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Speed reading

Oct 8&9	CACC Race # 4 – MRP	SCCBC	Mission, BC
Oct 8&9	Maryhill Loops Hillclimb	SOVREN	Goldendale, Wa
Oct 8&9	Westwood Club Race #8 – CARTBC	WKA	Chilliwack BC
Oct 12	SCCBC Meeting – Best Western,	North Road	Coquitlam, BC
Oct 15	Cascade Enduro – PIR	CSCC	Portland, Or
Oct 15&16	Pacific Forest Stage Rally	WCRA	Merritt, BC
Oct 15&16	Seoul Grand Prix	OWRS	Seoul, South Korea
Oct 22&23	Indy 300	OWRS	Surfers Paradise, Australia
Oct 29	Midnight TSD Rally	WCRA	Nanaimo, BC
Oct 29&30	Double Regional and Party	SCCA/OR	Portland, Or
Oct 29	SCCBC Banquet – Executive Inn	North Road	Coquitlam, BC
Nov 5&6	Mexico City Grand Prix	OWRS	Mexico City, Mexico
Nov 9	SCCBC Meeting – Best Western,	North Road	Coquitlam, BC
Nov 12	ICSCC Banquet - SeaTac Marriott		Seattle, Wa
Nov 19&20	Totem TSD Rally	WCRA	BC Interior
Nov 23 AGM	META Meeting – Century House	7:30	New West, BC
Nov 26	CACC Banquet – Executive Inn	North Road	Coquitlam, BC

Presidents Report

Another meeting has come and gone this past week. There were a lot of people there – all dressed as empty seats! We almost made a quorum – we had twelve members, eleven males and me the lone female! So my question is where were all you other female race enthusiasts? I know Martha Stewart was on TV but that's no excuse!

However, although we were not able to have a formal meeting, we did have a lot of good discussion, as you will see in the minutes of the meeting (unofficial of course.) Several good ideas to encourage attendance were put forward and these will be discussed at the next Executive meeting and at the AGM in November. Be sure to attend the AGM to hear more about these interesting ideas, and, just as important, to elect your Executive for 2006. Your club needs you!

See you at the track later this month.

Ann

THE GREATER VANCOUVER MOTORSPORTS SOCIETY

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YOU ARE INVITED to attend the 2005 tribute to the ***Pioneers of Motorsport***.
16 individuals have been selected to be honored this year at the annual awards ceremony.

Motorsport Pioneers Awards Ceremony
Sunday afternoon, October 16, 2005, 1:00pm to 5:00pm
The Scandinavian Centre, 6540 Thomas Street, Burnaby

Come and meet current and past pioneer inductees and motorsport enthusiasts.
Enjoy memorabilia and door prizes.
Our new bigger and better Yearbook will be available for purchase.
See specialty vehicles on display (weather permitting)

Sports car people that will be recognized this year include Bob Sayle, Hilda Randall and David Brown.
Also go-karter Bob Whitehead and rally navigator/driver Ed Deak.

Past inductees include Mike Balfe, Don Lamont, G.B. Sterne, Claire Wilson, Bob McLean,
Arleigh Pilkey, Vic Kennedy, Milt Goodman and Bob Randall in the sports car discipline.
Others from various motorsport classifications have been recognized as well,
a total of 100 in the past five years.

Admission will be \$5.00 by donation at the door. Light refreshments will be included.
There is a cash bar on the premises.

Please RSVP by October 7, 2005. Space is limited, so we need to know in advance.

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2006 ICE RACE SCHEDULE

January 7/8

January 14/15 (Alternate)

January 21/22 with Enduro

February 4/5

February 18/19

February 26/27 (Alternate)

“BUCKET BRIGADE’S DASH for CASH WEEKEND”

October 8 & 9, 2005

SATURDAY:

7:00 AM	MAIN GATE OPEN		
9:00 - 9:15	Dash for Cash	Practice	15 min
9:20 - 9:35	Novice Closed Wheel	Practice	15 min
9:45 - 10:00	Solo	Practice	15 min
10:05 - 10:20	Closed Wheel 1	Practice	15 min
10:30 - 10:45	Open Wheel & O/W Novice	Practice	15 min
10:50 - 11:05	Closed Wheel 2	Practice	15 min
11:15 - 11:30	Dash for Cash	Qualifying	15 min
11:35 - 11:50	Novice Closed Wheel	Practice	15 min
12:00 - 12:15	Solo	Practice	15 min
12:20 - 12:35	Enduro	Practice	15 min
12:35 - 1:35	LUNCH		
12:50	Drivers Meeting @ Tech		
1:35 - 1:50	Dash for Cash	Qualifying	15 min
1:55 - 2:10	Closed Wheel 1	Qualifying	15 min
2:20 - 2:35	Open Wheel & O/W Novice	Qualifying	15 min
2:40 - 2:55	Closed Wheel 2	Qualifying	15 min
3:05 - 3:35	Novice Closed Wheel	Race	30 min
3:45 - 4:45	Dash for Cash	Race	60 min
4:55 - 5:25	Solo	Timed Runs	30 min
10:30 PM	MAIN GATE CLOSED AND LOCKED.		

SUNDAY:

7:00	MAIN GATE OPEN		
9:00 - 9:15	Vintage	Practice	15 min
9:20 - 9:35	Enduro	Qualifying	15 min
9:45 - 10:00	Closed Wheel 1	Qualifying	15 min
10:05 - 10:20	Open Wheel & O/W Novice	Qualifying	15 min
10:30 - 10:45	Closed Wheel 2	Qualifying	15 min
10:50 - 11:05	Vintage	Qualifying	15 min
11:15 - 11:30	Enduro	Qualifying	15 min
11:30 - 12:30	LUNCH		
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1:35 - 2:05	Open Wheel & O/W Novice	Race	30 min
2:15 - 2:45	Closed Wheel 2	Race	30 min
2:55 - 3:10	Vintage	Race	15 min
3:30 - 5:30	Enduro	Race	2 hours

ALL TIMES SUBJECT TO CHANGE AT ORGANIZER’S DISCRETION

Closed Wheel 1: IP1, IP2, S7, GT1, GT2, GT3, GTU
Closed Wheel 2: GTLite, GTM, GTO, IP3
Open Wheel: Formulas, Sports Racers, & Legends
Enduro Cars
Dash for Cash

Open Wheel Novice (Saturday Only)
Closed Wheel Novice (Saturday Only)
Solo (Saturday Only)
Vintage (Sunday Only)

Submitted by Russ Mitchell
From a September 12, 2005 British paper.

NIGEL MANSELL, the 1992 F-1 world champion, is to make a comeback to grand prix racing. Now 52 years old, Mansell has finally been lured out of retirement by a deal which commits him to the Altech Grand Prix Masters as a driver and ambassador - 45 is the minimum age - and the first race is scheduled for South Africa's Kyalami circuit on November 13. Mansell is set to be reunited with many of his past adversaries. Five-time world champion Alain Prost has signed up, along with two-time titleholder Emerson Fittipaldi and Alan Jones. Mansell said: "It is a serious business and we want to go racing seriously. This won't be a Sunday afternoon drive with people like this around."

Since he retired in 1995, Mansell has concentrated on building a championship golf complex in the West Country and trying to gain a place on the British Seniors Tour. "The idea of a Grand Prix Masters series has been muted by many for years and at last the dream has become a reality," said Mansell.

"The hunger and desire to go racing never leaves your blood. The right opportunity has never come along until now.

"It's one thing to reacquaint myself with adversaries such as Prost, Fittipaldi and Ricardo Patrese, but throw in 200mph grand prix cars on legendary race tracks and you have the ingredients for a very special championship.

"The rivalry between us all will be no different from the glory days back in the Nineties. The preparation, commitment and desire to win will be no less than the last time I drove a grand prix car in anger."

In addition to the Kyalami race, the series is set to confirm five more for the 2006 championship calendar.

Annual General Meeting

META's Annual General Meeting will be held on

Wednesday November 23th

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, Secretary, Treasurer

Work Party

There will be a work party to winterize the META clubhouse on October 22/23.

An email will be sent out when the time and exact date are confirmed.

Your help would be greatly appreciated.

Contact Ann Peters for more info.

Another in the series on Emergency Preparedness. Thank You to Steven Bibby for the following article. Editor

Preparing for Emergencies, And Surviving the First 3 Days

What do wind storms, floods, snow storms, forest fires, train derailments, apartment fires, meth-amphetamine labs, industrial chemical spills, and land slides all have in common?

Answer,

1. they have all occurred in BC in the last 10 years,
2. all have caused large evacuations,
3. all have displaced people from their homes for several days,
4. most have caused power outages for several days.

Knowing the Risks – A “Pop Quiz”:

- When is the last time Mount Baker erupted? (year 1870)
- How many earthquakes occur in BC each year? (Approximately 800)
- How many people were evacuated during “Firestorm” in 2003 (Approximately 50,000)
- How many chemical spills, floods, fires, etc were there in BC in 2004? (2942 incidents)
- When an earthquake occurs, what are you supposed to do?
 (“drop, cover & hold”!! “Drop” down low to the ground, take “cover” under a table or other sturdy object that can protect you from falling debris, “hold” onto the table legs so it doesn’t slide away from you)

It’s easy to prepare yourself and your family to deal with emergencies. Last month we learned about what to include in a “grab & go” emergency kit. These kits are important, because emergencies and evacuation orders usually come with little or no warning. It’s incredibly important to put these items together in one place; it isn’t enough to say that you have the items available but spread around your home.

When an emergency occurs, it’s important to know how to protect yourself and your family. One simple precaution is to familiarize your household members with the shut off switches for electricity, natural gas, and water. In an emergency, don’t shut off your natural gas unless you have a gas leak or fire!! (You can usually detect a natural gas leak, as it contains mercaptan, a product that makes it smell like rotten eggs).

As part of your plan, make sure you and your family agree on a contact telephone number out of province. If you have to evacuate your home and you get separated, you can all call that number to tell people you’re OK and where you’ve relocated to. Carry that phone number with you in your wallet.

Lastly, include a package of quarters in your “grab & go” kit. If a disaster causes a large disruption to telephone services, they will likely activate pay phones before they activate your home or cell phone lines.

Steven Bibby

META Member, and Manager of Safety & Security for BC Housing, a provincial agency participant in Emergency Social Services for the Province of BC

Race Officials Division

If you are a "Race Officials Division" member, *and why wouldn't you be*, please send in your log book as soon as possible to your local ROD rep. If you are a first year member or require a new wooden plaque, please mark the back of the log book accordingly. If you wish to nominate someone for the ICSCC Worker of the Year you can do that on the back of the log book as well.

Also a reminder that ROD members who worked 8 or more 'Conference' races this year are entitled to a free ticket to the ICSCC year end awards banquet on November 12th in Seattle. There will be a limited number of worker rooms available at the banquet hotel, please contact your local rep for more information.

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CASCADE SPORTS CAR CLUB

presents the

8 Hours of the Cascades

October 15, 2005

Note to workers:

Throughout the year CSCC club, through the worker fund, has been paying gas money or 1 night hotel accommodation to volunteers traveling more than 100 miles to their events.

For the enduro they will be paying for both gas and 1 night hotel.

Contact Ken Killam for more information: cscsafety@comcast.net

Schedule

SATURDAY

7:30am - 10:00am	Registration & Tech Inspection
9:00am - 9:30am	Enduro Practice
9:40am - 10:10am	Enduro Practice
10:20am- 10:50 am	Enduro Practice
10:50am - 11:30pm	LUNCH
11:30am - 11:55pm	Cars to the Le Mans grid
11:55am	Engines Off
12:00pm - 8:00pm	8 HOURS OF THE CASCADES

Enduro Classes

P1	2500cc and up & 13B Rotary Engines
P2	1650cc – 2499cc & 12A Rotary Engines
P3	1649cc and under
SR	Sports Racer class: open only to cars eligible to compete in ICSCC Sports Racing Classifications

WORKER PROFILE: Gerald (Gerry) Lomas

Family: *Wife — Bernice 2 Sisters*

Birthplace: *New Westminster B.C. A L -0-N - G Time ago*

Occupation: *Retired*

Hobbies: *Activities outside of racing: Model Railroading, Cruising and RVing*

Customary Favorite job at track: *Communicator*

When and why did I get involved?

I saw my first race at Abbotsford airport in 1955. I became a member of SCCBC in March 1956. I was on the executive, as secretary, in 1971 and 1972. My membership lapsed in 1989. I joined META in 1990 and was vice president in 2001. Most of these years were spent at Westwood doing everything from marshaling and tech to land clearing.

What do I like least about it? *Standing in the rain and/or cold!*

Favorite track of all time: *Has to be Westwood because I helped build and maintain it.*

Favorite track now: *Pacific Raceways*

Favorite event: *Historics at Pacific Raceways.*

What would I tell a new worker whether asked or not.

- 1) Be safe*
- 2) Look out for your partner and your self*
- 3) Expect the unexpected (any thing can happen at any time)*

Favorite car: *1958 Porsche Coupe*

Frustrated racer? *No way. I tried it only once (1957). The Conference had a rally division at that time. I traveled to Portland, Spokane, Seattle, and the Tricities area. The most notable rally I ran in was the Shell 4000 Rally from Montreal to Vancouver in 1962.*

Most dangerous events I've been involved in:

- 1) Seeing a Porsche broadside a turn station and the turn crew disappearing from sight.*
- 2) Having car come into my station on fire.*
- 3) Seeing a car roll over and stop on its roof.*
- 4) Having pieces (various sizes) of four cars slid into my station after crashing at the previous turn.*



2005

**Sports Car Club of British Columbia
Annual Awards Banquet
"A Tribute to our Volunteers"**

Date: Saturday, October 29, 2005

**Place: Executive Plaza Hotel
& Conference Centre
405 North Road, Coquitlam, BC
Telephone: (604) 936-9399**

**Time: 5:30pm - No Host Bar and
Hors D'oeuvres
6:30pm - Plated Dinner
7:30pm - Awards Presentation
8:30pm - Dancing, door prizes,
laughter and lots of fun!**

Cost: \$40.00 per person

**Contact Cheryl Ward (604) 941-5347 or
Leslie Skinner (604) 856-8957 for tickets**

White Night
An evening of
Accolades
and
Elegance

ICSCC Annual Awards Event
Dinner - Awards - Door Prizes – Dancing

Join us November 12, 2005
Seattle Sea-Tac Marriott – 5:30
Tickets: \$35

Register by Nov 4th to:
Peggy Ann Walker
6327 SW Hiawatha CT
Lake Oswego, Oregon 97035 U.S.A.

Marriott Hotel: 1-800-228-9290 or 206-241-2000
\$79 / night
Block Booking closes Oct. 21st

DeeAnn Lensen, Banquet Facilitator (604) 916-8354
Peggy Ann Walker, Banquet Registrar (503) 684-0353

CLUB MERCHANDISE

Pens on Neck string \$2.00

META Crests:

Black Border/Vancouver or

Black Border/Vancouver/25th Anniversary or

Red Border/Westwood \$3.00 each

META Decals Static for inside or

Stick-On for outside \$1.00 each

META Pins \$3.00 each

Club Shirts

White, short sleeve, 'Golf Shirts' with
META logo embroidered on front.

\$10.00 each

META Shirts with design by Krystyna Mitchell

100% Cotton--Long sleeve--All sizes

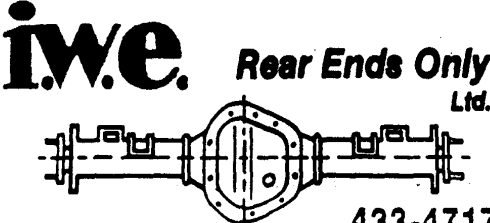
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McIntosh gets the call for Canada

New Series: Coquitlam driver "honored" to represent country in A1 Grand Prix

By Gordon McIntyre
Sports Reporter

Like any proud Canadian, Sean McIntosh is thrilled to represent his country.

The Coquitlam race driver will hit England's Brands Hatch circuit this weekend in a Lola decked out in the red and white of the Maple Leaf in a new series called A1 Grand Prix. Bankrolled by a Dubai sheik, the series bills itself as the World Cup of Motorsport.

Drivers race in identical Lola chassis with Cooper tires and 550-horsepower 3.4-litre Zytek V8 engines.

The cars are designed to get their downforce from mechanical grip rather than aerodynamics, which should mean less wake, or dirty air, and more nose-to-tail racing and overtaking.

Four qualifying sessions determine the grid for a rolling start to a half-hour morning sprint, then the main race begins with a standing start, the order determined by finishes in the sprint.

"It's an honour to represent Canada," McIntosh said when reached on his cell phone at a noisy Northampton restaurant five minutes from Silverstone at his English base of Towchester. "It's an opportunity to travel all over the world in the winter competing in all the events. I'm quite excited."

The AIGP has a field of 25 cars, each representing a separate country. Nations as diverse as the U.S. and South Africa, Australia and Indonesia, England and Lebanon are represented.

There will be 12 races in 12 countries, Mexico and Laguna Seca, are the North American stops, with a season finale in Shanghai, China, in April.

Race purses are \$1 million US, with the winner taking home \$300,000. Of the 10 cars that tested Monday, McIntosh was fastest in the second session and second-fastest overall.

Not bad for a guy who only climbed into the car for the first time that day "It took a bit of getting used to in the beginning" said the 20-year-old, who's racing in his second British Formula Renault season, which uses cars with about 200 horsepower. "The first few times on the straightaway, I was like 'Whoa! This is quick.' "But your body gets used to it and you get down to feeling the car. It's just bigger and heavier (than Formula Renault), not too far off a Champ Car, I think."

McIntosh's move to Britain is now paying the kind of dividend he'd hoped for when he joined the Renault series last year and won rookie of the year.

He's won five times this season. With two races to go (also at Brands Hatch) and 67 points up for grabs, McIntosh trails Oliver Jarvis by 16 points — 397-381 — in the championship hunt.

He'd initially lobbied to drive for Team Canada in August. (Teams are recognized, not drivers — Jacques Villeneuve, for example, could conceivably drive qualifying sessions before the race and McIntosh run the race, under the rules.)

McIntosh had a test lined up, then the team abruptly cancelled it at the last minute. But a new owner took over, Canadian businessman Wade Cherwayko, and knowing McIntosh's name from the British racing scene, he phoned eight days ago and offered him the job.

McIntosh, aware as anyone of how hard drivers have to scramble to find sponsorship, especially back home in Canada, is extremely grateful.

"It's unbelievable to just show up and get to work," he said. "It's starting to become a job, where you're not having to always raise the funding to drive. It's quite an honor."

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ANNUAL META AWARDS NOMINATIONS

Nominations will be accepted only from META members in good standing.

Deadline for submissions is December 31, 2005.

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: Rookie of the year is a volunteer who participates in racing and must attend 50% of the races to qualify.

I wish to nominate _____ for the Rookie 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 ____/____/____.
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