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# SPEED READING

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May 8	SCCBC Meeting - Executive Inn,	North Road	Coquitlam, BC
May 11&12	Spring Sprints – Pacific (SIR)	SOVREN	Seattle, Wa
May 18&19	ICSCC Race # 3 – Pacific (SIR)	IRDC	Seattle, Wa
May 18&19	Knox Mountain Hillclimb	OASC	Kelowna, BC
May 22	META Meeting – Century House	7:30	New West, BC
May 25&26	Vintage Races – MRP	VRC	Mission, BC
May 25 – 27	Double National - Pacific (SIR)	SCCA	Seattle, Wa
May 26	Indianapolis 500	IRL	Indianapolis, Ind
Jun 1&2	The Milwaukee Mile	CART	West Allis, Wis
Jun 1&2	ICSCC Race # 4 – PIR	CSCC	Portland, Or
Jun 7&8&9	Rose Cup Races – PIR	SCCA	Portland, Or
Jun 8&9	Mazda Raceway at Laguna Seca	CART	Monterey, Ca
Jun 8&9	Canadian Grand Prix	Formula 1	Montreal, PQ
Jun 8&9	Mt Trials Stage Rally	WCRC	Cache Creek, BC
Jun 12	SCCBC Meeting – Executive Inn,	North Road	Coquitlam, BC
Jun 15&16	Portland International Raceway	CART	Portland, Or
Jun 15&16	Driver Training – MRP	SCCBC	Mission, BC
Jun 26	META Meeting – Century House	7:30	New West, BC
Jun 29&30	ICSCC Race # 5 – MRP	SCCBC	Mission, BC
Jun 29&30	Chicago Motor Speedway	CART	Cicero, III

# **Presidents Report**

Once again I was very pleased to see that we are still acquiring new META members. I feel this is due to the tremendous amount of work from the recruiting committee as well as our membership, good job done by all. We had our first official race event at Mission and despite weather conditions it proved to be a successful weekend and I think we all appreciated the dinner SCCBC provided for the workers, Thanks to the SCCBC executive. We have a lengthy break until our next Mission event which is a big favorite, Vintage, and lets hope that the weather will co-operate.

If you are unable to sit and wait, there are two upcoming events in Seattle. One being SOVREN (May 11-12) the next IRDC (May 18-19) and with the new track improvements to Pacific Raceways, I think the racing will be very exciting for all. No matter what event you may choose I look forward to seeing you at the track.

Till then, take care and be safe.

## Bernice Zosiak

## TRAILER STOLEN May 4, 2002

Haulmark 24 foot red trailer BC license # 77033V.

My Haulmark 24 foot enclosed trailer (bright red) was stolen from my yard last night between 11:30 and morning. This trailer is highly modified inside with custom cabinets and closet at the front, tire rack and overhead storage along the sides. Plumbed air lines, Nitrogen bottle, 110v wiring and lighting, 45 gal gas drum and special holder, winch, roller tool cabinet and tool chest with hand tools. Also in the trailer are bright yellow fibreglass doors, airdam and trunk lid for my Datsun 510, eight 15" x 7" Panasport wheels (2 still in box), four 15" x 7" Riken gold wiremesh wheels, 4 Goodyear slicks, 4 Goodyear Floods. Red Line Oil Driving suit, race shoes, sock, gloves, Simpson open face helmet.

Please contact me at 604-856-7866 or the Police at 604 859-5225 (file # 02-15475) if you see this trailer or hear of someone selling this unique and special equipment. Thank You, Gary Koehn.



Car For Sale '92 Eagle Talon \$3500 New tires, 1 year left on extended warranty, 135,00 km, Teal Blue, Call for more info. Contact Christian, by phone: 604-986-4926, or email: christian@hierographic.com

WARNING: Be careful what you wear (or don't wear), when working under your vehicle... especially in public.

From the Sydney Morning Herald Australia comes this story of a central west couple who drove their car to K-Mart only to have their car break down in the parking lot. The man told his wife to carry on with the shopping while he fixed the car. The wife returned later to see a small group of people near the car. On closer inspection she saw a pair of male legs protruding from under the chassis. Although the man was in shorts, his lack of underpants turned his private parts into glaringly public ones. Unable to stand the embarrassment she dutifully stepped forward and tucked everything back into place. On regaining her feet she looked across the hood and found herself staring at her husband who was standing idly by. The mechanic, however, had to have three stitches in his head.

Roxann Vine, President of IRDC has made arrangements with the Microtel Inn & Suites in Auburn to give all race workers a special room rate of \$41plus tax.(two people per room) When you make your reservation tell them you are with IRDC or you won't get the special rate. The rooms are clean and new, and it's only about 10 minutes from the track.

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From Cart.com website May 5, 2002

INDIANAPOLIS--It was get-acquainted day at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway Sunday as practice got under way for the 86th Indianapolis 500.

For eight drivers and four teams and who participate in the FedEx Championship Series, Sunday's on-track activity was an opportunity to run at IMS against drivers and teams from the rival Indy Racing League. All eight drivers—Michael Andretti, Kenny Brack, Dario Franchitti, Bruno Junqueira, Tony Kanaan, Max Papis, Paul Tacy and Jimmy Vasser--took advantage of the sunny weather to work in some serious practice time at the famed "Brickyard" and one of them already served notice he could be a contender for Saturday's pole position qualifying.

Junqueira, fresh from his victory in the Bridgestone Potenza 500 in Motegi, Japan, wound up fourth fastest for the day in the Target G Force/Chevrolet. Junqueira had a top lap of 39.6767 seconds (226.883 miles per hour) and was just a tick of the clock off the quick time of the day set by Scott Sharp at 39.5841 seconds (227.571 mph).

"It was a good start for us," said Junqueira, who finished fifth in last year's 500. "We went out early and just tried to run and all of the sudden we were P-1. Then we did some changes to the car because we want to keep improving."

Junqueira believes Sharp's 2001 pole speed average of 226.037 mph will be surpassed.

"They keep improving the engines," Junqueira continued. "If you look at 2000, the pole speed was 223. They improved the engines last year and went faster and I think the pole speed this year will probably be 229." Junqueira's top lap came in the closing minutes of practice. He was asked if getting a tow had been a factor. "My best lap came with a little bit of a tow, but I was on old tires," he replied. "Earlier, I ran 226 by myself." Thanks to the Speedway's penchant for pageantry, Brack got to be the first CART driver to turn a practice lap. Following the usual opening-day ceremonies, Brack joined fellow 500 winners Helio Castroneves, Arie Luyendyk, Al Unser Jr., Eddie Cheever and Buddy Lazier for an opening lap of honor.

From that point on, it was all practice with some of the CART drivers splitting time between their primary and backup cars and Papis taking his first laps ever at the track.

In the only accident of the day, Robby McGehee backed into the Turn 3 wall hard, inflicting serious damage to his Dallara/Chevy. McGehee was able to walk to the ambulance for the mandatory check and was later transported to Methodist Hospital for X-rays after complaining of pain in his left leg.

The accident allowed track officials to see how the new SAFER (Steel and Foam Energy Reduction) barrier would stand up to a high-speed impact. Track officials were satisfied that the system passed its first test. The track soon reopened following a suitable time to clean up the accident debris and replace the section of the barrier damaged in the crash.

# **Molson Indy Vancouver Update**

With the MIV coming up quickly I thought I would find out what the support events would be. No Atlantics this year but there will be Barber-Dodge, CASCAR, SCCBC Invitational Sedans, and something called Formula Renault. Ever heard of it? Me neither!!! So with a bit of research here is the low down on Formula Renault, AKA: Fran-Am.

From the Fran-Am.com website

# Fran-Am Expands Into Canada

3/4/2002 - Aspen, Co - Fran-Am sport today announced the formation of Fran-Am Canada to oversee the series' involvement throughout Canada. Fran-Am Canada, headed by long-time Canadian motorsports stalwarts Andrew Field and John Kolody, was instrumental in securing the Canadian rounds of the 2002 Fran-Am 2000 North American Pro Championship rounds at the Molson Indy Vancouver and Mosport CASCAR race.

In addition, Fran-Am Canada has been charged with distributing Fran-Am cars and parts as well as assisting with further Fran-Am 2000 race dates throughout Canada. The group also will establish a professional Fran-Am 1600 Canadian series in 2003.

"We've had so much interest in the series from Canadian drivers and teams that it was a natural extension to have a separate base of operations in Canada," said Arden Weatherford, Fran-Am Sport's Director of Operations. "Andrew and John have already put a tremendous amount of effort into securing a number of dates for this year's 2000 series championship. They believe in our product and share in our philosophy of providing an affordable, fair and professional racing series to all competitors."

"We're very excited about the Fran-Am series and bringing it into the Canadian market," said Field, president of Fran-Am Canada. "over the next few years, we hope to bring some of the most exciting motor racing in the world to Canada with the Fran-Am series. It's a tremendous opportunity for Canadian drivers, and surely the series will be positioned to spectators across the country at some of Canada's finest motor racing events."

Field has spent more than 32 years in Canadian motorsport as a driver, team owner, promoter, and marketing specialist. His background includes overseeing the motorsport operations of Hankook Tire Corporation, as well as assisting with the careers of Greg Moore, Ross Bentley and Kees Nierop. Most recently, Field was appointed as the Director of Marketing for the SCCBC, who own and operate the River's Edge Racecourse in Mission, BC.

John Kolody has a similarly varied and extensive motorsport background having spent some 23 years in Canadian road racing. He has been a driver, engineer and team owner and as president of Guyons Racing in Calgary Alberta, he is particularly excited about Fran-Am Canada. "this, is indeed the high point of my career," Kolody says. "we have never seen this kind of opportunity for Canadian drivers before. The cars are amazing, the racing is going to be great... it's just what this country, in fact, just what North America needs!"

Guyon Racing, under Kolody, will assume responsibility for car and parts sales plus other technical roles associated with Fran-Am's operations Canada.

Fran-Am recently announced four of the expected ten race dates on the 2002 Fran-Am 2000 North American Pro Championship schedule. Confirmed dates include joining with CASCAR at Mosport on June 14-16, the CART FedEx Championship weekend at the Molson Indy Vancouver on July 27, a featured event at Mid-America Motorplex on September 6-8 and the series finale at Firebird International Raceway on December 1. Fran-Am competitors will race for a purse of \$25,000 per race, with the 2002 overall series champion winning a fully-funded seat with a leading European team for the 2003 Formula Renault series.

Formula Renault is recognized worldwide as a primary feeder for the Formula One stars of tomorrow. Recent graduates include McLaren's Kimi Raikkonen as well as Sauber's Felipe Massa.

The Fran-Am 2000 race cars feature a spec-Tatuus carbon-fiber monocoque chassis, sealed 2.0-liter/186-horsepower motor capable of running an entire season without a rebuild, 6-speed sequential Sadev gearbox, and spec-Michelin sport racing tires. Since gear sets are pre-determined, race weekend adjustments are basically limited to wings, spring rates, ride height, castor, camber and tire pressure. Each race is scheduled for 50-60 miles.

The Fran-Am 1600 car features the latest in single-seat racing technology including a Tatuus carbon-fiber monocoque chassis, sealed 1.6-liter/123-horsepower motor, 5-speed sequential Sadev gearbox and spec-Michelin sport racing slicks.

# 2002 Fran-Am 2000 North American Pro Championship Schedule

June 16	Mosport International Raceway (Cascar)
June 23	Watkins Glen International (Grand-Am)
July 21	Race City Motorsport Park (Cascar)
July 28	Molson Indy Vancouver (Cart)
September 8	Mid-America Motorplex (Feature)
October 27	Las Vegas (Feature)
December 1	Firebird International Raceway (Feature)

## 2002 Fran-Am West Coast 1600 Championship Series

Aug 17-18	Rivers Edge Roadcourse at Mission Raceway Park
Sep 28-29	Portland
Oct 12-13	Buttonwillow
Oct 26-27	Las Vegas
Nov 9-10	Sears Point
Nov 23-24	Willow Springs
Nov 30-Dec 1	Phoenix Firebird Fran-Am Finals

## Words to Live By?

- The journey of a thousand miles begins with a broken fan belt and a flat tire.
- It's always darkest before dawn. So if you're going to steal your neighbor's newspaper, that's the time to do it.
- Don't be irreplaceable; if you can't be replaced, you can't be promoted.
- No one is listening until you make a mistake.
- Always remember you're unique, just like everyone else.
- Never test the depth of the water with both feet.
- It is far more impressive when others discover your good qualities without your help.
- If you think nobody cares if you're alive, try missing a couple of car payments.
- Before you criticize someone, you should walk a mile in their shoes. That way, when you criticize them, you're a mile away and you have their shoes.
- If at first you don't succeed, skydiving is not for you.
- Give a man a fish and he will eat for a day. Teach him how to fish, and he will sit in a boat & drink beer all day.
- Don't squat with your spurs on.
- If you drink, don't park; accidents cause people.
- Some days you are the bug, some days you are the windshield.
- The quickest way to double your money is to fold it in half and put it back in your pocket.
- Duct tape is like the force; it has a light side and a dark side, and it holds the universe together.

# CLUB MERCHANDISE

Pens on Neck string \$2.00
META Crests (Black Border) \$3.00
META Crests (25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary) \$3.00
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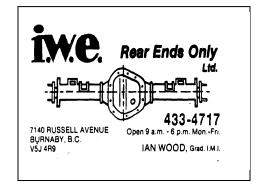
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Time to renew your membership in META. If you haven't already done so, send this form in to Thomas with \$20. If you have, then pass it along to someone new, we need to encourage as many new members as we can. Every little bit helps. Note: Each member will receive a new META decal with their membership, please indicate which type you would like, Inside(Static) or Outside(Stick-on)

# **Membership**

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

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Cost is \$20--Membership year ends Dec. 31--MAYDAY mailing list will be purged of non-members Mar. 31 Please indicate if you would like the META newsletter sent to you by E-Mail or send the editor an email at maydayeditor@hotmail.com

Hello Everybody,

I am sure that most of you are aware there is a new track in the Northwest or at least an old one with a new twist. The new Pacific Raceway is a wonderful place to be and I would like all of you to share in the experience. I was able to attend the SOVREN race a couple of weeks ago and was assigned to the new Turn 10. I think in driver's parlance Turn 10 translates to "Hang on to your helmet 'cuz we ain't gonna slow down". There are new sections and new pavement. The restrooms have been remodeled and not only have hot water they have heat also. It's a beautiful thing.

I am sending out this notice to any and all who want to come to the Northwest and Montana Region's Double National Event at Pacific Raceway. I know that some of you are already planning to attend and I am very grateful for your support. I am just trying to reach the ones that may be on the bubble and haven't decided as of yet. As always the closer you get to the date the more the chiefs start to panic on how many volunteers there are going to be. Yes we need people in all specialties but I am primarily pleading for Corners. This course has 12 plus corners that we need to cover and as always it is you that makes it happen. We will of course have all of the little things like lunches and a dinner.

This is where I start pleading, begging and making promises. Most of you have been to Pacific Raceway in the past so I am sure that you know what to expect. If you want to camp out at the track there is room for anything from a tent to a motor home. You will have to be self-contained because there are no hookups. Some of you may wish stay in a hotel. I do not have a ready list of local places however if you would like an idea of what is available e-mail or call me with what you are looking for and I will do my best to get back with you on what is available. For those of you who don't know, I live about 10 minutes from the track. At my house I have a couple of couches and fold out beds for the first six that need a place to stay. There is some additional floor space available if you bring you own air mattress and sleeping bags. There is also some yard space for pitching a tent if it comes to that. So far there has been no commitment as to anyone staying here so first come first served. No, I will not be serving breakfast. There are three fast food places between my house and the track that are open early in the morning. You will be on your own. If anyone else here in the Northwest has space they can offer please piggyback on this distribution and pass the word.

Now this is a special note for all of you members of IRDC, SOVREN, and META. We have contacted SCCA National about Temporary Memberships an the following is as it was quoted to me:

"Temporary memberships are available through Merchandise. They are \$15 each and are good for 90 days. The region must buy them first, and then may sell them to individuals. An individual may purchase a Temporary Membership at any time, and may renew anytime after it has expired. Such memberships may not be up-graded, are not transferable, and the moneys do not apply toward full membership in SCCA." If any of you would like to take advantage of this type of deal I need to know as soon as possible so that we will have time to order them and get them here. It really is a rush deal so do not hesitate to contact me and I will promise to check my phone messages and emails at least once every evening and will forward the information to the appropriate "authorities".

I thank you all in advance for your support in the past and am looking forward to seeing you all at Pacific Raceway in Kent on the Memorial Day weekend May 25, 26 and 27. There will also be a Pacific Raceway run Test and Tune on Friday the 24<sup>th</sup> but it is not an SCCA sanctioned day so if you come out early on Friday you will be on your own. I think I have covered about everything you need to know. If you have any questions please call or e-mail me especially about the temporary member ships.

Sincerely (and begging) Yours'

Michael David Evans
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Submitted by Skip Yocom, Vice President, USI Northwest

## **USI Speeds Ahead in Rolex Grand American Sports Car Series**

SAN FRANCISCO, April 19, 2002 -- Don't be surprised if you see USI's logo speeding around a racetrack. In conjunction with Momentum Motor Cars of Texas, G&W Motorsports of Virginia, and Picchio SpA of Italy, USI has sponsored a race car currently competing in the Rolex Grand American Sports Car Series.

The car's story begins with Gregg Roberts, Senior Vice President & Managing Director of USI's Environmental Risk Mitigation Group. While in the process of securing Momentum Motor Car's insurance business, Gregg discovered that sponsoring their race team would be an inexpensive way to encourage USI's name recognition. Built by Picchio of Italy and powered by BMW, the car is currently in second place in its class in the Rolex Series. The series started in January with the Rolex 24 at the Daytona International Speedway and continues through November. In addition to other scheduled televised races, the car can be seen in the United Auto 200 in Phoenix, the Six Hours of the Glen in Watkins Glen, NY, and Le Circuit Mont-Tremblant in Mont Tremblant, Quebec. Momentum Motor Cars is one of the world's largest BMW and Jaguar dealerships. USI Southwest handles their group life and 401(k) and is working on a solution for group benefits. Gregg also reports that USI's sponsorship of the team and relationship with G&W Motorsports have opened doors to other major corporate prospects involved with motor sports. Commenting on the sponsorship, Gregg said, "Corporations involved in racing at this level tend to be world-class companies. They enjoy doing business with other world-class companies involved in motor sports. It is something of a team or family environment. Many of the companies USI wants to do business with now and in the future find value in the sport, so why not be where your future clients conduct their business?" "We are very excited to be involved with this level of a racing program. It assists us with our brand recognition in our marketplace and epitomizes the excitement and momentum that our company is currently enjoying," says John Collado, CEO of USI's Southwest Region.

In addition to carrying USI's logo around racetracks in the U.S. and in Canada, the car has been seen in televised races on The Speed Channel and Fox. It has also appeared in featured clips on ESPN's RPM2Night as well as in various publications including BMW magazine. The car was on display at the River Oaks International Tennis Tournament and at the M.D. Anderson Cancer Research Benefit Ball, both in Houston. It was also an important part of USI's booth at the 2002 RIMS conference in New Orleans earlier this week. This summer, the car will be part of a major media event in Watkins Glen, NY.

For more information, please visit the Grand Am website at www.grand-am.com.

If a cow laughed, would milk come out her nose?

If olive oil comes from olives, where does baby oil come from

Do infants enjoy infancy as much as adults enjoy adultery?

If a pig loses its voice, is it disgruntled?

Why do women wear evening gowns to nightclubs? Shouldn't they be wearing night gowns?

If love is blind, why is lingerie so popular?

Why is the man who invests all your money called a broker?

Why is a person who plays the piano called a pianist but a person that drives a race car not called a racist?

Why is it that if someone tells you that there are 1 billion stars in the universe you will believe them but if they tell you a wall has wet paint you will have to touch it to be sure?

If Fed Ex and UPS were to merge, would they call it Fed UP?

## META Minutes of April 24th 2002 Meeting

Meeting Called to order at 7:45 with 22 members present. With secretary absent the reading and approval of the minutes of the previous meeting were postponed until the next meeting. In Brian's absence minutes this time taken by the V.P.

### Correspondence

A letter from Tom Roy was read wherein he thanked Meta for the first race of the year. He accepted that 'Spin Sheets' would only be filled in by Race Control and not at the turns. He also approved of pre-printed turn diagrams for incident reports and these should be ready for the June race weekend.

A letter from Molson Indy re new Indy-related charities was read.

### Mayday

Need more articles!!

### Membership

Sean Davies having applied for membership was duly voted in unanimously bringing membership to a total of 82 including 8 honorary.

#### Treasurer

General account stands at \$ 7654.98 (including \$1000 from CACC race division) Gaming account \$ 446.23 Equipment fund \$4478.91

### Historian

Photo albums, Maydays and the new turn report diagrams are all here

### **Training**

Roger was absent from the first conference race but expressed his pleasure at the results of the recruitment campaign. At the next meeting he will be looking for feedback from new workers about their training to date.

### Race Chairman

Absent but report covered in correspondence.

### Course Marshall

Thomas commented that despite the weather the first race weekend of the season had been 'interesting'. He has Indy registration forms available.

## **Chief of Emergency**

No report – no date for fire training.

### **Old Business**

Brian Nuttall asked whether thank-you letters had yet been sent to prize donors. Bernice said she would ask Brian M.

Safer advised that all was progressing well the glove straps including the Meta Tags.

Thomas asked where the Keeper Trophies were from 2 years ago. Brian M has them but some still need engraying.

Steve Bibby reported that all the fire bottles have been tested and certified. We got a better deal than expected from Dragon Ventures Ltd. Steve will discuss billing/tax receipts etc with them. We will put a free full page advert in Mayday for Dragon.

Bernice suggested that maybe if they have one, that we could put a Dragon decal on the truck.

After a successful run the recruiting committee reported that their activities were on hold for the time being. Mike Zosiak has made flyers to handout advertising Meta. Everyone to have same. Brian Nuttall suggested putting these flyers in all driver packages. Roger suggests they also go to ICSCC, CACC and VRC.

Angus will obtain quotes for 1000 copies

-- Break 8:10 / 8:25 --

#### New Business

Bernice posed the question: 'What is the mission of Meta'??

She is looking for a bolder theme and would like ideas/input for the next meeting.

Brian Nuttall wanted to know how to get track access prior to the Vintage meet in order to carry out maintenance work on the trailer etc. Bernice will talk to Terry about keys and get back to Brian.

Joe Proud asked what news about the Mission Soapbox Derby. Bernice will answer this in her report.

Lynn wants Terry to be asked for two more sets of gate keys. Thomas says this is already in hand.

### President's Report

Bernice reported that the Soapbox Derby will be held at a new site near the High School on June 22 and that as previously volunteers are being sought. Please let Ann or Bernice know if you can attend.

The Food Bank operation will start at the next SCCBC weekend.

Robert Currie will assist with redesigning the trailer awnings so that hopefully there will be no more repeat disasters. Any ideas from the membership will be very welcome.

Angus wonders whether the actual trailer is fastened to the ground and if not would it be worth considering buckets of concrete as anchor points. Bernice will discuss with Terry.

Bernice mentioned an email from Roxanne Vine of IRDC Seattle. She has requested the service of the Meta truck and crew for the May 18-19 weekend in Seattle. IRDC have offered to fund U\$200 towards costs for this.

Bernice further advised the membership that in theory the executive approved of this use of the truck, having checked with ICBC and the border crossing authorities. We are just awaiting word that the IRDC event insurance completely covers the truck whilst working the track.

The idea was given to the floor and much discussion ensued:

Mike thought we should look for U\$100 for gas, C\$75 for border crossing and U\$200 as a donation Roger thinks we should not try and make any money out of this venture but just to be happy with the exposure the club will get for doing this.

Dave Bell agreed with Roger.

Lynn thinks we should not be paid per se as this could leave the club open to liabilities in case of incident. Steve Bibby thinks we should outline to IRDC what the estimated cost will be and suggest that maybe they could consider a donation to cover that costs and a fair wear and tear increment.

After discussion it became clear the consensus was that the cost will be about U\$200.

Dave Bell moved that the executive be allowed to send the truck to Seattle so long as there was no negative financial result to the club.

Motion seconded by Barbara Moewes and all voted in favour.

### Good and Welfare

Lynn Yeo has 'Dicky' white painter pants available from her tame Cloverdale Paints for \$25.19 including taxes. Please order through her.

Roger proudly announced that Meta came first overall in the last Kart enduro.

Swap and Shop Don still has his pickup truck for sale Andrew S has his Mazda RX7 1987 white auto 142K \$3200

### Draw

Angus and Don Souter both won Canucks towels. Mike won a 4 pack of 'Chromes' !!? Barbara won the honeypot Lynn Yeo won the 50-50 - \$8.00

Motion to adjourn by Mike Z and seconded by Barbara M at 9:10