

# NCKC Spring 2020 AGM

14 Jun 2020 - Zoom

## Agenda :

1. Call to order
2. President report
3. Schedule
4. Treasurer report
5. Budget / Fees
6. Questions / other business

## Call to Order:

1. Jacques brought the meeting to order at 10:12 am. This is a somewhat different kind of meeting being the first that the club conducts online using Zoom due to the prevailing COVID situation.
2. We had a quorum with 4 directors (minimum 3 needed) and 9 members for a total of 13. The club has about 25 registered members at the moment, so 13 participants is more than the minimum of 25% for quorum as per our By-Law.
3. Jacques showed a slide indicating the board composition at the moment (4 directors).

## President's report:

- At fall AGM, members confirmed they wanted to continue with traveling club model so this is continuing this year.
- Members wished for a 7 event season; we will see if we can achieve this in this COVID context
- Academy at Top Karting was going very well but had to be stopped because of COVID.
- ASN Canada ceased to exist in December 2019. NCKC was affiliated with ASN Canada and this is what gave us the authority to issue race licenses. A new Canadian governance body was identified by the FIA: GDS (Groupe de Developpement Sportif). No information has come out of this new group yet so it remains a wait and see situation.
- Licensing – Quebec residents have to get their license from ASQ this season, some information was communicated on this through our Facebook forum. The club will refund Quebec members the \$50 to get this ASQ license. Coupe de Montreal will honor our club issued licenses for Ontario residents.

## Schedule:

- Proposed races have been somewhat constrained by the cancelations induced by COVID. Coupe de Montreal is therefore the proposed schedule for this season.
- Jacques mentioned that this is what we know today is available however there are no guarantees with COVID.
- We are not quite clear on what the 7<sup>th</sup> event will be, CDM has published something for Oct 2-3 but we are not sure, we expect this will become clear through the summer.
- Jacques reiterated that we do not want to repeat the mistake made last year where one of our events was the Canadian Open which did not have cadet and one 2 stroke class was also missing.
- Scott mentioned that he thought it would be fine to add the Canadian Open in as others might want to participate. Sylvain clarified that not placing an event in our official schedule should not be perceived as an indication that people cannot go. NCKC members are always welcome to attend all the events that they wish to take part in. Adding an event in our club schedule simply means that we will consider results of this event as granting points in our own internal club championship. Jacques reinforced this; NCKC members are welcome to participate in all the events they wish.
- Adoption of the schedule proposed by: Scott, seconded by Mike Valente. Members were fine with the proposed schedule.

### **The Fees:**

- Sylvain explained the fees and what is included. Two membership packages: Basic and with benefits.
- Basic gives members a racing license and the right to vote in our club meetings.
- The package with benefit (at \$275) includes the license and voting right plus, it was conceived as a means to reduce the logistics burden typically faced by new members starting in the sport. With all the items included in the \$275 as are listed on the slide, if someone had to pay each of these at each event, the package makes financial sense. The return on investment for this additional \$150 is approximately recovered by the end of the third race. It was noted by Ron Henrie that from his perspective, just the free use of club transponders makes the benefit package worthwhile over a full season of racing.
- Club fees do have a family option, to give a break to racing families living under the same roof.
- We introduced an option on the registration form this season and that is for extra meal tickets. The Sunday lunch that is part of the benefits package was originally planned to cover the cost for the driver and a mechanic but sometimes, racers come to the track with additional family members or friends. This meal ticket is

now part of the options on the registration form so that the club can get a bit more funds for those situations; drivers/families who foresee being more than just driver and mechanic should get one of those meal tickets to cover the extra food cost.

### **Treasurer report:**

- Jacques explains the cost of the NCKC fees; race day fuel, transponders, club t-shirt, lunch & drinks, are all included for the season.
- The “partial season / day passes” membership was explained. No questions from members

### **Budget:**

- Jacques talked to the budget information showed on the slide:
  - We are estimating 28 members this year.
  - No sponsorship
  - The trailer and two generators were sold as was decided in previous AGMs. They were not being used and were depreciating. This is not revenue but assets that were transformed in \$
  - He explained the fixed expenses
    - ASN affiliation fee
    - Director insurance
    - Industry Canada
    - Web site expenses have gone down significantly thanks to the work of Tyler Barban
  - He explained that we unfortunately got caught with an email fraud which caused us to lose about \$2300. This was not pleasant; it happened and we need to inform members and account for it.
  - For our operations expenses, we are progressively refining these with experiences from previous years. We happen to have some promotional assets left from previous years so we don't have to buy more this season. The banquet is uncertain given COVID but we are proceeding with the assumption that we will have one and are budgeting for it.
- Overall, budget for the season is forecasted to be about even.

### **Other aspects:**

- COVID 19 is creating uncertainty and procedural challenges.
- In terms of lunches, Jacques chatted with a few members at the track recently and for most, they did not seem to have issues continuing with Sunday lunches. He explained how the lunch would be done (with precautions) and opened the

floor to everyone to share their perspective/concerns. Nobody raised any concerns, some showed a thumbs up, so it was decided that we would proceed cautiously with the Sunday lunch.

- When asked about camping, Jacques mentioned that some camping has already happened so it should be possible.
- He spoke with Michel Boisclair recently; they will have different procedures due to COVID and people will be expected to abide by these so that everyone stays safe and the season can unfold as expected.
- Spec gas scenario will continue as per last season.
- Stay tuned on our private forum for additional information on any changes resulting from COVID.
- Race day trophies and stickers; this was discussed in the fall and it remains a challenge. The intent was great but the mechanics is challenging. There was some discussion around how we might still recognize achievement but no specific conclusion was reached. Jacques invited members to share thoughts via the private forum.

No more questions, Sylvain proposed meeting be adjourned, Terry seconded. Everyone was in favor and meeting was adjourned.