

“Mayday”

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Hey, here we are again in a brand new year. Time to get geared up for car shows, driver training and an exciting season. So, to start things off, here's:

VIEW FROM THE TOP

Listen up. The Pres has something to say!

I would like to start off with thanking the past executive for leaving the club in such good shape. No one who contemplates running for a position of responsibility looks forward to a year of problems.

I have an optimistic view of the coming year. We are looking at a season with new people that are obviously shaping into good workers and their help has been and will be greatly appreciated. Then we have the seasoned workers, who are worth their weight in gold. (Of course, there are those in executive positions who are heaven-sent!!)

The executive has concluded its first official meeting of the season. We have borrowed some ideas that have been thought of in previous years, but we feel that this year is the ideal time to run with them. Our hope is to put purpose, motivation and reward back into being a META member.

I foresee that this year's car shows will bring in a good number of recruits. As we begin to get these people involved, we aim to give both the new and the long time workers a good feeling and sense of pride. I think workers are needing something to strive for, a form of reward to compensate them for hard, intelligent work that deserves recognition.

I won't be specific yet as all the details are being worked on at present. But I look forward to this year as one in which to forge ahead as a club and individuals - welcome to 1982.

Michael Holloway

ELECTIONS

In case you missed it, META had its AGM in November and the election of officers was held. Your new executive is now:

Michael Holloway	President
Dave Forster	Vice President
Mindy Robinson	Treasurer
Robin Holloway	Secretary

Committees are so far headed up by:

Pat Shewchuk	Membership
Robin Holloway	MAYDAY
Jo Humphrey	Social Committee
Roger Salomon	Training

And if you wish to know, which I'm sure you do, the SCCBC officers for this year are:

Bob Randall	President
Roger Salomon	Vice President
Hilda Randall	Treasurer
Marty Knoll	Secretary

Congratulations to all and good luck in the coming season.

FROM THE MAYDAY - Thanks go to last year's executive and committees for making it a season of cooperation and progress.

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Just as you thought the last party had ended this holiday season, here comes one more! A META Party! As we should also have a meeting this month, we will combine the two; first business, then pleasure. And since you all did such a super job this past season, META will spring for the munchies & good cheer (beer, wine & possibly punch will be available plus mix if anyone wishes to bring their own bottle). So come one, come all. We will start our new year off right!

Date: January 30, 1982 (Saturday)

Time: 8:00 p.m.

Place: Jo Humphrey's house - 1351 McNair Drive, North Vancouver, B.C.

(Directions on following page along with tearslip to send back to us, telling us if you are going to attend)

CAR SHOWS

We need your help, you wonders in white! The mall displays are fast approaching and everyone who can assist in one way or another is welcome. Please note these dates, times and places below.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Place</u>
Sunday Feb. 21	Move in at 11 a.m.	Park Royal North
Sunday Feb. 28 same day	Move out at 11 a.m. Move in (when we get there)	Park Royal North Coquitlam Centre - southwest entrance near the Bay
Saturday March 6	Move out when mall closes.	Coquitlam Centre

Wear whites if possible when you come to help out with looking after the cars and the promotion end of things; jackets with badges are good to have around too - they spark interest in a lot of people. Park Royal is open late until 9:00 p.m. on Thursday and Friday, Coquitlam Centre is open until 9:30 p.m., Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

We'd like to get lots of prospective workers interested this year and your presence and enthusiasm will really help.

HELP WANTED

If you have any racing photographs that you would like to have displayed at the car shows, please contact Jo Humphrey at 255-5195 at work during the day. She has these naked display boards which would dearly love to be covered by your fantastic photos. Any racing subject will be welcome: workers, drivers, cars, deer, bear, rain, fog etc. Call Jo now to be the first to see your pictures up in lights.

OKAY - PAY UP!

Membership dues are now due - please be prepared to fork it over to Pat, our Membership Chairperson, at the next meeting. You can also pay any of the executive and they will see that you get your card etc.

And now, from two of our more prolific authors, a couple of articles on how they spent their winter vacation:

ICSCC BANQUET - NOVEMBER 14, 1981

Banquet day at the Red Lion Inn started with meetings at 10:00 for ROD, driver and the Executive Board. Mind you, at 10:15, various drivers & ROD members were still lounging over one last cup of coffee in the restaurant. At the ROD meeting, the morning's main topic was suggested changes to the yellow flag ruling. After much discussion (as usual), it was decided to recommend that the wording be changed to "No passing...until after the LAST incident or next station not displaying a flag". The only other major proposition which was passed by the Executive Board, was that kill switches must be single action, have on/off clearly marked and be located in front of or behind the windscreen.

After lunch, we returned to new business & bafflelegab, including a lengthy debate between Rick & Roger over promotional ideas. Fran brought up the problems that arise from the varying alert/scramble procedures used in the circuits and it was decided to suggest that each track provide a written explanation of their procedures in the turn packets. Some radicals from SIR then submitted a few ideas for discussion, including a \$2.00 fine to drivers adding oil to their cars (to pay for grease sweep) and (are you ready for this?), have a verbal "spot check" during driver's meetings; if the chosen driver cannot define a given flag ruling (s)he is disqualified from that day's racing. After a few groans and numerous laughs, SIR debated these ideas with a few opinionated META members, while the rest of us honed our skills with paper airplanes.

The banquet itself started at six o'clock, giving us lots of time to drink and identify the neanderthals in suits as real live race drivers (look Ma - no nomex!) before dinner was served. As soon as dinner was over, the awards started. META made a special presentation to Doug & Linda Blackburn - a needlepoint picture of the Bug, done by Mindy and Cherie - to thank them for their floorspace and beer. After the class winners were done with, the biggies were announced. Ron Householder was voted Driver of the Year and our very own Fred Kubassek is the 1981 Rookie of the Year. So all you folks who thing think a production Datsun isn't a race car can stick hat in you pipe and smoke it! The only downer was that the name of the ICSCC President was drowned out by "Jeremiah was a Bullfrog", compliments of the party next door.

Ceremonies over and done with - it's party time! One of the evening's highlights was a singing telegram for Jon Landes' birthday delivered by the devil herself. Some unnamed Formula Fools decided that since they had run out of wine to ice, they would donate the ice to anyone who wasn't looking. Mike Clifford wasn't looking so hard, he got a whole bucketful over the head. Having run out of ice, booze and time, another unnamed person in the same group (very tall, dark-haired and drives Camaros and F.F.'s) was kind enough

to give us a bit of a strip show on stage, which was matched by a couple of Can-Can girls on a table. For some reason, we were all asked to leave about that time and so ended another season of racing. (I'd say a good time was had by all, but I hate that phrase.)

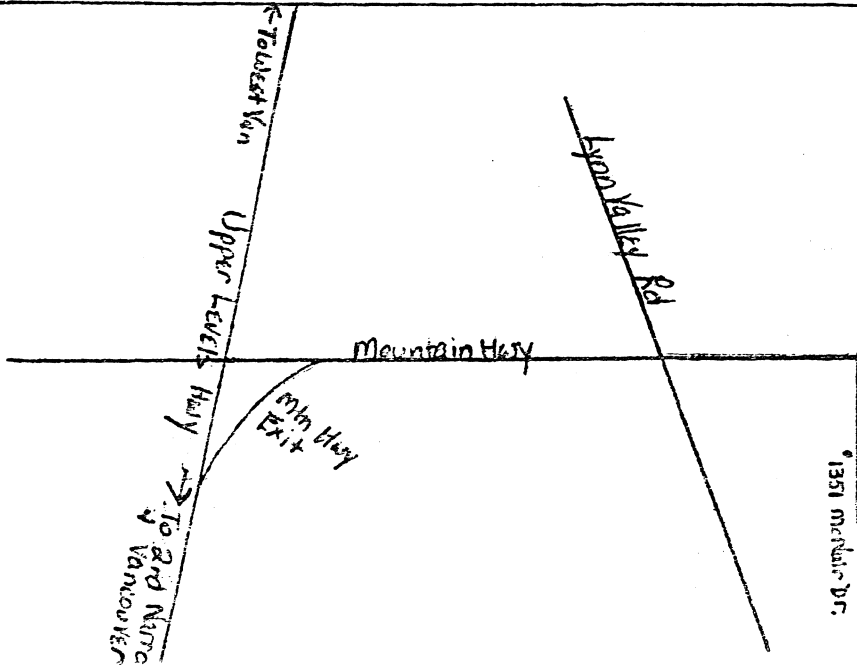
Jo Humphrey & Uwe Gildemeister

CASCADE BANQUET - DECEMBER 12, 1981

On December 12, Jo, Rick and I headed to Portland for one last fling, the Cascade Sports Car Club's banquet. The bar opened at six o'clock with dinner scheduled for seven. Name tags were issued to all and Rick Niedlye picked up another way to spell his name. The steak dinner was served at approximately seven thirty and lasted until nearly nine o'clock. The awards were then handed out with the class champions getting little wooden race cars. Of course, most recipients made boring speeches about how happy they were. To break the monotony, a "How Well Do You Know Your Club" quiz was conducted to strain one's memory. The 1982 Board of Directors was announced: President, Tom Busic, Vice President, Ron Householder, Secretary, Sandy Dutra and Treasurer, Bob Douglas. The dance was a non-event as everyone seemed content with sipping their drinks and gossiping. The bar was closed at 1:30 and people beat a hasty retreat. Needless to say, it was a very quiet evening and a long way to go for dinner.

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MAP TO JO'S - Take Upper Levels Hwy. to the Mountain Hwy. Exit, turn right off exit. Continue straight up Mountain Hwy. past Lynn Valley Road (intersection) and on to the wilds of North Van. Go about 1 blocks (look for the last white street light) and turn right onto McNair Drive, which only turns right anyway! Continue a short way until you spot a blue house numbered 1351. Park (that's a toughie) and go down around the back of the house and there you are!



RACE SCHEDULE FOR 1982

This is our schedule as announced at the last SCCBC club meeting (some dates could possibly be moved, but we will let you know of any changes):

March 20/21	Westwood	Driver Training
April 10/11	Westwood	CASC
April 17/18	Seattle	IGSCC
April 24/25	Portland	ICSCC
May 15/16	Westwood	CASC
May 22/23	Victoria (!!!)	ICSCC
May 29/30	Spokane	ICSCC
June 12/13	Portland	Rose Cup Trans-Am
June 19/20	Westwood	Driver Training
June 26/27	Seattle	ICSCC
July 10/11	Portland	ICSCC
July 17/18	Westwood	ICSCG
July 31/Aug. 1	Portland	IMSA
Aug. 7/8	Victoria	ICSCC
Aug. 14/15	Seattle	ICSCC
Aug. 21/22	Westwood	CASC
Sept. 4/5	Spokane	ICSCC
Sept. 11/12	Westwood	ICSCC
Sept. 18/19	Portland	ICSCC
Oct. 2/3	Westwood	CASC
Oct. 9/10	Westwood	Enduro
Oct. 16	Portland	Enduro

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(or call Robin Holloway at 464-7180, home or 665-4128, work)

CHECK ONE

- Yes, I will attend the META party.
- No, I will not attend the META party.

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