



Fifth Gear

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Toronto Autosport Club

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The TAC MOTORSPORT CLUB OF TORONTO Incorporated, (known as the "Toronto Autosport Club") is a general interest motorsport club involved in rallying, Solo I, Solo II, ice racing, road racing and social events. Club Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month (**except August & December**) at 8:00 p.m. at "Turtle Jacks Muskoka Grill", 925 Dixon Road (at Carlingview), Etobicoke .

GUESTS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME !

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From The President's Desk

It is the height of summer. I hope everyone is getting in an appropriate amount of track time!

Right after last month's Fifth Gear was sent out, we took in the British Grand Prix, and drove our Tour of the UK.

Of course Lewis Hamilton won, and the crowd went crazy. Our seats were perfect, as we saw Vettel take out Verstappen right in front of us. The weekend was a blast, but then we were off to The North.

We stayed for 2 nights in the Lake District, and had fun driving through the Yorkshire Dales to get there. Then on to Inverness in Scotland for 2 more nights. I had planned on hitting the route driven by The Grand Tour guys, but Sue wanted to see highlights from Outlander instead. No time for both, so we did Outlander, and Skye. We found a small ferry to get us over to the isle, and a Celtic band were playing at the dock when we arrived. 4 girls playing a fiddle, 2 accordions, and a harp entertained us while we waited.

Scotland and The North are very scenic, and the family hardly complained about long days in the car. As long as it's a BMW 5-series with enough leg room.

Then down to Wales to visit Sue's cousin. They had a great day planned for us as we drove over Snowdonia, and on to Portmeirion. This is the weird Italian villa-like village that was the site of the 60's spy TV show, The Prisoner. I had last visited in the 90's, when I was posted to the UK for work. It is great to see it in immaculate

condition, and worth checking out if you ever find yourself in North Wales.

Then down to Cornwall for 2 nights to watch daughter-Sarah graduate. We all had fun seeing her classmates and their parents. We've even got invites to visit the next time we are in the area! Finally, London. We dumped the car, and leaned on Uber to get us around. I am always amazed at how well their congestion charge works to keep traffic flowing, even in rush hour.

Now I just have to sort through my photos, and get them posted. Hopefully I get to that prior to the start of TIFF, or nothing will get done.

Next up, is the Calabogie Chump car race. Like Mosport, they have changed their name, but nobody uses the new "Lucky Dog" racing name. I am a lucky dog though, as Graham is bringing back my old BMW race car so we can go 2 hours on Saturday and 2 hours on Sunday! Wife-Sue will be joining us for the weekend, so the guys will have to behave.

That will likely be it for track activity this season. TIFF starts just after Labour Day, and that will be all-consuming for 2 weeks.

There is no meeting this month, so I will see you in September!

Rob,
TAC President

TAC 2019 EVENTS CALENDAR

<u>Date</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Event Description</u>	<u>Club</u>
August 2019			
24	INDY	Gateway GP, Gateway International Raceway	
24	Rally	"Saturday Night at the Rallies" series #4	KWRC
24	TimeAttack	Ontario Time Attack Event #6, SMP / Shannonville	
25	TimeAttack	Ontario Time Attack Event #7, SMP / Shannonville	
30-1	F1	BELGIAN GRAND PRIX (Spa-Francorchamps)	
September 2019			
1	INDY	GP of Portland, Portland International Raceway	
1	Autoslalom	Ontario Regional Event #9, Mohawk	CASC
6-8	F1	GRAN PREMIO D'ITALIA (Monza)	
6	Rally-CRC	Rallye Défi , Montpellier, Quebec	CASDI
18	Meeting	TAC Monthly Club Meeting, Turtle Jack's, 925 Dixon Road	TAC
20-22	F1	SINGAPORE GRAND PRIX (Singapore)	
21	Rally	"Saturday Night at the Rallies" series, #5	KWRC
22	INDY	GP At Laguna Seca, Weathertech Raceway, Laguna Seca	
27-29	F1	RUSSIAN GRAND PRIX (Sochi)	
28	Rally-ORRC	ORRC - No Winter Maintenance Rally	
October 2019			
11-13	F1	JAPANESE GRAND PRIX (Suzuka)	
16	Meeting	TAC Monthly Club Meeting,	TAC
18-19	Rally-CRC	Rallye de Charelvoix, La Malbaie, QC	
25-27	F1	GRAN PREMIO DE MEXICO (Mexico City)	
26	Rally-ORRC	ORRC - President's Prize Rally	PMSC
November 2019			
1-3	F1	UNITED STATES GRAND PRIX (Circuit of the Americas - Austin Tx)	
15-19	F1	GRANDE PRÊMIO DO BRASIL (São Paulo)	
20	Meeting	TAC Club Meeting, AGM & Elections,	TAC

More events to appear as 2019 Schedules are released.

For more information on any event, please contact the organizing club or sanctioning body directly.

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Rob's Travels



Too many panorama shots were taken !

On the road to Skye



Lotus car club meeting
at Portmeirion

Rob enjoying the surprise
views at Portmeirion



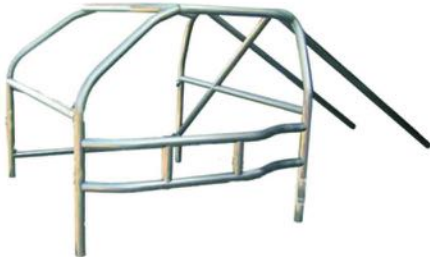
Wife-Sue and Daughter-Sarah
checking out some Lakes



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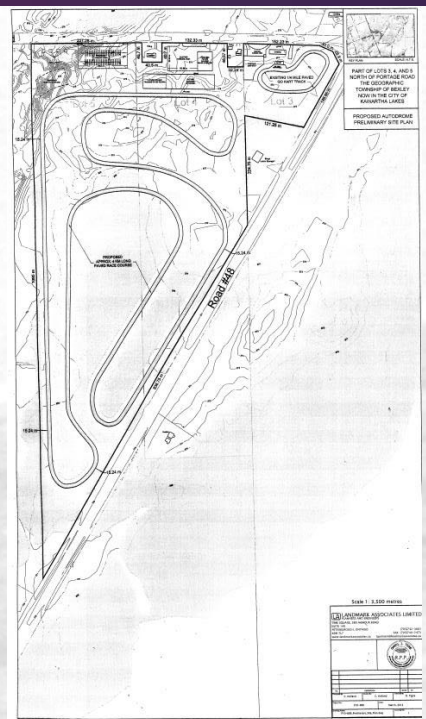
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Toronto Autosport Club – July 2019 Executive Conference Call Notes

Call date: July 3, 2019

Call time: 8:05 pm

Participants: Rob, Dietmar, Graham

Presidents Report

Upcoming sports car racing event at CTMP ok; attendance similar to last year

Guru Nanak organizers want written contract for this year's event

Will be in England July 10-25

Vice President

Membership will be provided later

Treasurer:

Balances to be provided later

Competition:

Rally Sprint discussion

Ontario Time Attack – Driving school at CTMP GP Track

Maxxis endurance series – first event lightly attended – 3 cars

Social:

Upcoming BBQ;

Old business – nil

New business – nil

Adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Notes by G. Tulett

<p><u>ON THE COVER</u> DAN ZORICA THREE WHEELING IT AROUND THE HAIRPIN AT SMP <i>PHOTO THANKS TO GRAHAM TULETT</i></p>
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Toronto Autosport Club – Minutes of July 2019 General Meeting

Meeting date: July 17, 2019

Meeting opened: 8:00 pm

Attendees: 8

- 1) President's report:
 - a. Not available (in England)

- 2) VP Report :
 - a. Total membership currently 95 = 7 life + 49 primary + 39 family

- 3) Treasurer's Report:
 - a. Account balances - \$15,073.25 savings; \$5,369.94 Chequing; \$497.74 PayPal
 - b. Quotes for new club stickers reviewed – lot for 1,000 to be procured

- 4) Competition Report:
 - a. DOCR results in Fifth Gear
 - b. Champcar likely to announce three Canadian events in 2020
 - c. Rally cross – Markham Fairgrounds this weekend; shadow KWRC event in October
 - d. Lucky Dog Canada endurance second round at Shannonville July 20/21
 - e. Guru Nanak & Zontas contract rallies to progress; contract for Guru requested
 - f. Ice racing Lexus Series – Russ Bond stepping down but no details

- 5) Social:
 - a. Annual awards banquet

- 6) Items wanted / for sale: nil

- 7) Old Business: decals to be ordered as above

- 8) New Business:
 - a. Alex Ling's TAC effects to be picked up by GT

- 9) Loonies in the bus: Rob J got this month's treasures

Adjournment: 8:53 p.m.

Minutes recorded by G. Tulett.



Membership Application

Mail: 18759 Kennedy Road,
RR#1 Sharon, Ontario, L0G 1V0
Email: 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 _____

1st Member _____ [#] email _____

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3rd 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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TAC works only because volunteers make autosport happen!

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