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March 28, 2018

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Speed Reading

Mar 11	Grand Prix of St Petersburg	Indycar	St Petersburg, Fl
Mar 14	SCCBC Meeting – Burnaby Lake Rugby Clubhouse	7:30	Burnaby, BC
Mar 17	12 hours of Sebring	IMSA	Sebring, Fl
Mar 17&18	Karting Race #1 - Greg Moore Raceway	WCKC	Chilliwack, BC
Mar 24&25	Driver Training – MRP	SCCBC	Mission, BC
Mar 28	META Meeting – Boston Pizza	7:30	New West, BC
Mar28–Apr 1	Vancouver Auto Show		Vancouver, BC
Apr 7	Phoenix Grand Prix	Indycar	Avondale, Az
Apr 7&8	Karting Race #2- Greg Moore Raceway	WCKC	Chilliwack, BC
Apr 11	SCCBC Meeting – Burnaby Lake Rugby Clubhouse	7:30	Burnaby, BC
Apr 14	Long Beach Grand Prix	IMSA	Long Beach, Ca
Apr 14&15	Double Regional – PIR	SCCA/OR	Portland, Or
Apr 15	Long Beach Grand Prix	Indycar	Long Beach, Ca
Apr 21&22	CACC Race #1 – MRP	SCCBC	Mission, BC
Apr 21&22	Lucky Dog Racing 7+7hr – TRMP	LDR	Shelton, Wa
Apr 22	Grand Prix of Alabama – Barber Motorsports Park	Indycar	Birmingham, Al
Apr 25	META Meeting – Boston Pizza	7:30	New West, BC
Apr 28&29	Spring Sprints – PR	SOVREN	Seattle, Wa
Apr 28&29	Karting Race #3 - Greg Moore Raceway	WCKC	Chilliwack, BC



SPORTS CAR CLUB
OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

SCCBC Drivers Training
March 25

Rivers Edge Roadcourse, Mission, BC

President's Report

It is car show time again, the first one being the Vancouver International Auto Show (<https://vancouverinternationalautoshow.com/>) which runs from March 28 through April 1. If you can put in a four hour shift sign up on Doodle Calendar (<https://doodle.com/poll/wv7vfhs5dzs8432r>), although I had mentioned at the meeting that 2 shifts were required to get a free pass for the car show, **there has been an exception made for META members**, for us only one shift is required to get the pass. Please do a full shift if you sign up, it will reflect badly on the club if sign up for a shift and not put in the full shift, you are welcome to see the rest of the show before or after your shift.

Gary Kwong has offered META the opportunity to use his Speed-Fanatics event on April 7 as an opportunity to do a meet and greet for new recruits/volunteers gained from the auto show, hopefully details will be worked out before the next meeting so please put that date on your calendar.

There is also the BC Classic and Custom Car Show (<http://www.bccustomcarshow.com/show-info.html>) April 20-22 (the first CACC race weekend) at the Tradex Convention Centre in Abbotsford. This show accesses people closer to the track.

Driver Training weekend is March 24 & 25, we will be needed at the track on Sunday March 25. We also plan on opening the META clubhouse on Saturday March 24.

See you at the track.

Mike

Whose Job Is It Anyways?

This is a story of four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody.

There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it.

Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it.

Somebody got angry about that, because it was Everybody's job.

Everybody thought that Anybody could do it, but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it.

It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done.



2018 Spring Annual General Meeting

March 11th – 10:00 a.m.
(Coffee served 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.)



Location:

Delta Town & Country Inn
6005 Highway 17A (at Hwy 99), Delta, B.C.

Room: Ballroom

Date: Sunday, March 11th Time: 10: a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Proposed Agenda

1. President's Welcome
 2. Discipline Meetings
 3. Discipline Director Reports
 4. Vancouver International Auto Show
 5. LUNCH
 6. Reports from Affiliated Clubs
 7. Executive Reports
 8. Voting on "Member Funded" Society
 9. Old Business / New Business
 10. Elections – Vice-President & Treasurer
- Be sure to bring your 2018 CACC Licence

LUNCH: A soup and sandwich buffet will be served at the cost of \$8.00

Please advise if:

- 1) if you plan to attend the General Meeting AND
- 2) if you will be attending the Lunch Buffet

R.S.V.P. Gayle Baird at secretary@caccautosport.org BEFORE March 5, 2018

Licenses

The CACC issues competition and officials licenses for its affiliate autosport clubs and for the variety of race disciplines in which they participate. You may apply for a competition or officials license providing you're a member of one of our affiliate clubs. Visit [our affiliate page](#) to find a list of organizations that come under the auspices of the Confederation of Autosport Car Clubs.

License Applications

CACC provides separate competition and officials licenses. If you are both an official and a competitor, you must submit two applications. Please review the list of documents required to complete your application before you begin your application. The table below lists documentation requirements by license type and discipline. Once you've gathered the necessary documentation, you can apply for your competition or officials license by following the links below.

Supporting Documentation

All CACC license applications are submitted electronically. To successfully complete the application process, you'll need to submit all documentation required for your discipline and license type along with your application.

Before beginning the application process, please gather digital copies of the documentation required for your discipline as indicated below.

Document	Autoslalom	Ice Race	Karting	Officials	Race	Time Attack	Vintage
Proof of Club Membership	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Recent Passport-style Photo	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Previous Year's CACC License		X	X	X	X		X
Copy of Driver's License	X	X	X			X	
Proof of Most Recent Race Experience (Returning drivers only)		X			X	X	X
ASN Annual Waiver	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional
ASN Annual Parental Consent Waiver	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional
ASN Medical Self-declaration		X	X		X		X
ASN Medical Examination Form			50 years and older		Based on Age		Based on Age
Proof of Age (First-time applicants only)			X	X		X	
Racing School Certificate (New novices only)					X		X
Race Group					X		X
Car/Kart Numbers	X	X	X		X	X	X
Marshal Logbook				Senior Marshals Only			

CACC Officials Licence Application can be found here:

<https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/2018-cacc-officials-licence-application-297605>

Just a reminder to you *delinquents*
who have not renewed your membership in META.
The deadline is March 31st.



March 31st

This will be the last issue of your Mayday unless dues are paid by March 31st

Also a reminder that any 2018 members will receive
a free membership renewal for 2019.

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PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO META or **Renew on-line by PayPal or credit card at**
<http://meta.bc.ca/wordpress/forms>

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Audible Flagging Systems becomes Trans Am Series flagging system

Wednesday, 10 January 2018

The Trans Am Race Company announced today that it has reached an agreement with Audible Flagging Systems (AFS), now the Official Flagging System Provider of the Trans Am Series presented by Pirelli. AFS, an industry leader for in-car race flagging systems, will be installed in all Trans Am racecars to warn drivers of caution flags immediately and simultaneously. The system is proven to also minimize secondary collisions, which can be particularly dangerous and damaging.

The onboard system not only flashes a brilliant yellow light inside the car but also emits an audible warning tone to alert competitors of caution conditions. The AFS system will debut in the Trans Am Series come the season opener at Sebring International Raceway, March 2-4, where it will be featured on all participating vehicles.

"This reflects our absolute commitment to safety," said Tony Parella, majority owner of the Trans Am Series. "We are providing this to our race teams free of charge. Safety is vital, but we also do not want to impose more costs on team owners. In addition to reducing injuries, teams should realize material cost savings by mitigating equipment damage."

AFS is not intended to become the new form of communication between drivers and race control and does not replace race control, corner workers, or driver spotters. AFS is an advanced technology tool directed by race control officials to more immediately warn drivers of hazards. By assisting all drivers' responses to caution scenarios, the frequency and severity of on-track incidents can be sharply reduced. The system is designed to evolve to support both full-course or even local or isolated yellows. AFS is expected to be a vital aid to corner workers and safety crews as they strive to quickly and safely respond to dangerous on-track situations.

"Our research tells us that 88 percent of driver injuries occur during secondary incidents," said Mike Parsons, AFS Chairman. "I think all of us in racing can think of tragic situations that might have been averted if an in-car visual and audible warning system had been in place. I believe it is time that all racing sanctioning bodies take note and follow Trans Am's lead in driver safety. We are delighted to work with Trans Am to contribute to the safety and efficiency of their sport. Aside from safety, the cost savings to teams should be significant."

"Anything we can do to protect and alert everyone involved is critical," said John Clagett, president of The Trans Am Race Company. "This is also for the safety of corner workers and safety workers who are on the running surface managing emergency situations. The integration of AFS in our race cars is a vital step towards the number one priority of Trans Am, the safety of our competitors."



PRESS RELEASE:

VRCBC ANNOUNCES DATES FOR THE 2018 BRITISH COLUMBIA HISTORIC MOTOR RACES



STORY AND PHOTOS BY BRENT MARTIN

THE 2018 EDITION OF THE BC HISTORIC MOTOR RACES IS SET FOR AUGUST 18 AND 19 AT MISSION RACEWAY PARK

Written by James Neilson on Thursday, 25 January 2018 15:02

MISSION, BC – The Vintage Racing Club of British Columbia (VRCBC) will hold its annual marquee race weekend, the British Columbia Historic Motor Races (BCHMR), on August 18 and 19, 2018 at the Mission Raceway Park Road Course in Mission, BC.

Western Canada's Biggest Vintage Motorsport Event

The BCHMR was first held in 1981 at the famous Westwood track in Coquitlam, BC. After several years, it was moved to its current home at the multi-purpose racing complex at Mission. The BCHMR is the largest vintage race event in Western Canada and a significant one in the Pacific Northwest, with typically 100 vintage and historic racing cars and several thousand spectators in attendance.

On-Track Excitement

For 2018, the BCHMR will once again feature the Hagerty Formula Festival for open-wheel racing cars, the very popular combined races for the vintage sedans and sports cars that many fans remember from their younger days, as well as a second edition of the 1-Hour Enduro that was so enjoyable last year. Also returning for 2018 will be the very popular Ride in a Real Racing Car event. For a nominal contribution to the Mission Hospice Society, fans can go for a ride on the track with a racing driver in one of the day's cars during the lunch break on each of the two race days (August 18 and 19).

Classic Cars, Vendors and Food Concessions

The BCHMR is always popular with classic car enthusiasts. A 120-car display will be featured in a special spectator area known as The Field of Dreams, creating a unique show of its own. Also adding to the overall festive atmosphere are the many sponsors' booths offering everything from automobile memorabilia and artwork, to automotive product displays. The food concessions, informative trackside commentary and excellent grandstand viewing all make this an entertaining weekend for families as well as long time motorsports enthusiasts.

Who We Are

The VRCBC is a non-profit club of enthusiasts that organizes a series of racing-related activities and events, including the annual BCHMR weekend. The purpose of the VRCBC is to encourage the restoration, racing and exchange of information concerning vintage sports and racing automobiles. The Club's objective is to encourage participation, sportsmanship and display of these vehicles in their natural state – on the race track! For more information on the VRCBC, including how to become a member, go to www.vrcbc.ca.

Stay Tuned!

The VRCBC is working on a full lineup of interesting racing cars, racing celebrities and fun activities for the 2018 BCHMR. For more information about the big weekend, including sponsorship opportunities, visit www.bchmr.ca.

Castroneves: “Everything is the opposite” in ice racing

By: [David Malsher](#), US Editor
2018-03-02



Team Penske’s three-time Indy 500 winner Helio Castroneves says he’s “already having so much fun” testing the Olsbergs MSE rallycross car in Norway, just a week after teammate Josef Newgarden’s debut in the RallyX on Ice series.

Castroneves, whose full-time IndyCar career ended with 30 wins and 51 poles to his name, but who will return for this year’s Indy Grand Prix and Indy 500, is racing one of the Penske-Acuras in the IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar championship in 2018. But like Newgarden last week, the Brazilian ace has traveled to Norway to try his hand in rallycross on ice.

After initial testing, Castroneves commented: “I can’t stop smiling! First of all, it’s an awesome opportunity to do something that I never, ever thought I would do – not only driving a rallycross car, but doing so in the snow! I’m very thankful to Andreas [Eriksson, the CEO of Olsbergs MSE] for inviting me.

“Man, it’s cold outside, but I’m already having so much fun. Everybody has been helping me out and giving me tips on how to go sideways; if you want to turn left, you actually have to turn right – everything is the opposite! Also, every time you brake, the car slides all over the place. It’s a lot of fun, so let’s see what’s going to happen...”

After encountering the Gol track, Castroneves was left impressed with the regular contenders, commenting: “The track changes constantly as more cars pass by; that makes it a never-ending challenge, but a really enjoyable one.

“Every lap is different, which is why these drivers are so incredibly talented – you’ve got to be ready no matter what. The good news is, if you crash, you’re only going to hit a snow bank, so it doesn’t create any damage... Castroneves said that Newgarden’s ‘advice’ was restricted to a text that read, “You’re going to suffer in the cold weather, and that he’d received tips from Austin Cindric.

But he added: “Even when somebody tells you something, you don’t truly appreciate the difference until you actually get out there and start driving. If you have the desire to drive one of these cars in the snow, I can tell you, it’s absolutely incredible! I can’t wipe the smile off my face! I can’t wait to see what it’s like with all the other guys on-track too and the crowd watching on. That’ll be even more fun.

Asked about his targets for the weekend, Castroneves replied: “I’m a little bit – and when I say a little bit, I mean a lot – out of my comfort zone here. This is my first time ever driving a rallycross car, and not only that but in the snow, so my expectation is to hopefully stay with the pack and not end up in a snow bank!

“If you get a good start, you can see clearly in front of you. That’s something else – people don’t realize that when you’re behind in this series, you can’t see a thing.

“The goal is to try to stay with the other guys and learn as much as I can and hopefully, I won’t do that badly...

Best 'Out of Office' Automatic Email Replies:

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3. Sorry to have missed you, but I'm at the doctor's having my brain and heart removed so I can be promoted to our management team.
4. I will be unable to delete all the emails you send me until I return from vacation. Please be patient, and your mail will be deleted in the order it was received.
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6. The email server is unable to verify your server connection. Your message has not been delivered. Please restart your computer and try sending again. (The beauty of this is that when you return, you can see who did this over and over and over...)
7. Thank you for your message, which has been added to a queuing system. You are currently in 352nd place, and can expect to receive a reply in approximately 19 weeks.
8. Hi, I'm thinking about what you've just sent me. Please wait by your PC for my response.
9. I've run away to join a different circus.
10. I will be out of the office for the next two weeks for medical reasons. When I return, please refer to me as 'Lucille' instead of Steve

Bernie Hamm
Auto Technician 'The Doctor'

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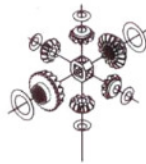
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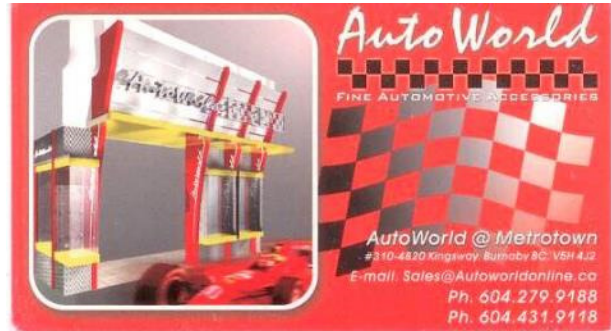
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