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Speed Reading

Aug 9	SCCBC Meeting – Best Western, North Road	Coquitlam, BC
Aug 11/12/13	Triple Regional – PIR	SCCA/OR Portland, Or
Aug 12&13	CACC Race #5 – MRP	SCCBC Mission, BC
Aug 12&13	Double Regional – TRMP	SCCA/NWR Shelton, Wa
Aug 13	Karting Race #8 - Greg Moore Raceway	WCKC Chilliwack, BC
Aug 19&20	BC Historic Motor Races – MRP	VRCBC Mission, BC
Aug 19&20	ChumpCar World Series – Evergreen Speedway	Chumpcar Monroe, Wa
Aug 19&20	ICSCC Race #11 – PIR	CSCC Portland, Or
Aug 20	Pocono Indycar 400	Indycar Long Pond, Pa
Aug 23	META Meeting – Boston Pizza	7:30 New West, BC
Aug 26	Gateway Motorsports Park	Indycar Madison, IL
Aug 26&27	24 Hours of LeMons – TRMP	Shelton, Wa
Aug 27	Virginia Grand Prix	IMSA Alton, Va
Sep 2&3	Columbia River Classic – PIR	SOVREN Portland, Or
Sep 2&3&4	ICSCC Race#12&13&14 – MRP	SCCBC Mission, BC
Sep 3	Grand Prix at the Glen	Indycar Watkins Glen, NY
Sep 10	Karting Race #9 - Greg Moore Raceway	WCKC Chilliwack, BC
Sep 13	SCCBC Meeting – Best Western, North Road	Coquitlam, BC
Sep 16&17	ICSCC Race #15&16 – TRMP	IRDC Shelton, Wa
Sep 17	Grand Prix of Sonoma	Indycar Sonoma, Ca
Sep 23&24	Fall Finale – PR	SOVREN Seattle, Wa
Sep 24	Monterey Grand Prix – Laguna Seca	IMSA Monterey, Ca
Sep 27	META Meeting – Boston Pizza	7:30 New West, BC
Sep 28-30	Pacific Forest Stage Rally	WCRA Merritt, BC



SCCBC presents CACC Race # 5
August 12 & 13



VRCBC presents
The BC Historic Motor Races
August 19 & 20



Past-Presidents Report

Well I am back!

Sorry for the inconvenience but I wanted to work at least one Indy race this year and Toronto was our choice. We met our Torontonians gang Andrew and Karen, who had already been there for a week, and we had a wonderful time.

Racing was good – Formula 2000, Porsche series, Miatas, Nascar, Indy Lights as well as the Indy cars.

We were stationed at Turn 5. Very good entertainment. The Indy race was excellent as the forecast for the race was rain later in the race. Most of the teams set their race strategy and pit stops for rain. We could see the black clouds closing in, but no rain. It shuffled the whole race and you could not predict who was going to win.

Good racing – good driving – excellent.

Next race was ICSCC in Seattle. I got a call from Thomas asking if I would be interested in doing Emergency and I said yes.

So Saturday morning I got a very quick lesson on my duties as I was the monkey in the back of the truck.

Thomas (driver) and me were stationed in Turn 4. Halfway through the morning we got our first call for a flat tow so off we go.

Thomas stopped the truck, I ran to the car, talked to the driver, hooked the strap to the car and the truck. I gave Thomas the signal. I held the strap so Thomas could see the slack. He kept on going without the car! The strap had unhooked itself. So I hooked up the car again and yelled “Go!” I jumped onto the truck with my radio dragging on the track, plus I forgot to ask the driver where he was paddocked. Everything went wrong! Lots to learn.

During one race we had three tows and I improved a lot. I would like to do it again sometime.

Racing was excellent – 30 to 40 car grids, good weather and a good weekend.

Warning – we have our META member from England arriving this weekend. He will be at the track for the BCHMR.

See you at the track.

Yours in the sport

Roger – The Past-Prez



VRCBC is in need of some extra help for
the BCHMR practice day
Friday August 18

Contact Keith Robinson for more
information
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The BCHMR is also looking for your help with the races August 19 & 20

Sign up is on Motorsportreg.

<https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/2017-british-columbia-historic-motor-races-bchmr-mission-raceway-park-520878>

There is not a separate listing for the volunteers, just enter the BCHMR race registration page and look for the volunteer section, very easy to find.

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Vice-Presidents Report

Hi Everyone,

No I wasn't sleeping when I missed the last META meeting. I had mentioned to everyone that I would be on holidays and would not be attending the next meeting!!!

We had some new people out on the corners at the last CACC race # 4. Sandy had an old friend from high school, Renee Lebox working with her in turn 1.

I had a young lady contact me that she was interested in racing and high performance driving. I thought the best way for her to be introduced to that would be to come out to the track and volunteer on the corners. Sam Meraj came out with her father on Saturday, Sam worked turn 3 with Bonnie and her father got to work on the starters stand. Sam and her father had a blast they both paid for a rides around the track. I am confident that we will see these people back at some point.

I was in the Okanagan for my holidays and thought I would stop by Area 27 to get a look at Richard Granholms new race car. It is a very nice car I am sure it will be very fast.

Richard introduced me to a very nice man, the President and Founder of Area 27, Bill Drossos. Bill came up to us and asked if we would like a ride around the track. Bill gave us a 2 lap ride on the track, wow what a nice layout very fast with elevation changes and almost every kind of corner.

A very well designed race track.

I was very impressed with what they have accomplished so far but they still have a lot to do yet. I am hoping to spend more time up there.

I hope to see everyone out at the next race.

Thanks,

Dallis



BCHMR All-Japanese Group - 50 minute endurance race

This group is open to any Japanese Closed Wheel racing car originally manufactured on or before December 31, 1996 and which is currently eligible for a CACC-sanctioned racing event.

The racing car does not have to be 'Vintage-eligible'. Contact the Event Chairman with any questions about eligibility for this race group - <http://www.bchmr.ca/contact/>



The Vintage Racing Club of BC (VRCBC) is pleased to invite you to participate in the 2017 British Columbia Historic Motor Races (BCHMR) at Mission Raceway Park Road Course, Mission, BC on August 19 and 20, 2017. There is also a Test and Tune day on Friday, August 18.

The event is sanctioned by the Confederation of Autosport Car Clubs (CACC), which is affiliated with ASN Canada FIA Inc. and is presented with the assistance of the Sports Car Club of BC (SCCBC), the Motorsports Emergency and Turnworkers' Association (META) and other volunteers. The VRCBC thanks everyone for their invaluable assistance. The event web site can be found at www.bchmr.ca

The BCHMR is both a VRCBC REVS points and a SOVREN points eligible event.

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Social Events

In addition to the racing, there are two special social activities planned for the BCHMR weekend for the enjoyment of entrants, drivers, crew and officials. Both are held in the large tent at the very west end of the Paddock.

Westwood Reunion Barbeque – Friday August 18 at 5:00 pm

The Westwood Reunion is a recreation of the legendary Saturday night barbeques held for years in the Westwood Clubhouse. The Westwood barbeques were hosted by the Mr. Mike's Steak House chain owned at the time by racer Bob Constabaris. Bob is gone now but his two 'apprentices', Ed Clements and Gio Coletta host the event for all Westwood veterans and anyone else who is interested.

Admission is by donation (\$12.00 minimum please) to cover expenses. Non-alcoholic beverages are included, otherwise BYOB. There is a liquor store selling all beverages located in the cinema building in the northwest corner of the shopping centre across the highway from the track.

Traditional Annual VRCBC BCHMR Dinner - Saturday August 19

One of the highlights of the BCHMR is the traditional Saturday Dinner that features entertainment, awards, the usual 'hard core racer' door prizes and miscellaneous high jinks.

Each entrant will receive a number of tickets in their entry package (as per the order placed with the entry). A limited number of additional tickets will be available for sale at Registration. Entrants are encouraged to pass any unneeded extra tickets to other teams or to turn them in to Registration for sale to others.

The green flag will drop on Happy (half) Hour at 5:00pm with dinner served at 5:30.



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Presents

The Can-Am Triple – ICSCC Races #12, 13, and 14
Sept 2 - 4, 2017

Featuring the Northwest Mini Enduro Championship Series

This event is sanctioned by ICSCC as a championship points race conducted under the 2017 ICSCC regulations and is organized by the Sports Car Club of British Columbia at the Mission Raceway Park Road Course in Mission, BC. This is a triple-race weekend with points awarded on Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

Volunteer Registration for Race Events

As we did last year, we have created a registration event for the race weekends on MotorsportReg at sccbc.motorsportreg.com

If you are coming out to the volunteer on a race weekend, please complete the registration process so we know you're coming.

Thank you all and have a great racing season!

SCCBC Registrar

CACC Logbooks

Logbooks can be dropped in a box to be available at Tech (same as for the drivers logbooks) and the Steward or Course Marshal will sign for the event.

Drop them off in the morning and pick them up at the end of day

From: <http://www.indystar.com/story/sports/motor/2017/07/11/2018-indycar-look-next-seasons-schedule-and-beyond/467707001/>

2018 IndyCar: A look at next season's schedule and beyond

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INDIANAPOLIS — What will the 2018 Verizon IndyCar Series schedule look like? An awful lot like the 2017 schedule. IndyCar officials told IndyStar recently that save for the possible addition of one more race — rumors have centered on Portland, Mexico or Canada later in the season — the schedule will be nearly identical to the 2016 and 2017 calendars.

Schedule stability has long been the goal of Hulman & Company CEO Mark Miles, and he appears to have found it.

Here's a race-by-race breakdown of what we know about the (for now) 17-race schedule in 2018:

March 11: Streets of St. Petersburg (street race)

April 7: Phoenix International Raceway (oval)

April 15: Streets of Long Beach (street race)

April 22: Barber Motorsports Park (road course)

Let's stop here to note that the return of the Phoenix race to early April is a huge plus for IndyCar teams. This year, because the Final Four was in Phoenix, the race was moved to the end of April and was not only a major

inconvenience but costly to teams who had to drive west for the race at Long Beach, then cross country to Alabama, then back for Phoenix.

During this part of the schedule next year, teams will be able to make plans for IndyCar's West Coast swing, which will save them time and money. It's also important to note that the race will take place on the second weekend in April rather than the first — as it did in 2016 — because Easter falls on the first Sunday in April next year.

May 12: Indianapolis Motor Speedway (road course)

May 27: Indianapolis Motor Speedway (oval)

June 2: The Raceway at Belle Isle Park (street circuit)

June 3: The Raceway at Belle Isle Park (street circuit)

June 9: Texas Motor Speedway (oval)

Last year, Miles confirmed that every promoter on the 2016 schedule has contracts through 2018, so that means the remaining races — at Road America (road course), Iowa Speedway (oval), Toronto (street circuit), Mid-Ohio

Sports Car Course (road course), Pocono Raceway (oval), Gateway Motorsports Park (oval), Watkins Glen International (road course) and Sonoma (road course) — will be on the schedule although their specific dates have yet to be announced. IndyCar officials have said their spots on the 2018 calendar will be very similar to their dates this year, with the season starting in mid-March and ending in mid-September.

Beyond 2018, there have been plenty of rumors about the possible addition of international races to the IndyCar calendar, beginning perhaps as early as 2019.

In a recent conversation with IndyStar, Miles said that the goal has always been to start the season earlier to make room for at least one or, better yet, two international races.

“Our strategy is to start our championship year earlier, and try to use that period between the Super Bowl and St. Pete,” Miles said. “We think there could be room for a couple of — some people call them fly-away races — for that slot. They would be points races. Now we’re still fundamentally a U.S. championship, but we could start overseas, but once we’re in North America, we’ll stay in North America.”

Where might IndyCar be headed? Nothing is set in stone, but Miles said there are three areas where interest is highest.

“We are keeping active conversations going on in the Australia/New Zealand region, in China, in the Middle East and even to some extent, even though their economies might be too bad, South America and Africa” Miles said. “But there’s interest, whether or not there are the right conditions, the right promoter, the right economics can come together, you don’t know until you know.”

Miles reinforced that his primary goal is to add those international races in the time before the March race in St. Petersburg. He said that while IndyCar historically cleared out space on its calendar for whenever international promoters wanted them — he cited recent championship races in Japan and Brazil — he intends to keep the North American series in North America once racing here begins.

He did, however, mention the outside possibility of scheduling non-championship IndyCar races in the offseason.

“One of the things that some have suggested to us, when we’ve said the window is February is, ‘What if we did something that is not championship in the offseason?’ So whether that’s one place or one country or region, two or three (races), who knows? It’s an idea. It’s not been our priority. Our priority is to complete the championship by having it extend earlier.”

From: <http://autoweek.com/article/imsa/2018-imsa-weather-tech-sportscar-schedule-released-mid-ohio-cota-out>

2018 IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship schedule released: Mid-Ohio in, COTA out
THE 2018 ROLEX 24 AT DAYTONA KICKS OFF THE SCHEDULE ON JAN. 27-28
AUGUST 4, 2017

IMSA released its 2018 WeatherTech SportsCar Championship schedule on Friday, highlighted by a trip to the Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course to the schedule.

As announced earlier, the series will not be returning to Circuit of the Americas in Austin, Texas.

In 2018, the WeatherTech Championship will feature three classes of competition. The Prototype (P) class includes Daytona Prototype International (DPi) and LM P2 race cars battling head-to-head for class and overall race honors.

Meanwhile, the GT Le Mans (GTLM) class features factory-backed GT race cars and the GT Daytona (GTD) class that includes GT3 race cars.

“The 2018 WeatherTech Championship schedule again showcases the stability of our platform, while at the same time reaffirming our commitment to the best road racing venues and events in North America. And this time offering a few surprises for our fans,” said IMSA president Scott Atherton. “Each race on our 2018 calendar has a rich history of sports car competition, which we expect to be at an all-time high next season across all three classes.

“The on-track product will include legendary manufacturers and competitors -- some of which are returning to IMSA competition in 2018 after a short time away -- and we’re confident it will capture the imagination of race fans everywhere.”

For the first time since 2013, top-level sports cars will return to the Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course. The IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship will stop at the famous facility in 2018, marking the ...

As has been the case since the inception of the series in 2014, the four Tequila Patrón North American Endurance Cup events will anchor the schedule. The 56th Rolex 24 at Daytona kicks off the season on Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 27-28, followed by the 66th Mobil 1 Twelve Hours of Sebring Fueled by Fresh From Florida on Saturday, March 17, which also completes the season-opening “36 Hours of Florida.”

The Sahlen’s Six Hours of The Glen represents the third round of the Patrón Endurance Cup on Sunday, July 1, and the 10-hour Motul Petit Le Mans will close out both the WeatherTech Championship and Patrón Endurance Cup season on Saturday, Oct. 13, one weekend later than the 2017 event.

The biggest change for 2018 is the addition of the Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course in Lexington, Ohio. The two-hour, 40-minute WeatherTech Championship race is scheduled for Sunday, May 6. It will be the first WeatherTech Championship race at Mid-Ohio since the merger of the Grand-Am Rolex Sports Car Series and America Le Mans Series at the end of the 2013 season. Both series raced there previously.

Mid-Ohio replaces Circuit of the Americas.

"IMSA and Circuit of The Americas mutually agreed on the decision, and the two companies continue to have a positive, healthy relationship. Both are open to working together again in the future," IMSA said in a press

The Mid-Ohio round and the four Patrón Endurance Cup events represent five of eight races on the 2018 calendar that will feature all three classes. Canadian Tire Motorsport Park in Bowmanville, Ontario, Canada also will have all three classes competing on Sunday, July 8, as will Road America on Sunday, Aug. 5 and Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca in Monterey, California on Sunday, Sept. 9. Those events also will be two hours and 40 minutes in length.

The 2018 season again will feature a pair of 100-minute street-circuit events. The BUBBA burger Sports Car Grand Prix at Long Beach in California on Saturday, April 14, will feature the Prototype and GTLM classes, while the Chevrolet Sports Car Classic at Detroit's Belle Isle Park on Saturday, June 2, will include the Prototype and GTD classes.

As was the case in 2017, the GT classes will have two featured events in 2018, both two hours and 40 minutes in length. Lime Rock Park in Lakeville, Connecticut, hosts GTLM and GTD on Saturday, July 21, while Virginia International Raceway will have its fourth consecutive GT-only round of the WeatherTech Championship on Sunday, Aug. 19.

The 2018 season will kick off with the annual three-day Roar Before the Rolex 24 At Daytona test session on Jan. 5-7. The test is mandatory for all Rolex 24 participants.

2018 IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship Schedule

- Jan. 5-7 Roar Before The Rolex 24 - Daytona International Speedway – Daytona Beach, Florida
- Jan. 25-28 Rolex 24 at Daytona - Daytona International Speedway – Daytona Beach, Florida
- March 14-17 Mobil 1 Twelve Hours of Sebring - Sebring International Raceway – Sebring, Florida
- April 13-14 BUBBA Burger SportsCar Grand Prix - Long Beach, California
- May 4-6 - Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course - Lexington, Ohio
- June 1-2 - Chevrolet Sports Car Classic - Belle Isle Park – Detroit, Michigan
- June 28-July 1 Sahlen's Six Hours of The Glen - Watkins Glen International – Watkins Glen, New York
- July 6-8 Mobil 1 SportsCar Grand Prix - Canadian Tire Motorsport Park – Bowmanville, Ontario
- July 20-21 Northeast Grand Prix - Lime Rock Park – Lakeville, Connecticut
- Aug. 3-5 Continental Tire Road Race Showcase - Road America – Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin
- Aug. 17-19 Michelin GT Challenge - VIRginia International Raceway – Danville, Virginia
- Sept. 7-9 Continental Tire Monterey Grand Prix - Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca – Monterey, California
- Oct. 10-13 Motul Petit Le Mans - Road Atlanta – Braselton, Georgia

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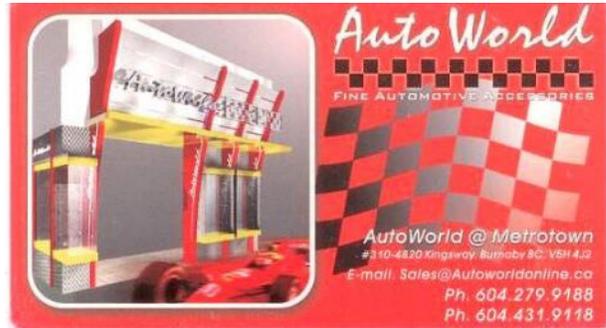
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