

The Fall Meeting of the Montana Cross Country T Association:

The meeting was called to order on October 8th in Haugen, MT at 11:00am by President Rick C.

There was a motion to approve the minutes as printed in the Montana 500 Newsletter. It was seconded and passed.

There was a call for nominations of the President. Mike R. and Mark H. were nominated. There was a motion to close the nominations. It was seconded and passed.

The votes were tallied and Mark H. is the new president.

The meeting was turned over to Mark H.

Mike R. was nominated as Vice President. There was a motion to cast a unanimous ballot for Mike R. as Vice President. It was seconded and passed.

Janet C. asked to remain treasurer. There was a motion to cast a unanimous ballot for Janet C. as treasurer. It was seconded and passed.

Jillian C. was nominated as secretary. There was a motion to cast a unanimous ballot for Jillian C. as secretary. It was seconded and passed.

Directors were nominated and voted on.

The Club needs to replace Doug L. and Gary E. as directors. Doug L. was nominated to maintain his position as a director. It was seconded and passed. Doug L. is now a director.

Dave R. was nominated. There was a motion to cast a unanimous ballot for Dave R. as director. It was seconded and passed.

The list of Directors includes:

Rick C. 2007

Tom C. 2008

Janet C. 2009

Tony C. 2007

Nan R. 2008

Mark H. 2009

Dave R. 2007

Doug L. 2008

Mike R. 2009

Old Business: Ed M. requested that we extend his allowance for his emergency brake handle to be on the outside of his body for next year's race. It was seconded and passed.

We had tabled the valve seat port size discussion until this year, so we started the discussion again. Rick C. moved that we go with the size of the blueprints for the gauge. There was no second. Tom C. thinks that we should give .010 from the blueprint. Rick C. thinks we should have a go gauge as the blueprint and a no go gauge as .010 from the blueprint. The gauge will be flat on the sides to accommodate oval holes. There was more general discussion on the matter. Ed M. asked why we need this gauge because we have a carb gauge, a port gauge, and a valve gauge. Tom C. would hate to disqualify someone because of a few thousandths; he wants to error on the sides of the angels. There was a motion to table the discussion on the valve seat gauge. It was seconded and passed. Tom C. made a motion to nominate

Rick C. to be in charge of the gauge for the next year. A gauge will be made to see how it goes this year, but it will not be a rule yet. The gauge will have flat sides.

New Business:

Mike R. wants to have an addition to a rule change. On the carb specs, it says nothing about the choke or throttle shaft. There was discussion. There was a motion to clarify a rule: to state that choke and throttle shaft size must be uniform stock dimensions with an allowance for shaft wear. There will be a visual check done at the race. Some wear is acceptable, but no obvious changes are allowed. The motion was seconded and passed.

Tom C. made a motion that a line be added to the checklist that is signed at inspection that states the inspection at the beginning of the race is a courtesy inspection. It was seconded and passed.

Frank Fenton wants the club to become a chapter of the Model T Ford Club International. It won't cost the club anything. Directors do not need to be members. The insurance is the same for the clubs, so we won't double up. It will get more exposure for the club. We are going to table the discussion for a while, so everyone can read through the materials presented.

Ed M. says that he is uncomfortable with the fact that if you finish, you may end after someone who didn't finish. A DNF person may have higher ranking than someone who finished the whole race. There was a motion to show, when the list is in public view, the order of finishers first, then all those who were trailered be placed below. The number of finishers would stay the same, just the list order would differ. There was a second and the motion failed. There was a motion to change the order of the flag out at the race. The motion is to have the cars go out on the first day lot ascending, lot descending on the second day, and by a drawing on the third day. There was no second. The motion was withdrawn.

There was a motion to flag out in 15 or 30 second intervals. There was no second. The motion was withdrawn.

Ed M. made a point of discussion. In the route, he would like cones where you turn. It is hard to do and you have to check with the state before you can do it. It was discussed that we would give out times the next day as opposed to the night when we come in.

We returned to the discussion of the MTFCI Chapter. It was noted that the club only needs five members to be members of the MTFCI to be a chapter. Tom C. made a motion that if that is all that it takes to be a chapter, we will join the MTFCI. It was seconded and passed. Five members agreed to become members of the MTFCI: Tom C., Nan R., Mike R., Jillian C., and Mark H.

Route: Places mentioned were: Havre, Thompson Falls, Fort Benton, and Miles City. We flipped a coin between Havre and Thompson Falls and Havre is where the race will be held in 2007.

There was a motion to have the Montana 500 in 2007 out of Havre from June 17th through the 21st. It was seconded and passed.

Old Business:

Tom C. asked what happened to the committee to get Don Engleman to transfer his videos to dvd. The club will pay for them. Rick C. said he has done nothing, but will. There was a treasurer's report passed around.

Doug L. will find a host hotel and a tear down place for us in Havre. Nan R. said she will take the newsletter for one year and do four issues. She needs a membership list from Janet C. and wants Tom C. to help her get started. The minutes will be put in the newsletter.

An email list was sent around. If anyone wants to be on the email list, but was not at the meeting, please send an email of your preferred address to modeltbabe@yahoo.com

October 14th, 2007 will be the date of the next meeting. It will be at 11:00am at a place that the President picks.

There was a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:46pm. It was seconded and passed.

Doug has secured the following Hotel for the 2007 Montana 500 Super 8 1901 Hiway 2 West Havre Mt 59501 406-265-1411 Single \$54.77* Double \$67.29* * I'm not sure if this includes tax. I would advise that you make your reservations as soon as possible as last year the special rate was only good for a specific time. There are 20 rooms reserved, and they will go on a first come, first served basis.

Here is the proposed route for the 2007 Montana 500. This route is not set in stone:

Proposed Routes	Day 1	Miles	Day 2	Miles
	Havre-Chinook	19	Havre-Big Sandy	31
	Chinook-Fort Belknap	24	Big Sandy-Fort Benton	42
	Fort Belknap-Malta	41	Fort Benton-Chester	54
	Malta-Saco	27	Chester-Havre	60
	Saco-Malta	27	Total Day 2	187
	Malta-Fort Belknap	41		
	Fort Belknap-Chinook	24		
	Total day 1	222		
	Day 3	Miles		
	Chinook-Havre	19		
	Havre-Chinook	19		
	Chinook-Cleveland	25		
	Cleveland-Chinook	25		
	Chinook-Havre	19		
	Total day 3	88		
	Three Day Total	497		

Tour Day To Rudyard for the Grand Opening of the New Antique Auto Museum. Tour of the Dinosaur Museum