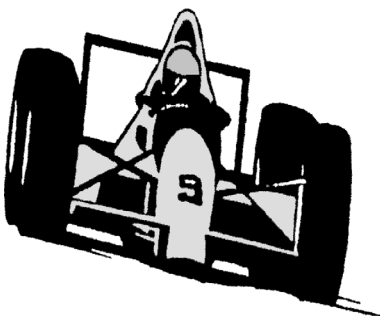




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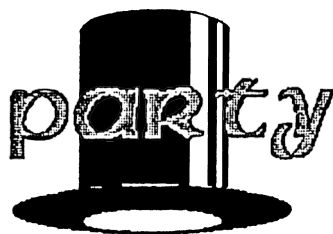
SPEED READING

DATE	ORGANIZATION	EVENT	LOCATION
Sept 7-8	SCMA	Hill Climb	Coquitlam, B.C.
Sept 7-8	Westwood Karting	Go-Carts	Abbotsford, B.C.
Sept 7-8	SCCA	Double Regional	Portland, OR
Sept 14-15	CSCC	ICSCC	Portland, OR
Sept 21-22	SCCBC	ICSCC	Mission, B.C.
Sept 21-22	Sovren	Vintage	Seattle, WA
Sept 27	TC	Driving School	Portland, OR
Sept 28-29	SCCA	Regional	Bremerton, WA
Oct 5-6	IRDC	ICSCC	Seattle, WA
Oct 11-12	CSCC	Endurance Race	Portland, OR
Oct 13-14	SCCBC	ASN Regional/Enduro	Mission, B.C.
Oct 19	IRDC	Endurance Race	Seattle, WA
Oct 26-27	SCCBC	Endurance Race	Mission, B.C.
Oct 26	TC	Driving School	Portland, OR
Nov 15-16	CSCC	Driving School	Portland, OR

****All race dates are subject to change or cancellation without notice ****

and the nominees are...

It's time to send in your nominees for META's annual awards. Enclosed in this issue of the Mayday is the nominating form. Please take the time to fill it out and get it to the secretary. The categories for nomination are 1. Meta Member of the Year 2. Meta Rookie Member of the Year 3. Non-Meta Worker of the Year. By filling out the form and sending it in, the Awards Committee will have an easier time of making a decision.



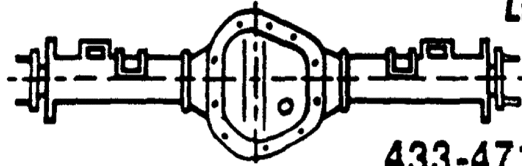
conference banquet ...

The ICSCC banquet will be held once again held at the Seattle Marriott Hotel at Sea-Tac. Conference has reserved a block of rooms for Friday and Saturday nights, November 8 and 9. The cost of the rooms will be \$84.00 per night for either singles or doubles. You can call the hotel at (800) 228-9290 or (206) 241-2000 ext 2613.

There will be a R.O.D. at the banquet on Saturday morn-

ing at 11:00 A.M. Tickets for the banquet are \$35.00 US and are available from Melinda Hillison, 8166 SW Piute Ct, Tualatin, OR, 90762, (503) 692-0901.

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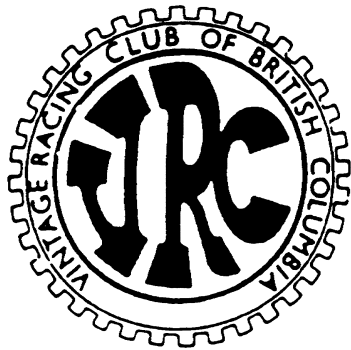
New Meta Members

Corey Brown

Mika Vossi

Change of Address

Rick and Jan Smale



"...to restore, race, and exchange information...
concerning vintage sports and racing automobiles"

MEETINGS: 2nd Tuesday of every month

INFORMATION: Ralph Zbarsky, 604-733-4955

AGM

Meta's Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday November 27th. All elected positions on the clubs executive will be voted on at this meeting. The positions available are:

President

Vice President

Treasurer

Secretary

You can only vote on next years executive if you attend the AGM.

Article for Mayday

Hello. That is usually the first thing you say to someone new, and since everyone at META is new to me I would like to say hello to all of you. I am Maureen Dennie and I am hoping to become a new member of META. I had my first experience with Motorsport over a year ago in Ontario at the Bridgestone Racing School, although I have been watching on TV for almost three seasons. So I am REALLY green in the world of racing. My fiancé is involved in Motorsport and so as not to get left behind, I started to look into what I could do to get involved. So back in April I started to look into some options. Eventually I found out about META and called Roger Salomon. At that time I was living on the North Island and didn't know how I was going to be able to travel to all the races, so I didn't call back. As luck would have it, I got a new job in Chilliwack and moved there on June 3rd. One of the first things I did was call Roger, "Can I still get involved?" Roger said sure. I was suppose to start in Seattle at the beginning of July, but lack of funds forced me to wait another two weeks. Then finally on July 19th I was on the road with Roger, Ann, and Manny in the little white truck to Portland. I was very nervous and very excited. I was meeting new people, seeing a new place and learning something totally new. We arrived Friday night at Gail's house around 11:30pm, (for a rookie, I was pretty good at guessing the Estimated Time of Arrival at Gail's). I could hardly believe the racing memorabilia Gail has in her home. But I suppose it's to be expected after some 17 years in Motorsport!

Saturday morning we were all up early for breakfast and then off to the track. It was really neat signing in and getting my very first race decal. I was to be on turn 4 with Roger, Ann and Neil (the American from Salem). Roger explained how all the flags worked and the procedures. Neil of course elaborated and between the two of them I learned quite a bit. Practice and qualifying were quite eventful, with cars off, and one very bad crash in the afternoon. But it really opens your eyes to the depth of involvement required to run a race properly and safely.

Sunday was another great day, and hot again! Morning qualifying went smoothly, and by the afternoon everyone was ready for some great racing. By the last race I was feeling rather comfortable with the blue flag so Roger and I made a deal that for every wrong or missed blue flag I would have to pay one Banana Loaf at the next race in Mission. The worst mistake was when I blue flagged a leader in his class who happened to be in the middle of the pack; (that I found out was the trickiest part of blue flagging, knowing which class the cars were in). So by the end of the race I think the bill was up to three or four banana loaves, although Roger would like to think it was three or four dozen.

When the day finally ended I was sunburned and tired, but extremely happy that at last I was really involved in racing. I was suppose to be at the July meeting so that I could officially join META, but unfortunately work kept me away. I can honestly say though that I am looking forward to meeting other META members at the Mission weekend on August 3/4. I guess I should close now since I am sure this is at least 1200 words long. So take care and have fun and I will see you all soon.

Maureen Dennie

Ah, The Racing Life

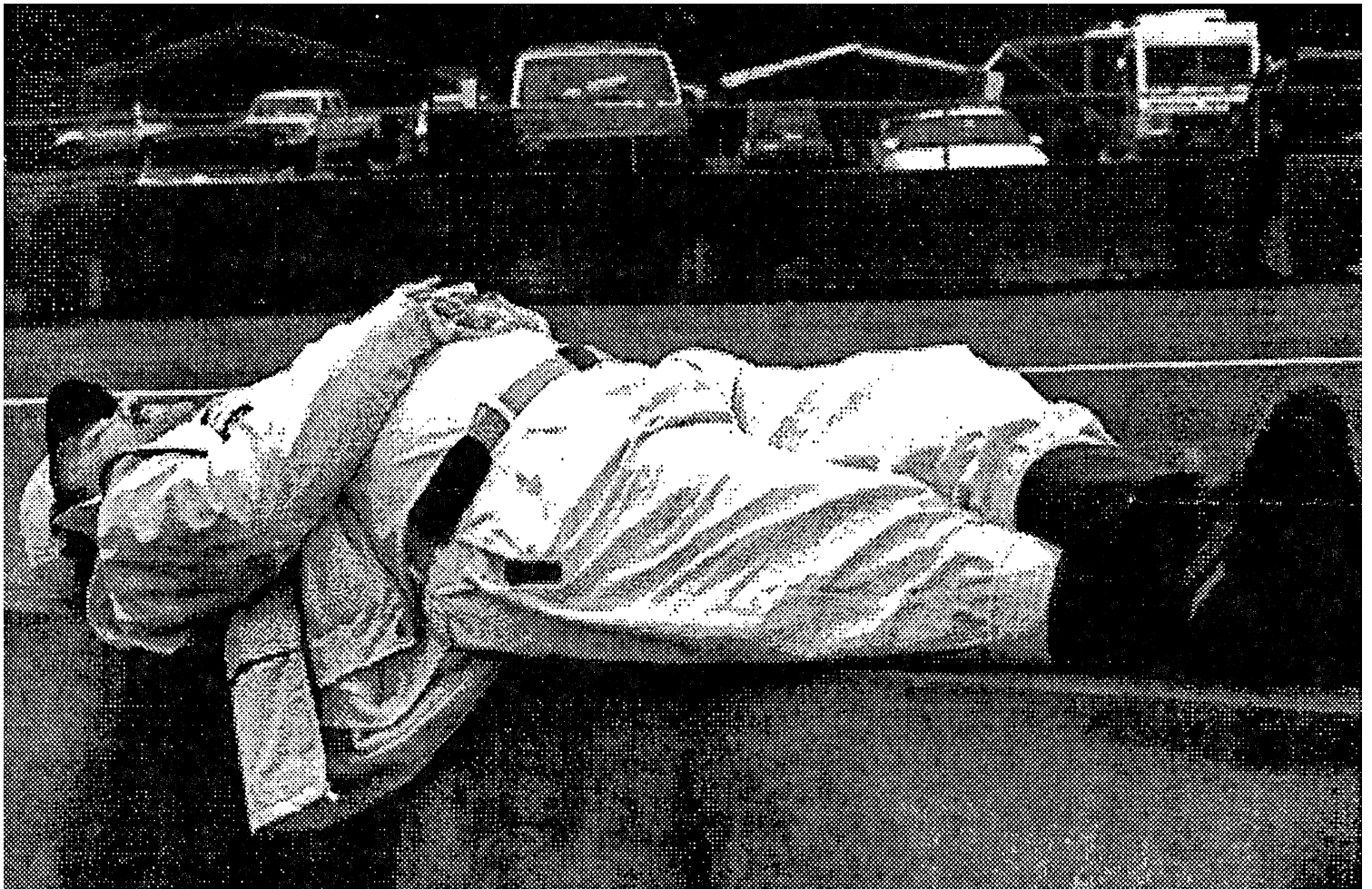


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Maz & Me's 1st annual META Dinner Theatre

2620 Shaughnessy St, Pt Coquitlam
Saturday, October 19, 1996

Come join the fun at a live dinner theatre show. Tickets are \$39.50 per person which includes dinner and the show.

Alcoholic beverages are strong, large and pricey. Staff are bizarre, fun and loud. Arrival is between 6:30 & 7:00pm (and not a moment later....trust me). Party atmosphere is guaranteed (the food isn't). Reserve your seat by calling Steve or Nancy at (604) 942-6041. Payment is due on or before the September meeting. The theme for the night is...
"Love on the Internet"

My apologies to the membership of Meta. At the time of publication the minutes of the August 29th Meta meeting are unavailable for printing. They will be included in the October issue of the Mayday. The next Meta meeting will be held on September 25th at 7:30 P.M.