The December 2017 monthly meeting of the Central New York Region of the Sports Car Club of America was called to order at 7:07PM, Wednesday, December 13, 2017 at the American Legion in Liverpool, NY by Regional Executive Ed Leubner. Thirteen people were in attendance.

R.E. Leubner made a motion to accept the minutes of the November meeting. The motion was seconded by Rex Franklin and approved by unanimous voice vote.

Regional Executive's Report

We are looking for articles for the Snarling. If anyone is able to contribute, please send your article to Ed. Speaking of articles... in the most recent edition of Sports Car, Randy Pobst had a nice column (*Hillside Used Cars, pp16-17*) about the Volvo collection on NY-414 in Burdett.

Assistant Regional Executive's Report

A.R.E. Mark Bizzozero had no report.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Jay Cartini submitted a report (attached to e-mail) showing a November 1st opening balance of \$17,598.22. Monthly income of \$120.00 and expenses of \$4,557.02 resulting in a November 30th closing balance of \$13,161.20. (Report attached.)

Secretary's Report

Chris Whaley was unable to attend. R.E. Leubner reported on his behalf that PCA has tentatively scheduled a Street Survival for April 28, 2018 at the Griffiss Business and Technology Park in Rome. More details will be provided at our upcoming banquet.

Activities Report

Activities Co-Chair Chris Murphy announced that 10 people have pre-registered for the annual banquet which will be held Sunday, January 28, 2018 at the Dinosaur Bar-B-Que in Syracuse. Door prizes include goodies from Nokian, Burdick Ford, and Brooklyn Pickle... just to name a few.

Solo Report

Solo Chair Scott Newton reported that the trailer has been stored for the season at Mike Giambattista's location.

We received an e-mail solicitation from National regarding hosting a Starting Line school. A discussion ensued about the pros and cons of holding one as well as which venue to use, should we decide to host one. No decision was made at this time. Given that the draw would be from a radius of more than 100 miles, it would be wise to consult with neighboring regions about their intentions before making a decision.

Tentative plans for the 2018 season include 4 events at Oswego County EVOC, 1 event at Cayuga Community College - Fulton Campus, 4 events (2 Saturday and Sunday weekends) at the former Seneca Army Depot, and 2 events at Pineview Run Auto and Country Club.

The club has a 2-year membership with Pineview that gives us the ability to hold 2 events there in 2018 and 2 events in 2019.

RallyCross Report

RallyCross Chair James Quattro reported that the final event of 2017 was held December 10th at Walczyk's Farm. Twenty one participants took their turns in the dirt. (Standings are attached.)

The preliminary 2018 season has been put together featuring 10 events split about evenly between Walczyk's Farm and CNY as well as 1 STPR event in Wellsboro, PA. The 2018 season kicks off with a night event at Walczyk's Farm on January 20th.

A re-stocking of supplies including weekend membership forms, waivers, and incident reports is likely needed before the next event.

Flagging and Communications Report

Mick Levy reported that opening weekend at WGI will start off with the Green Grand Prix on Friday, April 13th, followed by public parade laps on Saturday and Sunday. Pricing again is set at \$25 for 3 paced laps with the proceeds going to charity.

The Pirelli World Challenge Finale on Labor Day weekend will replace the Indy Car event.

Road Rally

Frank Beyer had no report.

Membership

R.E. Leubner reported that December anniversaries include Davie Robinson at 52 years and Lynn Hidy at 33 years.

Old Business

None

New Business

We have received our quarterly allotment of Apex magazine. Contact Jay Cartini if you would like a copy.

James sang the praises of the TrackAddict smartphone (free version or \$9 enhanced version). The app logs G-force, distance, average speed, etc... It will map your runs so you can compare them. External GPS can be used for better resolution. OBDII connection adds additional data. External cameras can also be attached. See http://racerender.com/TrackAddict/ for more details.

Because of the annual banquet, we will not have a regular meeting in January. Since the 2nd Wednesday of February is the14th (a.k.a. Valentine's Day), a discussion was had to move the February meeting to the first Wednesday, February 7th. Everyone was in agreement.

The winner of the 50/50 raffle was Mark Mangicaro. The sole prize, a portrait of Alexander Hamilton, was added to his wallet.

At 8:42PM a motion was made by Rex Franklin to adjourn the meeting; it was seconded by Mike Donofrio and passed unanimously by voice vote.

Our next non-competition gathering will be our annual banquet at 5:00PM on Sunday, January 28, 2018 at the Dinosaur Bar-B-Cue in Syracuse.

Our next regular meeting will be held Wednesday, February 7, 2018 at the American Legion in Liverpool at 7:00PM. Note: this the FIRST Wednesday of February.

Respectfully submitted by Mark Mangicaro