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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

The Year Ahead

2006. Another year. Where does the time go?

Plans are underway for another busy year. We want to ensure that no-one feels that they're just sitting around with nothing to do!

The January Jaunt has come and gone. Congrats to Kurt Seelenmayer for getting 23 teams out this year.

Our monthly meetings are regular occurrences, and take place the third Wednesday of the month. We are lucky to have a place like Miami's Restaurant that hosts us, and gives us their party room downstairs. Please support them by ordering a drink, snack, or meal when you come out to our meetings. Their food is excellent.

Now that we have Chuck Atkins on as Social Director, you can pass on any ideas for meeting activities to him. If anyone has any interesting Rally or Race tapes, we can play them at the close of the business part of the meeting. I know Chuck would be interested in any suggestions for guest speakers.

The Ice Race season is now upon us. I'd encourage everyone to come out and race, watch, beg for a ride, or otherwise assist. TAC members always put on a strong show, and we host a great event. The Ice Race season begins on January 14, with events every weekend. TAC hosts the last event on February 25/26. I can't think of a better way of getting your money's worth out of a \$500 car.

In February, the Canadian International Autoshow will be back in Toronto. CASC will again have a booth that will be shared with Rally Sport Ontario. Both organizations will be looking for volunteers. This is a great way to meet potential competitors and let them know about our club and the events we participate in. We'll have TAC membership forms and trifold information sheets to hand out.

In early April, TAC will be at the Solo Open House at CSC Racing in Newmarket. We usually sign up a bunch of new members there, and all our Solo 1 and Solo 2 competitors can get their cars classified, and register for this year's events.

Also starting in April will be our Ralliette series. Numbers have been increasing over the last couple of years, and we're seeing teams move from Novice to Intermediate to Expert. This year, we're hoping to have a joint award with the Maple Leaf Rally Club. Our Ralliette series runs on the forth Wednesday of each month, and MLRC runs their Mini-Rally series once a month on a Saturday. Each series will have their own champion, but we'll also have a combined championship.

Competitors must run a minimum number of events in each series to qualify. The Ralliettes will keep competitors busy through October.

The May Solo 1 School will again be held on the first weekend in May - May 7/8. This is a great weekend to get lots of track time with some excellent instructors. The rest of the Solo 1 season follows, with events every 2-3 weeks. Specific dates are still up in the air, but we're hoping to get confirmation of 1 or 2 Big Track weekends at Mosport, a Calabogie school, a Shannonville weekend, and a return to the Toronto Motorsport Park at Cayuga. We're hoping that Quebec can host the Solo Sprint Canadian National Championships this year.

TAC will again be hosting a Solo 2 event at the Powerade (formerly Brampton) Centre. The date is to be confirmed, but this is always a popular event on the Solo 2 championship calendar.

We'll watch for the Discover Ontario Rally at the end of May or beginning of June. Mitch and Brook will be back organizing another popular event in the Road Rally Series. Of course we'll be organizing a few Contract Rallies, making a few dollars for the club, and spreading the word on how much fun rallying can be.

I'm hoping to participate in a few Regional Races this year, in the Touring/GT series as well as the Sprint races. My dedicated track car should be ready in April, so I'll be out at the race events looking for the TAC members that I've met at Solo events, and have now moved on to door-to-door racing. Even though TAC won't be organizing any Race events this year, we'll still be out participating!

The ALMS race is back at Mosport for the Labour Day weekend. The TAC Corral was a big success last year, so we'll be back again in 2006. Last year's gourmet meal was amazing. John Hannaford and Deb Phillips did a tonne of work to pull that off, and we're looking to get them some help this year.

Then in December we'll have our 51st Christmas/Holiday Dinner. We'll hold off on the Royal York, but I'm expecting the event will still be lots of fun as we wrap up the season.

And somewhere before the end of the year, we'll hold our AGM, elect some directors, and plan the 2007 January Jaunt!

I can't believe we're planning 2007 already. Where does the time go!

Rob McAuley

TAC EVENTS CALENDAR 2006

<u>DATES</u>	<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>EVENT/LOCATION</u>	<u>ORGANIZING CLUB</u>
JANUARY 2006			
7	ORRC	January Jaunt Rally	☞ TAC
13-15	Meeting	CARS AGM	CARS
14-15	Ice Race-Magnum	Scrutineering for Ice Race, Minden Fairgrounds	CASC
21-22	Ice Race-Magnum	Ice Race, Minden Fairgrounds	TLMC
22	School	RSO First Aid Course	RSO
28-29	Ice Race-Magnum	Ice Race, Minden Fairgrounds	BARC
28	TV	2005 Targa Newfoundland- 7pm ET on Global-TV	
30	Meeting	RSO Board Meeting	RSO
FEBRUARY 2006			
3-5	CRC/OPRC	Perce Neige Rally	CASLL
4-5	Ice Race-Magnum	Ice Race, Minden Fairgrounds	PMSC
11-12	Ice Race-Magnum	Ice Race, Minden Fairgrounds	BEMC
17-26	Show	Toronto Auto Show	RSO
18-19	Ice Race-Magnum	Ice Race, Minden Fairgrounds	DAC
18-19	ORRC	Ontario Winter Rally	MLRC
25-26	Ice Race-Magnum	Ice Race, Magnum Series, Minden	☞ TAC
MARCH 2006			
18	ORRC	Greenspond GoRound Rally	MLRC
20	Rally School	RSO Beginner Rally School	RSO
25	Meeting	RSO AGM/Awards	RSO
27	Rally School	RSO Beginner Rally School	RSO
APRIL 2006			
3	Rally School	RSO Beginner Rally School	RSO
8	ORRC	Spring Runoff Rally	PMSC
10	Mini Rally	Mini Rally	MLRC
24	Meeting	RSO Board Meeting	RSO
26	Ralliette	Ralliette	☞ TAC
MAY 2006			
6	ORRC	Blossom Rally	KWRC
8	Mini Rally	Mini Rally	MLRC
24	Ralliette	Ralliette	☞ TAC
26-27	CRC	Rocky Mountain Rally	CSCC
31	Club Rally	Summer Nights Rally	MCO
JUNE 2006			
10	ORRC	Discover Ontario Rally	☞ TAC
12	Mini Rally	Mini Rally	MLRC
17	OPRC	Black Bear Rally	MLRC
28	Ralliette	Ralliette	☞ TAC
28	Club Rally	Summer Nights Rally	MCO
30-1	CRC/OPRC	Baie des Chaleurs Rally	CRAB
JULY 2006			
10	Mini Rally	Mini Rally	MLRC
26	Club Rally	Summer Nights Rally	MCO
26	Ralliette	Ralliette	☞ TAC

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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D Y N O D A Z E ? ?

Are you interested in participating in a group dyno plot? It would probably take place at Mustang Parts Warehouse / Steeda.ca in Milton on either a Saturday or Sunday in February.

I need at least 10 people to take part. A competitive price will be negotiated upon Pat's return but I need an idea of how many might be interested.

Please send an email to chuck_atkins@ispnet.ca
no later than Monday, January 23, 2006
Thanks, Chuck

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2006 January Jaunt Results

Event Report

As the only winter Navex in Ontario, the Jaunt provides a unique combination of driving and navigating challenges. This year was no different. The rally gods smiled on us again, delivering a snowfall just in time for the event, with healthy snowy weather throughout the night as well that added to the spirit of the rally.

Every competitor finished the rally this year, the first time in the recent (3 year) January Jaunt history. Car 19 found a little mud off-route, and decided to head to the finish after getting out, but by checking in at the final control, they still finished the rally. A few other crews got lost, and I heard that there were a few frustrations, but everyone recovered, and I hope that all had a good time overall!

The Novice entry in this event topped even last year's entry of 13, with 15 crews entered! There could be a number of reasons for this, but I think that the location, length, and timing of the event add to its appeal. Some competitors like to use the Jaunt as a shakedown for the other winter rallies later in the season, although all crews opted for regular ORRC classes rather than the available Open class (where experienced crews can run with Novice instructions).

The Novice class was given "Easy" instructions this year, although there were a couple of sections that proved to be not so easy after all. Novices were challenged by the last section, a flow chart with added distances to help guide the way through. We used this type of instruction with Novices in the past, and it proved to be less of a challenge than this year. I'll just say that I think we'll give this instruction type a break for a couple of years for Novices. Of course, the Novice class consists of both first- or second-time competitors as well as teams that have run for a couple of years, which makes balancing the instruction types a little bit of a challenge as an organizer. For instance, a few beginners were flummoxed by straight-line diagrams, while the way they were introduced was suitable for the majority of Novices. I think there are a few ways we can improve the instructions, such as running a (non-ORRC) beginner class, or providing a more thorough explanation (maybe a beginner's guidebook) at the beginning. (If you're one of these beginners, I'd appreciate any feedback you have on this point.)

While the "Hard" instructions were - er - hard, it is interesting to note that only one Intermediate crew decided to open the supplied panic envelope and take the 10 point penalty for doing so. (Our lone Expert team had the same instructions as the Intermediates, but since they never panic, they didn't need an envelope.) There was a question about how to interpret the straight-line waffle section, where each cell in a waffle was a straight-line segment. You start at a point in the waffle, and can only execute an adjoining instruction, selecting the appropriate one with a matching intersection type. The question was whether you should enter each segment from the top or bottom; while the first instruction set a precedent, and normally there would be no doubt in my mind about the remaining ones, the guru suggested adding this clarification for the similar section in the Novice instructions, so a clarification could have helped. I'll have to remember that for next time!

Summary and detailed results are given below, so I'll just highlight the top finishers here. For the record, provisional results were posted at 10:15 PM, and were declared final at 10:32 after a

couple of minor corrections. (Martin Loveridge did a great job as scorer, getting our results out a lot earlier than last year!)

Our lone Expert crew of Paul and Rita Moore managed to take the win in their class, after struggling against themselves (and the waffle) all night!

Tudor Horia and Mihai Chiriac took the win in their first event as Intermediates after being bumped into this class from Novice for 2006 - they were obviously ready for the move! Last year's Intermediate winners, Paul Leonard and Dave Jones, finished in a commendable second place.

The Novice class was quite hotly contested this year, with 15 Novices, and 5.3 points separating the top 4 competitors! Robinson Kelly and Sheena Disher started their winter rally season off on a good footing by winning the class with a score of only 5 points. Kyle Epp and Calvin Kwok were only 1.9 points behind, while Topy Link and Connie Williams took home third place trophies for their score of 9.4. Andrei Glotov and Natalia Glotova were only 0.9 points behind, in fourth place.

Once again this year, we used HAM radios to improve communications between crews, which helped quite a bit. Also key once again was tracking cell phone numbers of competitors and crews - we once again used cell phones to track down one car that didn't show up at a checkpoint (we weren't leaving anyone behind!), and car 19 called the organizers when they got stuck in the mud that was just off-route. So this proved to be a very effective practice, and one that I would recommend to other organizers as well.

It seems a little obvious to state it this way, but our event just wouldn't run without the effort of the people who volunteered their Saturday to help out - I truly appreciate their hard work and their time. I'm just going to say thanks for the hard work to the workers listed below, and also to my co-organizer, Dietmar, and Robert Roaldi as ORRC Guru who reviewed the event. (And accurately predicted the hard sections!)

Chris Atkins	<i>Checkpoint</i>	Paul Henshall	<i>Checkpoint & ORRC Steward</i>
Nick & Ingrid Beck	<i>Registration & Checkpoint</i>	Martin Loveridge & Ian Plumb	<i>Scoring & Checkpoint</i>
Malcolm Elston & Gail Walker	<i>Checkpoint</i>	Rich & Eloise Sullivan	<i>Checkpoint</i>
Peter & Margaret Fenwick	<i>Checkpoint</i>	Brooke Jacobs & Garth Thompson	<i>Greencrew</i>

So thanks again to everyone who came out to make our event a success, workers and competitors alike. The turnout was fabulous, with great competitors enjoying the sport, and workers who enjoy the sport so much that they're willing to help make it a success. I enjoyed seeing and talking to everyone. We're thinking about next year, and have tentatively scheduled January 6, 2007 as the date for the next January Jaunt - we hope to see you there!

Kurt Seelenmayer VA3KSE
Co-Organizer, 2005 January Jaunt

2006 January Jaunt Overall Results

Car #	Class	Driver	Club Navigator	Club	Vehicle	Score	Position
6	E	Paul Moore	PMSC Rita Moore	PMSC	Silver 2000 Subaru 2.5 RS	38.2	1E
18	I	Horia Tudor	MLRC Mihai Chiriac	MLRC	2002 Subaru Impreza WRX	7.2	1I
1	I	Paul Leonard	KWRC Dave Jones	MLRC	Blue 2006 Subaru Impreza	22.3	2I
3	I	Roger Sanderson	KWRC Christina Chinn	KWRC	Red 2002 Mini Cooper S	33.4	3I
7	I	Chris Maryan	-- Filip Petr	--	Gray 2005 Mazda 3	36.4	4I
5	I	John Kormendi	-- Norm Favit	--	Blue 2005 Subaru WRX STi	47.8	5I
22	I	William Horne	TAC Renstom Somitov	--	Silver 1993 Mazda 626	48.3	6I
23	I	Ken Nazeer	MLRC Natan Mekuz	MLRC	Red 1994 Subaru Legacy	63.4	7I
2	N	Robinson Kelly	MLRC Sheena Disher	MLRC	White 1993 Toyota Celica	5.0	1N
16	N	Kyle Epp	-- Calvin Kwok	--	Black 2003 Ford Focus	6.9	2N
8	N	Toby Link	-- Connie Williams	--	White 1989 Honda Civic si	9.4	3N
21	N	Andrei Glotov	-- Natalia Glotova	--	Black 2004 Subaru WRX	10.3	4N
15	N	Frank De Kat	KWRC Adam Dowset	KWRC	White 1986 Audi 4000Q	15.9	5N
11	N	Nathan Gundy	MLRC Jessica Witmer	--	Beige 1986 Volvo 240DL	17.3	6N
4	N	Nikola Novak	MLRC Melissa Scott	--	Black 2004 Subaru Impreza WRX	17.6	7N
20	N	Kristof Szymanski	TAC Ed Mercer	TAC	Blue 1997 Ford Escort	19.1	8N
9	N	Kevin Young	-- Stephen Rodger	MLRC	Blue 2004 Subaru STi	20.2	9N
14	N	Maxine Petersen-Lee	SPDA Ray Brazau	--	Gray 2002 Subaru WRX	28.9	10N
12	N	Sean Smith	-- Julia McCombie	--	Blue 1985 Pontiac Acadian 1000	43.9	11N
10	N	Cory Hancock	-- Ben Dawson	--	Tan 1994 Chrysler New Yorker	45.8	12N
17	N	Raheel Baig	-- Peter Toribio	--	Blue 2000 Subaru Impreza	74.8	13N
13	N	Cezar Achim	-- Sebastian Gruneantu	--	Red 2005 Subaru Impreza	76.8	14N
19	N	Gabriel Chun	-- Jason Lee	--	Yellow 2005 Mitsubishi Lancer	145.0	15N

2006 January Jaunt Detailed Results

Car #	Class	CP1	CP2	CP3	CP4	CP5	CP6	CP7	CP8	CP9	CP10	CP11	CP12	CP13	CP14	CP15	CP16	CP17	Total
6	E	0	0	0	0	0.2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	20	15	0	1	38.2
18	I	-1	-0.2	0	0	-0.1	0	-1	-0.6	0	-0.3	0	-0.4	0	1.6	0	1	-1	7.2
1	I	0	0	0	0	0.4	3	0	1.2	-1	0	0	0	0	14.7	1	1	0	22.3
3	I	-1	-0.6	-1	0	0.2	4	0	0.3	-2	0.1	1	1	1	2.2	15	-3	-1	33.4
7	I	1	-0.7	-1	1	0.4	0	0	0	0	-0.1	1	0	-1	12.2	15	-3	0	36.4
5	I	2	-0.8	-1	-2	0.1	1	0	-0.8	-1	0	-1	-0.1	0	2	2	20	14	47.8
22	I	0	-0.2	0	1	-0.2	0	6	-1.4	-4	0.3	0	-0.2	0	20	15	0	0	48.3
23	I	0	0.1	0	-2	0	10	0	3.8	0	0.5	0	0	0	20	20	7	0	63.4
2	N	-1	-0.1	-1	1.5	0.1	0	0	0	0	0.1	0	0.2	0	0	0	-1	0	5.0
16	N	0	-0.2	-1	0	-0.1	-1	0	0	0	-0.2	0	-0.1	0	0.3	0	3	1	6.9
8	N	0	-0.1	-1	2	0	0	1	0.1	2	0	1	-0.1	0	1.1	1	0	0	9.4
21	N	-1	-0.4	-1	-2	0	1	0	0.1	0	0.1	1	-0.1	0	0.6	1	-1	-1	10.3
15	N	0	0	-1	0	-0.1	0	-1	-0.5	0	0.1	4	-0.1	0	0.1	0	9	0	15.9
11	N	-1	0	0	3	0	1	1	0.2	-1	0	1	0	0	1.1	1	6	-1	17.3
4	N	0	6	-1	1	0.8	0	-1	0.3	0	0.6	2	1	0	0.9	1	2	0	17.6
20	N	-1	-1	-3	0	0	4	-1	-0.7	0	0.1	0	-0.1	0	0.2	0	-8	0	19.1
9	N	-1	-0.1	-1	0	-0.1	-1	14	0	-1	0	0	0	0	0	1	-1	0	20.2
14	N	0	-0.1	-2	0	0	0	0	0.8	0	0.3	1	0.6	-1	1.1	3	9	-10	28.9
12	N	-2	-1.9	0	1	0.1	3	0	0.1	-4	-0.9	2	0.2	0	13.7	4	5	-6	43.9
10	N	-1	-0.4	-2	1	0.2	0	1	0.6	2	0	2	0.1	0	3.5	3	20	9	45.8
17	N	-1	-1.2	-3	4	0.5	3.8	1	1.5	1	0.6	2	0.8	0	3.4	20	20	-11	74.8
13	N	-3	-0.2	-2	2	0.5	5	1	2.1	-3	1.5	2	0.8	1	1.7	20	20	11	76.8
19	N	14	-0.6	-2	6	1.1	3	1	20	-4	0.3	4	1	20	20	20	20	8	145.0

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2005 VOLUNTEER POINTS

Here are the volunteer points earned by TAC members in 2005. The awards for these points will be announced next month.

Member Num	First Name	Last Name	Jaunt	Ice race	FITS	Open House	School 1	Solo sp 1	Solo sp 2	School2/ event5	event 8	ALMS
6	Dietmar	SEELENMAYER	72	18								
83	Kurt	SEELENMAYER	140									
72	Nick	BECK	9	18								
10	Robert	MCAULEY			4	2	40	3		24	6	20
173	Russell	HARDING			4	5	16	40	4		3	8
47	Brooke	JACOBS										
36	Chuck	ATKINS					20	10	10	20	20	
99	Chris	ATKINS	9				16		8	16	3	
109	Peter	CLIFFORD				5		2	8	18	20	
201	Christian	SORENSEN		18		16				16	6	
46	Ingrid	BECK	9	18								
5	Sheryl	Graham				5		10				8
5	Scott	MERRITHEW										
100	John	HANNAFORD										40
176	Debra	PHILLIPS										40
28	Brian	SIBBITT										
37	Andy	HUGHES		30								
60	Margret	FENWICK	9									
256	John	CHARLES										
33	Rich	SULLIVAN	9	9								
92	Avi	KOIFMAN							4	18	3	
114	Peter	FENWICK	9									
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237	Stephen	MARTIN										
239	Christina	SORENSEN										
204	Derek	TREFRY									3	
146	Bob	Presswood									2	
122	Veri	Presswood									2	

2005 VOLUNTEER POINTS

Here are the volunteer points earned by TAC members in 2005. The awards for these points will be announced next month.

DOCR	Ralliette 1	Ralliette 2	Ralliette 3	Ralliette 4	Ralliette 5	Ralliette 6	Guru	Zonta	Solo2	CFI rally	5th Gear	Banquet	TOTAL
14	9	9	4	24	9	9	5			26			199
7		2		4		30							183
7	13	4	4		4	4					100		163
	4			4	4							5	116
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54				4	15			24					97
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Top Ten Tax Tips

1. File your taxes on time to avoid the 5% late filing penalty.

If you owe tax for 2004, and do not file your return for 2004 by midnight of May 2, 2005, CCRA will charge a 5% late-filing penalty.

If you or your spouse or common-law partner carried on a business in 2004 your 2004 tax return has to be filed by **June 15, 2005**. However, if you have a balance owing for 2004, you still have to pay it by May 2, 2005.

2. Receive your tax deduction automatically every month.

You can ask CCRA to allow your employer to reduce withholdings if you have contributed to an RRSP early in the year, made large charitable donations, or incurred substantial medical expenses. Child care expenses, alimony and taxable child support also may lower your income and reduce your withholding taxes.

3. Take advantage of Income Splitting Opportunities:

- a. Split income by employing your spouse or child.
- b. Lend money to your spouse or child.
- c. Have the lower income spouse invest all earnings
- d. Maximize your charitable deductions (amounts over \$200) by pooling your charitable receipts for up to five years and have the higher income spouse claim them.

4. Try to earn your investment income (outside of RRSPs) at the lowest tax rate possible.

5. Pay the premiums on your disability insurance.

6. Claim medical expenses on the tax return of the spouse with the lowest income.

7. Make use of your investment losses.

8. Defer tax on severance or retiring allowance.

9. Transfer shares to your RRSP, but not at a loss.

10. Make sure you deduct your safety deposit box fees, and all investment carrying charges if you have an investment loan (outside your RRSP).



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RSO Board/Executive Meeting – Dec 15, 2005

LOCATION – Snelgrove – Paul Henshall's House – 7:00 pm
dinner 8:00 pm meeting 17/12/05



NAME	POSITION	PRESENT
Ray Felice	President	Present
Jeff Hagan	Vice-President – Performance	Regrets
Ryan Huber	Vice-President – Navigational	Present
Ross Wood	Secretary	Present
Alan Ryall	Treasurer	Present
Paul Henshall	Executive Assistant	Present
Sandy Hygate	Assistant Treasurer	Present
Rob MacKenzie	Assistant V.P Performance	Present
Roger Sanderson	Scorer	Regrets
Rob Metcalfe	Chief Scrutineer	Present
Brian Sharp	Chief Scrutineer	
Alasdair Robertson	RSO Rep. to CARS ByLaw Committee	
Robin Fleguel Stephen Rodger Ray Felice	RSO Growth Committee – Database RSO Growth Committee – Navigational Rally RSO Growth Committee – Performance Rally	Present
TBA	BEMC Club Representative	
Christina Chinn	KWRC Club Representative	Present
Ian O'Halloran	MCO Club Representative	
Ross Wood	MLRC Club Representative	Present
Rob MacKenzie	PMSC Club Representative	Present
Russ Harding	TAC Club Representaive	
John Vanos	Guests	Present

Agenda

- 1) **Approval of/additions to Agenda** – approved as amended
- 2) **Approval of October 23, 2005 meeting minutes – Motion** – Ryall/Huber - carried
- 3) **Treasurer's Report**
 - (a) **Report** – \$22,000 in bank – reconciled to Oct. 31/05
 - Tall Pines awards to be sent
 - requests for any expense payments due by December 31
 - working on recommendation re disbursement of RSO assets in the event of its demise
 - working on procedure re function of Ass't. Treasurer
 - (b) **2006 Budget** – immediate input required from Executive
- 4) **Old Business**
 - (a) **Growth Meeting Follow-up** – a committee was established consisting of Christina Chinn, Sandy Hygate, Stephen Rodger & Ray Felice . Mandate of the committee is to generate an action plan for the implementation of Growth initiatives. Volunteers needed to assist.
 - volunteers needed to act as mentors of new rallyists – contact Ray Felice for performance or Ryan Huber for navigational.
 - (b) **RSO Clubs – levies, voting, communications, other issues** – President's report on consultation with club Presidents - Ray has had discussions with three Presidents and will contact the others before the next meeting.
 - (c) **RSO AGM follow-up** – the V.P. ORRC to present a report – it was decided to integrate this project with the work of the Growth Committee
 - (d) **RSO Board/Exec. Job Descriptions** – Ross Wood distributed copies of the job descriptions created several years ago to the Executive members. These will serve as a starting point. Each member of the Executive is to present a draft of the description for their position at the next meeting.
 - (e) **RSO membership – clubs must provide list of 2005 members by January 10, 2006.** Beginning 2006 RSO will request membership numbers from clubs quarterly. This information is needed for RSO scoring, background data for promotional purposes and distribution of prize money, Privacy of RSO members is assured.
This list should be submitted electronically to the RSO Secretary. It should include a minimum of first name, last name, city/town and province/state.

PMSC has submitted its list.

(f) Newmarket HAM Fest – Paul Henshall reported – two rally cars and a Sweep truck were used in the display plus videos. Response was positive and three new volunteers were recruited.

(g) Toronto Auto Show – Ray Felice reported – booth has been secured – sharing with CASC-OR – details of the booth now being planned

- large rally photo display being created – can be used at other RSO functions

- calendar cards are at the printer

- workers are needed from all clubs – contact Ray Felice, Sandy Hygate or Bryn Epp

- a list of duties is being prepared

- clubs are expected to provide promotional materials

(h) Press Releases – journalism students – report pending from VP OPRC.

(i) Marketing – Calendar cards/website – resources section – links to be updated

(j) RSO Quarterly Meetings – seeking clubs to host

5) CARS Update

(a) Bylaw Committee/Changes/EGM – sufficient requests were received from clubs, so an EGM will be held in conjunction with the AGM in Vancouver – five proposed ByLaw changes were received

(b) Rules Change Process – Rule Changes for 2006 have been posted on the CARS website

(c) Series sponsorship/television – an agreement has been reached for a five year television sponsorship of the CRC on national television in English and French. More details to be released later.

6) **RSO Rules Committee** – new rules for 2006 now final and will be posted soon on the RSO website

7) OPRC

(a) Series Standings – current & posted

(b) Pines report – see MLRC club report. In addition the Stewards have indicated that their report will be very favourable. Strict application of the rules was discussed.

(c) OPRC 30th anniversary – plans underway – Jeff Hagan & Robin Fleguel

(e) Regional Seeding/Starting Order – pending report from Jeff Hagan

(f) Organizer's Guide – the V.P.'s are to coordinate preparation of a checklist for organizers to be included in the RSO Procedures Manual

(g) Perce Neige – Supp. Regs have been published – event will feature Organizer-provided notes plus one pass of the stages

8) ORRC

(a) Series Standings – current & posted

(b) President's Prize – PMSC - Paul Henshall (ORRC Series Steward) reported – good event With good roads - well organized – Tee shirts were given out – Section Three instructions were printed on the back of the Tee shirt – scoring was slow

(c) Lanark Highlands – MCO - observed although not an ORRC this year – extremely well organized – communications provided by ARES group – gave out large licence style plaques

9) New Business

(a) HAM Radio Course – RSO will host another amateur radio course geared specifically to rally – register on the RSO website – to be held in the Spring

(b) CASDI Request – (Defi) request to leave RSQ and join RSO – refused by CARS

(c) RSO AGM/Awards Luncheon – March 25th – site TBA – a lead for this is being checked out -

(d) Possible Muskoka rally – a request was received from the Muskoka District Chamber of Commerce offering full support to any club putting on a performance rally in their area – contact Ray Felice for details

(e) SWEEP Team – RSO wishes to thank the Seeep Team for their excellent work at our events in 2005

(f) New Winter Rally – a new drivex is being planned by MLRC – details coming soon

(g) Subaru Sponsorship of RSO – Subaru has indicated that it will continue its sponsorship of RSO for 2006 but for a lesser amount than in past years. There will be no cash awards for events; instead the money will be distributed as prize money for the season at the year end awards.

10) Club News

RSO Report from KWRC - Submitted by Christina Chinn – December, 2005

KWRC discussed the CARS bylaw committee report – A discussion opened to discuss the report. Some points brought up more questions for clarification. The CARS bylaw action plan was also discussed and Martin Loveridge – President – presented a letter requesting an EGM be called with the AGM in order to discuss the results of the bylaw committee. All were in favour. Martin will submit the letter to CARS. Martin will also be attending the AGM in Vancouver in January 2006.

The membership was urged to submit responses to the performance rules for 2006 and beyond, as they will be part of your rally life!

Plans are started for our annual banquet to be held likely on 21 January 2006.

KWRC members were out to Tall Pines rally in many capacities

Christina Chinn - Registration and Assistant to the Clerk of the Course
Dave Marzetti - Radio
Dennis Wharton - Steward
Martin Loveridge - Control and Logistics Manager
Rob Metcalfe - Scouting
Roger Sanderson - Scoring
Steve Van Rees - Marshall
Andrew Comrie-Picard - Competitor
Jeff Lantz - Competitor
Andrew Wallbank - Competitor
Morgan Catton - Competitor
Seth Catton - Competitor

We are very proud of our Jeff Lantz for receiving such a great write-up in the Toronto Star Wheels section. He managed to have 2 pictures of the car included in the article, written by his co-driver, Dean Campbell. Great article Dean.

Our current Membership stands at 56.

MLRC (per Ross Wood)

The Rally of the Tall Pines was a huge success – largest entry of any CRC event in 2005 with 40 cars. The new Routebook format that combined tulips with stage notes into one book was very well received by competitors, as were the NFP's (Notes Familiarization Passes) on Friday. The committee has even bigger plans for 2006.

MLRC just held its AGM and elections. Board for 2006 is as follows:

President – Bryn Epp
Vice President – Alex Korovkine
Secretary – John Vanos
Treasurer – Alan Ockwell
Director at Large – Ken Nazeer

We are gearing up for the Ontario Winter Rally – night of February 18/19. Same great roads as always. Online registration available in January. Volunteers needed for checkpoints and radio.

MCO (per Ian O'Halloran)

MCO Election

After a special AGM, MCO has a new executive:

President - Bruce Malanka
Vice President - Greg Kierstead
Past President - Ron Woltman
Director (& rally representative) - Ian O'Halloran
Director - Chuck Payne
Director - Sam Mandia
Director - Aleida Dikland

MCO 2006 TSD

- Currently working on the 2006 MCO rules.
- Currently trying to finalize the 2006 calendar. Planned events include Lanark Highlands, Golden Pine, Fall Nights, and four Summer Nights mini events.

PMSC (per Peter Guilliver)

The PMSC AGM & Election of Officers was held November 23. The PMSC Executive for 2006 will be

President Pete Gulliver
Vice President Dan Demers
Secretary Doug Logan
Treasurer Earle Henderson
Competition Director Ashley Preston
Bulletin Editor James Mewett
Public Relations Lesley Wimbush

PMSC next event will be Ice race weekend February 4/5 in Minden. PMSC is one of only two RSO club that organizes Ice Race events we invite all Ralliests to join us February 4/5 to spectate. Better yet check out the regulations on the CASC web site and the November Bulletin of PMSC www.pmsc.on.ca Article on how to build an Ice Racer. Join this inexpensive way to go racing. Remember your CARS Rally licence is now accepted for Ice Racing. You could also get a CASC Basic licence very economically if needed. You can be Ice racing for under \$500!!

(d) Next Meeting – Date – January 30th – format/location TBA



2006 Membership Application

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Toronto, Ontario, M8V 3X2

Email: registrar@torontoautosportclub.ca

New or Renewal Members – Single or Family \$50.00

JOIN or RENEW ON-LINE :

JOIN-> www.casc.on.ca/joinAClub.php

RENEW-> www.casc.on.ca/welcome.php

- TAC Membership includes 2006 CASC-OR (Race, Solo) & RSO (Rally) affiliation
- Family rate limited to family members domiciled at the same mailing address.
- 2005 membership numbers will be reserved until February 1st, 2006.
- All memberships expire December 31.

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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 all of your
2006 autosport interests;

- Solo I
- Solo II / Autoslalom
- Ice racing
- Navigational rallying
- Performance rallying
- Road racing
- Karting

Please indicate three areas that
you can help with in 2006;

- Solo I / II 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