



# Fifth Gear

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# FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Here we are mid summer and it is still raining. I am not used to green grass at this time of year, my lawn is usually brown by now.

The Infinite Monkeys Rally is on Saturday August 16. If you got Fifth Gear early enough, you can still enter. The start location is the Superburger Restaurant in Primrose. For more information call Paul or Rita at 905-898-7483.

Now that I am on the rally subject, we had a few more entries at the July ralliette,

hope this continues. The results are in this issue. I have mentioned before that these events are an excellent way to get into navigational rallying. It is also a good way to see some interesting country, for the driver anyway. The next event is August 27. Call me for more information.

TAC is organizing a fun rally for the Guru Nanak Social Club on August 23. Entry is also open to TAC members. This event provides a 2 hour drive through the Caledon area and picnic at the end while results are tabulated. There is a flyer in this issue or call me for more details.

For the last few years TAC has had a gourmet luncheon at the ALMS race weekend at Mosport. Unfortunately this will not happen this year for a number of reasons and clinched by the fact that the chef will not be available. Hopefully we can get it organized next year.

On Solosprint side, a ways off still, TAC and HADA are organizing the event on September 20, 21 at Shannonville. TAC is on Saturday. Still further off, is the TAC event at Mosport on October 4 and 5. Saturday is for open runs and testing, Sunday is the last Solosprint event of the season. Contact Serge Gushin for more information and to offer help.

Remember that there is no general meeting in August. If you should happen to go to the Fox and Fiddle, have a beer for me.

Dietmar

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ALMS of Years past...



# Infinite Monkeys Rally

Saturday, August 16, 2008



--If an infinite number of monkeys drove an infinite number of cars, they may actually follow this route -- anon.

This is an Ontario Road Rally Cup navigational car rally, presented by the Toronto Autosport Club and sanctioned by RallySport Ontario, with instructions suitable for all levels including beginners. Navigational car rallies take place on open public roads and respect all the laws of the Ontario Highway Traffic Act. Speeds on the route will never exceed 95% of the posted speed limits. The 200 km route is suitable for any street legal vehicle, however the route is predominately on rural gravel roads. You may encounter pot holes, water, loose gravel, ruts, wild turkeys, deer, horses, llamas, hikers, bikers, walkers and maybe even a monkey or two!

**Start and Finish:** **Superburger Restaurant**  
North-west corner of Highways 10 and 89  
Primrose, Ontario (east of Shelburne)











Registration Opens: 9:30am  
Beginner's Tutorial: 10:00am  
Crew Meeting: 10:30am  
Car Zero Out: 11:00am

Entry Fee: \$50 per car.

Other things you'll need: vehicle ownership, valid insurance and plates, driver and navigator, notepaper, pencils, calculator, an accurate digital watch.

**Organizers:** **Paul and Rita Moore**  
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# TAC EVENTS CALENDAR 2008

<u>DATES</u>	<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>EVENT/LOCATION</u>	<u>ORGANIZING CLUB</u>
<b>August 2008</b>			
11	Mini Rally	Mini Rally, Service Centre #400-North	MLRC
16	ORRC	<b>Infinite Monkeys Rally, Superburger, Primrose</b>	 <b>TAC</b>
17	Rally-Club Level	SNATR (Saturday Night at the Rallies) & BBQ	KWRC
23	Contract	<b>GURU NANAK Rally (Contract ;Charity )</b>	 <b>TAC</b>
24	ALMS	Grand Prix of Mosport - ALMS	
24	FI	EUROPEAN Grand Prix, Valencia	
24	IRL	Infineon Raceway	
27	Ralliette	<b>Ralliette Series Event 5, Tim Hortons: Mississauga Rd/Derry</b>	 <b>TAC</b>
29-31	SoloSprint	Canadian Solosprint Nationals; Calabogie Motorsports Park	CADL/MCO
31	IRL	Raceway at Belle Isle	
31	SoloSprint	SoloSprint Event #7 ; Calabogie Motorsports Park	CADL/MCO
31	Rallycross	RSO-FOURSTAR Rallycross Championship	MLRC
<b>September 2008</b>			
5-6	Rally-CRC/OPRC	Rallye Defi	CASDI
7	FI	BELGIAN Grand Prix, Spa-Francorchamps	
7	IRL	Chicagoland Speedway	
8	Mini Rally	Mini Rally, Service Centre #400-North	MLRC
13-20	Rally	Targa Newfoundland	TNMC
13	Rally-Club Level	SNATR (Saturday Night at the Rallies)	KWRC
14	FI	ITALIAN Grand Prix, Monza	
17	Meeting	<b>TAC Monthly Club Meeting, Fox &amp; Fiddle Rest. (Finch W)</b>	 <b>TAC</b>
20	SoloSprint	<b>SoloSprint Event #8 ; Shannonville Fabi Track</b>	 <b>TAC</b>
21	SoloSprint	SoloSprint Event #9 ; Shannonville Pro Track	HADA
24	Ralliette	<b>Ralliette Series Event 6, Tim Hortons: Mississauga Rd/Derry</b>	 <b>TAC</b>
28	FI	Singapore Grand Prix	
28	Rallycross	RSO-FOURSTAR Rallycross Championship	MLRC
<b>October 2008</b>			
4	SoloSprint	<b>SoloSprint Open Runs/Testing; Mosport Big Track</b>	 <b>TAC</b>
5	SoloSprint	<b>SoloSprint Event #10; Mosport Big Track</b>	 <b>TAC</b>
6	Mini Rally	Mini Rally, Service Centre #400-North	MLRC
12	FI	JAPANESE Grand Prix, Fuji	
15	Meeting	<b>TAC Monthly Club Meeting, Fox &amp; Fiddle Rest. (Finch W)</b>	 <b>TAC</b>
17-18	Rally-CRC	Pacific Forest Rally	WCRA
19	FI	Grand Prix of CHINA, Shanghai	
19	Rallycross	RSO-FOURSTAR Rallycross Championship	MLRC
25	ORRC	President's Prize	PMSC
<b>November 2008</b>			
1	Solo-I	SoloSprint / Autoslalom Banquet (TBA)	CASC-OR
2	FI	BRAZILIAN Grand Prix, Interlagos	
19	Meeting	<b>TAC Monthly Club Meeting, Fox &amp; Fiddle Rest. (Finch W)</b>	 <b>TAC</b>
20-22	Rally-CRC/OPRC	Rally of the Tall Pines	MLRC

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

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## DINO CRESCENTINI

The July issue of 5<sup>th</sup> Gear included an article by TAC VP Andrew Kinal describing the CanAm cars featured at the June VARAC festival which took place at Mosport. Andrew attended on Saturday only and so his article made no mention of Sunday's tragic accident which took the life of Dino Crescentini at the wheel of the Walter Wolf Dallara once driven by Gilles Villeneuve. The Toronto Autosport Club wishes to take this opportunity to express its sincere sympathies to the Crescentini family.

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# The Soapbox Derby

by Malcolm Elston

I've been rather distracted for the past 6 months, so the Soapbox went back into the basement for awhile. It is now time to drag it back out.

There's lot's to sound-off about!

First, the OPP and what they've been up to... none of it good, IMHO.

On May 5<sup>th</sup> the Premier of Ontario gave the OPP Commissioner a new toy, in the form of a Cessna airplane. It is a top-wing model, white with a burgundy-bottom, registered as C-GOXY. That gift costs just over a \$1M per year, so as a taxpayer you participated in the generosity. At the Buttonville Airport press-conference that day, the Commissioner (Julius Fantino) noted that MTO had already marked a number of sections of Highway 400 between Highways 88 and 89 and on Highway 69 between Parry Sound and Sudbury.

Interestingly, in that same speech he also committed that "he was working with MTO to develop signage that will be erected alerting motorists that we are conducting aerial surveillance. Those signs should be in place by the Victoria Day weekend". (May 19<sup>th</sup>).

There was a sample of the signage on display at the press conference.

Now my first observation here is of the 'horse before the cart' type; since the OPP had known for months that their new airplane was coming, and since they had a full-size sample of the road sign at the press conference, why hadn't they ordered the signs in a timely manner?

Surely it would be more efficient to have one work crew (and traffic disruption) when they marked the road, by putting up the signs at the same time?

However, as of August 8<sup>th</sup>, while there are lots and lots of marked highway sections, there are still very few signs noting the new aircraft surveillance. I've been looking closely, and the only ones I'd seen by July 30<sup>th</sup> were on Hwy 7, near Perth.

Hwy. 7? That wasn't mentioned at the press conference. Oh, and Hwy. 115, too. Nope, that wasn't mentioned, either. White markings, no signage, lots of tickets...

Hmmm... can you smell entrapment?

From my perspective, it stinks.

But of course the OPP were all over the radio after the August 1<sup>st</sup> long weekend; they had written over 8,000 tickets, and more than 5,000 of those were for speeding offences.

And somehow, they seem to have found extra money so they can rent additional airplanes...

Might as well maximize the opportunity to catch the unwary before those pesky signs get delivered...

Please don't think that speeding (or any other HTA offence) fines go to the police; they don't – they go into 'General Revenue', a catch-all income source for the provincial government.

And, no, you can't get a hard number from the Minister of Finance for the revenues from HTA fines.

But before the fines can be collected, the tickets must be processed... and many (most?) of the accused will go to court to fight. Which means thousands of citizens exercising their rights, which is a good thing. Especially if you got an airplane ticket in an unannounced location...

But fighting those thousands of tickets will require tens-of-thousands of hours from Crown Prosecutors, Justices of the Peace (HTA offences are not heard by judges), court officials, police attendance, etc. etc.

Tag on a few more millions in costs for all that over-time effort – all to cover each long-weekends' worth of OPP 'blitz'.

So this is getting really expensive, and there isn't yet a proven benefit. It's an experiment, and we're paying for it.

It is also worth noting that the OPP have added new vehicles to their fleet.

They now have Tahoe SUV's as – are you ready for this? – pursuit vehicles!

Gail and I saw one parked on the side of the 401 near Prescott, Ontario on our way back from the Canadian Grand Prix in June. It was marked (black, with white doors and the OPP logo), and sported one of the new 'ultra-low profile' LED roof bars.

We sailed past at somewhere in the 120 to 125 range, and the Tahoe never twitched. Being aboard a reasonably-expensive late-model, clean car – in the right-hand-lane – clearly I wasn't exceeding that officer's 'personal' speed limit. Even though the car clearly says 'Racing' on its side door decals, and carries both CASC and TAC stickers on the rear bumper.

The officer must have been waiting for bigger, faster game...

Now anyone who thinks a Tahoe can launch from a dead stop and catch a perp doing 145 in an efficient manner needs to take a deep breath... those lead sleds just aren't that good. But, as my subsequent research has revealed, the OPP Tahoes have been 'modified', with both suspension and engine upgrades so that they are – to quote one OPP officer I spoke with – “almost as fast as a Crown Vic”

Let's re-cap:

The OPP are now buying expensive SUV's, spending our money to modify them, and are then using these gas-hogs for the same purpose as they used the cheap, four-door sedans we used to pay \$40,000 for.

Hey, it's our tax-dollars at work. How do you like it so far?

It gets worse.

## **Police = Judge & Jury**

It's sad, but true. Nationally, we have the Charter of Rights and Freedoms to protect us from unreasonable intrusion by our various levels of government.

Here in Ontario, some of those rights were removed last September, when Bill 203 came into law.

Rather than put my own spin onto this, I refer you to the following petition.

It is on-line at:

[www.petitiononline.com/civil013/petition.html](http://www.petitiononline.com/civil013/petition.html)

To: Ontario Government

Petition to Revise Ontario Street Racing Legislation

The purpose of this petition is to demonstrate to the Ontario Government the opinion of Ontario citizens who feel that penalties in the recently implemented "street racing" legislation are unacceptable and must be changed.

Most notably, we feel that the 7-day car seizure and licence suspension penalty levied roadside by a Police Officer, with no recourse for the accused regardless of the Judge's court ruling is unacceptable as it violates our Charter Right to Due Process.

11. Any person charged with an offence has the right to be presumed innocent until proven guilty

according to law in a fair and public hearing by an independent and impartial tribunal.

It is that simple. We have the right to our day in court. We are presumed innocent until proven guilty, and therefore, upfront penalties implemented with no recourse for the accused violates that right.

The penalties are described in the HTA section 172, but the legislation is more popularly know as "street racing" legislation, or "Bill 203" (the bill in which the legislation was proposed).

Police to require surrender of licence, detention of vehicle

(5) Where a police officer believes on reasonable and probable grounds that a person is driving, or has driven, a motor vehicle on a highway in contravention of subsection (1), the officer shall,

(a) request that the person surrender his or her driver's licence; and

(b) detain the motor vehicle that was being driven by the person until it is impounded under clause (7) (b). 2007, c. 13, s. 21.

Administrative seven-day vehicle impoundment:

(7) Upon a motor vehicle being detained under clause (5) (b), the motor vehicle shall, at the cost of and risk to its owner,

(a) be removed to an impound facility as directed by a police officer; and

(b) be impounded for seven days from the time it was detained under clause (5) (b). 2007, c. 13, s. 21.

Elected officials have changed Highway Traffic Act laws and have effectively minimized our Civil Rights. Although the intent is for the greater good of all citizens, this law punishes people at the side of the road without having been found guilty of an offence in a court of law. This is a trend that must be stopped.

The driving behavior described for penalty in HTA 172 are not Criminal Code of Canada (CCC) offences, they are alleged Provincial Highway Traffic Act infractions. Under CCC allegations (with the exception of alcohol driving related offences where the licence automatically suspended for 90 days) the courts decide the punishment for the accused after a conviction has been registered.

Under HTA 172, your car is impounded and your licence suspended for 7 days. No court, no trial, no judge. No due process in any way for an alleged Highway Traffic Act infraction!

Essentially, the citizens of this Province have more rights when being accused of a criminal offence versus a far less severe Highway Traffic Act infraction. This is unacceptable.

The 7-day vehicle seizure and licence suspension has been positioned by our elected officials in a variety of descriptions as this law was initially implemented as a means to stop "street racing", but continues to punish thousands of citizens who were not convicted of behaving in this manner.

The initial justification of the seizure and suspension was deemed a "safety" concern. However, now with over 7 months passed since the law has been enforced, and the nearly 5000 charged, the seizure and suspension is now justified as a "deterrence".

Further, when someone charged under this offence is found not guilty, they have already had their licence suspended and vehicle impounded. They will have had a record of suspension registered with the Ministry of Transportation. Loss of transportation, towing and impound fees, court costs, and higher insurance rates. All this, and yet they have been convicted of nothing!

Laws are in place to deter bad and illegal behavior. Rights are in place to insure that no citizen is wrongly penalized. This is not happening with this new "street racing" legislation. The 7-day seizure and licence suspension levied at the roadside by a Police Officer under HTA 172, previous to being found guilty of any offence, clearly crosses the line of 'good intentions'.

HTA 172 needs to be revised to remove this upfront penalty and restore the Civil Right to Due Process to the citizens of

the Province of Ontario. The current law is unacceptable and should be of great concern to all citizens of this Province and this Country.

Sincerely,

The Undersigned

So far it has collected almost 6000 signatures, and I hope you'll visit and add yours. Again, it is:

[www.petitiononline.com/civil013/petition.html](http://www.petitiononline.com/civil013/petition.html)



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This year, **Maple Leaf Rally Club** and **Toronto Autosport Club** are again presenting the combined **Mini-Rally & Ralliette Championship**. Competitors can count their best six events from either Series towards this Championship with at least two events from each series.

**Start/Finish:** Events will start at Tim Hortons, corner of Mississauga Rd and Derry Rd (N of 401). Finish is at the Drake and Firkin, next to the start location.

**Dates/Times:** All Ralliettes run on the fourth Wednesday evening of the month.

April 23      May 28      Jun 25      July 23      Aug 27      Sep 24

**Registration:** Starts at 7:00 PM. First car starts at 8:01 PM and finishes before 10:20 PM.

**Distance:** Ralliette distance is typically 100 – 125 km.

**Classes:** Beginner, Intermediate and Expert.

**Trophies:** Awarded to Driver and Navigator for 1st and 2nd place Beginner, 1st place Intermediate and 1st place Expert.

**Total Events:** Six events in the series  
– your best four finishes count towards the year-end championship awards.

**Registration Fee:** \$30 per event per team, TAC and MLRC members pay \$25.00 per team.

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# The Toronto Autosport Club Ralliette Series Results for July 2008

Thanks to everyone for attending the July Ralliette.

Codes: Class E = expert I = Intermediate N=Novice e = early m = missed or maximum lateness.

Car#	Driver	Club	Navigator	Club	Class	CP1	CP2	CP3	CP4	CP5	CP6	CP7	Fin	Tot	Pos
5	Pat Logan		Shawn Gardiner		N	0	0.2	0.7e	0.7	0.2e	0	0.1e	0	1.9	1N
7	Karyn Strachan		Natasha Strachan		N	0	1.1	0.5e	1.4	1.5	0	0.8	0	5.3	2N
2	Adam Di Carlo		Jeff Hanning		N	1	2.3	1.1	1.1	3.2	1	1.3	1e	12.0	3N
6	Michael Niewczas		Patrick Wilanowski		N	3.0	0.7	0.3	2.0	1.8	0	0.1	5	12.9	4N
1	Carolyn Ryall	KWRC	Alan Ryall	MLRC	I	1e	0.1	0.0	0.1	3.6	0	0.1e	0	4.9	1I
8	Gary Neil	KWRC	Bruce Leonard	MLRC	I	0	0	0	0.5	5m	1e	0.2	1	7.7	2I
1	Paul Moore	TAC	Rita Moore	TAC	E	0	0	0	0.5	0.1	0	0	0	0.5	1E
3	Neils Jensen Sr	TAC	Neils Jensen Jr	TAC	E	1e	0.9	0.1e	1.8	1.9	0	0.2	0	5.9	2E

We are using the ralliette scoring system, where the maximum lateness at a control is 5 minutes and the penalty for a missed control is 8 points.

Thanks to Kurt Seelenmayer for organizing the original for this months event

I wish to thank the checkpoint workers Graham Tulett, Nick, Ingrid, Heidi and Tim Beck. Gail Walker.

Next event is again at **Tim Hortons at Mississauga Rd and Derry Rd**, on Wednesday August 27, 2008, Registration 7:00pm first car 8:01pm. Look forward to seeing you again.

Thank you for participating,

Dietmar Seelenmayer



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**2007 - THE YEAR OF THE GUN; 2008 - THE YEAR OF THE KNIFE**

**DO YOU FEEL SAFE?** Maybe you need --- **a taser!!**

*Here's how to really go about it:*

A fellow I know saw something at *Larry's Pistol & Pawn Shop* that sparked his interest.

He came across a 100,000-volt, pocket/purse-sized taser. The effects of the taser were supposed to be short-lived, with no long-term adverse affect on an assailant, allowing one adequate time to retreat to safety....

He thought, "**WAY TOO COOL!**", and he bought one "*for his wife*".

But, being the conscientious sort he decided he had better "test" it, before he presented it to his wife. He loaded two AAA batteries in the taser and pushed the button. Darn thing - nothing! Disappointment. Then he found if he pushed the button and pressed it against a metal surface at the same time he got the blue arc of electricity darting back and forth between the prongs. **AWESOME!!!** (Unfortunately, he now has to explain to his wife how that burn spot got on the face of the microwave.) Now he knew it worked. But, really, what did it do? Home alone with this new toy he figured, "*It can't be all that bad with only two triple-A batteries.*" Sitting in his recliner, there was the cat looking on intently as he was reading the directions and thinking that he really needed to try this thing out on a "*flesh and blood, moving*" target. For a second he thought about zapping the cat; then thought better of it.

The directions said that a one-second burst would shock and disorient an assailant; a two-second burst was supposed to cause muscle spasms and a major loss of bodily control; a three-second burst would purportedly make an assailant flop on the ground like a fish out of water. Any burst longer than three seconds would be wasting the batteries. So he sat there, looking at this little device measuring about 10 cm long, less than 2 cm in circumference, actually quite a cute little thing; and, really, only loaded with two itsy, bitsy triple-A batteries, he thought to himself, "*There's no possible way this thing can do what it is supposed to do!*"

After that, he entered the realm of what can best be described as *almost beyond description*. This is what he had to say:

I was sitting alone in the recliner, the cat looking on with its head cocked to one side as if to say, "*Don't do it dipshit.*" I reasoned that a one second burst from such a tiny little thing couldn't hurt all that bad, so I decided to give myself the one second burst just for heck of it.

I touched the prongs to my thigh, pushed the button, and then .....

**HOLY MOTHER OF GOD --- WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION --- WHAT THE HELL WAS THAT???**

I'm pretty sure Hulk Hogan ran in through the side door, picked me up in the recliner and body slammed us both on the carpet, over and over and over again. I vaguely recall waking up on my side in the fetal position, with tears in my eyes, my body soaking wet, both my nipples on fire, my testicles nowhere to be found, my left arm tucked under my body in the oddest position, and a tingling in my legs.

The cat was making meowing sounds I had never heard before, clinging to a picture frame hanging above the fireplace obviously in an attempt to avoid getting slammed by my body flopping all over the living room.

**SON-OF-A-BITCH, THAT HURT LIKE HELL!!!**

A minute or so later (I can't be sure, as time was a relative thing at that point), I collected my wits (what little I had left), sat up and surveyed the room. My bent reading glasses were on the mantel of the fireplace. The recliner was upside down and about 8 feet or so from where it originally was. My triceps, right thigh and both nipples were still twitching. My face felt like it had been shot up with Novocain and my bottom lip weighed 30 kilos. I had no control over the drooling. Apparently I shit myself, but was too numb (and dumb) to know for sure and my sense of smell was gone anyway. I saw a faint smoke cloud above my head which I believe was came from my hair. I'm still looking for my nuts and I'm offering a significant reward for their safe return!!

So there you go. A quick lesson on how to protect yourself this year in Toronto!! What did you learn? How about - there is no such thing as a **one second burst** when you zap yourself! You will not let go of that thing until it is dislodged from your hand by a violent thrashing about on the floor, and that may not be until the batteries run out! A three second burst would be wasting the batteries? Really.

Good luck and hope you're having a great summer!

(Submitted by Rich Sullivan)





# 2008 Membership Application

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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 your 2008 autosport interests

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Please indicate three areas that you can help with in 2008

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