



# MAYDAY



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Next META meeting will be

*January 27, 2021*

Our meeting location this month will be via Zoom

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## *Speed Reading*

Dec 9	SCCBC Meeting – via Zoom	7:00	Your House
Jan 13 - TBC	SCCBC Meeting – via Zoom	7:00	Your House
Jan 16&17	Ice Race # 1 – Barnes Lake	WCIRABC	Ashcroft, BC
Jan 27	META Meeting – via Zoom	7:30	Your House
Jan 30&31	24 hours of Daytona	IMSA	Daytona Beach, FL
Jan 30&31	Ice Race # 2 – Barnes Lake	WCIRABC	Ashcroft, BC
Jan 30	META Banquet – CANCELLED		
Feb 13&14	Ice Race # 3 – Barnes Lake	WCIRABC	Ashcroft, BC
Feb 24 - TBC	META Meeting – via Zoom	7:30	Your House
Feb 27&28	Ice Race # 4 – Barnes Lake	WCIRABC	Ashcroft, BC

Note that Ice Races are subject to Ice and Weather conditions.

Please check the website <http://www.carsonice.ca/> before traveling.

## *Congratulations*

*to the*

*2021 META Executive*

*President: David Bell*

*Vice President: Mike Bailey*

*Secretary: Karen Clouston*

*Treasurer: Angus Glass*

*Many thanks to the 2020 executive for all your hard work*



*Please note: There will be no META meeting in December.*

*Have a Merry Christmas and a*

*Happy New Year*

## *Presidents Report*

Despite all of the challenges that 2020 provided I think META managed to have as a successful a season as we could given the conditions. The three races, one driver training, and one lapping day were the fewest number of events on our calendar in all my years of racing. Our club showed our resilience and adaptability to meet the conditions.

The club got through this year posting a minor loss on a cash basis, and a much larger loss when depreciation is factored in. The club has sufficient cash reserves for the short term, but we cannot continue to operate in this manner for the long term. META has a declining membership base that will slowly lead to the demise of the club if we do not work to attract new members.

It has been my pleasure to serve as the President for the past year, however when I volunteered for the position of President I did not anticipate assuming the role of President of CACC as well. Unfortunately I do not believe that I can give META the time it deserves while serving as President of CACC. I stand ready to assist the incoming executive in any way I can.

Yours in Motorsport,

*David Bell*

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## CACC Awards

Peter Brand Award for Outstanding Contribution	<i>David Bell</i>
Ed Smart Award for Official of the Year	<i>Pam Stec</i>
Charlie Lisson Award for Volunteer of the Year	<i>Carol Tagg</i>
Club of the Year	<i>VCMC (Time Attack)</i>
Best Appearing Car and Crew	<i>Gayle Baird / Nixon Prosports</i>
Race Drivers Performance	<i>Karlo Flores</i>
Race Novice of the Year	<i>Jason Wesson</i>
Race Sedan Champion	<i>Carlos Tesler-Mabe</i>
Race Formula Champion	<i>Gary Kwong</i>
Competitor of the Year - Auto Slalom	<i>Robert Hamilton</i>
Competitor of the Year - Time Attack	<i>Mitch Chubey</i>
Competitor of the Year - Ice Race	<i>Jim Ford</i>
Competitor of the Year - Karting	<i>Jason Leung</i>
Contributor of the Year - Vintage	<i>Keith Robinson</i>



# *META Awards Banquet*

*CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS*

*Annual awards have also been suspended for  
2020*



# *VRCBC Annual Gala*

*Planning is underway for a Virtual Banquet  
including META via Zoom in January*

*More Details to Follow*

It's that time of year again!!!

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

- Membership is from January 1 to December 31
- The membership list will be purged of non-renewals March 31.
- Look elsewhere in this issue for the renewal form or you can renew your membership on-line using PayPal or credit card at:

<http://meta.bc.ca/wordpress/forms>

Thank you for your support.

## *META HISTORY:*

Article from Mayday, September 1976

Author unknown

### PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL RACEWAY

Loaded down with camping gear, food and enthusiasm fourteen M.E.T.A. members left Vancouver's foul weather and headed south. Driving around floods in Bellingham, speeding tickets in Seattle and losing people in Vancouver Wash., ten members made it to P.I.R. to find out there would be no camping at the track and almost no race at the track.

The driver's write-up mentioned a Wet T-shirt contest, beer drinking and free camping but unfortunately a driver's wife didn't appreciate the idea of the wet T-shirt contest and took it up with city council.

When city council saw the write-up given to the drivers they decided there would be no race.

Basically city council decided there was not going to be an "orgy" on city property.

After some quick thinking and lots of talking by SCCA officials, the city council decided there would be a race, but "with stipulations"... no camping and no orgy.

If you can imagine our M.E.T.A. gang going up to a motel at 2.00 am and getting two rooms - perhaps city council was right after all!

Things from now on were a little bit different than at Westwood. At the meeting on start-finish the corner crews are assigned rather than having everyone work the same corner.

All Corner Marshals are pre-assigned at a meeting before the race weekend.

The corner crews pick up all the tools used in the corner while Turn Captains (T/C) have a meeting with the Course Marshal (he's got the sharpest looking Pantera around) where they discuss problems, turn crews, etc.

Once in the corners the T/C discusses corner problem areas, use of flags and hand signals and introduces the other corner personnel.

An important feature of P.I.R. is the consistent use of flags and hand signals by all personnel on every corner. T/C then assigns people for flags and emergency, who, on the average of every second race change positions, and assistant Turn Captains (AT/C).

Emergency is basically like Westwood except he wears bright orange dishwashing gloves, a little hot but very effective as the hand signals can be seen for quite a distance.

The emergency worker and his assistant are the only ones who run to cars; he also ensures that the T/C and communications are kept informed of the status of the situation.

If a bad accident occurs the T/C will go to the vehicle and the AT/C will take over the corner. Under no circumstances is everyone off to the accident.

By the way the racing that we had was excellent.

May all of us who were down in P.I.R. extend our thanks to Doug, Skip, Jerry, Bob and all the others for making this weekend a memorable one.





Registration is open for the 2021 season!

If you are interested in attending all of the events, check out the seasons pass!

<https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/cars-on-ice-2021-seasons-pass-barnes-lake-wcirabc-883814>

## **2021 Ice Schedule**

January 16/17 - Ice Cross (Auto-X on ice)

January 30/31 - Ice Attack (Lapping/ Track day on ice)

February 13/14 - Ice Cross

February 27/28 - Ice Attack

**ICE ATTACK REQUIRES A CACC ICE RACE LICENSE! - To have times recorded you must also have participated in an Ice-x or Ice Attack event within the past 5 years. You may sign up for a CACC license after signing up for this event.**

The event is held on Barnes Lake, near Ashcroft, BC, Canada and is approximately a 4 hour drive from Vancouver. The travel time may vary depending on weather, however you should be prepared considering you plan to RACE ON ICE! A number of participants stay overnight in Ashcroft or nearby town Cache Creek for ~\$80/night for a two bedroom stay. For those wanting a true out-door experience some participants chose to camp overnight next to the lake (You must be prepared for the weather).

This event will follow BC COVID-19 protocol and will require all competitors and crew to wear a mask or an equivalent face covering. Some would even recommend the use of a scarf.

<https://www.facebook.com/carsonice.ca/>

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<http://carsonice.ca/faq>

### ***What is IceX?***

IceX is an autocross event held on a frozen lake. This is a single car timed event completing 1 lap at a time. IceX allows beginners to learn car control techniques and gives an experienced driver a chance to hone and perfect the skills they already have. Previous experience not required.

### ***What is Ice Attack?***

Ice Attack is a time attack, multi lap timed event on a frozen lake. Passing is not allowed, but there is a pull out lane for slower drivers to allow for the faster cars to continue. This event is more race oriented with higher speeds and has continuous lapping to increase seat time. Previous ice experience is required. This minimum includes completion of 1 IceX event or a previous wheel to wheel event and a CACC competition license.

## **META Members Favorite Businesses**

In an effort to support local business I am listing some member recommended businesses.  
Do you have a favorite restaurant, pub, or local business?  
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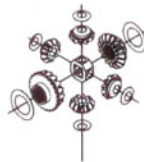
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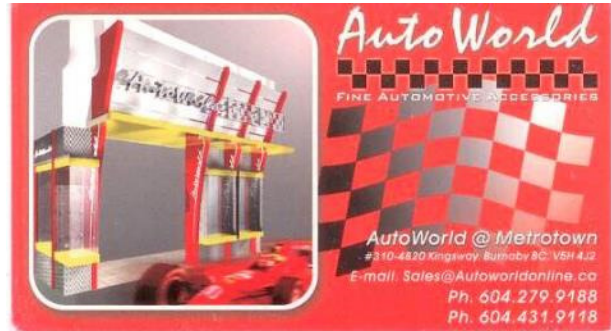
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