



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. (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.

FIFTH GEAR is normally published on the second Wednesday of each month. Certain scheduling changes may be made to accommodate major motorsport events which are of interest to the members.

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From The President's Desk

Winter Ice Racing is over and done with. TAC had the last weekend of the series, which is always a risky assignment. The season rarely lasts to the end, and rain dates in March just get cancelled. However, this year everything worked out perfectly. The winter was cold and snowy right up until the end. Some people were asking if we could tack on a 7th weekend!

Competition Director Graham had everything organized perfectly, with the A Team managing the cars, Past-VP and Treasurer Paul & Rita working in Timing and Scoring, VP Gary acting as Clerk, and the First wives Christine and Sue handling scoring and registration. That left me to run around and take photos, and get some time on the track.

CASC-OR has started centralized payments for all shared costs, like track rental & insurance. All revenues are shared amongst the participating clubs. This is a model closer to Ontario Time Attack, which is much fairer to clubs that have dates cancelled, or poor turnout at the start or end of the season. TAC has been pushing for this for quite a while, and we are glad that things are working out well.

Graham had also prepped Gail & Malcolm's Saabaru for a busy final weeknd, with club members hoping to

take it out each day. Unfortunately, a broken control arm stranded the car in the parking lot. The car had seen some good action, with people lined up to rent it on most weekends.

What's next? Graham says that it's a straightforward repair, then it may be available for more fun at some Rally-Cross events over the summer! Stay tuned.

Ontario Time Attack season kicks off on April 5th with their Open House. There are discounts and special offers for attendees!

Mitch and Brooke's F1 Pool will be starting soon and Netflix's Drive to Survive is already airing. Check out https://www.fantasyautoracers.com/f1_01/ to see when the new season kicks off, and get your picks in prior to the first race in Australia. This makes the position of every car critical and will keep you watching the races until the end!

Ready for those summer track days?

Bring it on!

Rob McAuley
TAC President

[Click Here for link to TAC ZOOM Meeting 3rd Wednesday Monthly 8pm](#)

TAC 2025 EVENTS CALENDAR

DATE	CATEGORY	EVENT DESCRIPTION	CLUB
<hr/> March 2025 <hr/>			
19	Meeting	ONLINE: TAC Monthly Club Meeting, ZOOM	TAC
22	Rally-SNATR	SNATR- #2 Saturday Night at the Rallies	KWRC
<hr/> April 2025 <hr/>			
5	Rally-OPRC	OPRC - Rally of the Voyageurs	OPRC
5	Ice Race	AWARDS DINNER, Trillium Trails Events, Oshawa	CASC
16	Meeting	ONLINE: TAC Monthly Club Meeting, ZOOM	TAC
19	RallyCross	KWRC Rallycross Test Day	KWRC
<hr/> May 2025 <hr/>			
3	Rally-ORRC	ORRC & SNATR - Blossom Rally	KWRC
3-4	TimeAttack	Ontario Time Attack School #1 / Event #1 CTMP-DDT Track	
10-11	Regional Race	Spring Trophy Races CTMP (Mosport)	BEMC
10	RallyCross	KWRC Rallycross #1	KWRC
20	Race-Regional	Ontario Time Attack HDPE School #1 CTMP-DDT	
21	Meeting	ONLINE: TAC Monthly Club Meeting, ZOOM	TAC
24	RallyCross	PMSC Rallycross #1	PMSC
31-1	Rally-CRC	Rocky Mountain Rally, Invermere BC	CSCC
31-1	Regional Race	SMP CUP; at SMP	
31-1	TimeAttack	Ontario Time Attack School #2 / Event #2 CTMP-GP Track	
31	RallyCross	KWRC Rallycross #2	KWRC
<hr/> June 2025 <hr/>			
7	Rallycross	PMSC Rallycross #2	PMSC
12-15	Vintage	VARAC Vintage Grand Prix, CTMP (Mosport)	VARAC

More events to appear as 2025 Schedules are released.

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



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TAC Member Tristan Cabral-Pereira

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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

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





TAC member Carl Mayette looks for traction in the snow



Still looking for traction



Organizer and Recovery Vehicle Operator Graham

Toronto Autosport Club - Executive Zoom Call Meeting Minutes March 5, 2025

Call time: 8:05 pm via ZOOM

Participants: Gary, Graham & Ingrid

President:

We have 641 followers on Facebook.

Membership:

100 members; 8 life, 56 regular, 36 family (no updates this month)

Treasurer:

Account Balances:

RBC	\$
PayPal	\$

(no updates this month)

Competition:

Ice Race season has wrapped up. Had a really good season.

Next event is the Banquet - April 5/25

Still waiting for the final calculations but we should be okay financially.

PMSC Rally Cross events have been published.

Time Attack trying to attract sponsorships

Open House is April 5, 2025

Offering better pricing for in person

First event is the School on May 2 co-organized with OMSC, OMSC is running the event on May 3

Social - none

Old Business - none

New Business - none

Adjourned at 8:40 pm

Minutes by I. Beck



ANNOUNCEMENT



Happy Saturday Everyone,

YD Motorsports is offering a raffle ticket on each set of Nankang Tires purchased!

For every set (4 tires) of Nankang tires bought, you are entered into a raffle for \$1000 off your next set.

For those who have already purchased, you have already been entered into the raffle.

*Group buy will be occurring until **March 31, 2025.***

For information about tires, sizes and costs being offered, please see:

[2025 Ontario Time Attack Nankang Group Buy.pdf](#)

To order please contact: info@yd-motorsports.com or call 905-761-8599

Pick up of the tires ordered is in April at [YD Motorsports 87 Mulock Dr. Newmarket ON L3Y8V2.](#)

A reminder email when ready for pick up and the payments are due.

Ontario Time Attack Organizers

LIVE timing, FAIR classing, FAST drivers, ONLY AT OTA!

find us on social media at <https://linktr.ee/ontariotimeattack>



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

