



# MAYDAY



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**Next META meeting will be**

*April 28, 2021*

**Our meeting location this month will be via Zoom Video Conferencing**

## *Speed Reading*

Apr 14	SCCBC Meeting – Via Zoom	7:00	Your House
<del>Apr 17&amp;18</del>	<del>CACC Race #1 – MRP</del>	<del>SCCBC</del>	<del>Mission, BC</del>
Apr 18	Grand Prix of Alabama – Barber Motorsports Park	Indycar	Birmingham, Al
Apr 24&25	Lucky Dog Racing-7+8hr – TRMP	LDR	Shelton, Wa
<del>Apr 24&amp;25</del>	<del>Spring Sprints – PR</del>	<del>SOVREN</del>	<del>Seattle, Wa</del>
Apr 25	Grand Prix of St Petersburg	Indycar	St Petersburg, Fl
Apr 28	META Meeting – Via Zoom	7:00	Your House
<del>May 1&amp;2</del>	<del>ICSCC Race #1 &amp; #2 – PIR</del>	<del>CSCC</del>	<del>Portland, Or</del>
May 1	Texas Motor Speedway – Race 1	Indycar	Fort Worth, Tx
May 2	Texas Motor Speedway – Race 2	Indycar	Fort Worth, Tx
<del>May 8&amp;9</del>	<del>CACC Race #2 – MRP</del>	<del>SCCBC</del>	<del>Mission, BC</del>
May 12-TBC	SCCBC Meeting		
May 15	Indianapolis Grand Prix – Roadcourse – Race 1	Indycar	Indianapolis, Ind
<del>May 15&amp;16</del>	<del>ICSCC Race #3 &amp; #4 – PR</del>	<del>IRDC</del>	<del>Seattle, Wa</del>
<del>May 15&amp;16</del>	<del>SCCA Majors Super Tour– PIR</del>	<del>SCCA/OR</del>	<del>Portland, Or</del>
May 16	Mid-Ohio Grand Prix	IMSA	Lexington, Oh
<del>May 22&amp;23</del>	<del>Knox Mountain Hillclimb</del>	<del>KMMS</del>	<del>Kelowna, BC</del>
May 26	META Meeting		
May 28&29	Rocky Mountain Stage Rally	CSCC/CRC	Invermere, BC
<del>May 29&amp;30</del>	<del>SCCA Majors Tour– PR</del>	<del>SCCA/NWR</del>	<del>Seattle, Wa</del>
<del>May 29&amp;30</del>	<del>Driver Training – MRP</del>	<del>SCCBC</del>	<del>Mission, BC</del>
May 30	Indianapolis 500	Indycar	Indianapolis, Ind

*Note that schedule changes are happening regularly.*

*Please check with the event organizer to confirm event status*

# **Cancelled**

**CACC #1 race weekend  
April 16 – 18, 2021**



# “Mayday”

## The M.E.T.A. Newsletter

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well, here it is, M.E.T.A.'s own newsletter!

We decided to call it "MAYDAY", which signifies the most important word in our work at race tracks. As you can imagine, our editing staff has put a lot of hours into the creating of this first issue and I hope that all club members contribute to make our paper a success. I think with bringing the paper out once a month it will keep us closer together between races and over the off season; informing us on future events, and ideas on improving the work at Westwood. So, let's all chip in by supporting the paper with short stories, ideas, funnies; jokes and make it an entertaining and interesting newsletter.

I wish the editing staff all the best and good luck!

ROGER SALOMON

### EDITOR'S MESSAGE

On this, our first issue, the staff of "MAYDAY" would like to extend an invitation to all our readers to submit articles, comments and other newsworthy items for possible publication. The upcoming year at Westwood should be an interesting one, and we, at "MAYDAY", want to cover it from a turnworker's point of view. As we cannot be on all the corners at the same time, we would appreciate any assistance in the reporting of interesting anecdotes.

Keeping in mind that "MAYDAY" is your newsletter, its success depends on the support and confidence of M.E.T.A. members. Should you be interested in participating in the production of "MAYDAY", please feel free to phone us.

Terry Ireland or Joe Proud or Donalda Webb

or write to:

MAYDAY  
1508—810 St. Andrews  
New Westminster, B.C.

or see us at the M.E.T.A. meetings.

ANNUAL M.E.T.A. BANQUET

Back on January 24th, the annual M.E.T.A. banquet was held at the Elk's Hall in New Westminster.

The evening started with a catered roast beef dinner, followed with music, supplied by a disc jockey. The large selection of taped music provided everything from waltzes to watusies, the bump, the hustle, and even a few polkas. Throughout the evening spot dances provided a few lucky people with extra "refreshments". For those with the right number on their tickets, door prizes, consisting of rally headlamps, a Pirelli carry case and a Castrol jacket, were given out.

A good time was had by everyone there and I am sure we will all be looking forward to our next banquet.

M.E.T.A. CAR SHOW

A very successful car show was put on by N.E.T.A. on February 19th, 20th and 21st at the Brentwood Shopping Mall. Approximately 21 cars were on display, ranging from Lambouguines to Ice Racers.

Demonstrations, movies and slides were all being shown. Some of the demonstrations were centered around the use of the warning flags and how they are used to warn the oncoming drivers of- track condition. Around 100,000 people saw the display and it looks as though we have at least 30 good prospects for new members.

AN OPEN LETTER TO ROGER SALOMON

Carling O'Keefe Ice Challenge '76 has been a nominal success and much of the credit can go to the M.E.T.A. workers that very capably manned the track.

To you, Roger Salomon, and your crew, goes the heartfelt thanks of Motor Sport Club Vancouver and Lynne and myself. We are looking forward to using M.E.T.A. personnel once again next year when we are planning to run a minimum of 4 meets and a maximum of 6.

Tentative plans for next year call for a further improved Communication system and a complete P.A. system. During the summer, Motor Sport Club Vancouver is hoping to keep its association with M.E.T.A. alive by extending an invitation to the Ice Challenge '76 Dance and Mid—Summer Convention to be held on Mount Seymour around the end of May or beginning of June, also the Westwood Summer Challenge which has one date going on the August 1st weekend (B.C. Day) and a second one yet to be announced.

The management and staff of Carling O'Keefe Breweries, who have already announced that they will be joining us next year, would also like to express their thanks to the workers for the work donated and the support the workers have given to the products of Carling O'Keefe.

Lynne and I are looking forward to working the summer season with M.E.T.A. and hope that many of you will be joining us for the Carling O'Keefe Ice Challenge!!

LYNNE & HERMAN.

CORNER NARSHALLS

Phone

Turn 1 .....	Donalda Webb
Turn 2 .....	Roger Salomon
Turn 3 .....	Sue Green
Deer's Leap .....	Jim Knechtel
The Hairpin .....	Wayne Duval
Esses .....	Pat Gleeson
Chief of Driver Services ..	Herman Kroetlinger



DRIVER'S TRAINING MARCH 27th-28th

Driver's Training, held March 27th-28th, was quite successful, though on Saturday it rained somewhat and a number of drivers had close up views of the territory surrounding the pavement. One driver, in a Honda sports car, even tried driving in an inverted position, much to his detriment. He found it not to his liking; fortunately no real serious damage was done. Dean Warner, what happened???

On Sunday, with the novice drivers gaining experience and confidence, speeds picked up considerably and things went quite well, especially as the track was dry. The two races were highlighted by the driver of a yellow Capri; after the first pace lap behind the pace car, the cars were to race to Turn Two and re-group for the actual start of the race, using the pole car as the pace car. On the second (pace?) lap the Capri driver came flying through the Esses with all the other cars strung out behind. Next time around, the crew at the Esses managed to get him slowed down and when asked "What happened to the second pace lap?". He replied, "Oh, I forgot". Oh well.

He won his race however, with a good drive, and the second race was won by a well prepared 'Vette, (after they got it running ).

## NOTICES

As the production of "MAYDAY" is paid for by the annual membership dues, only paid-up members will be receiving regular monthly newsletters after this issue. So, if you want to be kept informed of what's happening around the track.....JOIN M.E.T.A.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

April	22	- NETA Meeting
April	24-25	- CASC - possible Trans AM
May	13	- META Meeting
May	15-16	- ICSCC

## 1976 RACE CALENDAR

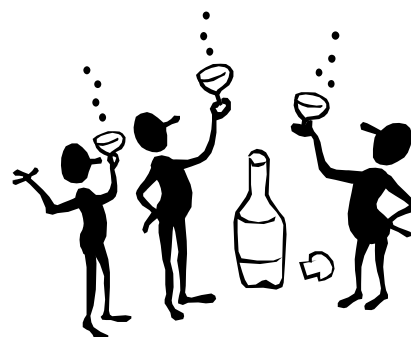
Mar.	27-28	Driver's Training
Apr.	10-11	ICSCC
	24-25	CASC (possible Trans Am)
May	15-16	ICSCC
	28-30	Player's Pacific
Jun.	19-20	ICSCC
	26-27	CACS (possible Trans AM)
Jul.	24-25	Driver's Training
	31- 1	Fun Weekend
Aug.	7- 8	CASC (possible SCCA National)
	14-15	ICSCC
Sep.	11-12	CASC (possible GT Series Race)
Oct.	9-10	CASC/SCCA/REG/ENDURO

# April is the 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the META Newsletter

**The "Mayday" name was selected by the membership at a META meeting on February 12, 1976. The first issue is reprinted above.**

### Trivia from July 1986 Mayday:

*"Mayday" was the term used for an Alert. From 1959 to the end of 1980 comms used a telephone system instead of radios. Dialing "38" got them through to the tower as an emergency, and only one call came in at a time. In 1981 SCCBC switched to radios and the "Mayday" term had to be changed because the Navy was picking up our frequency. So "Mayday" became "Alerts & Scrambles" instead.*





## *Presidents Report*

As you've probably already heard or read elsewhere in this edition of the Mayday, SCCBC has cancelled their April race event. Hopefully we can get COVID under control and we will be able to get together to race in May.

The SCCBC Driver Training did take place, and congratulations to the new graduates, hopefully we see a good number of them in the novice races. The weather on Sunday sure gave the drivers a test of their skills with the weather providing everything from a dry track to hail over the course of the day.

Some members who have CACC licences have been asking about getting their CACC licences reprinted with the FIA logo on them, now that CACC is affiliated with the ASN for Canada. CACC is happy to oblige this request, all you need to do is send an email to the CACC licence administrator ([licensing@caccautosport.org](mailto:licensing@caccautosport.org)) requesting a new licence and one will be printed for you.

Stay safe and take care of each other.

*David*

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*Please take note of a time change for the next META Meeting.  
With the meeting being on Zoom it was decided  
to start half an hour earlier.  
Next meeting will be April 28 at 7:00pm*

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Due to the rising number of COVID 19 cases and variants the SCCBC Executive has cancelled the CACC #1 race weekend, April 16-18

We will however be looking into alternatives for that weekend, if possible, and a notice will be sent out next week.

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Our next Club Meeting will be on ZOOM

*Wednesday, April 14, 2021 at 7:00 p.m*

Minutes of the March Club Meeting are on the website.

Hope you are able to participate!

Patty Roney  
Secretary

## *Mayday Editors through the years:*

### **1976**

Terry Ireland-Apr-Nov  
Joe Proud-Apr-Dec  
Donalda Webb-Apr-?  
Kathy Sales-?-Nov  
Ruby Stretton-Dec

### **1977**

Ruby Stretton-Jan-Jul  
Joe Proud-assistant-Jan-Jul  
Pat Gleeson-Aug-Dec  
Beverly Crump-Aug-Dec

### **1978**

Pat Gleeson  
Beverly Crump

### **1979**

Pat Gleeson-Jan-Jun  
Beverly Crump-Jan-Jun  
Ron Snook-Jul-Dec

### **1980**

Robin Holloway  
Joe Proud

### **1981**

Robin Holloway  
Mindy Robinson-assistant-Apr-?

### **1982**

Robin Holloway

### **1983**

Robin Holloway  
Dave Forster-Dec

### **1984**

Robin Holloway  
Dave Forster

### **1985**

Rick Smale  
Joanne Henderson

### **1986**

Rick Smale-Jan-May  
Shari Forster-Jun-Dec  
Barb Moewes-Jun-Dec  
Ludy Penuta-Jun-Dec

### **1987/88**

Robin Bentley

### **1989**

Robin Bentley  
Danielle Baxter-May-Dec

### **1990**

Danielle Baxter  
Bernie Hamm-Oct-Dec

### **1991**

Danielle Baxter  
Bernie Hamm-assistant-Jan-Feb  
Mikko Kauppi-assistant-Feb-Mar  
Mikko Kauppi-assistant-Sep-Dec

### **1992**

Danielle Brandfors-Jan  
Mikko Kauppi-assistant-Jan  
Mikko Kauppi-Feb-Dec  
Danielle Brandfors-assistant-Feb-Apr

### **1993**

Mikko Kauppi-Jan  
John Mocyk-Feb-Dec  
Thomas Liesner-assistant-Nov-Dec

### **1994**

John Mocyk-Jan-Mar  
Thomas Liesner-assistant-Jan-Dec  
Krystina Mitchell-Apr-Jul  
Steven Bibby-Aug-Dec

### **1995**

Steven Bibby  
Thomas Liesner-assistant

### **1996**

Steven Bibby  
Thomas Liesner-assistant-Jan-Apr  
Thomas Liesner-May-Dec

### **1997/98**

Thomas Liesner

### **1999**

Nancy Bibby  
Brian Meakings-Jan-Sep  
Andrew Clouston-Oct-Dec

### **2000**

Nancy Bibby-Jan-Jun  
Andrew Clouston

### **2001-Present**

Andrew Clouston

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604-474-1511

### ***Port Coquitlam – San Remo Restaurant***

<https://www.sanremopizza.ca/>

604-941-8644

### ***Maple Ridge – Kingfishers Waterfront Bar & Grill***

<https://kingfisherspub.com/>

604-463-0094

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<http://www.tugboatannies.com>

604-270-0364

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<https://springsgroup.ca/billyminer/>

604-467-6002

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<https://www.vassilissouvlakigreektaverna.ca/>

604-434-0626

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<https://www.coquitlamgrill.ca/>

604-942-1337

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604-526-1718

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<https://www.strathcon.com/>

250-338-4266

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<https://www.rosascucina.com/>

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### ***Port Coquitlam - Tip Thai***

<http://www.tipthai.com/>

604-472-0005

### ***Coquitlam – Sun Star Restaurant***

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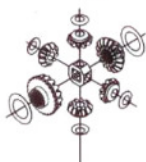


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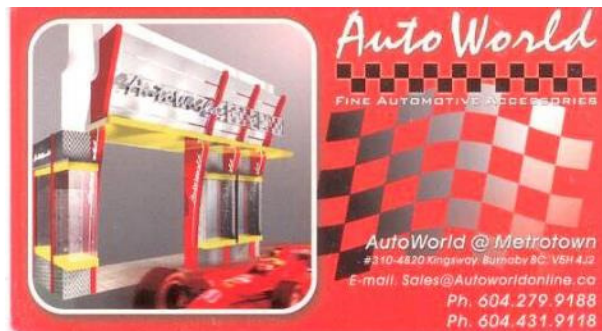
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