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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 the MOOSE AND FIRKIN, 7600 Weston Road at Hwy 7 (SW corner), just west of Hwy 400 in Woodbridge (www.mooseandfirkin.com)...

GUESTS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME !

FIFTH GEAR is the monthly publication of the Toronto Autosport Club. Articles concerning Club members' activities are of special interest and members are encouraged to submit their writings to any member of the Executive or send them to the Editorial Offices. Past issues of FIFTH GEAR are posted for viewing on the club website.

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From The President's Desk

What a great weekend we had in Minden!

The TAC Ice Race was the first of the season this year, and it couldn't have gone better. We had a tonne of volunteers out, and that made everything from scrutineering to gridding to results flow like unfrozen water!

I took over 600 photos on Sunday, and they are all posted on the TAC Facebook page. Just go to Facebook, and search for "Toronto Autosport Club", any you'll be able to see the pics. Give us a Like, and help promote the club. Feel free to download and use them any way you want. And Tag your friends!

Next up for the club is the RSO AGM in March. Things are much less controversial nowadays, but there may be one item that will stir some debate. The RSO sanctioning body, CARS, has always had a rep from each provincial chapter on its board. While this has traditionally been the president, there was nothing in the CARS constitution stating that.

A year or two ago, RSO and the clubs that make it up agreed to separate the functions of the president and CARS Rep. RSO amended their constitution, and created the CARS Rally Rep director role, and the RSO membership voted in the director.

However this year, CARS amended it's constitution, so the regional rally reps would be voted on by the clubs attending the CARS AGM. Ontario clubs attending could vote for the Ontario rep. Thankfully, the rep selected at the RSO AGM stood for election, and was re-elected - but not before another member from an Ontario club decided to run against him. While this is not in contravention of the CARS rules, it was disrespectful of RSO.

I am anxious to see how RSO deals with this. It certainly makes it easier when we can choose a rep at a local Ontario meeting,

instead of voting at an AGM that could take place anywhere in the country.

The Time Attack calendar is out, and rules are ready to be published. This year, Director Kelly is adding a rescue service team to our events. They will act on fire and crashes as well as driver first aid. You can expect prices to go up, but the safety services provided will be second to no other Time Attack series.

The OTA schedule is up on the CASC forums (www.casc.on.ca/forums), and it is packed this year. We start with the usual TAC presented school in early May, and end with the TAC presented weekend at Grand Bend Raceway! In between, we have dates at TMP/Cayuga, Mosport (both MIR & DDT), Shannonville, and Calabogie.

TAC is involved in running four weekends, so get your summer cars tuned up, and be ready to register at the March 28 Open House.

I am also looking forward seeing what the Autoslalom schedule has in store. This is a great way to get people into the sport. It's cheap and easy to get started. Drivers learn incredible car control skills too! I'd love to see TAC get more involved in some Autoslalom events.

But for now, I'm trying to fit everything in and around my commitment to the Pan Am Games. They will be huge, and look like they will keep me busy on many summer weekends. Hopefully I'll still get out to the track - or Wife Sue will kill me for doing that suspension upgrade on her car for nothing!

Yours in motorsports,

Rob
TAC President

TAC 2015 EVENTS CALENDAR

<u>DATE</u>	<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>EVENT DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>CLUB</u>
<i>FEBRUARY 2015</i>			
14-15	Ice Race-Magnum	Ice Race, Magnum Series, Minden	BEMC
18	Meeting	TAC Monthly Club Meeting, Moose & Firkin, Weston & 7	TAC
21-22	Ice Race-Magnum	Ice Race, Magnum Series, Minden	BARC
21-22	Rally-ORRC	ORRC - Polar Bear Rally, Bancroft	MLRC
28-1	Ice Race-Magnum	Ice Race, Magnum Series, Minden	TLMC
<i>MARCH 2015</i>			
7-8	Ice Race-Magnum	Ice Race, Magnum Series, RAIN-DATE Minden	
8	INDY	Autódromo Internacional Nelson Piquet (Brasília)	
13-15	F1	AUSTRALIAN GRAND PRIX (Melbourne)	
14-15	Ice Race-Magnum	Ice Race, Magnum Series, RAIN-DATE Minden	
18	Meeting	TAC Monthly Club Meeting, Moose & Firkin, Weston & 7	TAC
21	Meeting	RSO Annual General Meeting, Bridgenorth ON	RSO
27-29	F1	PETRONAS MALAYSIAN GRAND PRIX (Kuala Lumpur)	
29	INDY	Streets of St. Petersburg	
<i>APRIL 2015</i>			
5	Rally	"Saturday Night at the Rallies" series, Woodstock	KWRC
10-12	F1	UBS CHINESE GRAND PRIX (Shanghai)	
12	INDY	NOLA Motorsports Park (New Orleans)	
15	Meeting	TAC Monthly Club Meeting, Moose & Firkin, Weston & 7	TAC
17-19	F1	GULF AIR BAHRAIN GRAND PRIX (Sakhir)	
19	INDY	Streets of Long Beach	
24-25	Regional Race	Spring Fling, (Test & Tune) Shannonville	
25-26	School	CASC-OR Race School - Shannonville	
26	INDY	GP of Alabama, Barber Motorsports Park (Birmingham)	
<i>MAY 2015</i>			
1-3	F1	KOREAN GRAND PRIX (tba)	
2-3	Regional Race	Spring Trophy Races CTMP (Mosport)	BEMC
8-10	F1	GRAN PREMIO DE ESPAÑA (Catalunya)	
9	INDY	Grand Prix of Indianapolis	
10	Rally	"Saturday Night at the Rallies" series, & Blossom Rally, Kitchener	KWRC

More events to appear as 2015 Schedules are released.

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

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TAC Ice Race at Minden Jan 24-25



TAC Members who entered the TAC race weekend (Jan-24) are listed below, by their Car Number

CAR	DRIVER	CLASS
5	Dan Zorica	SS4
20	Andrew Tulett	SS14
69	Tammy Douglas	C12
71	Dale Brinklow	C2
91	Katie Sauren	SS14
92	Rod Lentino	C4
134	Jessica Carrell	SS14
135	Jim Carrell	SS4
136	Jeff Carrell	SS4
146	Daniel Douglas	SS2
154	Bob Lynch	C2
181	Andrew Vernon	SS1

More TAC drivers showed up the following weekends





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Dietmar Seelenmayer presented Andrew Vernon with the 2014 TAC Ice Race Driver annual award.



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BULLETIN



BULLETIN N° 2015-02

Subject: Additions to the CARS English Rulebook

Issue Date: January 28, 2015

Implementation Date: January 28, 2015

This bulletin is in English only because changes are included in French rule book printing.

Rationale:

After the CARS AGM, there were some changes to the board, the CRC calendar and we discovered two missing pieces of the English rule book. (All will be included in the French rule book.)

1) Masthead Page:

ASN Canada FIA moved their office to: 281 North Service Road West, Suite A21, Oakville, ON, L6M 2V6, new fax # [905-815-8771](tel:905-815-8771)

2) 2015 CARS Contacts:

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3) CRC calendar:

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Keith Morison
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Section 11 Missing Preamble:

(For Performance Events Only)

The CARS Board reserves the right, upon written application, to grant specific, limited exemptions to these regulations where it can be shown that the exemption is in the best interests of the sport or in the interest of safe conduct of the sport. Granted exemptions shall be communicated in writing by the CARS President or, in the case of a Canadian Rally Championship event, the CARS president or the National Series Manager and be included in the event's Supplementary Regulations or posted on the event's Official Notice Board.



Attention Proud TAC Members!

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Choose from a large selection of shirts, jackets, mugs, bags, even games and toys! Almost anything that Café Press sells, they will sell with the TAC logo on.

Visit the store at

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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 _____

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Address _____ Home Phone (____) _____
 _____ Bus. Phone (____) _____

Province _____ Postal Code _____

2nd (Family) Member _____ [#] email _____

3rd Family Member _____ [#] email _____

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5th 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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FIFTH GEAR is also available on the website. Check here if you do NOT need a mailed copy

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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