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Nov 12	SCCBC Meeting – Best Western,	North Road	Coquitlam, BC
Nov 15	ICSCC Banquet – Sea-Tac Marriott		Seattle, Wa
Nov 19	Ice Race Meeting – Douglas College -- Room 2804	7:00	New West, BC
Nov 26 AGM	META Meeting – Century House	7:30	New West, BC
Dec 10	SCCBC Meeting – Best Western,	North Road	Coquitlam, BC
Jan 10&11	Ice Race # 1 -- Barnes Lake	WCIRABC	Cache Creek, BC
Jan 24&25	Ice Race # 2 -- Barnes Lake	WCIRABC	Cache Creek, BC
Jan 31	META Banquet		TBA
Feb 7&8	Ice Race # 3 -- Barnes Lake	WCIRABC	Cache Creek, BC
Feb 21&22	Ice Race # 4 -- Barnes Lake	WCIRABC	Cache Creek, BC
Mar 6&7	Ice Race Alternate Date -- Barnes Lake	WCIRABC	Cache Creek, BC

## Annual General Meeting

*META's Annual General Meeting will be held on  
Wednesday November 26<sup>th</sup>*

*Century House-620 8<sup>th</sup> St New Westminster at  
7:30pm*

*Please plan on attending this meeting as our annual  
elections will be held at this time.*

*The positions available are:*

*President, Vice President,  
Secretary, Treasurer*



## FOOD BANK

*META AGM*

*NOVEMBER 26, 2003*

*LET'S TAKE A MOMENT AND  
REMEMBER THOSE THAT  
ARE LESS FORTUNATE THAN  
OURSELVES. THEY NEED  
OUR ASSISTANCE,  
EVERY LITTLE BIT HELPS*

*PLEASE BRING AN  
UNWRAPPED GIFT AND OR  
CANNED/DRY FOOD ITEM  
THAT WE MAY DONATE TO  
THE FOOD BANK.*

*BOXES FOR THE ITEMS WILL  
BE PROVIDED AT THE  
MEETING.*

*THANK YOU  
IRENE*

## Boa Bytes.....



Thank you for a great season and for all your hard work and dedication. I think as a group of racing volunteers, we can proudly say we have achieved many personal and team goals. Let's carry this momentum forward into the future.

We are a group of passionate individuals with many different views, it is inspiring to see us have a camaraderie that excels in our racing community and we take this with us to the many venues we travel.

Have a great off season, let's plan to get together and do some of the things we have talked about, eg. Bowl for Big Brothers etc.

Take care and be safe.....looking forward to next year.

Irene

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P.S. WORK PARTY SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup>, 2003 AT 10:00 AM.  
WINTERIZE OUR CLUBHOUSE AND A GENERAL TIDY UP BEFORE  
WINTER.

## 2004 ALMS Schedule

March 18-20	Sebring International Raceway Sebring, Florida (12 Hours)
June 25-27	Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course Lexington, Ohio (2:45)
July 2-5	Lime Rock Park Lakeville, Connecticut (2:45)
July 16-18	Infineon Raceway Sonoma, California (2:45)
<b>July 23-25</b>	<b>Portland International Raceway Portland, Oregon (2:45)</b>
August 6-8	Mosport International Raceway Bowmanville, Ontario, Canada (2:45)
August 20-22	Road America Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin (2:45)
September 23-25	Petit Le Mans at Road Atlanta Braselton, Georgia (1000 Miles or 10 Hours)
October 15-16	Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca Monterey, California (4 Hours)

(subject to change)

# CARS On Ice

Our first meeting will be Wednesday, November 19th, 7:00 pm at Douglas College. Room 2804  
Before the meeting could you all please email me with your intentions this year.....

Workers: will you be working this year? How many weekends can you commit to? Contact Jo Adair for information on "worker compensation" for the 2004 season.

Drivers - are you driving this year? How many classes? How many weekends? Bringing anyone new with you? As a driver? As a crew member? As a worker? Know of any new novices coming up? Please have them contact Dick Estey as soon as they can.

Please respond a.s.a.p. It is important. We need to know numbers to be able to plan accommodation, 'free beer", happy hour, lunches, "free beer", dinners, our schedule, "free beer". We may also need some help getting our new trailer in shape for the winter. More "free beer".

Looking forward to lots of emails.....

Sheree

## 2004 Ice Race Schedule

January 10/11 Barnes Lake, Ashcroft, BC

January 24/25 Barnes Lake, Ashcroft, BC

February 7/8 Barnes Lake, Ashcroft, BC

February 21/22 Barnes Lake, Ashcroft, BC

(alt. 6/7Mar.) Barnes Lake, Ashcroft, BC

Any scheduled races that are missed due to weather conditions will be re-scheduled to the end of the season two weeks following the final scheduled weekend (ie: in 2004 the re-scheduled weekend will be March 6/7)

## Caught for speeding

The cop got out of his car and the kid, that was stopped for speeding, rolled down his window. "I've been waiting for you all day," the cop said. The kid replied, "Yeah, well I got here as fast as I could." When the cop finally stopped laughing, he sent the kid on his way without a ticket.

## Stuck under a bridge

A truck driver was driving along on the freeway. A sign comes up that reads "low bridge ahead." Before he knows it the bridge is right ahead of him and he gets stuck under the bridge. Cars are backed up for miles. Finally, a police car comes up. The cop gets out of his car and walks around to the truck driver, puts his hands on his hips and says, "Got stuck, huh?" The truck driver says, "No, I was delivering this bridge and ran out of gas."



# Confusion Reigns !!

Well it seems we were a little more confused than we thought this year. Although this started out as a way to have a little more fun at the track with a few select people who were having trouble remembering where they were, it has grown into a pretty healthy donation to the Children's Hospital.

For those that weren't in on it. The Comm. Confusion Club was created for Communicators at Mission who misspoke on the radio regarding which Turn they were at. The term 'Ka-Ching' quickly became the call the moment an error had occurred. Penance for such an error was a dollar into the pot. Somewhere along the line the Ka-Chings were expanded to include a multitude of other radio errors set forth by the whim and fancy of whomever was in Race Control that weekend!!!! Bad if you made a mistake, good for the Kid's.

So without further ado, the grand total of confusion this year is \$76. Ka-Ching. A big thanks goes out to all those confused souls out there!!!!!!

Thank You

Karen

## **2004 SCCA PRO RACING SPEED WORLD CHALLENGE SCHEDULE SPEED GT AND TOURING CAR CHAMPIONSHIPS**

March 17-20 Sebring International Raceway, Sebring , Fla

May 28-31 Lime Rock Park , Lakeville , Conn.

June 25-27 Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course, Lexington , Ohio

July 16-18 Infineon Raceway, Sonoma , Calif

**July 23-25 Portland International Raceway, Portland , Ore.**

Aug. 6-8 Mosport International Raceway, Bowmanville , Ontario

Aug. 20-22 Road America , Elkhart Lake , Wis.

Sept. 22-25 Road Atlanta Motorports Center , Braselton , Ga

Oct. 15-17 Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca, Monterey , Calif.

(Additional Rounds may be added)





From cbc.sportsline.com October 24, 2003

## **Revamped CART schedule for 2004 if sale proceeds**

By Dennis Passa, Associated Press

SURFERS PARADISE, Australia -- Races in England and Germany will be out and one in South Korea will be added to a revamped CART schedule for 2004 if the sale of the Champ Car series is completed as expected.

Australian-born Kevin Kalkhoven, one of three CART team owners who formed the Open Wheel Racing Series consortium, told The Associated Press on Saturday that Seoul will be added to next year's schedule, one of 15 or 16 races to be held in 2004, down from 19 this season.

Open Wheel Racing is in the process of taking over the financially troubled Championship Auto Racing Teams which run the Champ Car series that includes Sunday's Gold Coast Indy.

In August, Indianapolis-based CART said in a statement that Open Wheel Racing offered about 50 cents a share -- or \$7.4 million -- for all the outstanding stock.

CART, which said members of Open Wheel Racing already control almost 23 percent of its stock, reported in July that it did not have the money to ensure a 2004 season. The company lost \$43.5 million in the first half of the season, according to a quarterly report.

Kalkhoven said Saturday the deal should be finalized by December, when shareholders are expected to approve the purchase, paving the way for the company to be de-listed from the New York Stock Exchange.

Kalkhoven's partners are fellow CART team owners Paul Gentilozzi of the United States and Gerry Forsythe of Canada, as well as Carl Russo of RuSPORT, which runs cars on the Toyota Atlantic circuit.

"Our focus is in the Americas, North and South, and the Pacific Rim," Kalkhoven said in pit lane outside the garage of his PK Racing Team. "Going to Europe into the heartland of Formula One is not the smartest thing we could do.

"We're going to take it steady. We're doing one more Pacific event, in Seoul. We've already got the government backing with all the assistance of the city of Seoul."

Kalkhoven said there are no plans to go to Europe, where events were held in Brands Hatch, England on May 5 this year and the following weekend in Lausitz, Germany.

"We have not filed to FIA (motor racing's governing body) to do any races over there," he said.

Kalkhoven said South Korean officials are at this weekend's race to watch how the event is being organized.

From MiamiToday.com Oct 23, 2003

## **Racing circuit drops Miami Grand Prix from schedule**

By Susan Stabley

Miami's Grand Prix Americas race has been dropped from next year's American Le Mans Series schedule.

The race, brought to the city's downtown two years ago by Miami-based Raceworks and now owned by Championship Auto Racing Teams of Indianapolis, had been part of the Le Mans Series schedule. But a spokesman with American Le Mans said the Miami race is not on the 2004 schedule announced last week because of uncertainty about the event's future.

"The promoters at Miami were unable to confirm anything before the deadline," said Andy Hall, director of media and communications for American Le Mans.

Adding the Miami race to the schedule is "possible but unlikely," he said Tuesday.

CART paid a fee to American Le Mans to include the race on its 2003 schedule. Mr. Hall declined to disclose the amount. The first race, in October 2002, was billed as first in the US in which American Le Mans, CART FedEx Championship and Trans-Am's BF Goodrich Tires Cup races were part of one event. The second Grand Prix Americas race, Sept. 26-28, was promoted as a "dual-headline" with the Champ Car World Series Powered by Ford joining the American Le Mans Series. The race was also part of the CART Toyota Atlantic Championship series.

The Miami Sports & Exhibition Authority, which loaned Grand Prix Americas \$2 million for course infrastructure in its inaugural year, tied a series of family-oriented events such as boat races to last month's Grand Prix Americas in what it hopes will become an annual Raceweek.

Grand Prix Americas President Chuck Martinez on Tuesday referred all questions about the American Le Mans schedule to CART headquarters. CART officials were traveling to Australia for a race and could not be reached.

Organizers are licensed to stage the Miami race for the next 15 years on a course along Biscayne Boulevard and through Bayfront Park.



2003 ICSCC Banquet  
November 15, 2003 at the SeaTac Marriott Hotel  
This Year's Theme is

## Blue By You

Reception 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and Dinner 6:30 p.m.  
followed by

2003 ICSCC Championship Awards Presentation

and Dancing to the Infamous IC Band

Meal Cost \$35 per person

Petite Filet Mignon | Chicken Combination

Vegetarian Dinner available upon Request

Banquet reservations must be received by November 5, 2003.

Pre-payment is by check only: charge cards not accepted, and do not mail cash.

Tickets may be paid for at the door (check or cash) but must be reserved by the deadline.

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Attending (please print clearly):

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Guest: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to: Judy Thacker, 6903 NE 134 th Ave., Vancouver, WA 98682

Telephone: 360-892-3957

Room reservations are made with the hotel directly

Ask for the SeaTac Marriott's special rate for ICSCC of \$69 per night plus applicable taxes

The Marriott Hotels toll-free reservation line is 1-888-236-2427

and the direct line to the SeaTac Marriott is 206 241-2000

# UNOFFICIAL MINUTES OF META MEETING

22 October 2003

Meeting called to order at 7:40 pm, 17 members and 1 guest present. Minutes from September meeting read. Motion to adopt minutes by Joe P. Seconded by Brian M.

Correspondence: Wheel spin and Conference news letters.

Mayday: Absent

Membership: 75 plus 8

Treasurer: The books are being looked at. The bank machine swallowed the bank card so there are no numbers this month.

Historian: Photo albums and Maydays are present

Training: No report. We will be having a work party on Sunday the 9th of November at 10:00am

Race Chair: Absent

Course Marshall: Race weekend was good lots of fun was had

Chief of Emergency: Absent

Old Business: Star FM was the Thankyou note sent out.

Recruiting Committee: Nothing

Vice President: No report

New Business: The starter flags need to be re-enforced over the winter. The start stand needs to have a roof put on it and it also needs new tires. Motion made by David B. META does not renew their affiliate club membership with Conference. Seconded by George C. Motion passes 1 abstained 1opposed

President's Report: Great Year, Great Racing and thanks to all the members for their support. Conference membership fee's due in November for 2004. The Main reason for joining conference was insurance and since it's no longer applicable it brings up the question of what is the benefit to META to pay \$150 approx. Canadian to join again. Conference Banquet is November 15th anybody wanting more information come see me.

Good & Welfare: Banquet possibly to be held at Westwood Plateau. Any other suggestions for a location let the committee know.

Swap & Shop: Bryan N. is looking for (2) 283 Chevy engines and a 65 Mustang rag top

50/50: Nothing

Meeting was adjourned at

Next Meeting will be AGM on Wed. November 26th 2003 at 7.30 pm