



# Fifth Gear

*December 2018*



# Toronto Autosport Club

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## 2018 EXECUTIVE

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## 2018 COMPETITION COORDINATORS

TIMEATTACK /SOLO-I	Gary Vernon
AUTOSLALOM /SOLO-II	Keith Hui

## 2018 COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

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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 LONDON PUB & GRILL, 9724 Yonge St, Richmond Hill (West side, South of Major Mackenzie Drive).

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## GUESTS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME !

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# TAC 2019 EVENTS CALENDAR

<u>Date</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Event Description</u>	<u>Club</u>
<b>January 2019</b>			
5	Rally-ORRC	<b>January Jaunt , Waterdown Ont. (See Flyer this issue)</b>	<b>TAC</b>
16	Meeting	<b>TAC Monthly Club Meeting, Turtle Jack's, 925 Dixon Road</b>	<b>TAC</b>
19-20	Ice Race-Minden	Ice Race, Minden Fairgrounds	DAC
26-27	Ice Race-Minden	Ice Race, Minden Fairgrounds	BEMC
<b>February 2019</b>			
2-3	Ice Race-Minden	Ice Race, Minden Fairgrounds	BARC
16-17	Ice Race-Minden	<b>Ice Race, Minden Fairgrounds</b>	<b>TAC</b>
16-17	Ice Race	Ice Race Series, Minden ON	TAC
20	Meeting	<b>TAC Monthly Club Meeting, Turtle Jack's, 925 Dixon Road</b>	<b>TAC</b>
<b>March 2019</b>			
2-3	Ice Race-Minden	Ice Race, Minden Fairgrounds, RAIN-DATE	
9-10	Ice Race-Minden	Ice Race, Minden Fairgrounds, RAIN-DATE	

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*More events to appear as 2019 Schedules are released.*

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

# From The President's Desk

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays. It's December!

We have been getting by with one car (and a Vespa scooter) for a while now, and with the move to Toronto (and one parking spot at the condo), we never planned on going to two cars again. Though occasionally it would work out better if Wife Sue would be willing to drive the scooter around the city.

With 2 kids and one significant other coming for Christmas, Sue has been panicking since September over how we were going to sort out vehicles over the holidays. The solution presented itself to us when we purchased a new car, and tried to sell off our 2003 BMW 730i with 350,000 kms on the clock.

The old Bimmer was running like a clock since we picked it up 3 years ago. While I expected the worst, the only problem was an engine cooling fan that seized, and disabled the air conditioning. That \$1,000 repair this past summer had to make the car worth at least \$1,500. But it was running perfectly. It had all new wear-and-tear items when we bought it, and I'd changed the brake pads. It had seen absolutely zero track time while we had it.

So up to [Autotrader.ca](http://Autotrader.ca) and [kijiji.com](http://kijiji.com), where old cars are hot items, and I see similar cars with similar milage going for around \$2,000. Great! I should be able to easily get what I want for it. Quick trip to the car wash, vacuum out the old muffin crumbs and Windex the windows, and I've got some stunning photos uploaded to the web sites. Now just wait for the offers to come pouring in!

And they did. The first offer was a straight-up swap for a snow mobile. Trailer would cost extra.

Next was an offer for \$500. Then an offer for \$250. \$50 more if I'm able to drive the car there myself.

This was not going well.

Sue was seriously pushing to just hold on to the car through Christmas, then unloading it. But the cost of parking alone killed that. Meanwhile, Niece Kaithlyne, who is studying nursing at Western in London, was complaining about getting around town with the crazy snow they get, and how on public transit, she spends hours getting to her clinicals that were only a few minutes away by car.

"Kaithlyne: How'd you like a BMW? For free!" "You pay the insurance, give us the car back at Christmas-time, and you can keep it as long as you want it." "Yes it runs well, and the air conditioning works like a charm!"

Done deal. Kaithlyne (actually our former Nanny's eldest, who calls me Lolo (grandpa Rob) can now get around London in classic luxury and visit her mom in Hamilton without trips to the bus or train stations.

Now we just have to figure out how to pick up the car when the kids arrive, and where to park it while they visit Toronto. Ah...First World Problems.

If you missed our Annual General Meeting, you missed Social Director Fred, Treasurer Rita, and myself, President Rob all being acclaimed for another 2 year term. It's great to have the board back as we move into the new year.

Fred hosted a great Awards Banquet over the first weekend in December. This year, with fewer door prize gifts. We still had extras, so the serving staff at The Crows Nest walked away with their own gifts! Congrats to all the award winners, and Competition Director Dietmar, for sorting out trophies and plaques.

Right after Christmas, TAC is hosting the January Jaunt. It goes on Saturday January 5th. Organizers Kurt & Nick have some great road options starting from Waterdown. The route always runs up and down the escarpment, and is beginner friendly. This is RSO's first Navigation rally of the 2019 season! Registration opens at 1pm, and you can expect to finish shortly after 8pm. Details are at [www.januaryjaunt.com](http://www.januaryjaunt.com)

Then, a week later, the Ice Race Pre-Tech weekend is set for the Minden Fair Grounds. The CASC Ice Race series kicks off the next weekend. Once again, they are offering first-time racers a great deal on entry fees, a temporary licence, and even cars available to drive. Check out the CASC Forums or the Ice Racing in Minden Facebook group.

Our TAC weekend runs on the February long weekend - the 16/17th. We are always looking for volunteers, and will cover a night in Minden plus food. If you're interested, please get in touch with Organizer (and Most Active Member award winner) Paul at [vicepresident@torontoautosportclub.ca](mailto:vicepresident@torontoautosportclub.ca) Let's hope for plenty of cold weather!

Have a great holiday season, and I'll see you at the Jaunt in January!

Rob



# THE JANUARY JAUNT



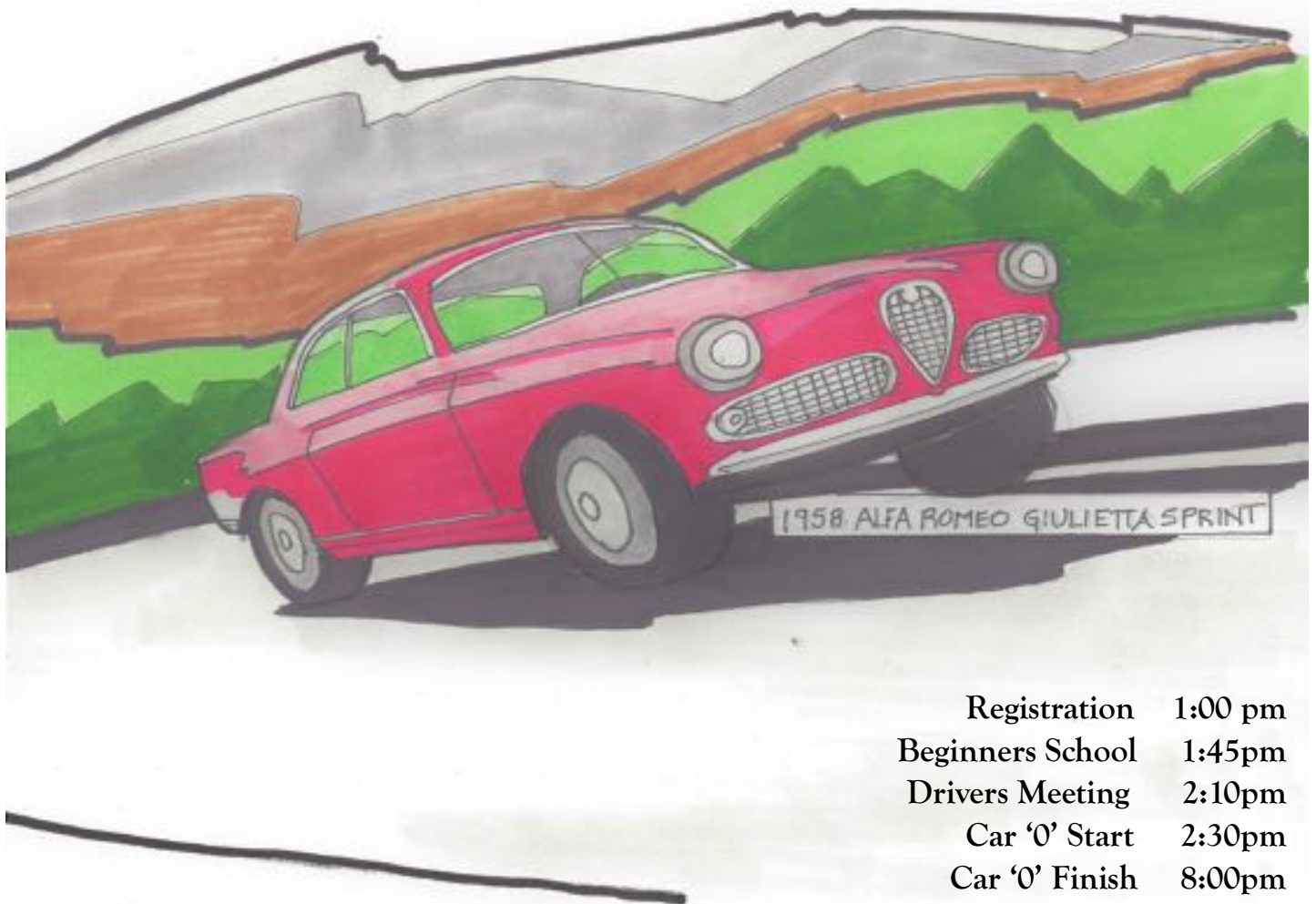
**JANUARY 5 2019**

The Royal Coachman  
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Waterdown, On

Winter Navigational Car Rally  
for Novices and Experts

2019 Ontario Road Rally Championship  
Round 1

\$45 (TAC Members \$35)



Registration	1:00 pm
Beginners School	1:45pm
Drivers Meeting	2:10pm
Car 'O' Start	2:30pm
Car 'O' Finish	8:00pm

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	DAC	BEMC	BARC	TLMC	TAC	PMSC	RAIN		
<b>Saturday</b>	Registration & Scrutineering open at 8:00am		<b>DRIVERS' MEETING 8:30AM SHARP – BE THERE!!</b>						
Practice	<b>5 laps Street Studs 9:00am</b>								
Practice	<b>5 Laps for all rubber classes</b>								
Race # 1	10 Laps	SS 4	SS 11, 12, 14	SS 1, 2	11, 12, 14	1, 4	2	<b>RUBBER CLASSES</b>	
2	10 Laps	2	1, 4	11, 12, 14	SS 1, 2	SS 11, 12, 14	SS 4		Class 1 – RWD
3	10 Laps	SS 11, 12, 14	SS 1, 2	SS 4	1, 4	2	11, 12, 14		Class 2 – FWD
4	10 Laps	1, 4	11, 12, 14	2	SS 11, 12, 14	SS 4	SS 1, 2		Class 4 – 4WD
5	10 Laps	SS 1, 2	SS 4	SS 11, 12, 14	2	11, 12, 14	1, 4		
6	10 Laps	11, 12, 14	2	1, 4	SS 4	SS 1, 2	SS 11, 12, 14		
<b>LUNCH: start time for race 10 to be posted on the registration window</b>									
7	14 Laps	SS 4	SS 11, 12, 14	SS 1, 2	11, 12, 14	1, 4	2	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Driver Classes</b>	
8	14 Laps	2	1, 4	11, 12, 14	SS 1, 2	SS 11, 12, 14	SS 4		Class 11 – RWD
9	14 Laps	SS 11, 12, 14	SS 1, 2	SS 4	1, 4	2	11, 12, 14		Class 12 – FWD
10	14 Laps	1, 4	11, 12, 14	2	SS 11, 12, 14	SS 4	SS 1, 2		Class 14 – 4WD
11	14 Laps	SS 1, 2	SS 4	SS 11, 12, 14	2	11, 12, 14	1, 4		
12	14 Laps	11, 12, 14	2	1, 4	SS 4	SS 1, 2	SS 11, 12, 14		
13	14 Laps	SS 4	SS 11, 12, 14	SS 1, 2	11, 12, 14	1, 4	2	<b>STREET STUD</b>	
14	14 Laps	2	1, 4	11, 12, 14	SS 1, 2	SS 11, 12, 14	SS 4		SS1 – RWD
15	14 Laps	SS 11, 12, 14	SS 1, 2	SS 4	1, 4	2	11, 12, 14		SS2 – FWD
16	14 Laps	1, 4	11, 12, 14	2	SS 11, 12, 14	SS 4	SS 1, 2		SS4 – 4WD
17	14 Laps	SS 1, 2	SS 4	SS 11, 12, 14	2	11, 12, 14	1, 4		
18	14 Laps	11, 12, 14	2	1, 4	SS 4	SS 1, 2	SS 11, 12, 14		
<b>Sunday</b>	Registration & Scrutineering open at 11:00am		<b>DRIVERS' MEETING 11:30AM SHARP!!!!</b>						
Practice	<b>5 laps Street Studs</b>								
Practice	<b>*****5 LAPS***** for all rubber classes</b>								
Race # 1	14 Laps	11, 12, 14	2	1, 4	SS 4	SS 1, 2	SS 11, 12, 14	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Driver Classes</b>	
2	14 Laps	SS 1, 2	SS 4	SS 11, 12, 14	2	11, 12, 14	1, 4		SS11 – RWD
3	14 Laps	1, 4	11, 12, 14	2	SS 11, 12, 14	SS 4	SS 1, 2		SS12 – FWD
4	14 Laps	SS 11, 12, 14	SS 1, 2	SS 4	1, 4	2	11, 12, 14		SS14 – 4WD
5	14 Laps	2	1, 4	11, 12, 14	SS 1, 2	SS 11, 12, 14	SS 4		
6	14 Laps	SS4	SS 11, 12, 14	SS 1, 2	11, 12, 14	1, 4	2		
<b>***10 MINUTE BREAK*** to be confirmed/announced at morning drivers' meeting ☺</b>									
7	14 Laps	11, 12, 14	2	1, 4	SS 4	SS 1, 2	SS 11, 12, 14		
8	14 Laps	SS 1, 2	SS4	SS 11, 12, 14	2	11, 12, 14	1, 4		
9	14 Laps	1, 4	11, 12, 14	2	SS 11, 12, 14	SS 4	SS 1, 2		
10	14 Laps	SS 11, 12, 14	SS 1, 2	SS 4	1, 4	2	11, 12, 14		
11	14 Laps	2	1, 4	11, 12, 14	SS 1, 2	SS 11, 12, 14	SS 4		
12	14 Laps	SS4	SS 11, 12, 14	SS 1, 2	11, 12, 14	1, 4	2		

This Schedule is subject to change...  
Competitors should check the registration window for updates and cancellations when you attend your Drivers meeting.





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# TAC 2018 Annual Award Winners



**MOST ACTIVE MEMBER :** Paul Moore



**NAVIGATION RALLY NAVIGATOR**  
Claire Jacobs



**NAVIGATION RALLY DRIVER**  
Brooke Jacobs

**PRESENTING:**  
Competition Director: Dietmar Seelenmayer  
President: Rob McAuley

**AUTOSLALOM DRIVER**  
Keith Hui

**NOT PRESENT:**  
Ice Race Driver: Kristopher Cox  
Time Attack: Jeremy Brutzki



## **Toronto Autosport Club – November 2018 Executive Conference Call Notes**

Call date: November 7, 2018

Call time: 8:03 pm

Participants: Rob, Paul, Dietmar & Graham

### Presidents Report

CASC-OR AGM this weekend – Rob to attend with Dietmar

### Vice President

Membership total 120 = 67 primary + 46 Family + 7 Life same as last month

### Treasurer:

\$14,968.13 savings; \$868.14 PayPal; \$2,237.80 chequing as of Oct 31

### Competition:

Discussion over annual award winners

### Social:

Year-end awards banquet ready.

Old business – nil

New business – nil

Next general meeting & AGM at Turtle Jacks

Adjourned at 8:24 pm.

## **Toronto Autosport Club – Minutes of November 2018 General Meeting**

Meeting date: November 21, 2018      Meeting opened: 7:59 pm      Attendees: 12

- 1) President's report:
  - a. CASC-OR AGM – November 10, 2018 – all board members acclaimed
  - b. Nothing significant
  
- 2) VP Report :
  - a. Total membership currently 120 = 67 primary +46 family + 7 life
  
- 3) Treasurer's Report:
  - a. Account balances - \$14,979.50 savings; \$2,419.86 Chequing; \$964.64 PayPal
  
- 4) Competition Report:
  - a. Zontas contract rally everyone finished
  - b. Ice Racing –
    - i. Organizers & competitors meeting held
    - ii. – no snowmobiles;
    - iii. Lexus class
    - iv. Rule book available
    - v. Book your rooms for TAC weekend in Feb
  - c. Chumpcar Canada renamed to Canadian Endurance Racing – Chuck Carvalho new owner.
  - d. AutoSlalom – Keith H a big help with timing this season
  
- 5) Social:
  - a. Annual awards banquet - 13 tickets so far
  
- 6) Items for sale/ wanted : none
  
- 7) Old Business: none
  
- 8) New Business: none
  
- 9) Loonies in the bus: Graham T finally won the \$12 and six cookies were up for grabs too.

Adjournment: 8:26 p.m.

Minutes recorded by G. Tulett.

## **Toronto Autosport Club – Minutes of November 2018 Annual General Meeting**

Meeting date: November 21, 2018      Meeting opened: 8:37pm      Attendees: 12

1) Quorum:

Proxies were presented and the Club Secretary declared a quorum

2) Past Minutes from November 15, 2017 AGM :

Were read by the Secretary. A motion by Rob M seconded by Fred W to accept the minutes was carried.

3) Officers Reports:

As published in Fifth Gear

4) Motion to Ratify, sanction, confirm and uphold the actions of the club officers for the past year

Moved by Rob M; seconded by Nick B; carried

5) Returning Officer

Nick Beck was appointed for the meeting.

6) Election of Officers

- a. President – Rob McAuley was elected by acclamation
- b. Treasurer - Rita Moore was elected by acclamation
- c. Social Director – Fred Walker was elected by acclamation

7) The club Officers thanked the members for their participation and support

8) Old business – nil

9) New business – nil

10) Motion to adjourn by Ingrid Beck seconded by Rob Jones was carried.

Adjournment: 8:52 pm

Minutes recorded by G. Tulett.



# 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 \_\_\_\_\_

1st Member \_\_\_\_\_ [# ] email \_\_\_\_\_

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

3rd Family Member \_\_\_\_\_ [# ] email \_\_\_\_\_

4th Family Member \_\_\_\_\_ [# ] email \_\_\_\_\_

5th Family Member \_\_\_\_\_ [# ] email \_\_\_\_\_

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Cash       Cheque # \_\_\_\_\_       PayPal       Other      TOTAL \$: \_\_\_\_\_

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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



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