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The M.E.T.A. Newsletter

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As more and more regular workers find out the hard way, that it rains, hails, snows, is foggy etc. at Westwood, I decided for the benefit of the new workers, to give these new workers a list of items which should be brought up to

Westwood every race weekend, in order that you are ready for any kind of race weekend.
THIS LIST SHOULD INCLUDE:
RAIN SUIT - (Must be WHITE or CLEAR). BOOTS - waterproof or resistant (make sure that you do not wear tight gum boots, because your feet will not be able to breathe properly, and could become uncomfortable) WARM VEST & JACKETS - which can be worn under the rain suit, to keep you warm and dry. HAT - water proof for winter, light WHITE, with brim for shading eyes for summer NON ALCHOLOLIC BEVERAGES - hot or cold - depending on the time of year & temperature GLOVES - for cold weather, but also to pick up hot metal (exhausts etc.) SWEATER - which can be taken off. T-SHIRT - in case the sun comes out. SUN TAN LOTION or screen SUNGLASSZS - RUNNER or light shoes or boots.
LUNCH & SNACKS - in case breaks are too short to come into the pits etc. salt tablets - quite necessary during stress times, especially the summer. KNIFE - to cut seatbelts etc., (please do not bring a knife which is too big because it scares the drivers. Knife should be worn in its holder on the hip. PENS & PENCILS - especially communicators & turn marshalls. WHITE CLOTHING ONLY - (we don't want a repeat of red and yellow problems we had last year. Pants not bell bottoms. NO SHORTS OR HALTER TOPS - far too distracting to the drivers and FOR PETE. NYLON CLOTHING - avoid this as much as possible, it's bad for burns and fires. SOCKS - 2 pair, light under, heavy on top, heat - winter, absorb- summer. The only skin that should be exposed will be the face and possibly the hands. NOTHING MORE. During the summer all skin is to be covered, for your own protection. WEAR long sleeved cotton shirts, to cover your arms, etc.
Tony Weinberger
New Members!
Richard Philippon Michael McArthur Dave Ryan Wendy Berrington Paul Berrington
My Greatest Appologles to Rodney Cockroft, I left one of our most important Honourary Members from the Roster List. Guess I'll hear from your eh Rodney. #
ADDRESS CHANGE:
Pat Somerville
Now that we have published our Roster, please forward all changes to me as soon as possible so we may have the changes early, you never know who might be wanting

to give you a helping hand with what ever your tasks may be.????



MOTORSPORT EMERCENCY TURNWORKERS association

BOX 82095 NORTH BURNABY BC V5C 5P2 CANADA

ALL IS GO .

Hi Fellow Workers:

The waiting is over, the hurdles all vaulted, as we're on home plate.

WHAT's THIS ALL ABOUT ? ?

WHY / /

THE MOTORSPORT EMERGENCY AND TURNWORKERS ASSOCIATION (M.E.T.A.) TRAINING PROGRAM

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Come out, join your fellow workers, meet new friends, and enjoy being an important part of racing.

WHAT IS M.E.T.A. OFFERING ?

1. Flagging

3.

2.

Safety (Coquitlam Fire Department) Communications

- 7. Scoring 8. Results & General clerical work
- Basic First Aid (Worker's Compensation) 9. Registrations-workers, drivers, crews.

General Scrutineering

10. Crowd Control

Timing

HEADQUARTERS: Royal Columbian Hospital, Nurses Residents Building (spaces available for 24 trainees per course)

COURSE SCHEDULE: 2 Consecutive Wednesdays

> February 28 - March 7 March 28 - April 4 May 2 April 25 May 23 - May 30

TIME: 7.00 p.m. SHARPE PLEASE we have a full schedule which must be covered.

COST: \$15.00 - M.E.T.A. Members (active - NOT chair warmers, or vacant chairs) \$20.00 non M.E.T.A. members -unfortunately we have no funding (complete cost breakdown available.

Reasons for participating in such a course - for the betterment of Autosport in B. C. Promoting safety and well being for all spectators, drivers, workers and crews at automobile racing circuits. The training of new members, upgrading systems and standards, obtaining credits und recognitions, enabling you to be qualified to work other tracks, and courses you may chose in Canada, the United States, and Europe, if that's your goal, also, this is your first basic requirement for your C.A.S.C., or your S.C.C.A. license.

M.E.T.A. would certainly like you to join us for our next training session. Please circle the course you wish to enroll in, and the session you wish to attend.

Make all cheques payable to M.E.T.A. Training Program, mail to the above address or contact: Beverly Crump 939-9809.

If you wish a representative of the training program to attend your club meetings to explain our course further, contact Bev. or myself at 939-8717.

RVJ/bmc

Sincerely.

Robin V. Jackson PRESIDET

The results of the Slalom on January 28, 1979, were not available for the printing deadline of the last Mayday, so I thought I'd follow up Robin's story this month.

The fastest time of day was by a Group 2 Car, a Honda Civic, driven by Mark Wells 48:17. Jim Sheldon, our Vice President, came in fifth with his TR6 - 51:99. (chose the wrong tires eh Jim??) And his side kick Bruce Lauridsen, came in last in Group 2 (9th place), in his Mother's Honda Civic CVCC 56:94

Our good friend?? Tony Weinburger, came in second in Group 3 using our now famous 510 - 52:03, followed by me in third also driving R.B.R.'s 510, almost two seconds slower 53;50. Ron Snook, however, still doesn't seem to get along with our car, as he came in 7th (last) with a time of 1.10.75.

Our U.B.C. friend and M.E.T.A. member Jim Hargrove, came in second in Group 2, in his Ratsun 510 - 51:23. I managed to come in 5th (second to last), with my Datsun sport truck with a time of 57.53.

While some of you were out at Westwood for the first Rallycross, Rust Bucket Racing, was out at U.B.C., for another slalom. Jim Hargrove seemed to make a good showing in his Ratsun 510. Ron however, was having an extraordinary time trying to find the right pilons to go through, so just collected a list of D.N.F.'s

On Tony's last run he heard a "clunk" and lost power, so shifted down into first and finished his run only four tenths of a second slower than his best run. I immediately got in the car to make my last run, not knowing about the "power loss", and started the car only to hear a loud clinking sound. We opened the hood to find the engine had come off the mount, and started to drill a hole in the radiator. Since this was our junk engine, using a quart and a half of oil per event. I decided to take my last run anyway, only to be stopped half way because of water soaked ignition system.. A funny end to a fun weekend.

NEXT SLALOM ON MARCH 11th.

WHO ARE WHO'S CHERRY??????????

FOR SUPPER NO LESS. .

While dining at "Art's Little Place", after Landsdowne car show set up. Someone ate Sue Proud's Cherry!

YOU HAVE THREE GUESSES.

Clue # 1 It was not Joe Proud.

Clue # 2 Mike Holloway was seen threatening the culprit for his comments on Robin"s cute T Shirt. Well, she said she was approachable.

Didn't she??

Clue # 3 He was dragged away from the table by a blond, who couldn't wait till after dinner.

Clue # 4 He drove a red Formula Ford last year, and has stated he will run down the writer of the article.

Clue # 5 His initials are M. O.

J.R.S.

Convention: C. A. S. C. National A.G. M

B. C. Region of C.A.S.C. will be hosting the National Convention APRIL 20 21 22/79 at the BAYSHORE INN. Delegates package \$30.00 M.E.T.A. will be completely in Charge of registrations, please set these dates aside, as we will need ALL of our membership's help. Help is needed now for canvassing business establishments for favours to put in the delegate packages, If you can obtain 200 of anything please do so, also, call Beverly Crump to get further ideas etc. on whom to canvas. PLEASE HELP. We are the only Worker's Club in C.A.S.C. help let them know who we are. More exciting information will be released at our meeting.

The name of the Datsun 510 class has been changed to Westwood Challenge Class this year due to the drop of claiming. The worth of the car as it sits at the start/finish line, excluding labour and safety features, will be \$1,500.00, policeable by Tony Morris, and class members (the basic car being assessed at \$200.00).

The car must appear stock, and be a 1968-1974 Datsun 510 Sedan, with the stock 4 speed manual transmission. This year, however fibreglass fenders will be allowed, due to the increasing difficulty and expense of getting presentable steel fenders. Rim width will be maximum of $5\frac{1}{2}$ inches. The block and head must be from 1600 cc engines, and have a stock carburetor, with ventures. The secondary carb. jet must not be over 180 in size. The first two cars over the finish line at every event will be checked for stock gear ratios, and possibly other items, and may be protested for a fee of \$550.00.

Safety equipment for the 510 class will be as stated in the C.A.S.C. rules, as this class is now a regional class. This means that window clips, window nets, C.A.S.C. approved roll bar, 4 point (non 'Y' type) shoulder harness, and shut off switches are manditory.

For further information contact Dean Warner, who is now at Westwood Honda.

****** Mike Bailey



Club Crests \$2.00 each

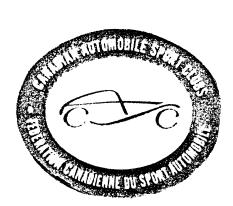
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- available from - Beverly Crump

C. A. S. C. CRESTS - 3½" X 3" red and white \$2.00

DECALS - red and White .25¢

See Beverly Crump



Heard at a meeting one evening that Robin is approachable, and upon checking this out, found out that Robin blushes very prettily, and Michael glowers very dangerously.

Robin may be approachable, but the risks to life and limb are not worth approaching.

GOOD AND WELFARE!

Hoover Vacuum: Like new condition, 1977 model - Best Offer - Jim Sheldon

Yellow Helmet: Medium - suitable for anything - \$10.00 - Pat Somerville - after 4:00 p.m.

6 Volt Volkswagen Radio, aerial and speakers - \$25.00 - Pat Sommerville

Interesting quotes from I.C.B.C. Accident Reports -

Boy on Boy!

- To avoid hitting the bumper of the car in front, I struck the pedestrian.
- My car was legally parked as it backed into the other vehicle.
- The invisible car came out of nowhere, struck my vehicle and vanished.

PRESIDENT: Robin Jackson 939-8717

VICE PRESIDENT : Jim Sheldon 325-9685

SECRETARY/TREASURER; Beverly Crump 939-9809

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Praise so often can imspire someone

to reach a little higher.



Recent rumors appear to be coming true? It seems almost certain that a power line will be run up the hill, and at long last we will have electricity, without having to worry about exploding generators. This is part of the plans for the Trans Am Atlantic weekend. And there is also a vague rumor to the effect that the Beach Boys will be there.

Joe - The Rover

BACK FROM EUROPE - Pete Siddons, who many will remember for his Sport Racing exploits, has arrived back home from Europe, where he has been acting as a mechanic on the Formula II circuit.

Joe was by.

INTERESTING EVENTS

Long Beach Grand Prix Trans Am - Portland I.M.S.A. GT - Portland Canadian Grand Prix

April 7 - 8 June 8 - 9 - 10 August 4 - 5 October 6 - 7

By - Joe

SEASON BEGINNING SHINDIG

S.C.C.B.C. will host a

Disco Spring Dance. March 24/79 @

Bonsor Hall (Simpson Sears) (Kingsway)

B.Y.O.B. \$3.00 per person Mix and snacks provided.

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COOK WANTED NO

EXPERIENCE NEEDED

2-2 MUST FILL TUMMY's of hungry workers at the end of a race day. YES, we don't have a cook to get our hamburgers ready for days end. ANYBODY IN MIND! PLEASE PASS THE NAME ON FAST.

WHERE ITS HAPPENING

S.C.C.B.C. Monthly Meeting - Villa Motor Inn - March 14/79 - 8.00 p.m.

(Westwood Driver Training - Westwood - March 17 - 18/79) Rallycross - March 18 - Westwood

WEEKEND , ALSO FIRE TRAINING SATURDAY 1:00 P.M FOR WORKERS, THIS IS A WORKER TRAINING WEEKEND AS WELL.

- ♣ M.E.T.A. Meeting March 21 1200 Hornby Boardroom 8.00 p.m.
- 🛊 M.E.T.A. Training Programm March 28 April 4/79

Worker Valvoline Jackets available again this year. Price \$15.00 :contact Pat Gleeson.:

The "top o' the morning" And "good luck" to you

HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY

DRIVER TRAINING - MARCH 17, 18 WESTWOOD MOTORSPORT PARK

Driver training this weekend will be interesting for quite a few of us. Some of us are learning the ropes as new workers, others are learning the ropes as new drivers. Remember, though, after a long winter, all of us are a bit stale and we should all take advantage of this training period. You might find you're a little rusty in some areas!

As you experienced workers are out there, think of how you felt when you first went onto a track and worked. If one of your trainees is nervous or goofs, remember that you probably did, too. Be patient - we have some real enthusiasts among us this year.

Try thinking too, of the new drivers. So many are so scared, it's going to be easy to make mistakes. It may be laughable to us, but heart-stopping to them. They will be trying to drive their car (differently than they have driven it before), take the right line through a corner, watch for cars around and behind them, make quick decisions in case they make a mistake, try to watch for our flagging and signals, get used to wearing fireproof long johns & suit, a balaclava, a helmet and gloves and just plain keep their heads. Now if that isn't a lot to ask, I don't know what is - so maybe we can try to be patient with them, too. Besides, we have some well-knowns to watch for an cheer on - Mike Holloway, Ron Snook, & Martin Stretton. Go to it guys - we're rooting for you! And workers - believe it or not, new driver trainees are taught that we are very important to their welfare and that we're there to help - which we are!! Have fun, everyone.