



# Fifth Gear

*August 2014*



# Toronto Autosport Club

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# FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

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Well, here it is, early August, and my competition season is done.

We have wrapped up our big social event at the Canadian Tire Motorsports Park's Tudor race weekend. The ALMS prototypes and other classes put on a great show, and we had some great company. Dan Zorica and Andrew Tulett got the barbecue going under threatening skies, but their cooking shelter and the TAC canopies made for a very comfortable place to watch the race from. We had almost 40 people out enjoying the spectacle, and the weather cleared in time for the featured race!

I'm sure we'll be back next year. Mosport was thrilled with our turnout!

The Ontario Time Attack series wrapped up this month. The last event weekend took place at the Grand Bend Motorplex. I organized Saturday, and Ron Billings did the honours on Sunday. Other than having way more people show up for the Saturday evening barbecue than planned, the event went very well. Some promised track improvements were not completed, so instead of running the slow, twisty technical configuration, we ran a much faster perimeter course. Running counter-clockwise on Sunday did in the tires on the right side of the car. Luckily, we ran our Shootout event clockwise 2 weeks later.

Last month I mentioned the weather becoming a factor when I ran the CSCS event at Grand Bend. This time, the bad weather held off until people were heading home after we wrapped up on Sunday. I had to return Monday morning to retrieve some items, and found a number of upside down trailers, port-a-potties scattered around the track, and trash everywhere. Apparently a tornado had come through minutes after the last competitors left on Sunday night.

The Grand Bend weekend was the last chance for competitors to qualify for the Shootout. You need to run 5 of 7 events to get into the series championship. The shootout consists of a number of single-lap timed runs. The competitor's times are compared to target pax times, and the bottom few are eliminated each session. We started with close to 40 people running. Running on corded tires, I was surprised to make it into the top half. TAC competitors Matt Clough and Ron Billings made it into the top 8.

The one lap formula is unforgiving. A number of people went off track during their hot lap, and were eliminated. This includes one of the series favourites, TAC member Carston Gieschen. He bounced off a curb and knocked over a cone across the track. Last year's champion, Corey Whiteman, went four wheels off in the second last round and lost his chance to win it all again.

Overall my season was okay. I finished forth in class. The new suspension helped a bit, but not as much as I was hoping. The new oil cooler didn't seem to have any effect. I see BMW is now adding 2 coolers on newer cars. That may be in my future. I need to do something to be able to push hard for more than 10 minutes!

The next big thing for me is happens to not be autosports related. The Toronto International Film Festival will run from September 4th to 14th, and I'll be very busy working, volunteering, and taking in shows. Watch for me bombing into Toronto along the QEW on our bright red Vespa!

Luckily we do not hold a meeting in August, so I have no conflicts.

Enjoy the rest of the summer!

Rob  
TAC President

# TAC 2014 EVENTS CALENDAR

<u>DATE</u>	<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>EVENT DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>CLUB</u>
<i>AUGUST 2014</i>			
15-17	Bike	Superbike Double Header Weekend, CTMP (Mosport)	
16-17	Autoslalom	Molson Centre, Barrie Ontario Regional Event #5 & 6	TLMC
17	INDY	ABC Supply Wisconsin 250, West Allis, WI	
22-24	F1	SHELL BELGIAN GRAND PRIX (Spa-Francorchamps)	
22-24	Motorcycle	VRRA Vintage Motorcycle Festival, CTMP (Mosport)	VRRA
23-24	Regional Race	Ted Powell Memorial Trophy Races, Calabogie	MCO
23	Rally	KWRC - SNATR	KWRC
24	INDY	GoPro Indy Grand Prix of Sonoma, Infineon Raceway	
29-31	NASCAR	Chevrolet Silverado 250, CTMP (Mosport)	
30	INDY	MAVTV 500, Fontana CA	
31	Autoslalom	Autoslalom, Durham College, Whitby	OMSC
<i>SEPTEMBER 2014</i>			
5-7	Rally-CRC/OPRC	Rallye Défi , Ste-Agathe-des-Monts, Quebec	CASDI
5-7	F1	GRAN PREMIO D'ITALIA (Monza)	
13-14	Regional Race	Indian Summer Trophy , CTMP (Mosport)	BEMC
13	Autoslalom	Autoslalom, Deerhurst Airfield	SPDA
14	Rally	Guru Nanak Charity Rally, Mississauga	
17	Meeting	<b>TAC Monthly Club Meeting, Moose &amp; Firkin, Weston &amp; 7</b>	<b>TAC</b>
19-21	F1	SINGAPORE GRAND PRIX (Singapore)	
20	Rally	KWRC - SNATR	KWRC
27	Rally-ORRC	ORRC - No Winter Maintenance Rally, Flesherton	
27-28	Regional Race	Celebration of Motorsport , CTMP (Mosport)	CASC-OR
<i>OCTOBER 2014</i>			
3-4	Rally-CRC	Pacific Forest Rally , Merritt, BC	WCRA
3-5	F1	RUSSIAN GRAND PRIX (Sochi)	
4	Rally	Zonta Charity Rally, 400 North	
10-12	F1	JAPANESE GRAND PRIX (Suzuka)	
15	Meeting	<b>TAC Monthly Club Meeting, Moose &amp; Firkin, Weston &amp; 7</b>	<b>TAC</b>
24-26	F1	ETIHAD AIRWAYS ABU DHABI GRAND PRIX (Yas Marina)	
31-2	Rally-CRC	Rocky Mountain Rally, Invermere BC	CSCC

More events to appear as 2014 Schedules are released.

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## **THE LIMITS OF GRIP! – ONTARIO TIME-ATTACK – AUGUST 2014**

I can hardly believe we have already completed two schools and all seven regular events in this year's CASC Ontario Time Attack season. I wrote about the successful first school in May. The second school was at CTMP MIR Grand Prix track on July 6<sup>th</sup>. It was another success, with many students being signed off to compete at the "big track". The first two competition events were held at the new Driver Development Track at CTMP on June 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>. There was a good turnout and the weather cooperated.

The next two events, we travelled to Shannonville Motorsport Park on June 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, where we ran the Pro Track on Saturday and the Long Track on Sunday - two tracks I really enjoy. Again, we had a pretty good turn out and the weather was perfect. Sunday, July 7<sup>th</sup> was our 5<sup>th</sup> event, which was at the Grand Prix Track at CTMP - definitely the highlight of the season as far as I am concerned. The weather was great and there was lots of track time and good competition.

The final weekend was held at Grand Bend Motorplex on July 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. This is a great family destination with a fun summer town on Lake Huron and terrific beaches. It was hosted by the Toronto Autosport Club, with Rob McAuley and Ron Billings doing the organizing. They did a great job! The weather was good all weekend and there was a good turnout. Once again, lots of track time and competition.

This year we have even more TAC drivers in OTA than last year. Great to see, and lots of "TAC club competition" within the OTA competition. There are eleven TAC drivers in a number of classes; too many to mention all of the individual results, but congratulations to all for their successes throughout the year. It was good to see TAC represented so well. Most TAC drivers have had multiple top three finishes in class, remaining very competitive in the series. Special congrats to Carsten Gieschen who finished 7<sup>th</sup> overall and Ron Billings who finished 11<sup>th</sup> overall. Nice driving! TAC is 2<sup>nd</sup> overall in club points.

The last "special" event of the season will be the Shoot-Out, which will take place at CTMP Driver Development Track August 9<sup>th</sup>. Like last year, I'm sure it will be a very interesting and suspenseful day. I will let you know – and good luck to all the TAC drivers who will be doing their best to make it to the final rounds. See you next month!

Kelly Ball  
Assistant Director  
Ontario Time Attack

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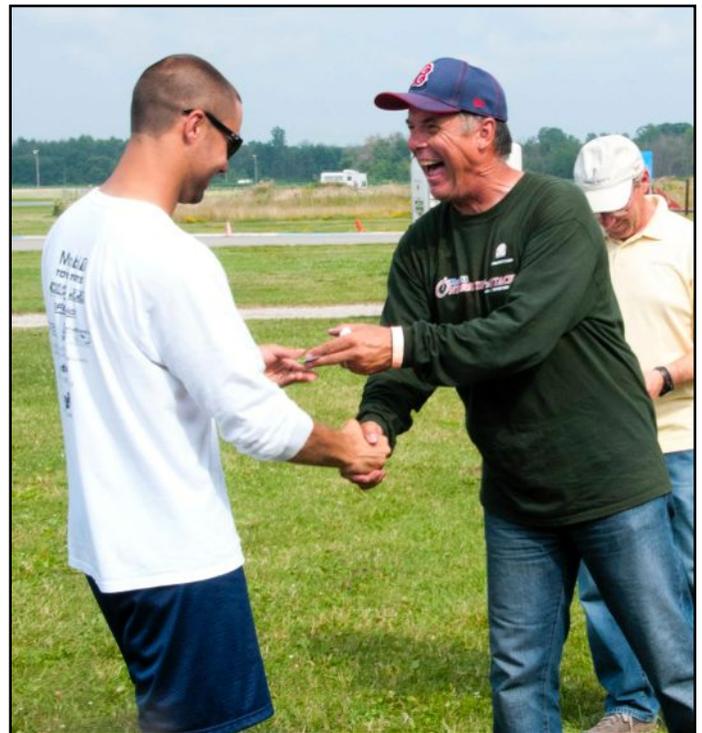
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## TIME ATTACK AT GRAND BEND



Sunday organizer Ron Billings &  
acting OTA Director Kelly Ball



Kelly enjoys handing out a  
class winning sticker

# TAC AT THE TUDOR RACE WEEKEND AT CTMP



The busiest man at the track - ready to wave the blue flag.

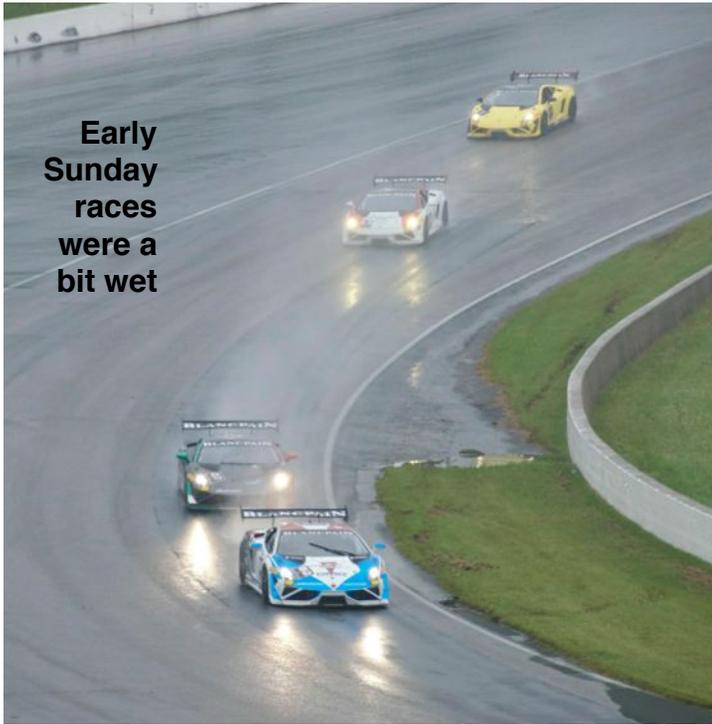


Debris flag in turn 4...



...means debris in turn 5!





Early Sunday races were a bit wet



Andrew Tulett & Dan Zorica - our chefs for the day hard at work



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# GURU NANAK COMMUNITY SERVICES FOUNDATION

June 30, 2014

Guru Nanak Community Services Foundation is celebrating 16 years of its services to the community. In partnership with the William Osler Health Centre and support of all sponsors, volunteers and dedicated community members, GNCSF has tried to bring good name of our hardworking, committed and progressing community with in diverse Canadian Community.

Our sponsors, volunteers and dedicated community members have helped us to make great contributions

- Raised Funds for Etobicoke General Hospital
- Raised Funds for Credit Valley Hospital
- Raising Funds for Brampton Civic Hospital.
- Organizing Fun filled Car Rally and bringing young people of all ages together
- Pioneer in organizing Canada Day for 2 consecutive years
- Organizing Classical Kirtan Competition.

We are achieving following through our activities.

- Making our communities contribution in building a great place to live for this diverse Canada.
- Bringing youth (Age 18 to 85) together in sports and keeping away from drugs.
- Encouraging youth to participate in competitions and strive for a winning attitude, prepared hard and come back next year if they don't succeed.

Our upcoming events for this year are

- Guru Nanak Car Rally
- Fund Raising Dinner
- Classical Kirtan Competition

You can contribute many ways

- Being a Sponsor
- Being a Participant
- Being a Volunteer.

We appreciate your generous support in previous years and hope for the same in coming years. Please feel free to contact for any further information.

**Major Singh Nagra**

President

416-997-3000



# GURU NANAK COMMUNITY SERVICES FOUNDATION

## 16<sup>th</sup> Guru Nanak Car Rally & Picnic

Guru Nanak Community Services Foundation Executive Committee feels honored to announce the 16<sup>th</sup> Guru Nanak Car Rally schedule for Sunday September 14, 2013

### Starting Point

Wildwood park Mississauga -Area B  
3530 Derry Road east Mississauga Ont.  
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### Finish Point

Wildwood park Mississauga -Area B  
3530 Derry Road east Mississauga Ont.  
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- Be Volunteer.

For more **Information, Participation and Tickets**, contact



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We appreciate your generous support in previous years and hope for the same in coming years.

**Major Singh Nagra** President 416-997-3000



# GURU NANAK CAR RALLY

## Driver/Co-Driver Entry Form

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Co: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Office) \_\_\_\_\_

Make / Model / Colour of Vehicle: \_\_\_\_\_ # in Crew: \_\_\_\_\_

**I / we have enclosed our entry fee cheque or cash for \$50.00\*. (Please make cheque payable to Guru Nanak Community Services Foundation)**

**\_\_\_ Visa \_\_\_ MasterCard Number: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Expiry Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_**

1. All competing vehicles must be safe, in roadworthy condition, have a valid vehicle license and insurance. All drivers must hold a valid driver's license.
2. All vehicles and crews (passengers are allowed to enjoy the event) must be present at the start by 10:00 am. on Sunday, September 14, 2014 for a driver's briefing. This is a must for any last minute changes on the route or regulations.
3. **Consumption of alcohol or illicit drugs, and carrying a weapon is strictly forbidden** during the event. The Guru Nanak Community Services Foundation accepts no responsibility for any accident or loss. It is the sole responsibility of the competitors to observe all speed and traffic rules during the event. Remember, **this is not a race!**
4. Entrants who collect sponsorships totaling \$1,000 or more will earn free entry into the rally. Participating in this event will improve your driving and communication skills!

All entries should be \_\_\_\_\_ **Guru Nanak Community Services Foundation**  
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**For more information call: Inderjit Singh 416.671.1679, Jerry Jhun 647.765.0987  
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## BULLETIN



**BULLETIN N° 2014-03**

**Subject: Leatt Corporation Neck & Head Restraint Recall**

**Issue Date: August 13, 2014**

To All Competitors, Organizers and Technical support personnel:

As per the attached Notice, Leatt Corporation has recalled all Leatt MRX Head and Neck restraint devices due to a materials quality issue.

Effective immediately these devices are no longer eligible for use in CARS sanctioned events, and their SFI certification is no longer valid.

If you have an affected device please direct your inquires to the contact information provided within the att. document.

Thank you,

Warren Haywood  
CARS Technical Director  
technical@carsrally.ca



## **TORONTO AUTOSPORT CLUB JUNE 2014 EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE CALL NOTES**

Call date: August 6, 2014

Call time: 8:00 pm

Present: Rob, Paul & Rita, and Dietmar

- President's Report:
  - o We had 38 people at the CTMP ALMS/Tudor race event. Andrew and Dan did a great job on the barbecue.
- Vice President:
  - o 2014 membership year : 115 = 6 life + 64 primary + 45 family
- Treasurer:
  - o \$12,622.64 savings; \$254.50 PAY PAL; \$1,523.06 chequing
  - o Rita will investigate moving our chequing account from BMO to ING/Tangerine due to fee increases and general difficulties approving card-holders.
- Competition:
  - o Grand Bend OTA event ran well. WOSCA used the paddock for a club autoslalom. Thanks to Ron Billings for organizing on Sunday, to Sue McAuley for organizing the barbecue on Saturday, as well as Kelly Ball, Albert Ribeiro, and Carsten Gieschen for their help putting the event on.
  - o The Guru Nanak rally is set to go September 14<sup>th</sup>. Dietmar is including a flyer in the August Fifth Gear.
  - o The Zonta rally route is being planned. The event is scheduled for October 4<sup>th</sup>, but an organizer for that day is needed.
- Social:
  - o Next event is the Awards Banquet
- Old business: nil
- New business: Gerry Low has expressed interest in our autoslalom timing system. Dietmar will check it out, and determine a reasonable price.

Call adjourned: 8:30 pm

Notes recorded by Rob McAuley



# Membership Application

**Mail:** 18759 Kennedy Road,  
RR#1 Sharon, Ontario, L0G 1V0  
**Email:** [registrar@torontoautosportclub.ca](mailto:registrar@torontoautosportclub.ca)

- New Members – Single or Family \$50.00  
 Renewal Members – Single or Family \$50.00

(You may PAY ON-LINE or by Cash or Cheque; Please see below...)

- TAC Membership includes CASC-OR (Race, Solo) & RSO (Rally) affiliation for the year
- Family rate is limited to family members domiciled at the same mailing address.
- Renewals : Indicate membership number [# ] (if known)
- Assigned membership numbers will be reserved until February 1st.
- All memberships and affiliations expire December 31.
- Please be aware that membership data may be shared with CASC-OR and/or Rallysport Ontario.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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2nd (Family) Member \_\_\_\_\_ [# ] email \_\_\_\_\_

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This Application Form must also be filled out and submitted so we have your information.

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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 autosport interests for the coming year :

- TimeAttack (Solo 1)
- Autoslalom (Solo 2)
- Navigational rallying
- Performance rallying
- Road racing
- Vintage Racing
- Ice racing
- Karting

Please indicate three areas that you can help with this year :

- Solo (1/2) 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