Sharing the Wealth:
Race Management Best Practices Forums and Race Officials Round Tables
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Sharing the Wealth Makes Racing Better

• Competitor Involvement = “Customer-Focused”

• Race Official Involvement = Continuous Learning

• When the racing experience meets or exceeds expectations, everybody’s happy
Round Tables
Make better race officials

• Advanced learning

• Consistent thinking on unique problems

• Innovation

• CEUs for re-certification
Round Tables
Are smaller and more focused than forums / seminars

• A qualified leader / moderator (National or International certifications)

• A scribe to record proceedings

• Topic leads – 2 or 3 per event

• Variety of hard and soft topics
Hard Topics
Are technical issues with rules and case histories

• Traffic Separation Schemes

• Starting Penalties

• RRS 42 enforcement consistency

• Misconduct Examples
Soft Topics
Are subjective issues without rule citations or case opinions

• Safety / Emergency Planning

• “Soft Skills” – working with difficult people

• Race Official best practices

• Practical knowledge
Panel Presentation / Forums
Are larger / less structured than round tables

• Moderator – good conversation enabler, keeping the subject on track and the audience engaged

• Topic leads with an interesting title and can be sourced from past experiences.
A Good Moderator is Essential

• Is prepared
• Does their research
• Gets in touch with the speakers
• Makes the speakers the center of attention
• Asks the right questions
• Pays attention
• Is a consummate host

THIS GUY
When are you going to host one?
IT IS TIME FOR THE

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