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Speed reading

Nov 9	SCCBC Meeting – Best Western,	North Road	Coquitlam, BC
Nov 12	ICSCC Banquet - SeaTac Marriott		Seattle, WA
Nov 19&20	Totem TSD Rally	WCRA	BC Interior
Nov 23 AGM	META Meeting – Century House	7:30	New West, BC
Nov 25	VRCBC Banquet – Beluga's	6:00	Langley, BC
Nov 26	CACC Banquet – Executive Inn	North Road	Coquitlam, BC
Dec 14	SCCBC Meeting – Best Western,	North Road	Coquitlam, BC
Jan 7&8	Ice Race # 1 -- Barnes Lake	WCIRABC	Cache Creek, BC
Jan 14&15	Ice Race # 1 -- Alternate Date	WCIRABC	Cache Creek, BC
Jan 21&22	Ice Race # 2 and Enduro -- Barnes Lake	WCIRABC	Cache Creek, BC
Jan 28	META Banquet – Beluga's		Langley, BC
Feb 4&5	Ice Race # 3 -- Barnes Lake	WCIRABC	Cache Creek, BC
Feb 18&19	Ice Race # 4 -- Barnes Lake	WCIRABC	Cache Creek, BC
Feb 26&27	Ice Race # 4 -- Alternate Date	WCIRABC	Cache Creek, BC

Annual General Meeting

META's Annual General Meeting will be held on
Wednesday November 23th
Century House-620 8th St New Westminister 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

Presidents Report

As you will already know by now, Deryk Forster, one of our former members, has passed away in an accident near his home. In typical Deryk fashion, he had stopped to help someone in trouble and it is ironic that it should have been the Good Samaritan that paid the ultimate price. He had been involved with racing for about 50 years and will be missed by many. A Celebration of Life is to be held on November 27th and I hope you will be able to attend to show our support for his family, all of whom have been great supporters of our sport for many years.

Another Annual Meeting is coming up –it hardly seems any time since the last one, but they say that time passes quickly when you are having fun, don't they? I think this has been a good year for the club and I have really enjoyed working with the other members of the executive. I would like to thank all of them for doing such a good job. Please think about running for office as it really can be a lot of fun.

Thank you to SCCBC for the autographed, laminated poster given to us in recognition of our volunteers, which will be put on display in the clubhouse. Also for giving out the mousepads with photographs of many of you on them. This was a great idea – make sure you get yours either from me or from SCCBC.

Hope to see you November 23rd at the Annual Meeting.

Ann

Deryk Forster Celebration of Life

Sunday November 27th at 2:00 in the afternoon
Knox United Church
5600 Balaclava St (near 40th)
All Motorsport friends are welcome.

An email address to send messages to the family has been arranged by Marc Ramsay:
deryk@ramsaysolutions.ca

Anyone who has photographs of Deryk from his time at Westwood or River's Edge is encouraged to provide copies for a display at the Celebration.

Anyone with historical information regarding Deryk's involvement with SCCBC is asked to share this as well. It seems the SCCBC records were destroyed in a fire in the 50's. The official record shows Deryk as a member in 1959, but he was involved with Abbotsford, and with surveying the Westwood property before the track was built, which would take him back to the earlier 50's.



The Vintage Racing Club of BC

Announcing ticket sales now for:

The 2005 Vintage Race Club of BC Gala Evening

FRIDAY, November 25th at Beluga's in Langley

Come and enjoy a night of fun, great food, good friends, dancing and even cut out that late night return drive home by staying across the parking lot at The Travelodge Inn, Langley City.

Get a group together of your friends to let loose and have fun. Only \$40.00CAD (\$30.00USD) per person gets you a full buffet, some wine on your table, the Annual VRCBC awards ceremony and live entertainment will be provided by a tasteful quartet, guaranteed to be under 95 db !

TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT BOOK NOW

Send your money to Catharine Wood at 5711 Adera St., Vancouver, BC V6M 3J1 or call 604-433-7140 to let her know you'll be attending the party.

Beluga's is located at 21671 Fraser Highway in Langley. Tel: 604-533-7223.
(Fraser Highway and 216th Street)

The Travelodge, Langley City is located at 21653 Fraser Highway, Langley.
Call Kim at 604-533-4431 or toll-free 1-887-533-4431,
mention the VRCBC and you will receive our preferred rate.

The Evening's Program:

6:00PM to 7:30PM	<i>Happy Hour and a Half!</i>
7:30PM to 8:30PM	<i>Full Buffet Dinner with wine, dessert and coffee.</i>
8:30PM to 9:15PM	<i>Presidents Welcome and the 2005 VRCBC Feature Awards.</i>
9:15PM to 10:45PM	<i>Dancing and socializing.</i>
10:45PM to 11:15PM	<i>VRCBC Prize Draws.</i>
11:15PM until you can't take it any more!	<i>There's more dancing and socializing.</i>

***PLEASE BRING ANY DONATIONS YOU MAY HAVE FOR DOOR PRIZES.
THANK YOU!***

Worker Profile: Nick Roche

Family: *Mother, two brothers, five sisters.*

Birthplace: *Ireland*

Occupation: *Furniture maker*

Customary/favorite job at track: *Flagging, quick response.*

How and why did you get involved in race working and/or META.
Heard Roger on the radio promoting Westwood.

When did you get involved? *1981*

What do you like most about it?
Being part of the event and meeting fellow motor heads.

What do you like least about it? *Politics*

If you could attend any race, in any capacity, where and what would you choose?
Blue flag at the corkscrew, Laguna Seca.

What is your Favorite:
Track? *Seattle*
Turn? *3 at Seattle*
Event? *Conference*
Race group? *All groups*

What things would you be sure to tell a new worker if she/he asked for your advice?
Come to the track to have fun and bring lots of cloths for all kinds of weather.

What is your favorite:
Food? *Irish food*
Movie? *Grand Prix*
Magazine? *Motor Magazines*

Are you a frustrated racer? What car would you race?
No. I have my playstation.

Long Beach to see Daytona Prototypes

Date: October 5, 2005

By Nancy Knapp Schilke - Motorsport.com

Rumours come and go and with Wednesday's announcement, Grand American Road Racing Association along with the Grand Prix Association of Long Beach (GPALB) cleared up one rumour -- indeed, there will be a sportscar race on the Streets of Long Beach in 2006, the first-ever race of its type in the history of the event.

The Rolex Series Daytona Prototypes will take to the streets as part of the racing action at the 32nd Annual Toyota Grand Prix of Long Beach. The inaugural DP race will take place on Saturday, April 8, 2006 as part of the Champ Car World Series weekend.

"The addition of the Rolex Series Daytona Prototypes to the Long Beach race weekend will be something special," said Jim Michaelian, CEO of the GPALB. "Not only will this be the first time that the prototype sports cars have competed here but the sights and sounds of those exotic machines on the Long Beach streets should be exhilarating."

Besides the open-wheel Champ Cars and their ladder series the Atlantic Championship Series, the DPs will add to the excitement and give the many fans, who attend the Long Beach race for the atmosphere as well as the racing, something new to watch.

"This is just another way in which we continue to add value and entertainment for our fans," added Michaelian.

Grand Am is expected to have at least two dozen teams to run on the tight twisty course located near the Queen Mary as they will take their first green flag on Shoreline Drive.

"This is a monumental day in the history of the Grand American Rolex Sports Car Series," said Roger Edmondson, Grand American President. "The Toyota Grand Prix of Long Beach is one of road racing's crown jewels, and the importance of having the Rolex Series participate on that weekend cannot be understated to all of our stakeholders."

For their first historic race at the Long Beach venue, the series will have a new format specifically for this event. Practice and qualifying will be on Friday, April 7th with the 90-minute sprint race in place of the two hours or more endurance-style races that they normally have, including the prestigious world renown 24 Hours of Daytona. The teams will be required to make one pit stop with a driver change.

"While many series have one signature event, the addition of Long Beach to a schedule that also includes the Rolex 24 At Daytona gives the Rolex Series a pair of marquee races," commented Edmondson.

Recently, the new President of Champ Car gave a brief hint that indeed the Trans-Am cars might return to Long Beach. After stating that CCWS has to inform the Sports Car Club of America by November 1, 2005 what the status of the series will be for 2006, Steve Johnson only commented that "Long Beach could see the return of the Trans-Am series next year." With the Rolex Series DPs now in the show, will a new announcement be forthcoming that the roar of the Jaguars, Corvettes, Mustangs et al be gone from the streets of Long Beach?

One DP driver who has experience on the Long Beach circuit in both Champ Car (formerly CART) and Trans-Am is looking forward to returning. "I'm looking wholeheartedly at the opportunity to go back there between my IndyCar career, which is the closest venture I've had at Long Beach. I also raced Trans-Am there in 2003," commented the defending DP champion Scott Pruett.

"I've had both full-bodied cars and open-wheel cars there," continued Pruett. "Just getting down to the streets of Long Beach is exciting, and I think for us as a series, and for me as a driver specifically, I'm excited about it."

Entertainment Books

META has 10 Entertainment books for sale at the low, low, price of \$46, please contact Max Thompson to get yours. They're going fast! 604-582-0043 or courtneymax@shaw.ca

International Conference of Sports Car Clubs

For 2005,

The winners are....

Group 1

1 AP 16 Bob Pontius
1 CP 45 Mike Blaszcak
1 DP 146 Guy Selle
1 PRO3 32 Bill Spornitz
2 PRO3 48 William Deifenbach
3 PRO3 42 Derek Smith
1 SBMW 40 Stan Bovetz
1 SPO 80 Joel Siegel
2 SPO 157 Steve Paquette
1 SPM 70 Mac Russell
2 SPM 157 Jeffrey Wicks
3 SPM 02 Tom Miller
1 SPU 87 Alan Russell
2 SPU 0 Bill Thew
3 SPU 7 Morgan Mansfield

Group 2

1 CR 62 Ron Johnson
2 CR 93 Brian Elmore
3 CR 339 Dale Champion
1 EP 38 Bill Grover
2 EP 131 Ralph Paul
1 FP 5 Rick dela Mare
1 GP 34 Scott Morton
2 GP 50 Dave Rinker
1 IP 94 Jeff Penick
2 IP 53 Skip Yocom
3 IP 193 Chuck Rancatti
1 JP 20 Bruce Douglas
1 PRO7 157 Dave Doan
2 PRO7 76 Al Carton
3 PRO7 70 Steve Justiss
1 SM 71 Taryn Sparacio
2 SM 86 Jon Ament
3 SM 197 Randy Robertson

Group 3

1 CF 21 Gabe Henderson
2 CF 6 Mark Keller
3 CF 34 Kyle Oberndorf
1 FF 18 Michael Lensen
1 FL 0 Bob Hillison
1 FM 79 Dave Gaylord

Group 4

1 AS 45 David Baker
2 AS 25 Rick Mackin
3 AS 80 Rob Rissberger
1 GT1 20 Joel Siegel
2 GT1 98 Dyrk Van Zanten, Jr.
1 GT2 01 Dean Miller
2 GT2 52 Manfred Duske
3 GT2 109 Glen Petersen
1 GT3 70 Mac Russell
1 ITE 12 Steve Paquette
2 ITE 39 Eric Krause
1 RS 162 Steve Pfiefer
2 RS 157 Jeffrey Wicks
3 RS 47 Jack DeChristopher

Group 5

1 EIP 184 Jeff Remfert
2 EIP 56 Bruce Beachman
3 EIP 100 Tobias Basiliko
1 GIP 6 Brian Meakings
1 ITC 94 Jeff Penick
1 GTL 12 Jim Nealon
2 GTL 17 Skip Jones
3 GTL 361 William Slotke
1 ITS 148 Andrew Newell
2 ITS 45 Mike Blaszcak
3 ITS 38 Bill Grover
1 ITA 71 Taryn Sparacio
2 ITA 197 Randy Robertson
3 ITA 19 Michale Conatore

Group 6

1 ESR 8 Lee Fjellanger
1 FSR 28 Dennis Peters
1 FV 17 Cheryl Gilbert
2 FV 88 Craig Curtis
3 FV 57 Michael Smith
1 S2 37 John Bachofner

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*White, short sleeve, 'Golf Shirts' with
META logo embroidered on front.*

\$26.00 each

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100% Cotton--Long sleeve--All sizes

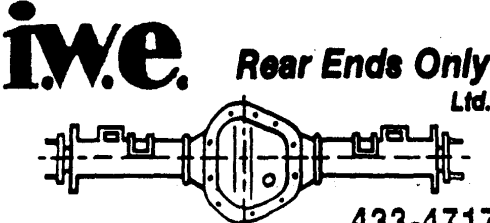
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maydayeditor@hotmail.com

Another in the continuing series on Personal Emergency Preparedness. I have taken the following information from the City of Vancouver website at <http://www.city.vancouver.bc.ca/corpsvcs/emerg/emergsites.htm> Editor

Emergency Water: Locating Safe Water

After a disaster, it is possible that water supplies will be temporarily cut off or become contaminated. Because you must have water to survive, it is important to know how to locate and purify drinking water to make it safe.

Facts About Water

Water is the single most abundant substance in the human body, making up to 60 percent of an adult's weight and up to 80 percent of an infant's weight. A person can live several days without food, but just a few days without water. It is second only to air in importance to life.

Because water is so important to human survival, never ration it. Drink at least 2 litres per day, as long as supplies last, and look for alternative sources.

Water Sources

In the home:

Melt ice cubes, and use water from the hot-water tank, the toilet tank (not the bowl) and water pipes.

Hot water tank:

Turn off the power that heats it, and let the tank cool. Then place a container underneath and open the drain valve at the bottom of the tank. Don't turn the tank on again until water services are restored.

Toilet tank:

The water in the tank (not the bowl) is safe to drink unless chemical treatments have been added.

Water pipes:

Release air pressure into the plumbing system by turning on the highest faucet in the house. Then drain the water from the lowest faucet.

Water beds:

Avoid water from water beds as a source for drinking water. Pesticidal chemicals are in the plastic casing of the bed and chemicals have probably been added to the water to prevent the growth of algae, fungi, and bacteria.

The water is safe only for hand-washing and laundering.

Outside the home:

Rain water, spring water, and water from streams, river, lakes, and coiled garden hoses can be used after it is purified. Avoid water with floating material, an odor or a dark colour. Use saltwater only if you distill it first.

Purifying Water

Note: Water that local officials report has been contaminated with toxic chemicals or radioactive materials cannot be purified using home decontamination methods.

Boiling and chemicals are two ways to purify water

Any water that is obtained from sources outside the home or water that does not appear clear should be sterilized. Non-sterilized water may be contaminated with the parasite Giardia.

Straining water:

Straining water containing sediment or floating material through a cloth or paper filter before beginning the purification process.

Heat sterilization:

Boiling water is the preferred method of purification because disease-causing microorganisms cannot survive the intense heat. Bring water to a rolling boil for 10 minutes. Pour the water back and forth from one clean container to another to improve the taste. Adding a pinch of salt could also help.

(Emergency Water Cont'd)

Chemical sterilization

In some situations, boiling may not be an option. The alternative is to treat the water chemically. Plain household chlorine bleach may be used. Be sure the label states that hypochlorite is the only active ingredient. Bleach containing soap or fragrances is not acceptable. With an eye dropper, add 8 drops of bleach per litre of water (16 if the water is cloudy), stir and let stand. After 30 minutes the water should taste and smell of chlorine. At this time it can be used. If the taste and smell (and appearance in the case of cloudy water) has not changed, add another dose and let stand. If after one half hour the water does not have a chlorine smell, do not use it.

Purification tablets:

Purification tablets release chlorine or iodine. They are inexpensive and available at most sporting goods stores and some drugstores. Follow the package directions. Usually one tablet is enough for one quart of water. Double the dose for cloudy water.

More Rigorous Purification Methods:

While the three methods described above will remove only microbes from water, the following two purification methods will remove other contaminants. Distillation will remove microbes, heavy metals, salts, most other chemicals, and radioactive dust and dirt, called radioactive fallout. Filtering will also remove radioactive fallout. (Water itself cannot become radioactive, but it can be contaminated by radioactive fallout. It is unsafe to drink water that contains radioactive fallout.)

Distillation:

Distillation involves boiling water and then collecting the vapor that condenses back to water. The condensed vapor will not include salt and other impurities. To distill, fill a pot halfway with water. Tie a cup to the handle on the pot's lid so that the cup will hang right-side-up when the lid is upside-down (make sure the cup is not dangling into the water) and boil the water for 20 minutes. The water that drips from the lid into the cup is distilled.

To make a fallout filter, punch holes in the bottom of a large bucket, and put a layer of gravel in the bucket about 1-1/2 inches high. Cover the gravel with a towel cut in a circle slightly larger than the bucket. Cover soil with a towel, place the filter over a large container, and pour contaminated water through. Then, disinfect the filtered water using one of the methods described above.

Containers:

Store the water in a clean and sanitary glass or plastic container. Plastic containers are good because they are lightweight and unbreakable. Metal containers should be considered as a last resort because they may corrode and give water an unpleasant taste.

CACC Fall Meeting and Banquet

November 26, 2005

Executive Plaza Hotel & Conference Centre, 405 North Road, Coquitlam. Call to book a room at discount prices 1-888-433-3932 or 604-936-9399, ask for Jodi or quote "CACC" for discount and complimentary parking pass.

Meeting is 9am to 1pm

Banquet starts at 5:30

Tickets for the Banquet are available (\$40).

Contact Christy Hews 604-537-1795 or send a cheque to CACC c/o 5942 173 Street, Surrey BC, V3S 4A7.

ANNUAL META AWARDS NOMINATIONS

Nominations will be accepted only from META members in good standing.

Deadline for submissions is December 31, 2005.

Please offer a brief explanation as to why you wish to nominate a given person for an award.

The President's Award (META Member of the Year)

Criteria: This award is presented to a member who displays exceptional contribution to the Association and the sport on and off the track. Candidates must be members in good standing for one full membership year and have attended at least 75% of the races as a paid-up META member.

I wish to nominate _____ for the President's Award for the following reasons:

The META Rookie of the Year

Criteria: Rookie of the year is a volunteer who participates in racing and must attend 50% of the races to qualify.

I wish to nominate _____ for the Rookie of the Year for the following reasons:

The Non-META member Worker of the Year

Criteria: Must not be a META member.

I wish to nominate _____ for the non - META member Worker of the Year for the following reasons:

The Buzz Beley Memorial Award

Criteria: The Buzz Beley Memorial award is presented annually to the META member who exemplifies the spirit of the Club by making the greatest contribution towards the goal of having fun and ensuring that all workers experience the greatest enjoyment possible from Motorsport.

I wish to nominate _____ for the Buzz Beley Memorial Award for the following reasons:

Nomination submitted by _____ on ____/____/____.
D M Y