the year's events. Alex mentioned he's working on a Tech Event at MAXRPM for PNWR that we can make a joint event with OPR for July or August. Gary noted that Saturday May 21st is the Viking Festival if we want to plan to be in the parade again this year with a tour and picnic to follow at Faye Park on Bainbridge Island. He'll get the exact date for our March meeting. We may want to try to set up a tech session with Fiske, so Alex will check into it. Gary sent Gene his pictures from last year's Charity Car Show & Shine, so he can put in newsletter to start asking for volunteers for the committees we need for this year's event. Alex gave Maryann information in the Old Cedar Forge in Allen, WA that we could get a tour of after a tour out there. Gary noted that the Whaling Days in Silverdale is in June or July this year, and that's another possible event for us. Gary is working to set up a tech session at Griots as soon as they can do it.

4. **Goodie Store:** Maryann noticed that PNWR is selling car badges, and was wondering how much it would cost for us to make OPR car badges. Gary stated that it costs \$1000 for 100 with a \$125-\$150 one-time die charge and \$27 for shipping. PNWR pre-sold 42 in order to break even. Gary also noted that he can again do dash plaques for those who enter our Charity Show and Shine. He will also get OPR patch prices. He will be bringing the Goodie Store to the March dinner.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

- **Alderbrook:** Corrected invoice was provided, Maryann mailed check for balance on 2/1/05.
- **PO Box:** Maryann mailed check for annual renewal on 2/1/05, with Gary as our POC.
- **January Bank Statement:** Beginning Balance \$1940.77, deposit from PCA for memberships of \$238.00. Ending Balance \$2178.77.

The board meeting adjourned at 8:35PM by a motion made by Maryann Elwell, which was seconded by Gary Hoskins, with all in favor.