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Next META meeting will be

May 24, 2023

**Our meeting location this month will be via Zoom Video Conferencing
Meeting invite/link will be sent by email the day before the meeting**

SPEED READING

May 10	SCCBC Meeting – Via Zoom	7:00	Your House
May 13	Indianapolis Grand Prix #1	Indycar	Indianapolis, Ind
May 13&14	BC Historic Motor Races – SFMC	VRBCB	Mission, BC
May 13&14	Super Tour– PIR	SCCA/OR	Portland, Or
May 14	Laguna Seca Grand Prix	IMSA	Monterrey, CA
May 20&21	Knox Mountain Hillclimb	KMMS	Kelowna, BC
May 20&21	Karting #3&4- GM Raceway	WCKC	Chilliwack, BC
May 24	META Meeting – Via Zoom	7:00	Your House
May 27&28	CACC Race #2 – SFMC	SCCBC	Mission, BC
May 27&28	SCCA Majors Tour– PR	SCCA/NWR	Seattle, Wa
May 28	Indianapolis 500	Indycar	Indianapolis, Ind
Jun 2&3	NASCAR Xfinity – PIR	NASCAR	Portland, Or
Jun 2&3&4	Spokane Festival of Speed–QRP	SOVREN	Spokane, Wa
Jun 3	Detroit Grand Prix	IMSA	Detroit, Mi
Jun 3&4	Lucky Dog Racing-6+7hr – PR	LDR	Seattle, Wa
Jun 3&4	Rocky Mountain Stage Rally	CSCC/CRC	Radium, BC
Jun 4	Detroit Grand Prix	Indycar	Detroit, Mi
Jun 10&11	ICSCC Race #3 & #4 – PR	IRDC	Seattle, Wa
Jun 10&11	Driver Training – SFMC	SCCBC	Mission, BC
Jun 10&11	Double Regional– TRMP	SCCA/OR	Shelton, Wa
Jun 10&11	Vintage Speed Tour – TRMP	SCCA/NWR	Shelton, Wa
Jun 14	SCCBC Meeting	SVRA	Shelton, Wa
Jun 17&18	ICSCC Race #5 & #6 – PIR	CSCC	Portland, Or
Jun 18	Road America	Indycar	Elkhart Lake, Wis
Jun 18	Karting #5 - GM Raceway	WCKC	Chilliwack, BC
Jun 24	Formula E – Portland	FIA	Portland, Or
Jun 24&25	CACC Race #3 – SFMC	SCCBC	Mission, BC
Jun 25	Six hours of the Glen	IMSA	Watkins Glen, NY
Jun 28	META Meeting		
Jun30&Jul1&2	Pacific NW Historics – PR	SOVREN	Seattle, Wa

Please check with the event organizer to confirm event status



******* May 13 & 14 *******

Speed Fanatics Motorsport Circuit

Presidents Report

Hi everyone,

I hope you had a good April. Our first race of the year is behind us. The next event at Mission is the BCHMR on the May 13/14 weekend. For a full list of CACC events go to the CACC calendar:

<https://www.caccautosport.org/events>.

SCCBC's CACC Race 1

There were a lot of new faces at the first race of the year on April 29 & 30, I hope this is a sign of things to come. There were also a few cobwebs to brush off for many of us.

On the Sunday I was thrown into the frying pan being senior event Steward for the first time. I was just brushing off the cobwebs of being an assistant Steward on Saturday. There was one significant event on Saturday when Wynn Hollingshead, the SCCBC President and a new META member, brushed the wall coming out of Turn 2. Fortunately, he was in good spirits when I talked to him in the pits, but I can't say the same thing about his #6 red Miata... sadly he won't be getting it repaired in time for the BCHMR. I also spent a lot of time on Saturday talking to drivers about various infractions.

Sunday saw a close call with two open wheel cars, one driver thought they brushed, the other didn't think so, in retrospect I should have asked for a written report as the driver following the two cars thought one of the drivers had been scrubbing his tires – I'm not clear if this was what led to things happening or not. The offending driver was given a list of things I was not happy with.

Later in the day Brad Zimmerman (#38 red Nissan) and Cory Wong came together in Turn 3. Cory didn't realize that Brad wasn't expecting a pass on the inside until too late and Brad didn't see Cory coming up the inside until he was committed, both insist it was just a racing incident, I could see nothing in the written report to suggest otherwise. Sadly, when Zimmerman spun, he hit the front of Cory's #19 (black and green) GT1 car loosening the oil cooler, ending Cory's day. Zimmerman retired a lap later.

As a side note I should mention that a few written reprimands were given to drivers on the weekend, as always reports are critical. Many verbal discussions were also had – mine don't tend to be brief, I like to be sure the message is delivered and heard. That said, in most cases the drivers were expecting the visit.

In the case of open wheel #04, Erle Archer, he would very much like to forget his complete screw ups on his Saturday brain hiccups at the start of the race. He did point out there was no one directing him not to go down pit lane where there was usually someone reminding drivers it is a race, this was due to a lack of manpower, a situation I conveyed to him.

BCHMR

The British Columbia Historic Motor Races are less than a week away and we are still short turnworkers, if you know anyone that can help it would be appreciated. Lunch and dinner are provided on Saturday, and lunch on Sunday, as per usual.

I believe Gayle, the BCHMR Chair, is putting 2 drink tickets in all the workers goody bags, so there is no lack of incentive.

Of course, there is also the Friday Night Welcome BBQ hosted by Geo Clemente of Westwood fame at 5:00 pm until whenever (which old Westwood alumni show up to as well), volunteers are definitely welcome.

There is a suggested donation of \$20/person with proceeds (after Geo Clemente's expenses) going to the Mission Hospice. Chicken is an option this year for those that don't eat beef. This is a BYOB event.

Have fun and play safe!

Mike Bailey

President

Vice Presidents Report

The first CACC weekend of the year has now taken place and it was good to see so many people volunteering for the weekend, including some new faces. It was a good weekend of racing – full update in the President's report. Lots of good racing, some excitement and nobody hurt, except maybe in their pocketbooks!

As it is META's 50th anniversary this year, we plan to have a celebration during the racing season, but at this point have no definite plans. The Executive is meeting to discuss this further and any ideas are welcome. We know we will have a fun event as we always do, but need your input so don't hesitate to speak to Mike Bailey, Angus Glass, Karen Clouston or myself if you have an idea. We want to make it a memorable celebration for everyone so put on your thinking caps and bring out those ideas.

The next event will be the BCHMR on the weekend of May 13 and 14 which unfortunately I will have to miss as I will be working, but no doubt it will be the usual fun event.

If you haven't signed up for it already, you really should because it is always a great weekend with beautiful cars and lots of activities throughout each day. Not to be missed if your schedule permits!

Ann Peters

Vice President



CACC Race #2

May 27 & 28

Speed Fanatics Motorsport Circuit

Mission, BC



Volunteer Registration for Race Events

SCCBC has 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.

You do not have to have a CACC license to be a volunteer, but you do have to sign the electronic waiver found here: <https://waiver.caccautosport.org/>

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.



Hello Everyone

It's time to come to the track and support the BCHMR Club or better known as the Vintage Group

Morning Meeting will be at 8 am at the META Club house.

Lunches will be provided both Saturday and Sunday as well as a dinner ticket for the night's festivities.
Water will be provided as well.

If you require special drinks (tea coffee etc, please bring it along) or if you are wanting snacks you will need to bring them as well.

Please dress for the weather. To any of our newer people remember to wear light colors (white preferred) on top but no red, yellow and black as you will look like flags we use.

For the newer people you will be paired up with seasoned corner workers.

There is going to be some great cars and some good racing and of course we hope lots of friendly faces either drivers crew or volunteers

Please register at motorsportsreg.com and if you have not done the waiver please do so.

BCHMR Volunteers: <https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/2023-b-c-historic-motor-races-volunteers-speed-fanatics-motorsports-154693>

CACC Waiver: <https://cacc.speedwaiver.com/jpcun>

Looking forward to seeing you all at the track.

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International Race Car Drivers Club

Presents, the

Spring into Summer 2023

A Double Race Weekend

June 10-11, 2023

Pacific Raceways

This event is hosted by the International Race Drivers Club at Pacific Raceways under sanction by the International Conference of Sports Car Clubs – ICSCC

We appreciate your help and support with putting on this and all of our events. If you are able to assist at the track on either day please sign up here:

<https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/race-one-2023-volunteer-sign-up-pacific-raceways-irdc-events-301986>

There will be

1. Social and Dinner Saturday night
2. Compensation for mileage expenses has increased for 2023 for Volunteer Race Workers
 - o \$70 for those living over 60 miles from the track, \$120 for those more than 100 miles away!
 - o Must work both days to qualify.
3. Lunch provided each day
4. 5 raffle drawings of \$100 each for volunteers working Saturday and Sunday

From: <https://www.facebook.com/missionraceway/>



Mission Raceway Park

Surprise! 🐼 We've rebranded!

After many years of having the nostalgic Mission Raceway Park logo with the tree and flags, we decided it was time for a change.

We wanted a fresh new logo to incorporate the uniquely beautiful scenery we offer here in beautiful City of Mission, BC!

The mountain represents Mount Baker, as seen in the backdrop of many of our photographs. The blue represents the Fraser River, as we are on this beautiful rivers edge, and the white represents the beach, often forgot about but will soon be coming to life once again.

As the needs of our facility have changed, many things will remain the same, and we want to thank the early pioneers of the BCCCA for establishing such a great place to race! It is now enjoyed by hundreds of people every week! Including and not limited to the Titanium Autogroup Strip, The Speed-Fanatics Motorsports Circuit, and Mission Drift by The BCDA and Spec-D!

We want to make this motorsport complex all inclusive, inviting, a place to bring your family and enjoy the amenities, no matter what your favorite motorsport is. We want you to feel safe, secure, and supported. But most importantly we want you to have FUN!

We want to thank Matt Levonas for putting in the work to get these out in a timely manner for us. If you are interested in his services, please reach out to him at Levonas Art!

META History

1973 -2023

1981

President - Grace Lassen
Vice President - Al Lobsinger
Secretary - Fran Pelletier
Treasurer - Dave Forster
Membership - 35

April

Constitution registered in Victoria
Suggested we circulate an attendance sheet at meetings, all in favour.

May

20 people to go to Can-Am race in Edmonton.

October

Annual banquet & awards discussed-Joe Proud to lead.

1982

President - Mike Holloway
Vice President - Dave Forster
Secretary - Robin Holloway
Treasurer - Mindy Robinson - January-April
Treasurer - Dave Forster - April-December
Presidents Award (Member of the Year) - Rick Neyedli
Rookie of the Year - Bill Chalupiak
Non-Member of the Year - Sharlene Kolibab
Membership - 40

January

Roger Salomon asked if the members would like to receive dash plaques or free lunches at the races. Consensus indicated dash plaques would be preferred

April

Annual awards introduced
-Rookie META Member of the Year
-Rookie Non-META Member of the Year
-Outstanding META Worker of the Year

June

Petition to Victoria re saving Westwood
Buzz & Mary-Margaret Beley to be honorary members

November

Annual awards presented at SCCBC banquet
Worker of the Year award renamed Presidents award as Mike Holloway (current President) donated the plaque
Robin Holloway, Arlene Young and Loretta Major received the RDC, Worker award this year.
They were named RDC, "Pets of the Year" and received shirts that proclaimed the same.

1983

President - Dave Forster
Vice President - Grace Lassen
Secretary - Pat Shewchuk
Treasurer - Jo Humphrey
Presidents Award (Member of the Year) - Rick Smale
Non-Member of the Year - Chris Linde
Membership - 37

January

Executive has decided to instigate a log book system
Membership dues increased to \$10.00
Historian for META would help consolidate scattered information.
Joe Proud to be Historian

April

Scramble no longer used in communications, use Alert only.

June

META disagreed with the new system, letter sent to SCCBC, old system (scramble-alert) reinstated.
Jo Humphrey won her first novice race in Portland

September

Annual awards to be presented at SCCBC Banquet

1984

President - Rick Neyedli
Vice President - Rick Smale
Secretary - Fran Pelletier
Treasurer - Tom Popovich
Presidents Award (Member of the Year) - Fran Pelletier & Nick Roche
Rookie of the Year - Rick Zeller
Non-Member of the Year - Pam Woods
Membership – 33

April

Mayday Article:

FLAGS AT WESTWOOD

In the past few years, there has been some confusion as to what flags to use at what sanctioned events, what occurrences, etc. After researching rule books and doing a little mind probing, here are the flagging procedures which apply to all Westwood races.

Slow moving race car

- Use standing and waving white flags, exactly-as you would if a wrecker were proceeding around the course.

Red flag (shown at Start/Finish)

ICSCC - Waving yellow around the track.

CASC/SCCA - Waving black around the track.

Communications out

- All flags stations on the turn affected to display waving white and yellow flags.

Pace car on course

- All turns to standing yellow except for the incident area. Waving yellow at the incident.

Black flag "All"

- Waving yellow all around the track (used only in practice and qualifying).

Animals

- Use a standing or waving yellow depending on its proximity to track.

September

Annual awards to be presented at SCCBC Banquet

1985

President - Rick Neyedli

Vice President - Roger Salomon

Secretary - Fran Pelletier

Treasurer - Tom Popovich

Presidents Award (Member of the Year) - Grace Lassen & Nick Roche

Non-Member of the Year - Barb Moewes

Membership - 44

February

Rick Neyedli suggested that META take on a project to document the safety and effectiveness of tire walls. All agreed, committee formed.

May

Use waving white and waving yellow when your comm is out

October

META joins Motorsport BC

The Tire wall project will be put on hold until we can find out about the possibility of arranging for and financing of public liability insurance. The policy that the SCCBC has is not valid for our purposes

November

Dave Forster starts most improved award-Pat LeBarron
1st META Awards banquet November 29, 1985, held at Galactic Restaurant.

1986

President - Rick Neyedli
Vice President - Roger Salomon
Secretary - Fran Pelletier
Treasurer - Dave Forster
Presidents Award (Member of the Year) - Barb Moewes
Rookie of the Year - Shari Forster
Membership - 46

April

Contingent of META to work WCAR Formula Atlantic race in Tacoma.

November

1986 Annual awards banquet held at 819 Restaurant, Vancouver.
Bob & Hilda Randall won Conference Workers of the Year.

(Note: Earlier history is in previous Mayday's, later history will be in future Mayday's)



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