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On behalf of the York County Racing Club I would like to attempt to clear up a matter concerning eligibility for the Injured Drivers Fund.

1. The Y.C.R.C. member must be a racecar driver and currently a PAID member for the current year of accident.
2. The driver must be signed is as a driver and racing at the time of the accident.
3. If the driver is unable to race or work 10 days after the accident the driver will receive a check in the amount of \$300.00 after YCRC receives a doctors note stating approximately how long the recovery time will be. If the driver is unable to race or work after 30 days after the accident a second check of \$300.00 will be sent. After that a monthly check of \$300.00 will be sent until the driver returns to work or racing. This will continue for one year after the date of the accident.

NOW for some reason the stipulation "**PAID UP MEMBER FOR CURRENT YEAR**" is where the confliction appears to happen.

It seems very clear to most drivers that we need your dues paid before you start racing after January 1 of the current year. In the January newsletter it is stated that "Now is the time to send in your check for your dues". Then in the March newsletter we go a little further by inserting a very bright colored paper in the newsletter announcing to all drivers that now is the time to send in your dues. It is very clearly explained in this newsletter that is you are injured and your dues are not paid you are NOT eligible for the benefits. IN ADDITION we go one step beyond and give all drivers a grace period till April 15<sup>th</sup> of the current year. In other words if a driver is injured in February racing in Florida he will be able to collect benefits BUT if he is injured on April 16<sup>th</sup> or after and DOES NOT have his or her dues paid for that calendar year the benefits will not be paid. This year in the May newsletter on the front page there was another reminder to drivers – **You are not eligible for benefits if your dues have not been paid for 2009 and do not wait for us to collect from you at the track-please send your check today.**

Unfortunately this year we have had 3 drivers get injured and their dues for 2009 were not paid. Since our specifications are quite clear we cannot make exceptions regardless how bad we feel about having to make that decision.

It is very unfortunate for the injured drivers involved but we made every effort possible to remind them to send in their check for **\$ 10.00**. That seems like a very minimal amount to insure your safety. We are sorry that some of the drivers this has affected are not very happy with YCRC but rules need to be followed in order to allow a fund that will benefit those drivers that do follow the guidelines. These three cases were all brought up before our board of directors and it was agreed that we must obey the rules that govern this Injured Drivers Fund.

I do want to mention that we are sending checks to both Lance DeWease and Brian Paules. Brian is an example of a driver that doesn't even live in Pa and he renews his dues every January. We are also still sending monthly checks to John Westbrook and will continue to do so until a year has passed since his injury.

I hope this clears any questions regarding our Injured Drivers Fund and if anyone still has any questions please feel free to call me at ( 717 ) 846-3036.

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