



# MAYDAY

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Next META meeting will be  
**JANUARY 28, 2009**

Our meeting location is Boston Pizza  
1045 Columbia Street, New Westminister, BC

## SPEED READING

Jan 7	SCCBC Meeting – Best Western,	North Road	Coquitlam, BC
Jan 10&11	Ice Race # 1 -- Barnes Lake	WCIRABC	Cache Creek, BC
Jan 24&25	Ice Race # 2 -- Barnes Lake	WCIRABC	Cache Creek, BC
Jan 28	META Meeting – Boston Pizza	7:30	New West, BC
Jan 31	META 35 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Banquet – Guildford Golf and Country Club	5:45	Surrey, BC
Feb 7&8	Ice Race # 3 -- Barnes Lake	WCIRABC	Cache Creek, BC
Feb 7&8	Thunderbird Rally TSD Rally	WCRA	BC Interior
Feb 11	SCCBC Meeting – Best Western,	North Road	Coquitlam, BC
Feb 21&22	Ice Race # 4 -- Barnes Lake	WCIRABC	Cache Creek, BC
Feb 25	META Meeting – Boston Pizza	7:30	New West, BC

Please Note that Ice Races are subject to Ice and Weather conditions. Please call the hotline or check the website before traveling. [www.carsonice.ca](http://www.carsonice.ca) 604-945-4592

## **TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP IN META**

It's that time of year again!!! Please send in your membership renewal as soon as possible to avoid the catastrophe of missing your monthly Mayday. OK, there are other good reasons to join. Look elsewhere in this issue for the renewal form and get your \$20 bucks into Thomas.

Thank you for your support.

*META 35th Anniversary Banquet*

*January 31, 2009*

*Guildford Golf and Country Club*

*Tickets: \$40.00 per person (must be paid in advance)*

*Contact Doris: 604-588-9218*

*Lynn: 604-501-1503*

## *Mike's Ramblings:*

Larry Bell put forward a motion, which was seconded by JP Skinner, to bring back the Westcoast Sportscar Championship Series (WSC) at the December SCCBC meeting.

There was a very heated debate, however the motion did pass. There will be changes to the format and discussion is ongoing.

Because this will be a pro series relying on keeping sponsors happy, cancelling a race due to lack of entries is not an option, therefore other options are being explored.

My personal position on this is that as long as there is competitive racing and at least 10 cars on the track the series should have a full hour, but I would like some feedback from the membership on this either on the forum, via email (president@meta.bc.ca) or by phone (604.716.2660 evenings only please) as there will be a meeting of those interested in the WSC in early January, which I would like to attend – this may be the only opportunity META may have to give feedback.

At the SCCBC meeting I suggested running two half hour races, this allows for driver changes and eliminates the mandatory pit-stop, a variation of this idea has been suggested on the SCCBC forum. I do hope that with the WSC efforts to work with us that we do not have our members avoiding this series.

Ice Racing season is upon us again, as our recent weather has let us know. I expect good hard ice this year based on recent weather, so the racing should be good. I have the schedule posted on the META website, the official schedule is at: <http://www.carsonice.ca/schedule/07schedule.html>. Unfortunately again this year it is beginning to look as though I won't be able to join in the fun, but I hope everyone else has a good time.

As some of you are already aware I've done up a couple of draft logo's to acknowledge META's 35 years of existence. To date the feedback I have received indicates preference is for "Safety in Motorsports" as the tag line. To vote for your preference go to the META Forum. Even as administrator of the forum I am unable to see who responded, votes are confidential, so there is no reason not to let your opinion count. I will wait until January 10 to have the system tabulate the results; this will give me time to make something up for our club banquet. Here are the two ideas I have:

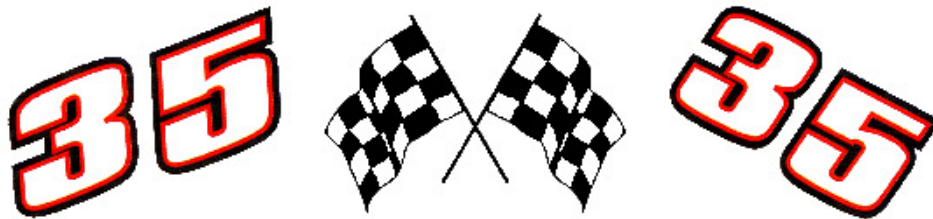


*Mike Bailey*

# META

## Motorsport and Emergency Turnworkers Association

1973 to 2008



### ANOTHER MILESTONE ANNIVERSARY

**DATE:** JANUARY 31<sup>ST</sup>, 2009

**PLACE:** GUILDFORD GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB  
7929 - 152<sup>ND</sup> STREET  
SURREY, BC (WEST SIDE OF 152<sup>ND</sup>)

**TIME:** COCKTAILS 5:45PM  
DINNER 6:30PM  
AWARDS 7:30PM



**TICKETS:** \$40.00 PER PERSON  
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# 2008 FAMILY REUNION

Throughout the year, our member clubs supplied the tranquil garden settings for all of us to have our weekend get togethers, and for that we are appreciative.

Throughout the year, the drivers supplied the entertainment at these little soirees, and for that we are truly grateful.

Throughout the year, the volunteers came to set up and tear down the garden settings, they came to restore the tranquility when the entertainment occasionally derailed, they came because they wanted to be there and for that we are thankful.

This is the ICSCC family way.

Special thanks to Rick Delamare and Greg Miller for presenting the ROD Awards this year and to Hal Hilton for presenting the Worker of the Year Award.

This year 73% of the ROD Members received recognition awards.

They came because they wanted to be there.

<b>RED:</b>	Andrew & Karen Clouston	Nick Roche
	Angus Glass	Roger Salomon
	Ali Montgomery	Doug Smith
	Russ Newhouse	Don Souter
	Ann Peters	Manny Zumm

<b>BLUE:</b>	Scott Ahrens	Ken Killam
	John Bradshaw	Holly Remington
	Cathy Frasier	Tasma Wooton
	Adam Jacobsen	

<b>SILVER:</b>	Linda Blackburn	Thomas Liesner
	Jerry Coughran	Mark Miller
	Rob Jacobsen	Jim O'Keefe

<b>GOLD:</b>	David Bell	Ralph Hunter	Lynn Rimmer
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**JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT AWARD:** Sierra Newhouse

**WORKER OF THE YEAR:** RALPH HUNTER

Congratulations to all! See you in 2009.

*Lynn Rimmer*

ICSCC ROD Director

## *WestCoast Sportscar Championship making a comeback*

From SCCBC minutes posted in the SCCBC Pitpass, page 18: <http://www.sccbc.net/pitpass/2009/Jan09pp.pdf>

### New Business:

Larry Bell presented a motion to: Reinstate the WSC as a Club Championship to be run on at least 5 weekends in the 2009 season using the 2008 approved rules as attached. 2nd by John-Paul Skinner.

Discussion regarding minimum number of cars for a race to be run as per Honda Challenge, CFDA, and Vintage, concern also regarding worker support if one hour race with fewer than 15 cars on track. If sponsorship is to be considered, you can not cancel a race and still expect to keep sponsor support. Too early to be able to guarantee numbers – if we know the series is a go then we can work on driver support – discussion also took into consideration a possible sliding scale of cars verses length of race. Larry and John-Paul agreed to an amendment to the motion:

Reinstate the WSC as a Club Championship to be run on at least 5 weekends in 2009 season using the 2008 approved rules as attached. Car count, costs, length of event to be finalized with SCCBC executive before the 1st event. 22 members voted in favour, 4 abstained, 2 opposed.

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From SCCBC Forum:

### ***We're Comin' Back!***

Posted on: Dec 11th, 2008, 12:33pm

A motion to re-start the Westcoast Sportscar Championship Series was put forward at last night's club meeting, and after due consideration and comment, it was approved by a large percentage of the 30+ members in attendance.

Negotiations among the proponents and the club executive will determine a formula which will be used to keep the varied interests of the event drivers, META volunteers and club finances in balance. One possible result will have the number of cars/drivers starting any WSC Series race determine the race length, with fixed club costs shared by the participants of that race.

If you missed the Series this last year and want to help get it back up and running, please give us your thoughts. Call me!

Larry Bell 604 309-5884 [ReEntryRacing@shaw.ca](mailto:ReEntryRacing@shaw.ca)

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Posted on: Jan 7<sup>th</sup>, 2009, 5:47pm

The meeting of the 2009 WSC organizational committee is planned for Sunday, January 18th, 11:00 AM in Building NE1, Room 331 (Inglis Building) at BCIT. Coffee and snacks will be provided.

Those persons who wish to confirm their support for the 2009 WSC Series should bring their cheque-books and be prepared to submit the Entrant Registration Fee and/or Driver Registration Fee of \$100 which will be held in trust until the series re-starts in April.

The 2008 WSC Series rules will be used as a basis for the 2009 rules, and the main intent of this meeting is to refine the discussions of the December SCCBC meeting.

If you are interested in running the 2009 WSC series, please attend this meeting and show your support. For more information or questions, please contact Larry Bell:

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From ICSCC Forum, originally posted by Howard Allen to PDXracer

## **Cheryl "Mindy" Allen 19\*9-2008 R.I.P**

It is with the upmost sadness I must report that just after eight o'clock PST this evening my favorite corner worker lost her battle with lymphoma.

After spending the day with the likes of Kadi Brewer, Greg Bell, Cathy Frasier, Gail Fetterman, Richard & Kimberly Kuzma not to mention Jeff Zurschmeide she went to sleep and did not wake-up.

Everything I learned about courage I learned from her. She looked death straight in the eye and never blinked. She died like the life she lived, she was a Pro.

Our government spends more in two weeks in Iraq then it spends in a year for Cancer research; that needs to change.

So as I embark upon the single life I can do so with a peace of mind that no other can have, yesterday she said, "You know I will never leave you, I'll always be that guardian angel on your shoulder."

Believe me after thirty-eight (almost to the day) of the best years any person could ask for the woman is good for her word.

*Duckster*

Submitted by Vic Kennedy

## **ICE - 'In Case of Emergency'**

We all carry our mobile phones with names and numbers stored in its memory but nobody, other than ourselves, knows which of these numbers belong to our closest family or friends.

If we were to be involved in an accident or were taken ill, the people attending us would have our mobile phone but wouldn't know who to call. Yes, there are hundreds of numbers stored, but which one is the contact person in case of an emergency?

Hence this 'ICE' (In Case of Emergency) campaign. The concept of 'ICE' is catching on quickly. It is a method of contact during emergency situations. As cell (mobile) phones are carried by the majority of the population, all you need to do is store the number of a contact person or persons who should be contacted during emergency under the name 'ICE' (In Case Of Emergency).

The idea was thought up by a paramedic who found that when he went to the scenes of accidents, there were always mobile phones with patients, but they didn't know which number to call. He therefore thought that it would be a good idea if there was a nationally recognized name for this purpose. In an emergency situation, Emergency Service personnel and Hospital Staff would be able to quickly contact the right person by simply dialing the number you have stored as 'ICE.'

For more than one contact name simply enter ICE1, ICE2 and ICE3 etc.

A great idea that will make a difference!



# 2009 Bowl for Big Brothers Classic

February 15 - April 8

About the Campaign

Overview

## *Join the Alien Nation*

**It's time to paint your face green and take over the planet with The 2009 Bowl for Big Brothers Classic.** Sign up, collect pledges and allow us to treat your team to a two hour bowling event in the stars.

## *You Win, The Kids Win!*

**Once upon a time, in a galaxy far, far away... there were no cool prizes and not enough Big Brothers. Not any more!** Raise pledges to fund friendships between Big and Little Brothers and you will win cosmic prizes!

## *Who Can Bowl?*

**Anyone! Create your own Starship Enterprise crew by recruiting teams from your office. Or raise a finger to the sky and call home to ask your family and friends to join you.**

## *Where the Money Goes*

All proceeds from the Bowl for Big Brothers Classic support Big Brothers of Greater Vancouver's quality mentoring programs by funding volunteer screening and training and the monitoring of friendships.

Mentoring programs help kids reach their full potential by heightening self esteem and enabling them to make healthy decisions.

Studies indicate kids with mentors perform better academically, display improved personal relationships and are less inclined to use drugs and alcohol as teens.

Mentoring benefits the community by endorsing volunteerism, tolerance and social responsibility.

*Our vision is to put a mentor in the life of every child who needs one.*

***META's team will be bowling Friday March 13<sup>th</sup>***

***8:00pm - 10:00pm***

***REVS BOWLING CENTRE - 10 PIN***

***5502 Lougheed Highway, Burnaby***

***For more information and registration go to***

***www.BIGbowlUFO.com or***

***contact Mike Bailey to sign up for the META Bowling Team***

## CLUB MERCHANDISE

Pens on Neck string \$1.00  
META Decals Static for inside or  
Stick-On for outside \$.50 each  
META Pins \$1.50 each  
Earplugs \$1.00  
Training Manuals \$1.00 (Free to new  
workers)

## Club Shirts

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Contact Ann Peters for more  
information*

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No \_\_\_\_\_

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 a message at  
maydayeditor@hotmail.com



Press Release:

ORLANDO, Fla. (Dec. 11, 2009) – After a two-year hiatus since its last Champion was crowned, SCCA's Trans-Am® Series will return in 2009, with a planned eight-race schedule for the series which held its first race in 1966.

Five of the eight races were announced today at the Performance Racing Industry show, in Orlando, Fla., as well as the series' title sponsor for 2009—Muscle Milk®.

A joint venture between Sports Car Club of America, Inc. and subsidiary SCCA Pro Racing, the 2009 Muscle Milk® SCCA® Trans-Am® Series will consist of six events in conjunction with some of the biggest SCCA Club Racing events across the country, creating powerhouse SCCA weekends, and two key professional events. Technical rules will be based on the SCCA Club Racing GT-1 class.

“There is a dedicated group of Trans-Am loyalists who have been working to make this happen since our last licensing agreement to operate the series expired in 2005,” SCCA President & CEO Jim Julow said. “The re-birth of Trans-Am begins in 2009 with a grassroots-based series that has the potential to grow in the coming years into a full professional racing series.

“On behalf of SCCA and SCCA Pro Racing, I would like to thank Jim Derhaag for his tireless efforts to help put some of the critical pieces together and Muscle Milk for coming on board as title sponsor to make the series a reality.”

The series will begin its 42nd Championship season March 21-22 at Road Atlanta as part of the Atlanta Region SCCA's season-opening National race. The series has previously visited Road Atlanta 12 times from 1973 through 2002, with race winners including former series Champions Peter Gregg, Pete Halsmer, Dorsey Schroeder, Tommy Kendall, Scott Pruett and Boris Said.

One month later, April 17-19, the series heads from the rolling hills of Georgia North to the rolling hills of Virginia, as part of North Carolina Region's Oak Tree Double National weekend at VIRginia International Raceway. It is only the third time the historic series has visited the historic racetrack, joining 1966 and 2002.

The series treks north of the border May 15-17 to return to Mosport International Raceway for the 25th time as part of the Victoria Day Weekend with the SPEED World Challenge Championships—reuniting SCCA Pro Racing's top series from the last 20 years. Pruett won the last series appearance at Mosport in 2003.

The series' lone visit to the left coast is a big one, joining the Rose Cup Festival June 12-14 at Portland International Raceway. The huge, traditional event played host to many Trans-Am Classic races, the last being in 1995, won by Ron Fellows. From 1975-2005, the race circuit held 21 Trans-Am Series races.

One month later, it's back east to the Finger Lakes Region's National at historic Watkins Glen Raceway, July 11-12. From 1968-1998, The Glen held 25 Trans-Am Series races ranging from feature events to participants in the 6 Hours of the Glen to the opening act before the NASCAR Cup race.

Three additional races will be announced shortly.

“We're excited about the return of Trans-Am and are pleased to be able to give something back to the series that has provided so much excitement for race fans throughout the years,” said 1978 series Champion Greg Pickett, founder of CytoSport Inc., the makers of Muscle Milk.

(Trans-Am Cont'd)

All events are expected to be approximately 90 miles in length with no pit stops. Races in conjunction with Club Racing events will have qualifying and race sessions separate from the regular GT-1 competition grouping, so drivers have the potential to run both the GT-1 Club Racing event and the Trans-Am Series event on the same weekend.

#### History

The Muscle Milk SCCA Trans-Am Series dates back to its first season in 1966. From 1966-1970, the series held a Championship to crown a Manufacturers' Champion. In 1971, a Drivers' Championship was formally adopted, with both Drivers' and Manufacturers' Championships being awarded through the 2005 season. The series was split into two classes from 1976-1979, crowning Champions in each division. In 2006, two additional races were held, although no Manufacturers' Champion was recognized.

Throughout the years, some of the greatest names in motorsports have participated in the Trans-Am Series. Backdating the Drivers' Championship to the inaugural season, 30 different drivers took titles, with multiple Championships being won by Paul Gentilozzi, Tommy Kendall, Mark Donohue, Scott Pruett, Wally Dallenbach Jr., George Follmer, Peter Gregg, Horst Kwech, Scott Sharp and Bob Tullius. Gentilozzi leads all drivers, with 31 career wins.

SCCA both owned and operated the Trans-Am Series, either internally or through its SCCA Pro Racing subsidiary, from 1966 through 2000. In 2001, SCCA began a series of outside licensing agreements for the series from 2001-2006. In its 41 seasons, the series held 446 separate races.

#### Regulations and Administration

Announcements regarding regulations and series administration will be made shortly, although technical regulations will be based on current GT-1 rules from the Club Racing General Competition Rules (GCR) with additional potential safety requirements.

Club Racing events will be operated primarily by the individual SCCA Regions, with alterations to the protest and appeals process to be similar to that of Pro Racing events, managed by the SCCA National Staff. A dedicated technical inspector will be at each Trans-Am Series event, regardless of Club or Pro Racing sanction.

A series Web site is being established at [www.sccatrans-am.com](http://www.sccatrans-am.com). Future announcements will be placed there and at [www.scca.com](http://www.scca.com).

### 2009 MUSCLE MILK SCCA TRANS-AM SERIES SCHEDULE\*

Date	Venue	With
March 21-22	Road Atlanta, Braselton, Ga.	Atlanta National
April 17-19	VIRginia International Raceway, Alton, Va.	North Carolina National
May 15-17	Mosport International Raceway, Canada	SPEED World Challenge
<b>June 12-14</b>	<b>Portland International Raceway, Portland, Ore.</b>	<b>Oregon Region National</b>
July 11-12	Watkins Glen Int'l, Watkins Glen, N.Y.	Finger Lakes National

# ANNUAL META AWARDS NOMINATIONS

Nominations will be accepted only from META members in good standing. Please submit to Joe Proud at [jjproudca@yahoo.ca](mailto:jjproudca@yahoo.ca), Mark Miller, Mike Bailey or Doris Gildemiester.

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:

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## 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 of the Year for the following reasons:

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## 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:

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## 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:

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Nomination submitted by \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_.  
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