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Silly Season Special

Editor's Soapbox

This should probably be called the White Rabbit's Soapbox by now since we always seem to be so late. Sorry, again. One editor was moving and the other left the territory for a couple of weeks so not much prep work got done on this one. Bear with us.

Hear ye! Hear ye! Be it known to all that the annual General Meeting of the Motorsports Emergency and Turnworkers Association will be held on November 27, 1985 (Wednesday). This is it folk. Volunteer or have yourself nominated as a candidate for a position on the Executive and, if you can't get up for that, at least turn out to vote. Get involved!

To continue the mad social whirl that November traditionally represents to the motorsports community be sure to attend META's first (?) annual banquet at Dan's Gallactica Restaurant, November 29, 1985. Worker awards will be presented at this dinner and we're sure you'll all want to be there to applaud the winners and console the rest of us. META is underwriting your expenses for the evening to the tune of \$10.00 per member. Now how can you beat that? Dinner is scheduled for 7:30 pm. but if you want to be there earlier we're sure Rick Smale will have opened the bar by 7:00. Dan's Galactica is located at Hornby and Davie.

If all this is not enough, the Sports Car Club of B.C. will be holding its annual banquet at the Coquitlam Motor Inn on Saturday November 23, 1985. Details from any SCCBC member.

Now, as the year officially draws to a close, the editors would like to thank all of you who made our job easier by contributing to the past year's issues. This is, after all, your forum for presenting information that you feel will be of interest to all the members as well as your own feelings on just about anything. If it's all left up to us you may not get a newsletter at all. So, thanks for reading, thanks for contributing and we expect bigger and better things from you all next year. Special thanks to Vic Kennedy for supplying photographs.

Joanne and Rick

28th Annual ICSCC Awards Banquet

In spite of the weather persons' dire prognostications of heavy snow for the area it turned out sunny and cool for Saturday November 9th. Those making the pilgrimage to Bellevue from the Great White North could be loosely divided into two groups. Those that drove down Friday to get in and extra night of partying and those who got up too damned early Saturday morning to try and make the Race Officials Division Annual Meeting at 10:00 am. Attending (in spite of hang-overs or driving-itis) were Roger Salomon, Grace Lassen, Buzz and Mary-Margaret Beley, Doug Taylor, Rick Zeller, Dave Forster, Joanne Henderson, Barb Moewes and Rick Smale. Leo Robidoux attended representing IRDC.

The meeting lasted until about 1:00 pm. Topics of discussion ranged from any changes, improvements or declines in the points discussed last year to input we should attempt to put before the Executive Board regarding changes brought forward by the member clubs as outlined in Memo 8. Quite a lot of chat over corner response to Red Flag Start/Finish and Black Flag All if accepted by the Competition Board. As it turned out that move was defeated and so ICSCC events will still have no Black Flag All situations.

Quite a bit of the meeting adjourned to room 127 to watch the last CART race from Tamiami Park, Miami, Fl. The rest went shopping and.....They missed a great race. Mario took out himself, Guerrero and Fittipaldi on the first lap and a spinning Raoul Boesel removed himself and the entire Kraco team of Andretti Jr. and Cogan on the second lap. After that things settled down to a more or less even pace with, of course, a lot of attention paid to Unser Jr. and Sr. The Championship ultimately fell to Al Unser Sr. by on point 151 to 150 over Al Jr. Now that's a competitive race season.

Then it was just about time for dinner and the awards. Dinner, well, enough said. But the awards....Congratulations to all the class winners, and runners-up, too many to list here. See Memo 8 for final standings and recipients of awards.

Special Congratulations to:

Jay Wratten - Driver of the Year Steve Rissberger - Novice of the Year Rick Smale - Worker of the Year

and special awards for service to ICSCC to:

Joey Adair Dave Forster Rick Nevedli Red Contribution Stripe (25% of races) META:

Barb Moewes Ludy Penuta Bob & Hilda Randall Shari Root Brad Velander Rick Zeller

Blue Stripe (50% of Races) META:

Mary Margaret Beley Gail Fetterman (Also 5-year pin) Nick Roche Pam Wood

Silver Stripe (75% of Races) META:

Buzz Beley Grace Lassen Joanne Henderson Roger Salomon

Gold Stripe (100% of Races) META:

Dave Forster Rick Neyedli Rick Smale

A hearty and sincere congratulations and thank-you to you all. A special workers thanks to Woody and Mary-Ann Woodburn for the wine donated as worker awards.

It was at this banquet also that Mr. Bill Root of Yakima Wa. formally announced the engagement of his daughter, Shari Root of Everett Wa. to Mr. David Forster, Burnaby, B.C. Wedding to be February 15, 1985 in Yakima Wa.

Congratulations, Dave and Shari, from all your friends in M.E.T.A.

Meeting of October 23rd, 1985

The Meeting opened at 8:13

Pat Sewchuck read and the minutes from the previous meeting were adopted as read.

A big welcome to Larry Nerada and Bill Newman (who, by the way, filled out a worker form in a program in July and Fran finally got it after the Enduro.)

Treasurer's report: Tom reports that we now have a balance of \$1,515.33

Mayday: As usual we are still trying to catch up. Roger advised that we will be able to use the photocopiers at his place. (META will supply the paper.)

Changes to the address list as follows:

Gail Coss's Phone # Tom Poppovich's Phone # Pat Sewchuck's Phone # Joanne Henderson's new address Maple Ridge, B.C.
Phone:

Social Director: Nick had coffee and Pop available. For the raffle there was Beer, Wine and Instant Tire Patch. The party at Nick's was finalized for Saturday Night (October 26th)

Training: Robin and Dave have been discussing a more formal worker's training school to be continued each year. Everyone agreed that this would be a good idea, and some ideas were brought up as to things we could cover.

Larry Nerada (VP for CASC and CASC Race Director for B.C.): Thanks were extended form Porsche to Chris Morris, Dallas Smith, Barb Moewes, Rick Zeller, Rick Neyedli, and Joanne Henderson for helping out at their driving school.

Larry proposed that META join Motorsport B.C. as affiliate (non-voting) member. He said this would give us many advantages, including being able to apply for grants for various projects that we may have.

A lengthy discussion ensued raising pros and cons about this. As a result we voted in favour of joining Motorsport B.C. as an affiliate member. (\$50 annual fee).

Membership: 39 paid 5 honourary

Course Marshall: Thanks to everyone who came out this year.

Tirewall Committee: As you are no doubt aware this has been postponed for now. Vic's friend, Mr. Livingston (sorry, I didn't catch his 1st name) has offered his services as driver. He also offered to try and arrange something for the PNE action bowl if we can't get the use of Westwood.

Vic presented ID to all the members of the tirewall committee in the form of a safety pin with a row of model-size tires on it.

Vice-President: Roger discussed the car show to be held at the PNE the following night. Ford hasn't yet got back to Roger and Rick about donating the use of a truck but Roger will keep up advised.

Nominating Committee: If anyone has ideas or would like to be nominated for a position, just contact someone on the nominating committee. I know that two of them are Rick Smale and Grace Lassen.

President: Rick Neyedli asked Pat Sewchuk if she would audit our books again this year and she kindly accepted. Rick also announced the META banquet at Don's Gallactic Restaurant.

In the hopes that this reaches you before it doesn't matter, Dave handed out ballots for worker awards. Eligibility was as follows:

non-member rookie - Noone eligible

rookie member of the year (min 4 races)

Joe Panek Pat LeBaron
Duanne Mattson Ludy Penuta
Barb Moewes Jon Bevin

worker of the year (min 7 races)

Nick Roche
Pave Forster
Robin Holloway
Fran Pelletier
Joe Proud
Pat Shewchuk
Vic Kennedy
Rick Zeller
Rick Neyedli
Rick Smale
Pam Wood
Roger Salomon
Grace Lassen
Robin Holloway
Pat Shewchuk
Rick Zeller
Joanne Henderson
Chril Morris

At the next meeting Rick Neyedli will have a Boot mount Flash unit to go to the highest bidder. (donation to META).

And then there was the draw winners were:

Tom Popovich - case of beer
Joe Proud - bottle of wine

Barb Moewes (again!!) - instant tire patch

Next Meeting (AGM): November 27, 1985

In the Music Room at the Moody Park Recreation Centre

On 8th street between 6th and 8th Aves.

New Westminster

Social Event of the Year: Nick's Party

A great time was had by all who attended. The food arranged by Grace, Barb and Joanne. With contributions made by Roger (Chili) and Barb (Cabbage Rolls). Take note Barb and Roger that I expect the recipes for our next edition of the Mayday. Joe Proud's daughter had no problem fitting in with the crowd, and she did keep us laughing. It was fun to see everyone having such a great time and be able to have an evening where the talk isn't all racing. It made for a long night for poor Nick though, with the first guests arriving at 6:30 and the stragglers leaving around 2:00 in the morning. You did a great job Nick. And a great big thank you from all of us!!!!!!

On this note I say good-bye and hope this newsletter gets to you before the meeting.