



Fifth Gear

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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. (currently via ZOOM online).

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

Is everyone used to writing 2023 for the year yet? I know I have been waiting to get over COVID since early 2020, but am hearing about the latest Omicron COVID variant. Yikes. 3 years and counting. Well, I'm staying vaccinated, and watching the poop dashboard to see how bad things are.

But our January Jaunt rally is looking good! Kurt & Nick have another great route laid out for their January 21st date. We are meeting at the Tim Hortons in the Fortinos plaza in Waterdown at 10:30AM for registration, with the beginner's meeting at 11:00. The rally will wrap up at the Watermark Taphouse in the same plaza.

Are we ready to Ice Race? Maybe not right now, with lots of rain and temperatures hanging above freezing, but hopefully we will be ready to go by TAC's February 18/19 weekend. We always enjoy the Family Day weekend, as there lots of people out to watch the races. There is a great group of core volunteers, and TAC is known to run one of the best weekends in the series.

Let's hope for lots of snow and cold temperatures over the next month! If you are interested in helping out, we will cover a night's accommodation, and your meals.

The Dakar rally is going on as I write this. It runs across Saudi Arabia through January 15. It is currently in the dunes, and looks spectacular.

Finally, the Canadian International Autoshow runs next month, from February 17 to the 26th. It takes place at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre. For the first time in a few years, I will not be there as a member of the Press. It was always interesting - usually for the non-new car events. I got to talk to Otmar Szafnauer, when Aston Martin did their launch a few years ago, with Lance Stroll & Sergio Perez. Crofty was the host of that event, and you could see Lawrence Stroll skulking in the back, behind the curtain. Otherwise, it is a great venue to see pretty much all the vehicles available in Canada in one setting.

And sometimes there are great booths hosting CASC or RSO folks who love chatting up the public about what we do for fun. Check it out - but not if it takes you away from the ice race weekends.

Enjoy your winter!

Rob
TAC President

ON THE COVER

SOME ICE RACING ACTION
FROM 2019 SEASON.
-PHOTO BY ROB MCAULEY-

TAC 2023 EVENTS CALENDAR

DATE	CATEGORY	EVENT DESCRIPTION	CLUB
January 2023			
18	Meeting	ONLINE: TAC Monthly Club Meeting, ZOOM	TAC
21-22	Ice Race-Minden	Ice Race, Minden Fairgrounds	BARC-OC
21	Rally-ORRC	January Jaunt Rally- See Flyer this issue	TAC
28-29	Ice Race-Minden	Ice Race, Minden Fairgrounds	PMSC
February 2023			
3-4	Rally-CRC	Perce Neige, Maniwaki Quebec	CRN
4-5	Ice Race-Minden	Ice Race, Minden Fairgrounds	DAC
11-12	Ice Race-Minden	Ice Race, Minden Fairgrounds	BEMC
15	Meeting	ONLINE: TAC Monthly Club Meeting, Jitsi	TAC
18-19	Ice Race-Minden	Ice Race, Minden Fairgrounds	TAC
18-19	Rally-ORRC	ORRC - Polar Bear Rally, Bancroft	MLRC
25-26	Ice Race-Minden	Ice Race, Minden Fairgrounds	TLMC
March 2023			
4-5	Ice Race-Minden	Ice Race, Minden Fairgrounds, RAIN-DATE	
5	F1	BAHRAIN GRAND PRIX (Sakhir)	
5	INDY	Streets of St. Petersburg	
15	Meeting	ONLINE: TAC Monthly Club Meeting, ZOOM	TAC
19	F1	SAUDI ARABIA GRAND PRIX (Jeddah)	
April 2023			
2	INDY	Texas Motor Speedway - Fort Worth	
16	INDY	Streets of Long Beach	
19	Meeting	ONLINE: TAC Monthly Club Meeting, ZOOM	TAC
27-30	Regional Race	Spring Fling & School at SMP	
30	INDY	Barber Motorsports Park - Birmingham, AL	
30	F1	AZERBAIJAN GRAND PRIX (Baku City, Azerbaijan)	
May 2023			
6-7	Regional Race	Spring Trophy Races CTMP (Mosport)	BEMC

More events to appear as 2023 Schedules are released.

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

THE JANUARY JAUNT



Saturday, January 21, 2023

Winter Navigational Car Rally
for Novices and Experts

Start:

Tim Hortons

145 Hamilton St N, Waterdown, ON

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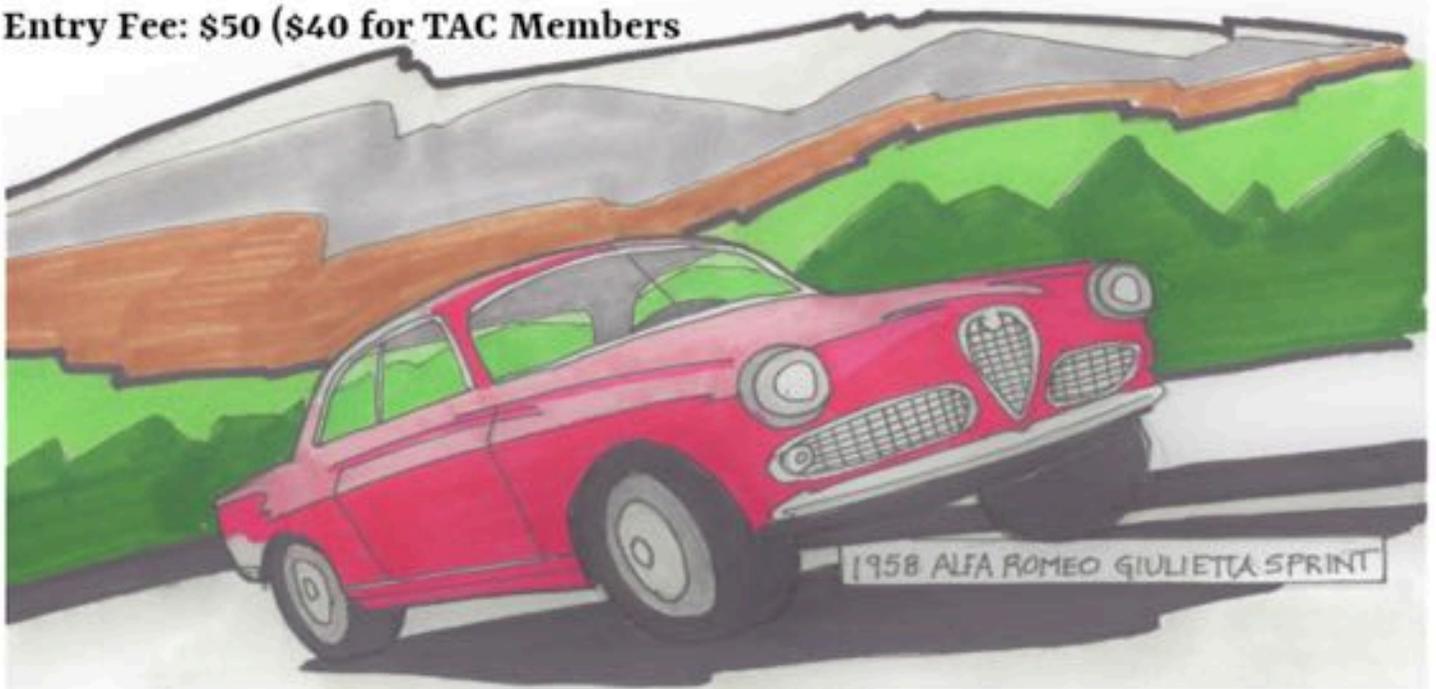
Finish:

The Watermark Taphouse & Grille

115 Hamilton St N, Waterdown, ON

GPS 43.3350417,-79.9041773

Entry Fee: \$50 (\$40 for TAC Members)



2023 Ontario Road Rally Championship
Round 1

Registration	10:30
Beginners' Meeting	11:00
Comptitors' Briefing	11:15
Car 'o' Starts	11:30
Car 'o' Finishes	16:30

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CASC-OR 2023 ICE RACE SEASON SCHEDULES

ICE RACE ADVISORY #'s 416-667-9500 877-667-9505	Jan 21/22	Jan 28/29	Feb 4/5	Feb 11/12	Feb 18/19	Feb 25/26	Mar 4/5
	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4	Round 5	Round 5	Mar 11/12
	BARC	PMSC	DAC	BEMC	TAC	TLMC	RAIN Dates

SATURDAY							
Registration & Scrutineering open at 7:00am							
DRIVERS' MEETING 8:30AM SHARP – BE THERE!!							
Practice	5 laps STREET STUDS classes						
Practice	5 laps Rubber to Ice classes						
Race # 1	10 Laps	SS4	SS11, 12, 14	SS2	SS1	SS4	SS11, 12, 14
2	10 Laps	2	1, 4	11, 12, 14	2	1, 4	11, 12, 14
3	10 Laps	SS 11,12, 14	SS2	SS1	SS4	SS 11, 12,14	SS2
4	10 Laps	1, 4	11, 12, 14	2	1, 4	11, 12, 14	2
5	10 Laps	SS2	SS1	SS4	SS11, 12, 14	SS2	SS1
6	10 Laps	11, 12, 14	2	1, 4	11, 12, 14	2	1, 4
7	10 Laps	SS1	SS4	SS11, 12, 14	SS2	SS1	SS4
LUNCH: start time for race 10 to be posted on the registration window							
8	14 Laps	SS4	SS11, 12, 14	SS2	SS1	SS4	SS11, 12, 14
9	14 Laps	2	1, 4	11, 12, 14	2	1, 4	11, 12, 14
10	14 Laps	SS 11,12, 14	SS2	SS1	SS4	SS 11, 12,14	SS2
11	14 Laps	1, 4	11, 12, 14	2	1, 4	11, 12, 14	2
12	14 Laps	SS2	SS1	SS4	SS11, 12, 14	SS2	SS1
13	14 Laps	11, 12, 14	2	1, 4	11, 12, 14	2	1, 4
14	14 Laps	SS1	SS4	SS11, 12, 14	SS2	SS1	SS4
15	14 Laps	SS4	SS11, 12, 14	SS2	SS1	SS4	SS11, 12, 14
16	14 Laps	2	1, 4	11, 12, 14	2	1, 4	11, 12, 14
17	14 Laps	SS 11,12, 14	SS2	SS1	SS4	SS 11, 12,14	SS2
18	14 Laps	1, 4	11, 12, 14	2	1, 4	11, 12, 14	2
19	14 Laps	SS2	SS1	SS4	SS11, 12, 14	SS2	SS1
20	14 Laps	11, 12, 14	2	1, 4	11, 12, 14	2	1, 4
21	14 Laps	SS1	SS4	SS11, 12, 14	SS2	SS1	SS4

RUBBER CLASSES

Class 1 – RWD

Class 2 – FWD

Class 4 – 4WD

2nd Driver Classes

Class 11 – RWD

Class 12 – FWD

Class 14 – 4WD

STREET STUD CLASSES

SUNDAY							
Registration & Scrutineering open at 11:00am							
DRIVERS' MEETING 11:30AM SHARP!!!!							
Practice	5 laps STREET STUDS classes						
Practice	5 laps Rubber to Ice classes						
Race # 1	14 Laps	SS4	SS11, 12, 14	SS2	SS1	SS4	SS11, 12, 14
2	14 Laps	2	1, 4	11, 12, 14	2	1, 4	11, 12, 14
3	14 Laps	SS 11,12, 14	SS2	SS1	SS4	SS 11, 12,14	SS2
4	14 Laps	1, 4	11, 12, 14	2	1, 4	11, 12, 14	2
5	14 Laps	SS2	SS1	SS4	SS11, 12, 14	SS2	SS1
6	14 Laps	11, 12, 14	2	1, 4	11, 12, 14	2	1, 4
7	14 Laps	SS1	SS4	SS11, 12, 14	SS2	SS1	SS4
*** 10 MINUTE BREAK *** to be confirmed/announced at morning drivers' meeting							
8	14 Laps	SS4	SS11, 12, 14	SS2	SS1	SS4	SS11, 12, 14
9	14 Laps	2	1, 4	11, 12, 14	2	1, 4	11, 12, 14
10	14 Laps	SS 11,12, 14	SS2	SS1	SS4	SS 11, 12,14	SS2
11	14 Laps	1, 4	11, 12, 14	2	1, 4	11, 12, 14	2
12	14 Laps	SS2	SS1	SS4	SS11, 12, 14	SS2	SS1
13	14 Laps	11, 12, 14	2	1, 4	11, 12, 14	2	1, 4
14	14 Laps	SS1	SS4	SS11, 12, 14	SS2	SS1	SS4

SS1 – RWD

SS2 – FWD

SS4 – 4WD

2nd Driver Classes

SS11 – RWD

SS12 – FWD

SS14 – 4WD

This Schedule is subject to change...

Competitors should check the registration window for updates and cancellations when you attend the Drivers meeting.



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2023 CASC-OR Regional Racing Schedule

- Spring Fling (and school) at SMP April 27 to 30
- BEMC Spring Trophy Races at CTMP May 6 – 7
- SMP Cup at SMP June 3 – 4
- *(VARAC Vintage Grand Prix at CTMP Jun 15 – 18)*
- BARC Canadian Touring Trophy Races Jul 29 – 30
- OSCC Calabogie Summer Classic at CMP Aug 18 – 20
- BEMC Late Summer Trophy Races at CTMP Sep 16 – 17
- Celebration of Motorsport at CTMP Sep 30 – Oct 1

Attention Proud TAC Members!

Now you can buy clothes and more with the TAC logo on it, through the Toronto Autosport Club's online store (a partnership with Café Press.com).

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

<http://www.cafepress.com/torontoautosportclubgear>





Membership Application

Mail: 148 Tamarack Drive,
Thornhill, Ontario, L3T 4X4

Email: registrar@torontoautosportclub.ca

- New Members – Single or Family \$40
 Renewal Members – Single or Family \$30 or \$25 Early

(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 _____

Address _____ Home Phone (____) _____

_____ Bus. Phone (____) _____

Province _____ Postal Code _____

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

3rd Family Member _____ [#] email _____

4th Family Member _____ [#] email _____

5th Family Member _____ [#] email _____

PAYMENT METHOD:

Cash Cheque # _____ PayPal Other TOTAL \$: _____

To pay by PAYPAL/Credit Card, please visit the Club website at: www.torontoautosportclub.ca.

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

You should begin receiving the FIFTH GEAR newsletter by email within 2 months.

FIFTH GEAR is also available on the website.

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