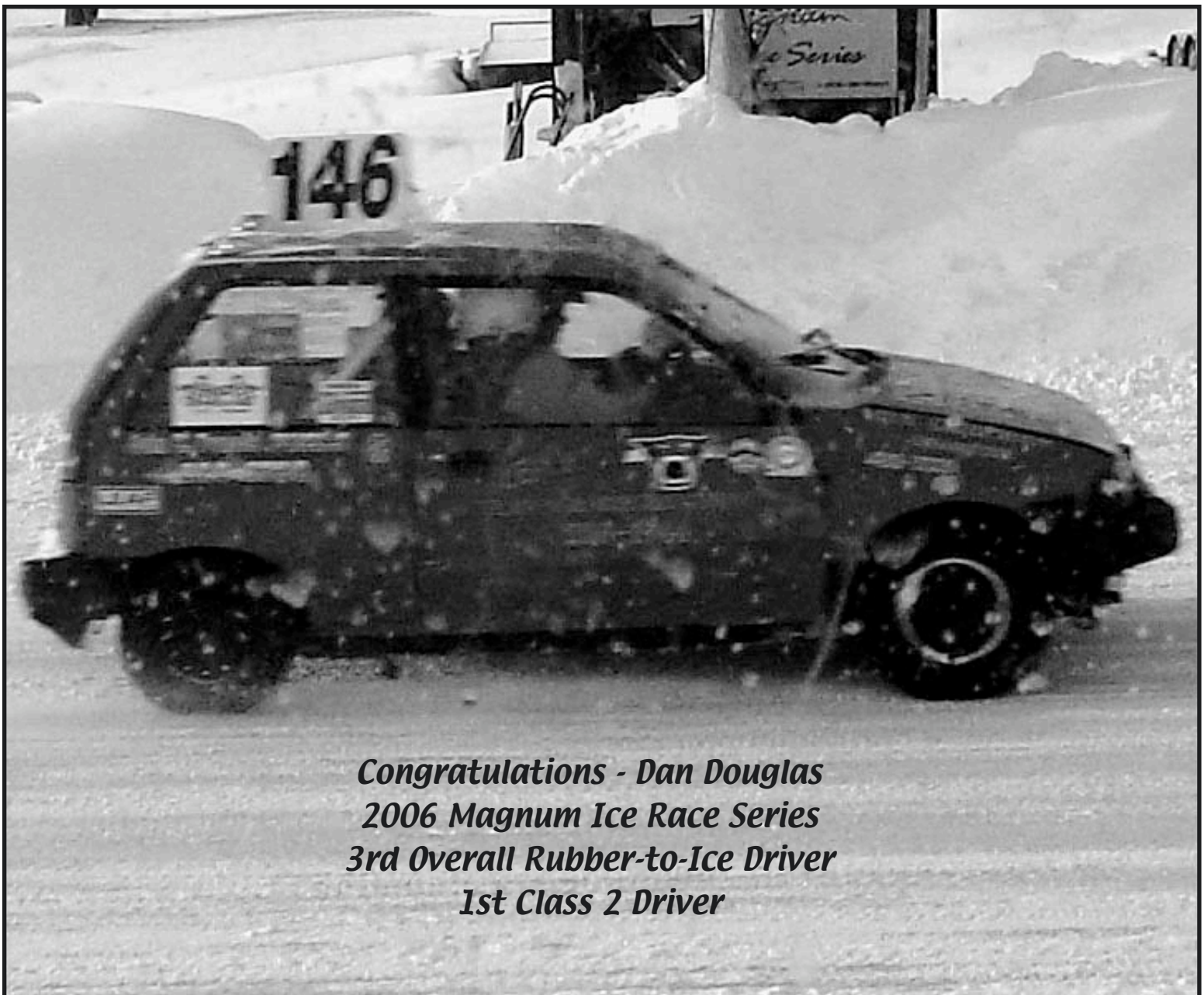




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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Another month closer to track season, and I'm ready!

My BMW M3 track car that was supposed to be ready last June is almost ready. It just needs an alignment and brake pads, and it'll be ready for the track. I'd love to have the splitter and wing on, and the car painted, but that can wait. Over the last month, all welding has been completed (sunroof is now attached, I've got a dead-pedal, and a way to attach weights as needed). The hood is on, the transponder is in, and I've got brake ducts.

Now I'm waiting to see what's going to break the first time I take it on the track.

In the next month, I'll be at the Mosport big track instructing at a 3 day driving school, then co-hosting the SoloSprint school at the Mosport Driver Development Track. Later in May, I'll be at Mid Ohio, so the car will get a good shake-down before any competitive events.

Regardless of what happens, I've had an absolute blast building the car. I owe a big THANK YOU to TechMax in Mississauga. They donated shop space for me to work on the car, and were available when I ran into problems that I couldn't handle. They let me source the parts, and they did all the engine work, welding, and other tricky bits. I had fun stripping the car cutting the dash and painting the interior.

I was at the Open House at the beginning of April - at CSC Racing in Newmarket. It was great to see everyone again after a long winter off. We had a bunch of new TAC members sign up, as well as some returning members. One thing I don't understand is how a returning member can give up on the early renewal dividend! This year, if you renewed before December 31, you will get a TAC shirt or overnight bag. They're worth almost as much as the membership! You folks that sign up at the Open House miss out on all this great TAC gear. Thanks to Russ, Peter, Todd, and Chuck for coming out and working the TAC table. We now have our new TAC sign, and it looks great!

People should be receiving their TAC mem-

bership cards and decals. It's nice to have some colour as part of the logo.

In other goings on, VP Russ, Treasurer Peter, AutoSlalom Organizer Brian, and I attended a CASC-OR Safety Seminar for event organizers. They need to see an Emergency Plan in place for any event. It should cover off how to deal with any foreseeable event. We have an outline, and will be available to help draft up something for your upcoming events. I may be the first one creating such a plan as we set up for the DDT school in May.

On to other events ... the TAC Ralliettes start back up this month. I'll be out on April 26 working a checkpoint, and wife Sue and daughter Sarah will be running in the Intermediate class this year. We're all looking forward to it.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the new Miami's - The Fox and Fiddle! Here's hoping that we'll have a nice room to meet in, that their prices stay just as low as they were, and that lots of TACCIES come out and buy food and drink so they'll let us continue to use their facilities.

On another note, I've seen a bunch of great write-ups by some people that answer some stock questions. Here's my answers, and I'll get others to provide theirs in future issues.

Happy Racing!

What's your favourite car? 2006 BMW M6

What's your favourite road? This is a bit tricky. I love driving up and down the escarpment in and around Dundas, ON. But I'd have to go with Nurburgring.

Who you'd most like to take on your drive? Well, my daughters always have fun riding at the track, but for a drive on the 'Ring, I'd like to have Hans Stuck with me!

Rally or Race? I still think rally drivers have the best car control, and if I had the spare cars to throw around, I'd be out doing performance rallies.

Rob McAuley

TAC EVENTS CALENDAR 2006

<u>DATES</u>	<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>EVENT/LOCATION</u>	<u>ORGANIZING CLUB</u>
APRIL 2006			
19	Meeting	TAC Monthly Club Meeting, Fox & Fiddle Restaurant (Finch W) ☞	TAC
22	IRL	Twin Ring Motegi	
23	Fr	SAN MARINO Grand Prix 305.609km	
24	Meeting	RSO Board Meeting	RSO
26	Ralliette	Ralliette Series Event #1, #400 Service Centre North ☞	TAC
27-29	School	HRC Horizon Racing Club Racing Drivers' School	
29	Solo-II Series	CASC-Ontario Solo-2 School, Brampton Sports Centre	HADA
MAY 2006			
6	ORRC	Blossom Rally	KWRC
7	Fr	EUROPEAN Grand Prix 308.863km	
8	Mini Rally	Mini Rally	MLRC
13-14	Solo-I	Solo Lapping School Days, Mosport DDT ☞	TAC/OMSC
13	CART	Houston, Reliant Park	
13-14	Regional Race	BEMC Spring Trophy Mosport	
14	Fr	SPANISH Grand Prix 305.256km	
17	Meeting	TAC Monthly Club Meeting, Fox & Fiddle Restaurant (Finch W) ☞	TAC
20-22	Regional Race	Victoria Day Sundown 3-Hr Mosport	
21	CART	Monterrey, Fundidora Park, Mexico	
24	Ralliette	Ralliette Series Event #2, #401 Service Centre Mississaga ☞	TAC
26-27	CRC	Rocky Mountain Rally	CSCC
28	Solo-II Series	CASC-OR ;8th Annual Judy Brunner Memorial Slalom; Picton	StLAC
28	Fr	MONACO Grand Prix 260.52km	
28	IRL	90th Indianapolis 500	
31	Club Rally	Summer Nights Rally	MCO
JUNE 2006			
3	Solo-II Series	CASC-OR Mobil 1 Autoslalom Series #2; Bracebridge	SPDA
3-4	Regional Race	CRDA Shootout at Shannonville	
4	Solo-II Series	CASC-OR Mobil 1 Autoslalom Series #3; Bracebridge ☞	TAC
4	CART	The Milwaukee Mile	
4	IRL	Watkins Glen International	
9	CART	Toronto, Exhibition Place	
10	Solo-I	Solo-I Event #1 ; Shannonville : Nelson Track	HADA
10	IRL	Texas Motor Speedway	
10	ORRC	Discover Ontario Rally	☞ TAC
11	Solo-I	Solo-I Event #2 ; Shannonville : Nelson Track	MCO
11	Fr	GREAT BRITAIN Grand Prix 308.355km	
12	Mini Rally	Mini Rally	MLRC
17	OPRC	Black Bear Rally	MLRC
18	Solo-II Series	CASC-OR Mobil 1 Autoslalom Series #4; Brampton Sports Centre	HADA
18	CART	Portland International Raceway	
21	Meeting	TAC Monthly Club Meeting, Fox & Fiddle Restaurant (Finch W) ☞	TAC
24	Solo-I	Solo-I Event #3; Mosport Driver Development Track	OMSC
24	IRL	Richmond International Raceway	
25	Solo-I	Solo-I Event #4 Mosport Driver Development Track	OMSC
25	CART	Burke Lakefront Airport, Cleveland	
25	Fr	CANADIAN Grand Prix 305.27km	

ORRC : Ontario Road Rally Cup
 RSO : Rally Sport Ontario
 IRL : Indy Racing League

CLUB : Non-Status Club Event
 CARS : Canadian Association of Rally Sport
 CRQ : Championnat de Rallye Du Quebec
 CRC : Canadian Rally Championship

OPRC : Ontario Performance Rally Championship
 CASC : Canadian Automobile Sport Clubs
 ALMS : American LeMans Series
 WRC : World Rally Championship

From The Archives ...

What a long, strange trip it's been. Some history that caught my attention this month ...

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YOUR PRESENCE AT THE APRIL MONTHLY MEETING ! SPECIAL GUESTS,

ROGER & PENNY FOUNTAIN

**WILL BE VISITING FROM ENGLAND, AND WILL BE BRINGING STORIES AND
MEMORABILIA FROM THEIR YEARS AS MEMBERS OF THE FIAT AUTO CLUB...**

From 25 years ago (1971), excerpts from the minutes of the Fiat Auto Club during that year...

- General Meetings were held monthly at the Village Squire Restaurant (address unknown)
 - The Club address was listed as 1787 Bayview Ave., Toronto. It is not clear who lived there at the time...
 - Ray Floyd was President, Peter Jones was Treasurer, Jane Kettlewell was the Club Secretary, Dave Armstrong was the Competition Director, Linda Floyd was Social Director, and Ron Nishi looked after Fifth Gear
 - There was \$2,462.83 in the bank account
 - The Club membership was listed at 119 members
 - “Upside Down Trophies” (Roll-over Award) were presented to Ian Boarder, Mike Pasco, and Bruce Cane, although no details were provided as to how they had won them...
 - The liquor bill for the 1970 Christmas Party was \$210.50
 - F.A.C. and the MG Car Club agreed to man 15 checkpoints for the Incam National cross-Canada Rally
 - The decision was made in July to focus on the Fiat Auto Club, and “the DKW Owners Club will be put aside for now.”
 - Each Meeting had an activity, ranging from movies to an auction, a scavenger-hunt, and table-top rallies
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FIAT AUTO CROSS:

Sunday, September 10th, 1967

- Location: “on the property of Mr. Tony Burtnick, north-west of Bolton”
- Course: “8/10’s of a mile, single-lane dirt track. Eight curves, three straightaways”
- Lap Record: One minute, 18.4 seconds.
- Entry Fee: \$3.00 per car
- Vehicles: Competing vehicles must be licensed in a manner satisfactory to the Province of Ontario. They must carry normal road equipment. Four wheel drive of commercial vehicles will not be allowed to enter. Safety equipment as laid down by CASC, while not mandatory, is recommended. The following equipment may not be used; CHAINS, SPOIKLES, ROPES, WEIGHTS, STUDS.



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The series runs in the evening on the fourth Wednesday of the month.
There are two start locations:

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West – Shell / Mississauga travel centre on Hwy 401 Eastbound between Winston Churchill Dr and Mississauga Rd.

April, June and August will start from the North location.
May, July and September will start from the West location.

Dates and Start

April 26	N
May 24	W
June 28	N
July 26	W
Aug. 23	N
Sept. 27	W

- **Registration Wednesdays at 7:00 pm, first car away at 8:01 pm. First car will finish at about 10:00 – 10:20 pm**
- **Ralliette distance is typically 100 – 125 km**
- **Three classes – Beginner, Intermediate and Expert**
- **Trophies for Driver and Navigator for 1st and 2nd place Beginner, 1st place Intermediate and 1st Expert**
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Registration Fee

Per event entry fee is \$25.00 per team,
TAC members \$20.00 per team

Top Ten Tax Tips

1. File your taxes on time to avoid the 5% late filing penalty.

If you owe tax for 2004, and do not file your return for 2004 by midnight of May 2, 2005, CCRA will charge a 5% late-filing penalty.

If you or your spouse or common-law partner carried on a business in 2004 your 2004 tax return has to be filed by **June 15, 2005**. However, if you have a balance owing for 2004, you still have to pay it by May 2, 2005.

2. Receive your tax deduction automatically every month.

You can ask CCRA to allow your employer to reduce withholdings if you have contributed to an RRSP early in the year, made large charitable donations, or incurred substantial medical expenses. Child care expenses, alimony and taxable child support also may lower your income and reduce your withholding taxes.

3. Take advantage of Income Splitting Opportunities:

- a. Split income by employing your spouse or child.
- b. Lend money to your spouse or child.
- c. Have the lower income spouse invest all earnings
- d. Maximize your charitable deductions (amounts over \$200) by pooling your charitable receipts for up to five years and have the higher income spouse claim them.

4. Try to earn your investment income (outside of RRSPs) at the lowest tax rate possible.

5. Pay the premiums on your disability insurance.

6. Claim medical expenses on the tax return of the spouse with the lowest income.

7. Make use of your investment losses.

8. Defer tax on severance or retiring allowance.

9. Transfer shares to your RRSP, but not at a loss.

10. Make sure you deduct your safety deposit box fees, and all investment carrying charges if you have an investment loan (outside your RRSP).



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V.P.'s Report

April 11, 2006

Well March was another busy month for me. For skiing, that is. It started with a day trip to Devil's Glen, where I got into some bigger jumps than I've tried before. Then I left the next day to Jay Peak, in Vermont. At Jay, it was way colder than the thermometer would have you believe, with howling winds, and a wicked wind chill. This was prime frost bite weather. But, the bonus was that there was about three feet of snow dumped on us over the weekend! And it was incredibly light and fluffy! In the middle of the month (March Break), I headed out to Quebec City. You may recall the rain and mild temperatures we got in early to mid March. Well, that resulted in a lot of ice, in an area known to be icy at good times. But it was still a lot of fun.

The ski season in Ontario ended with a drip, as rain forced the early closing of both Blue Mountain and Mount St Louis Moonstone. I hope that December was good enough to make up for a generally weak season in Ontario.

Now, with skiing out of the way, its time to get re-focused on motorsports. The Solosport Open House was on April 2. It was very busy, and I had practically no time to chat with my fellow competitors. We signed up 19 new members. That was down a bit from last year, but still pretty strong.

On April 20, TAC has a booth at the High Park Ski Club "Fun In The Sun" event. This is an event where many summer activity clubs are present for Q&A, and for new members to join. There will be clubs for biking, hiking, sailing, roller blading, canoeing, golf, etc. The public is welcome, so if any TAC members are interested, please feel free to attend. The show is at the Lithuanian Hall, 1573 Bloor St. W, Toronto, starting at 7:30p. There will be a cash bar, if

you'd like a beverage while you browse around.

Membership

We currently have 188 members in our database, including 119 Primary members, and six Life members. We have a whopping 45 new members! This time last year, we had 173 members, so we are on pace to set another new membership record!

Membership packages with new cards and TAC decals have been sent out. If you haven't received your package, please contact me by email at vicepresident@torontoautosportclub.ca.

I have received a sample shirt. I wasn't entirely happy with the embroidery. The manufacturer was to send a restitched sample, but I haven't received it yet. The shirts will be ordered once I see the new embroidery. Recall that the sizes are large, so you still have time to change your size, as long as you send me a message soon.

Web Site

No major changes.
Yet.

Message Forum

There are 68 registered users. It's still pretty quiet. Fortunately, I figured out how to virtually eliminate all the spammers that were registering.

Sponsorship/Advertising

Nothing new to report here. If any of you have ideas for new advertisers, please let me know.

Rally

The RSO AGM was a few weeks ago. There were a few motions put forward that were of a controversial nature. After some debate, it was agreed that the motions be voted on at a

V.P.'s Report

April 11, 2006

Special Meeting to be held in conjunction with the Calendar Meeting, in the fall.

SoloSprint

As mentioned previously, the Solosport Open House was last week. It looks like it'll be another busy, competitive season in both Autoslalom and SoloSprint. I will be defending my GT1 Class Championship. Indeed, I've been contemplating how to best optimize my car for the new rules. Last year, I installed a panhard bar in the Mustang. Frankly, the results were a bit disappointing. The car was squirrely under heavy braking. This can be attributed to the massive brake dive that occurs with stock springs. And with the new rules, the PHB costs an extra 1.2 points. So lately I've been considering the removal of the PHB. Then, I have room to delete the A/C (about 46 lbs from the front end), and change the rear gear. The stock gear is 3.27, and I'm considering installing 3.73's. But its not going to be all good. I will certainly run out of gear up the Mosport back straight, and will need to use 5th gear. The car will fall flat on its face at that point. But, it will let me use 4th through turns 2, 4, and maybe 1. I'm currently going from 3rd into 4th, and then back down to 3rd. Or, I rev the stink out of the engine by staying in 3rd. And I don't much feel like rebuilding the engine again. I'll have to consider what the change means at the other tracks, before pulling the trigger on the gear change.

Club Meeting

The next club meeting is supposed to be April 19. The location is The Fox and Fiddle, formerly known as Miami Restaurant.

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Brian Stewart Racing to Test 2006 Ontario Formula Ford Champion

The Ontario Formula Ford Challenge announced last month that its 2006 series champion will earn an **Indy Pro Series test** with Ontario-based defending champions, **Brian Stewart Racing**.

The driver will be invited to drive at a Nashville, Tennessee, test session, and will be eligible for an IRL competition licence upon successful completion of the test.

The award includes a custom-fit Bell Dominator helmet, and an IRL hard card, which will give our champion access to each round of the Indy Pro Series' 2007 championship as a guest of the team. Due to IRL regulations, the test can only be awarded to a driver aged 18 or over.

"Brian Stewart Racing has been a driving force in North American motorsports for more than 35 years," notes OFFC Series Marketing Director David Hilton. The team fielded cars in Formula Ford, Formula 2000, Super Vee, Atlantic and Indy Lights prior to joining the Indy Pro Series in 2002.



Ontario's own Brian Stewart Racing fielded this year's championship winning Indy Pro Series entry for Wade Cunningham, pictured here in St. Petersburg. The team will award an Indy Pro Series test to this year's Ontario Formula Ford champion.

Brian Stewart, a native of Scotland who moved to Canada at a young age, began his motorsports career as a driver in 1965. He captured the Canadian Formula Vee title in 1969 and Formula Ford championship in 1972. He formed Brian Stewart Racing shortly thereafter and has enjoyed tremendous success in the development of driving talent. Stewart was inducted into the Canadian Motorsports Hall of Fame in 2005. In 14 seasons of Indy Lights competition, Brian Stewart Racing won 31 races and two championships and captured 27 pole positions. Open-wheel racing standouts Paul Tracy, Cristiano da Matta, Bryan Herta and Jaques Lazier all raced under the Brian Stewart Racing banner.

2006 Honda Season Revived

ASN Canada FIA, CASC Ontario Region and Federation Sport Automobile Québec have announced the continuation of the **Honda racing series**.

Honda Canada revived the **Honda/Michelin Challenge Series** in 2004 after a 12-year absence. Popular with Ontario and Québec veterans and advancing kart racers, the series ran two seasons until Honda's withdrawal from the series. Ontario Race Director Gunter Schmidt, and FSAQ President Marcel Demers (see related story: "FAQ Revamps", elsewhere in this issue) have initiated a bi-regional partnership with ASN Canada FIA to continue the popular racing series.



"The initial reaction to our decision by the 2005 teams is fantastic", said Gunter Schmidt. "It looks like 18 cars will roll to the starting line when the series starts at the St-Eustache Autodrome in Quebec on April 29", commented Marcel Demers.

The schedule is confirmed for seven of eight proposed races. "A 5 year strategy is in the works", say Schmidt and Demers. "Our goal is to ensure growth of the series. The current Civic DX Coupe will be eligible to compete until 2010. To add excitement, the new Civic SI may be introduced in 2007, but no later than 2008".

Honda Racing Series Schedule

As of February 17, 2006:

- April 29 - St-Eustache, Québec
- May 21-22 - Mosport , Ontario
- June 17-18 - Mosport, Ontario
- June 23-25 - Montreal, Québec (tentative)
- July 15-16 - Shannonville, Ontario
- July 22 - St Eustache, Québec
- September 23-24 - Mt Tremblant, Québec
- September 30 - Oct 1 - Mosport, Ontario

Ontario Region Drivers Eligible for Inside Track Readers' Choice Award

Voting is now open for the fourth annual **Inside Track Readers' Choice Awards**, presented by Castrol. Fans can now go to www.insidetracknews.com and register their ballots for the top Canadian racers of 2005.

There are no nominated racers on the ballot this year, which means that your vote can go to any Canadian racing driver, including CASC Ontario's own standouts. Voting will remain open until the end of business on Friday, April 28.

"We want to ensure that we keep building public awareness of the program to promote and recognize Canada's motorsports stars," said Inside Track Editor-in-Chief **Greg MacPherson**. "The more Inside Track and our supporters are able to spread the word, the more that racers and winners in each category will allow them to truly say they were selected by Canadian fans and enthusiasts as the best in their country."



CASC-ONTARIO TOURING GT CHAMPIONSHIP 2006

RACING AT IT'S BEST

Sanctioned by RACE Ontario.com

May	13-14	Mosport International Raceway
June	4-11	Simmonsville Motorsport Park
July	1-2	Mosport International Raceway
July	15-16	Simmonsville Motorsport Park
Aug	12-13	Mosport International Raceway
Aug	26-27	Mosport International Raceway
Sept	16-17	Mosport International Raceway
Sept	30-Oct 1	Mosport International Raceway

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\$25K Touring GT Championship Prize Fund Announced

A substantial prize fund was announced for the 2006 CASC Ontario Touring GT Championship at the March 18 series meeting in Markham.

The fund will reportedly be paid out at the end of the season, based primarily on laps and races completed. Visit www.casc.on.ca for details in coming weeks.

New race formats were also discussed, as well as an outlook for the Championship's future.

MCO Pulls Scheduled Calabogie Events

Calabogie dates have been pulled from the Ontario race and solo schedules as a result of an extended appeals process at the Municipal Board level. MCO's Greg Kierstead reported to the region's SoloSprint Director that questions regarding track availability will likely continue until June. "Personally, I will be willing to evaluate the situation at that time to see if we could make it happen." In the best-case scenario, however, the circuit's permissions may come too late for pavement to cure before the originally scheduled events.

Fourth Overall Metal-To-Ice Title for McGrath



After the **Magnum Fine Printing Ice Racing Series'** final round on March 11, 4WD Metal class winner Tony McGrath emerged as overall metal-to-ice champion over FWD Metal winner Jose Peixoto. The pair were tied in overall metal points, with the title going to McGrath based on total race wins. McGrath also captured the 4WD Rubber-to-Ice title in the 'iwantamazda' GTX.

The Magnum Fine Printing Ice Racing Series **awards banquet** takes place on Saturday, April

1st at the Annandale Golf and Country Club. Contact David Hilton for tickets at crusher45@powergate.ca, or call the CASC Ontario region office.

The Magnum Ice Racing Series had a banner year in 2006, seeing highs in the number of new entrants, and in car counts overall. David Hilton has received the drivers' interim vote for another term as Ice Race Director.

METAL TO ICE

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|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Tony McGrath (BARC) | Mazda 323 GTX (4WD) |
| 2. Jose Peixoto (BARC) | Volkswagen Golf (FWD) |
| 3. Todd McCall (OMSC) | Honda Civic (FWD) |

STREET STUD

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|------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Jeff Watson (BARC) | Mazda 323 GTX (4WD) |
| 2. Scott Miller (D/AC) | 740 Ovlov (RWD) |
| 3. Stefan Haas (D/AC) | VW Rabbit (FWD) |

RUBBER TO ICE

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|-------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Terry Dalton (BARC) | Toyota Corolla (RWD) |
| 2. Brian Neilsen (BARC) | Honda Civic (FWD) |
| 3. Dan Douglas (TAC) | Ford Festiva (FWD) |

2006 Mobil1 Autoslalom Championship Series Schedule

UPDATE (03/30/06): CHECK the EVENTS page at www.casc.on.ca for additional rounds not listed in this schedule!

April 2	SoloOntario Open House	CSC Racing Products, Newmarket, ON
April 29	CASC Ontario Solo2 School (Hosted by HADA)	Brampton Centre for Sports & Entertainment
May 28	8th Annual Judy Brunner Memorial Slalom (Hosted by StLAC)	Picton Airport
June 3	Round 2 (Hosted by SPDA)	Bracebridge Kart Track
June 4	Round 3 (Hosted by TAC)	Bracebridge Kart Track
June 18	Round 4 (Hosted by HADA)	Brampton Centre for Sports & Entertainment
July 9	Round 5 (Hosted by PMSC)	Douro Arena, Peterborough
September 10	Round 6 (Hosted by MCO)	Corel Centre, Kanata
September 17	Round 7 (Hosted by OMSC)	Mosport Driver Development Track
October 1	CASC Ontario Shootout	Mosport Skidpad/DDT

Registered Active Club Memberships

At March 22, 2006

Motorsport Club of Ottawa (MCO)	208
BMW Club of Canada - Trillium Chapter (BMWCC)	191
British Automobile Racing Club (BARC)	171
Toronto Autosport Club (TAC)	151
Ontario Z Car Owners Association (OZCC)	141
Motorsport Marshalling Services (MMS)	96
Deutscher Automobil Club (DAC)	85
Thunder Bay Autosport Club (TBAC)	84
Oshawa Motor Sport Club (OMSC)	77
British Empire Motor Club (BEMC)	74
HADA Motorsport Club (HADA)	61
Canadian Race Communications Association (CRCA)	57
Peterborough Motor Sports Club (PMSC)	54
Twin Lakes Motor Club (TLMC)	50
St. Lawrence Automobile Club (St. LAC)	37
St. Catharine's Motor Club (SCMC)	14
Western Ontario Sports Car Association (WOSCA)	12
Canadian Racing Drivers Association (CRDA)	5
Saab Owners Club of Canada Inc. (SOCCI)	5
London Auto Sport Club (LASC)	1
Maple Leaf Rally Club (MLRC)	0
HRC Horizon Racing Club Inc. (HRC)	0
Thousand Islands Zed Car Club (TIZCC)	0
Kitchener-Waterloo Rally Club (KWRC)	0
Underground Miata Network (UMN)	0

Image Overhaul for Federation Auto-Quebec



Federation Auto Quebec, our neighbouring province's governing body under ASN Canada FIA, has reformed under a new identity, **Federation de Sport Automobile de Quebec**. The organization's new website, www.fsaq.qc.ca, lists Daniel Forest as their President, Jean-Francois Ouellet as the General Director, and Gerarda Conetta as Administrative Assistant. Address and telephone information remain the same.

Event Organizers' Emergency Planning Workshop

The CASC Safety Review Committee's Emergency Plan Workshop for club event organizers will be held April 8 at the Sheraton Parkway in Markham. Attendance is highly recommended for clubs organizing any form of motorsport competition, as guest speakers will be on hand to highlight the importance and development of emergency planning, and to answer questions from event organizers.

Several Race Division Drivers Losing '05 Car Numbers

Despite driver interest being reported at an all-time high, car number renewals have come in slowly enough to potentially cause conflicts at the registration hut. As of 60 days after the renewal deadline, over 130 drivers have failed to renew their 2005-season car numbers. With several of these being desirable one and two-digit numbers, an influx of new drivers are increasingly frustrated at veteran drivers' extended winter hibernation.

Club Insurance Deadline March 30th

Affiliated clubs are advised that applications for 2006-season Club General Liability coverage are due March 30th. Forms can be found in the 'Insurance' section at www.asncanada.com. ASN Canada FIA can also be contacted at 905 403 9000.

Mobil 2006 SoloSprint Championship Series Schedule

Apr-02	SoloOntario Open House (Hosted by OMSC)
May 13-14	SoloOntario Lapping School Days 1-2 (Hosted by TAC & OMSC)
Jun-10	Round 1 (Hosted by HADA)
Jun-11	Round 2 (Hosted by MCO)
Jun-24	Round 3 (Hosted by OMSC)
Jun-25	Round 4 (Hosted by OMSC)
Jul-29	Round 5 (Hosted by HADA)
Jul-30	Round 6 (Hosted by HADA)
Sep-03	Round 7: Canadian SoloSprint Championships, Day 1 (Hosted by CADL)
Sep-04	Round 8: Canadian SoloSprint Championships, Day 2(Hosted by CADL)
Oct-07	SoloOntario Lapping School Day 3 (Hosted by TAC)
Oct-08	Round 9: Mosport Grand Prix Course Challenge (Hosted by TAC)
TBA	SoloOntario Banquet

CSC Racing Products, Newmarket, ON
 Mosport Driver Development Track
 Shannonville Nelson Circuit
 Shannonville Nelson Circuit
 Mosport Driver Development Track
 Mosport Driver Development Track
 Toronto Motorsports Park
 Toronto Motorsports Park
 Autodrome St Eustache, QC
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 Mosport International Raceway
 Mosport International Raceway
 TBA

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Ontario Challenge Cup GT Sprints

- May 13-14: **BEMC Spring Trophy** at Mosport;
- May 20-22: **Victoria Day Sundown 3-Hour (Non-Championship)** at Mosport;
- June 3-4: **CRDA Shootout** at Shannonville;
- July 1-2: **BARC Grand Prix of Ontario** at Mosport;
- July 15-16: **DAC Trillium Trophy** at Shannonville;
- August 12-13: **BARC Canadian Touring Trophy** at Mosport;
- August 26-27: **CRDA/VARAC Presidents' Trophy** at Mosport;
- September 16-17: **BEMC Indian Summer Trophy** at Mosport;
- September 30-October 1: **Celebration of Motorsport** at Mosport

Ontario Challenge Cup Open-Wheel Sprints

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Toronto Autosport Club
Monthly Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Monday, April 3, 2006
8:20 PM

Present:	Robert McAuley, Peter Clifford, Todd Presswood	
Regrets:	Dietmar Seelenmayer, Russ Harding, Chuck Atkins	
Guests:	None	
Recorder:	Todd Presswood	
Location:	Conference Call	
	Items/Discussion	Tasks/Deadline
1. Volunteer Rewards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chuck was having trouble getting in touch with (Marylou?) He has now gotten through and is making some progress on the rewards apparel. 	
2. Rally	<p>(Dietmar sent an e-mail with an update for the minutes)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - RSO rally school tonight. There are/were 28 participants, tonight is the review of last weeks rally. - Spring Runoff, ORRC is this Saturday. - Our first ralliette is on this month, will send email to last years participants with flyer. - Maple Leafs ralliette (Mini Rally – ed) is next week. 	
3. Banking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Approx \$27,813.97 bank balance - We owe Malcolm approx \$150 - 50th Anniversary party at the Royal York is paid. - Expected approx. \$4,000 apparel expenses pending - We still have a healthy significant bank balance and should forecast the annual changes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Peter to calculate our total annual expenses to ensure that any future spendings do not deplete the account below this amount.
4. RSO Elections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - TAC proxies were taken by Dietmar to the RSO election. - The election is now over and there is a new treasurer. 	
5. AutoSlalom	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No new News 	
6. SoloSprint	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Open house was a success with many people shopping at the host CSC store. It will take a week to figure determine registration numbers. 	
7. Other Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Members meeting resumes at the Fox and Fiddle (old Miami’s location) on Wednesday April 19. - Rob added some notes about the upcoming SoloSprint event safety meeting this Saturday. “Could see Chris Atkins (Solo Coordinator) attending, along with any of us who may be organizing an event - as well as our Ice Race Coordinator, Dietmar should go as the overall Competition Director. Brian Sibbett too. - TAC owes CARS approx. \$150 for our 2006 CARS affiliation 	
8. Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 21:10 hours. 	

Next scheduled BoD meeting is a conference call commencing at 8:00PM on Tuesday May 2, 2006.

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JOIN-> www.casc.on.ca/joinAClub.php

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- TAC Membership includes 2006 CASC-OR (Race, Solo) & RSO (Rally) affiliation
- Family rate limited to family members domiciled at the same mailing address.
- 2005 membership numbers will be reserved until February 1st, 2006.
- All memberships expire December 31.

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So that we know *your* interests (and where you can help out) and can therefore plan the right mix of events – please complete the information checklists below ...

Please indicate all of your
2006 autosport interests;

- Solo I
- Solo II / Autoslalom
- Ice racing
- Navigational rallying
- Performance rallying
- Road racing
- Karting

Please indicate three areas that
you can help with in 2006;

- Solo I / II organizer / worker
- Road Rally/Ralliette organizer
- Contract Rally organizer
- Rally Checkpoint/Green-crew
- Social Event Organizer
- Ice race organizer / worker
- Event timing / scoring
- Performance Rally organizer