

ACA Promoters' Meeting

9/27/09

Called to order—11:35 AM

Board Members present— Bill Barr, Clint Bickmore, Steve Caterall, Stephen Haydel, Heinrich Petersen,
Lynn Taylor

Staff Present—Jon Tarkington, Yvonne VanGent, Zak Grabowski

2010 Tentative Racing Calendar

- A. Jon--Attempt to see the "big picture" of racing by addressing timing of travel weekends
- B. Yvonne—many date request conflicts
- C. Promoters resolved most conflicts amongst themselves; a few open dates remain
- D. Junior stage race during summer (no school conflicts)
- E. New—Grandfondo races
- F. CX date requests to be discussed summer 2010→ tentative CX calendar

Discussion of Legislation Items

- A. Flyer deadline discussion: agreement on 45 days prior to event
- B. Flyer will contain official info, i.e. will supercede any info on race/club/team website
- C. Promoter's racing in own race
 - 1. exclude cross and crit?
 - 2. discretion of Chief Referee?
 - 3. some promoters would cease to promote if not allowed to race in own race
- D. Race date reservation/cancellation fee
 - 1. reservation fee
 - a. would apply to each permit (i.e. series races are on one permit)
 - b. would hold spot on calendar until 12/31 of each year (i.e. 2009 for 2010 racing season), when club memberships are due
 - c. fee amount \$50-\$100+, maximum \$500 for multiple permits
 - d. fee would be refunded via deduction from race-day surcharges
 - 2. cancellation fee
 - a. equal to reservation fee
 - b. assessed if date is reserved and no ACA race permit is obtained

Reminder: Deadline to submit items for legislation at annual meeting is October 6th, 2009

2010 BAR/BAT

- A. 3 color system (for closed course races) proved too complex for many promoters and riders
- B. Average participation
 - 1. 375 in 2009 vs. 352 in 2008
 - 2. possibly due to better "flow" of calendar this year, i.e. travel weekends farther apart this year
- C. Same length of day for officials, however length was more manageable with mandatory 15 minutes between races and mandatory 15 minute break during day
- D. Staff recommendation is for two colors i.e. Seniors and Masters/Juniors, yet balanced in terms of rider participation each day, with fewer optional categories

Race Kit

- A. Not a road closure kit due to liability concerns
 - consensus among promoters whose road closure permits require certified traffic controllers that an ACA consortium should be considered (possible cost savings to promoters)
- B. Additions-2009
 - 1. Mannequins to model proper hip number placement
 - 2. Results board
 - 3. Signs
- C. Additions-2010
 - 1. replacement tents
 - 2. scaffolding?

Online Race Registration

- A. Many more races offered it this year than last year
- B. Consensus among promoters to use services that will validate ACA license number
 - 1. allow only current ACA number to be entered and cross-checked with name and category
 - 2. reject non-ACA numbers, i.e. must purchase 1-day license
 - 3. would significantly improve accuracy of results information uploaded to website

Data Flow/Timing

- A. Should ACA get into the results and timing business?
 - 1. potential cost savings to promoters
 - 2. potential increase in results efficiency/consistency
 - 3. concern about effect on current service providers; hire as contractors?
- B. Chip Timing
 - 1. active vs. passive systems: bike racing needs active system due to speeds
 - 2. costs of chips, systems, operators
 - 3. general consensus for staff/Board to research options
 - 4. Some chip companies have contacted ACA and will be demonstrating their systems at a few CX races

Online License Purchasing

Goal is to be fully operational by November 15th!

Adjourned—1:55 PM