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Oct 6&7	Grand Prix of Houston	CART	Houston, Tex
Oct 6&7	ICSCC Race # 13 – SIR	IRDC	Seattle, Wa
Oct 6&7	Kart Club Race # 8 -- Tradex	WKA	Abbotsford, BC
Oct 9	Ice Race Meeting Room 1811 Douglas College	WCIRABC	New Westminster
Oct 10	SCCBC Meeting – Executive Inn,	North Road	Coquitlam, BC
Oct 13&14	Grand Prix of Monterey	CART	Monterey, Ca
Oct 13&14	CACC Race # 3 – MRP	SCCBC	Mission, BC
Oct 20&21	8 Hrs of the Cascades Enduro	CSCC	Portland, Or
Oct 24	META Meeting – Century House	7:30	New West, BC
Oct 27&28	Honda Indy 300	CART	Surfers Paradise, Australia
Oct 27&28	CACC Race # 4 – MRP	SCCBC	Mission, BC
Nov 3&4	Marlboro 500	CART	Fontana, Ca
Nov 10	SCCBC Banquet		
Nov 13	Ice Race Meeting	WCIRABC	TBA
Nov 14	SCCBC Meeting – Executive Inn,	North Road	Coquitlam, BC
Nov 17	ICSCC Banquet		Seattle, Wa
Nov 28 AGM	META Meeting – Century House	7:30	New West, BC

Another season almost over.

But not quite yet.

There are still 2 more race weekends at Mission and both will feature Enduros.

They are CACC sanctioned events

which means fewer run groups and **bigger** grids.

The October 13/14 weekend will have a 4 hour Enduro on Sunday.

And for the grand finale,

The October 27/28 weekend will have a 6 hour enduro on Saturday.

Both weekends will also feature a vintage grid.

(Note: SOLO 1 is finished for the year)

So don't put those buckets away just yet,
come on out and have some fun!!

Think of it as your last fix until Ice Racing.
It's only a couple of months away you know!!!!!!

Hello META,

My name is Craig Frisken and I am an active marshalling member of Motorsport Marshalling Services - MMS. Please feel free to check out our website (www.motorsportmarshalling.on.ca).

I am writing this note to thank the many wonderful members of your club. For the first time this year I marshalled the Vancouver Indy and also got to meet and work with your members. I had a wonderful time in Vancouver and much of that can be attributed to the fun times I had working with your club.

There are enough tracks and clubs, including some major events, where the marshals aren't treated very well. I found your members to be very helpful and accommodating. It was a nice change of pace to be treated well even though I might not be from that club, or I registered through X-series, etc.

I hope that some day you can all visit my home track, Mosport (www.mosport.com). I hope that we can extend the same courtesy and helpfulness that you all showed me.

Play safe and take care!

Kindest regards,

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ICE RACE MEETING DATES

There will be two Club meetings before Christmas
And a Christmas Social Event (TBA)

When: October 9th 7:00 pm

Where: Room 1811
Douglas College, New West

When: November 13th 7:00 pm

Where: TBA

META ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

META'S ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING WILL BE HELD ON
WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 28TH
CENTURY HOUSE-620 8TH ST NEW WESTMINSTER AT 7:30PM
PLEASE PLAN ON ATTENDING THIS MEETING AS OUR ANNUAL ELECTIONS WILL
BE HELD AT THIS TIME. THE POSITIONS AVAILABLE ARE:

PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT, TREASURER, SECRETARY

WARM FEELINGS!!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank a few (or more) people while thoughts are still fresh in my mind. After my 'incident' on Saturday, Sept. 29th, a whole bunch of people made me feel a lot better mentally, and considering my train of thought Saturday evening and Sunday morning, it was greatly appreciated. Some names come to mind readily and I would like to thank them here. I will probably forget some in this letter and for that I humbly apologize but some of the weekend is still a little fuzzy.

First, thanks Mike Z. for being there. My crack at Sunday's meeting was meant in jest. Seeing your face through my drivers window is not good because it means something not nice happened on the race track, but being ABLE to see you was good and I was glad to have you being the one there to calm and control the situation! Hope I didn't give you too much of a hard time and also hope your injury heals quickly. Thanks also to Dr. deKlerk for his professionalism, the ambulance attendants who were great, and the E-crew on scene(sorry guys but I honestly do not recall seeing any of your faces to remember names, but thanks for all your help). Also thanks to any others on the scene that I didn't get to see.

Thanks also to all the META women that gave me hugs and warm wishes on the weekend(is this what I have to do every weekend to get hugs?), and also thanks to the guys for the hugs but lets not make a habit of that, OK? Sorry Bonnie to have that happen at your station(and to have your car trapped behind the wall afterwards. But I DID miss hitting your car!). Thanks to Brian N. for walking and feeding Casey, Don S. for waking me every 2 hours during the night to check on me(thanking you for waking me every 2 hours?!?! uhhhhh...). Thanks to everyone(and there was quite a few) who offered me pain killers, muscle relaxants, drugs, etc.(but what about the alcohol?!????). Thanks to Karen for watching out for me at turn 8 on Sunday(and the other workers there too), and to many drivers, workers, crews, Dr.Keith for his advice, and many others including several SCCBC executive members and club members. Many thanks to Ron Cameron for picking me up at the hospital(a reciprocal service as I did the same to him in Kelowna a few years ago after his accident at the Hillclimb). Ron, we have GOT to stop meeting this way!!!

Finally, a very big thanks to James Phinney for the use of the now 'former' race car. Sorry, James but thanks for your roll cage and safety equipment which ALL did their intended jobs! Now I guess I just have to wait for the dreaded 'Bill in the Mail'! Sorry also to Christy Hews who had just arranged to buy the car from James! For those people that I forgot to mention, I humbly apologize! You are all appreciated for your words of comfort. There truly is a lot of warmth emanating from META members.

To all, KEEP SAFE IN MOTORSPORT!

Darryl Ness

car #393, yellow RX7

From "The Province" newspaper September 27, 2001

Beaulieu ends on winning note

Josh Beaulieu won the final race of the Canadian Formula Ford season last Sunday, capping a season of ups and downs for the Langley rookie. With the win, Beaulieu finished third in the driver standings. A victory earlier in the year that was later taken away because of an obscure infraction under a self-contradictory part of the rule book cost the 24-year-old a shot at the title in his first full season of racing.

As it was, Beaulieu finished with two victories (his first came at Montreal during the Formula One Canadian Grand Prix), as well as a third-and fourth-place finish in the eight-race series.

"I had a great start Sunday, my best start of the season," said Beaulieu who started his Dowco Vector car on the pole and recorded the fastest lap of the race. Mauro Lanaro, Beaulieu's team owner, thinks the former office worker has a bright future. "He has the capability to excel in the highest levels of racing as long as his progress continues," said Lanaro.

— McIntyre

Stewards Report

Race # 10 and # 11 Thunderhill

Well, the parties over, and what a party it was. If you missed it, you missed a lot of fun. Good weather, in the nineties, not the 100's of the previous week. Cool T-shirts, gourmet food. T.C. really outdid themselves on dinner Sat night. Whoever was in charge of the menu and cooking should get a raise. Speaking of menu's, do you know what the best part of the weekend was? Listening to Bill Murray reading the menu over the P.A. Good job Bill.. Part of the evening's entertainment was the awarding of prize money to some of the drivers for the event. I was very impressed with the driver's, more than a few, who gave all their winnings back to the workers fund. Very classy thing to do guys!!! Thank you!!!

NASA brought up quite a few cars including some NASCAR type trucks, some very cool Vintage racers and about 20 Legend cars. Ahh.. the Legend cars...We had originally put them in group 6 but it only took 5 minutes in the first practice session to realize that that was a mistake! Sorry guys. They reminded me of a pool game when you break the balls. They were everywhere, on, off track, banging into each other. Yiks!!!! None of our guys or gals got whacked but it was close. I gave them their own run group and they became the entertainment for the weekend! Great fun to watch. Great bunch of guys!

If that wasn't enough entertainment we had two good sized brush fires. They were quickly put out but it's like a tinder box at Thunderhill.

We made a lot of new friends in the NASA group. One of their truck drivers made a very nice donation to the worker fund. We had many of their folks come up and complement TC and ICSCC for putting on a well organized and fun event. Some said it was the best race they have had all year and they will come back! Many thanks to all the Workers, E-Crew and all the volunteers who made this event happen. Congratulations TC. You did good!! I can't wait till next year.

See ya in Seattle.

Stewards Report

Race #12 SIR Sept 8/9

Another beautiful weekend in Seattle. Good turnout, about 200+ entries. Thank you Team Kahn and Seattle BMW for their sponsorship, donations to the workers and the great food at the barbeque. Mmmmmm, crab legs, salmon, hamburger and hotdogs. Group five took care of the cooking and serving duties and did a super job! There was supposed to be a dunk tank to help raise funds for the Adam Edwards Foundation but it didn't get delivered. That's a shame because I informed the Asst. Steward to bring his swim suite and be prepared to tread water. I had big plans for Dan but now he will never know. I was prepared to expose my overfeed carcass for the cause. Yiks.. what a sight that would have been. Curly and Moe in their bathing suits. For those of you that were anxious to dunk us, please contact Roxanne Vine at 360 825 2770 with your donations. It will be appreciated.

During group three's qualifying session we had a car spin between 5a and 5b. That brought out the yellow flag and things went down hill from there. Cars were not slowing down and it quickly became a dangerous situation. I impounded all the cars as they came off track and we had a "spirited" conversation about what the rules say regarding a yellow flag condition. Contrary to what you might have heard, yellow flags mean SLOW DOWN, BE PREPARED TO STOP!!!!!! Read the rule book.

This is not just a group three problem. I see it in all the run groups. Remember, the workers don't have the safety equipment you have, roll cage, fire suits and helmets. So give them a break! Don't be the one who hits a turn worker and has to live with that for the rest of your life! Remember, there working for you!

Anyway, my chat with group three and all the drivers on Sun must have worked because all the races were great with no incidents and no passing under the yellow. In fact the group three race was one of the closest I have seen and there wasn't a single report turned in. Thank you drivers, I knew you could do it!!!!

See ya in Portland.

Stewards Report

Race #13 PIR Sept 15/16

It is with heavy heart that I write this report. This past week has been the worst week I can ever remember in my 62 years on this earth. I was meeting with the workers Sat morning and we were discussing the events of the week. I was given an e-mail identifying two SCCA workers who lost their lives on flight # 93 outside of Pittsburgh. This was not an easy announcement to make. Shock and tears. Cascades Ron Muro gave a very moving prayer at a special meeting on Sat. Thank you Ron. You made us proud to be Americans!

The turnout for the Doer was diminished by the fact that the GTA cars from California and the Proformance cars from Canada couldn't get their drivers or cars to Portland. They were very disappointed but in the spirit of the Doernbecker event, Ron Cortez, Manager for the GTA group, passed the hat and had raised over \$1000 in donations as of Sun!! Many thanks to Ron and the drivers who donated to this cause. To see the smiles on the kids faces when they get out of the cars or get a trophy..... well, you just have to be there to understand.

It was an interesting weekend to say the least. We had Cops and Bad guys needing medical help on Sat, and two family members of workers who fell over due heat exhaustion on Sun and needed medical help. In contrast we had the famous T.C. band playing their buns off on Sat. Great job guys. The food was great and the auction successful, with many bargains to be had. Thanks Cascade and Margie for a job well done!

The racing was fast and clean. This was a chicane race so I was a little concerned but the drivers did a great job. Group three had another flawless race with no incidents or reports. The chat we had must have worked. By the way, Justine made his return to Portland and collected his permanent Tiara and earrings which he wore for his win in the group three race. Mmmmmmm

Well, that's it for now. Please pray for those who lost family members or friends in the tragic events in New York and Washington DC this past week.

God Bless America

Dennis Peters
Race Steward

ANNUAL WORKER AWARDS NOMINATIONS

Nominations will be accepted only from META members in good standing. All nominations must be forwarded to the awards committee. **Deadline for submissions is December 31.**
 Please note that only one member is required to nominate for an award. No additional signatures are required. Please offer a brief explanation as to why you wish to nominate a given person for an award.

The President's Award (META Member of the Year)

Criteria: This award is presented to a member who displays exceptional contribution to the Association and the sport on and off the track. Candidates must be members in good standing for one full membership year and have attended at least 75% of the races as a paid-up META member.

I wish to nominate _____ for the President's Award for the following reasons:

The META Rookie of the Year

Criteria: The rookie of the year must be a member in good standing in their first membership year and have attended at least 50% of the local races as a paid-up META member.

I wish to nominate _____ for the Rookie member of the Year for the following reasons:

The Non-META member Worker of the Year

Criteria: Must not be a META member.

I wish to nominate _____ for the non - META member Worker of the Year for the following reasons:

The Buzz Beley Memorial Award

Criteria: The Buzz Beley Memorial award is presented annually to the META member who exemplifies the spirit of the Club by making the greatest contribution towards the goal of having fun and ensuring that all workers experience the greatest enjoyment possible from Motorsport.

I wish to nominate _____ for the Buzz Beley Memorial Award for the following reasons:

Nomination submitted by _____ on $\frac{\quad}{D} / \frac{\quad}{M} / \frac{\quad}{Y}$.

*The honor of your presence is requested at
The International Conference of Sports Car Clubs
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*Dinner tickets cost \$33US and include hors d'oeuvres and two drink tickets
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*Dress is semi-formal with prizes given to the
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Best Dancers
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Detach and send with registration

Name: _____ REGISTRATION DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 10, 2001
- (Deadline for hotel reservation at special rate is October 26)
Number of tickets: _____
Are you reserving a room at the hotel? YES _____ NO _____

Send registration to:
Jennifer Berry
11975 SW Lynnridge Ave.
Portland, Oregon 97225

Questions? Email me at srberry@teleport.com or call 503-644-3591 (H)

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Quantity: _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ XXL

If you are not entering the race but wish to order a shirt, please send order & payment to:

Vicky Crosier
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Enumclaw, WA 98022

CARS-ON-ICE

SLIP SLIDES TO IT'S 30TH ANNIVERSARY!

The 2002 Ice Race season marks the 30th anniversary of Ice Racing in BC.
Race dates are: January 5/6 and 19/20, February 2/3 and 16/17

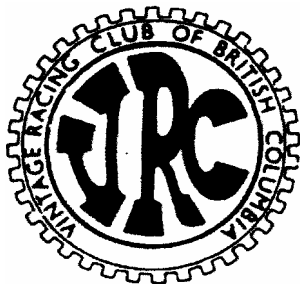
Plans are in the works for a huge celebration to be held in Cache Creek/Ashcroft February 2nd & 3rd. There will be an enduro, fun races, go kart races, special lunches, dinners, dancing, prizes and oh yeah some championship races too!! The committee is really excited about our plans for the 30th anniversary celebrations and planning has already started.

We had 140 people attend the 20th anniversary and we look forward to an even larger turnout for the 30th anniversary. So we're asking for your help. If you know where any of the following people are, please contact them and have them contact Sheree Wall. Or, contact us and tell us where to find them. Sheree Wall: Phone 604-945-4592 or email shereewall@home.com

In order to keep everyone informed of what is happening as the planning progresses we would like to have as many email addresses as we can. If you have email or have access to an email account you can use, please send Sheree Wall your address. When you contact our long lost pals, please get their email addresses for us as well.

Where are they now? (There are 76 people here, how many more can we find?)

Rick Lim	Ian Cameron	Eric & Lynn Wold	Bev Crump
Blake McGuffie	Warren Russell	Rick Bisset	Jim Sheldon
Tom Seifert	Doug Walter	Joe Boyes	Steve Schneider
Doran Rickey	Martin Novak	Lynn Chatwin	John Brama
Dave Purdy	Steve Naylor	Brenda Chatwin	Mike Grew
Tom Phillips	Jim Prouse	Kaye Chatwin	Gary Kelsall
Jeff Vanderwall	Dave Dawson	Dave Ogilvie	Eddie Chan
Russ Mildenhall	Joe Frykberg	Hermann Kroetlinger	Jim Murray
Bill Hunter	Darryl Ness	Bob Exton	Phil Wright
Jim & Betty Thompson	Loretta (Major)	Ken & Sharon	Jim Dipalo
John Milroy	Totten	Alexander	Perrin Hayes
D.C. Jamieson	Arlene (Young) Powers	Gerry Duff	Stan Fast
Ross Sutcliffe	T-Jay (Sherry)	Jim Bridger	Steve Anthanson
Reg & Flo Walde	Mike Bailey	Bob Kozakowski	Jamie Fanthorp
Pat Jackson	Bruce Gill	Mike Cox	Roger Turgeon
Tony Weinberger	Bill McNamee	Gord Suffron	Ron Kubara
Peter Hickey	Barry Dennett	Dan Hunter	Jim Neill
Paul Carey	Bob Dennett	Bob Beales	
Grant Ingram	Dave Sonnenberg	Ian Simpson	
John Coltman	Al Phillely	Dennis Remple	



...to restore, race, and exchange information concerning vintage sports and racing automobiles.

Meetings held on the second Tuesday of every month at the Cruisers Pit Stop Diner - 21671 Fraser Highway Langley, B.C.

Information contact Andrew Slater (604) 986-0949

CLUB MERCHANDISE

Pens on Neck string \$2.00
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Westwood META Decals \$.50
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Contact Marc Rovner (604) 986-3497 or Ann Peters (604) 581-7189
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Time to renew your membership in META. If you haven't already done so, send this form in to Tom with \$20. If you have, then pass it along to someone new, we need to encourage as many new members as we can. Every little bit helps.

Membership

C/O Thomas Liesner, 13425 87B Ave, Surrey, BC V3W 6G7

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The Paradox of our Time by George Carlin

The paradox of our time in history is that we have taller buildings, but shorter tempers; wider freeways, but narrower viewpoints.

We spend more, but have less; we buy more, but enjoy it less.

We have bigger houses and smaller families; more conveniences, but less time; we have more degrees, but less sense; more knowledge, but less judgment; more experts, but more problems; more medicine, but less wellness.

We drink too much, smoke too much, spend too recklessly, laugh too little, drive too fast, get too angry too quickly, stay up too late, get up too tired, read too seldom, watch TV too much, and pray too seldom.

We have multiplied our possessions, but reduced our values.

We talk too much, love too seldom, and hate too often.

We've learned how to make a living, but not a life; we've added years to life, not life to years.

We've been all the way to the moon and back, but have trouble crossing the street to meet the new neighbor.

We've conquered outer space, but not inner space.

We've done larger things, but not better things.

We've cleaned up the air, but polluted the soul.

We've split the atom, but not our prejudice.

We write more, but learn less.

We plan more, but accomplish less.

We've learned to rush, but not to wait.

We build more computers to hold more information to produce more copies than ever, but have less communication.

These are the times of fast foods and slow digestion; tall men, and short character; steep profits, and shallow relationships.

These are days of two incomes, but more divorce; of fancier houses, but broken homes; more leisure, but less fun; more kinds of food, but less nutrition.

These are days of quick trips, disposable diapers, throw-away morality, one-night stands, overweight bodies, and pills that do everything from cheer to quiet, to kill.

It is a time when there is much in the show window and nothing in the stockroom; a time when technology can bring this letter to you, and a time when you can choose either to share this insight, or to just hit delete.

George Carlin

MINUTES

META Meeting September 26, 2001

Meeting was called to order at 7:40, Bernice Zosiak presiding with 26 members present.

Minutes of August 2001 were adopted with corrections. (1) Minutes of June meeting were read at the August meeting. (2) Ian Woods car lost two wheels but with different drivers.

Correspondence: Two Wheel spins were received from VMSC

Mayday: Absent.

Membership: Thomas Liesner is new chair. Two new members were introduced Pat Little and Larry Clarke.

Treasurer: General \$ 3400.66, Gaming \$ 1928.00, Equipment \$ 4477.00

Historian: Photo Albums and Maydays are here.

Training: Roger S. related his experiences at the CART races in Germany and England, citing use of inexperienced marshals. Discussion followed on how to welcome new workers and how to keep them interested and willing to return.

Race Chairman: Absent

Course Marshall: Interesting Indy despite minimum workers.

Chief of Emergency: Poor communication system at Indy. Felt that 50 or 60 cars were too many for that track.

Old Business: Bryan N. – work party to be scheduled. Thomas L.- asked about plaques for himself and Ann P. - (Manny should have them.) Thomas L. – asked about go cart races. (Brian M. – too expensive). Thomas L. – asked about repairs to turn 3 station. (Brian M. – plywood to be laid down and stairs will be installed.) Dave B. clubhouse freezer was not operating, (Bryan N. will change wall plug.) Angus G. – Variety collection at INDY was approx \$200. Charmaine M. – Banquet, only three responses to survey. Discussion followed about where to hold it, several locations will be checked out. Vic K – attended SCCBC meeting, no mention of META in program, disappointed with food provided, Westwood M.C. used Mission and loved it – grandstands and parking lot full.

Vice President: No report.

New Business: Bryan N. – Door of META trailer was found unlocked on two occasions prior to INDY, nothing seems to be missing. A new locking system is needed and will be installed ASAP.

.... Motion by Brain Meakings – “That the proceeds of the September 29th Saturday night barbeque be donated to the RED CROSS” seconded by Don Souter. Passed.

Jo A. – Announced 2002 Ice Racing dates, Jan. 5/6, Jan. 19/20, Feb. 2/3, and Feb. 16/17. This is the 30th anniversary and they want to contact all people who were involved in the past.

Mike Z. – thanked Joe Proud for obtaining the alcohol for fire training.

President: Propane heater has been returned for a full refund. Request has been written to have temporary heaters and tarps. – Corrugated fibreglass will be installed between the awnings. – Truck, was used at INDY in the pits this year. It will have a water delivery system made and installed and will be used at future events. – HELP. We require underground and secure parking for the winter. – A cheque for \$500 was received from the Vintage Car Club, a thank you letter will be sent.

Good & Welfare: Report that work at the Merit track is progressing.

Entertainment Books are now for sale Large \$46, "C" \$12.

Nominating Committee:

- Steve Bibby
- Nick Roche
- Anne Jossul

Swap & Shop: None

Draws: 50/50 Andrew S.

Refreshment Jo A.

Rockingham Program Don S.
" " Bryan N.

Thermal Mug Mike Z.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:24

recorded by G Lomas