



# Fifth Gear

*May 2011*



# 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. at the MOOSE AND FIRKIN, 7600 Weston Road (Unit 15) at Hwy 7, just west of Hwy 400 in Woodbridge ([www.mooseandfirkin.com](http://www.mooseandfirkin.com))...

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

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Rob is having computer problems, but hopes everyone that attended the Time Attack school had a good time, and wishes everyone running the Discover Ontario Rally good luck.

Rob McAuley



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# TAC EVENTS CALENDAR 2011

| <u>DATES</u>       | <u>CATEGORY</u> | <u>EVENT/LOCATION</u>                                     | <u>ORGANIZING CLUB</u>  |
|--------------------|-----------------|---|---|
| <b>May 2011</b>    |                 |   |   |
| 14                 | TimeAttack      | School Day, Mosport DDT                                   | OMSC/SPDA   |
| 18                 | Meeting         | <b>TAC Club Meeting, Moose &amp; Firkin, Weston&amp;7</b> |  TAC   |
| 22                 | F1              | SPANISH Grand Prix Catalunya                              |   |
| 27-28              | CRC             | Rocky Mountain Rally , Calgary, Alberta                   | CSCC  |
| 29                 | F1              | MONACO Grand Prix , Monte Carlo                           |   |
| 29                 | INDY            | Indianapolis 500  |   |
| <b>June 2011</b>   |                 |   |   |
| 4                  | club            | KWRC SNATR #2, tbd  | KWRC  |
| 4                  | TimeAttack      | Event #1 ; Mosport DDT                                    | OMSC  |
| 5                  | TimeAttack      | Event #2 ; Mosport DDT                                    | OMSC  |
| 11                 | INDY            | Twin 275s, Texas Motor Speedway                           |   |
| 12                 | F1              | CANADIAN Grand Prix , Montreal                            |   |
| 15                 | Meeting         | <b>TAC Club Meeting, Moose &amp; Firkin, Weston&amp;7</b> |  TAC   |
| 17-19              | Vintage         | VARAC Vintage Racing Festival - Mosport                   | VARAC   |
| 18                 | ORRC            | <b>Discover Ontario Car Rally, tbd</b>                    |  TAC   |
| 18                 | TimeAttack      | <b>Event #3 ; Shannonville Nelson Circuit</b>             |  TAC   |
| 19                 | INDY            | Milwaukee 225, West Allis, WI.                            |   |
| 19                 | TimeAttack      | Event #4 ; Shannonville Pro Circuit                       | HADA  |
| 25                 | INDY            | Indy 250, Iowa Speedway                                   |   |
| 25-26              | School          | CASC-OR Race School - Shannonville                        | CASC-OR   |
| 26                 | F1              | EUROPEAN Grand Prix, Valencia                             |   |
| <b>July 2011</b>   |                 |   |   |
| 1-2                | CRC             | Baie des Chaleurs, New Richmond, Quebec                   | CRAB  |
| 2                  | Regional Race   | BARC Grand Prix of Ontario Mosport                        | BARC-OC   |
| 9                  | TimeAttack      | <b>Time Attack School #2; Mosport</b>                     |  TAC |
| 10                 | club            | MLRC RallyCross, Bancroft                                 | MLRC  |
| 10                 | F1              | BRITISH Grand Prix , Silverstone                          |   |
| 10                 | INDY            | Honda Indy TORONTO  |   |
| 10                 | TimeAttack      | <b>Event #5; Mosport</b>                                  |  TAC |
| 16-17              | Regional Race   | DAC Trillium Trophy Races, Shannonville                   | DAC   |
| 17                 | club            | KWRC SNATR #3, tbd  | KWRC  |
| 20                 | Meeting         | <b>TAC Club Meeting, Moose &amp; Firkin, Weston&amp;7</b> |  TAC |
| 23-24              | ALMS            | <b>TAC at MOSPORT ALMS with BBQ</b>                       |  TAC |
| 24                 | F1              | Grand Prix of GERMANY Nurburgring                         |   |
| 24                 | INDY            | Edmonton Indy, City Centre Airport                        |   |
| 31                 | F1              | HUNGARIAN Grand Prix, Budapest                            |   |
| <b>August 2011</b> |                 |   |   |
| 6-7                | Regional Race   | BARC Canadian Touring Trophy Races, Mosport               | BARC-OC   |
| 6                  | Rally-ORRC      | <b>TAC AUGUST CHALLENGE RALLY, Mississauga</b>            |  TAC |
| 7                  | INDY            | Indy 200, Mid-Oho Sports Car Course                       |   |

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  
 RA : Rally America

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# DISCOVER ONTARIO CAR RALLY



Saturday, June 18th, 2011

The Discover Ontario is the sixth round of the Ontario Road Rally Cup. This is a **beginner-friendly** event that is a great introduction to the sport of rallying. Any licensed car can compete and there are no car-breaker roads. All you need is a clipboard and pens, and a settable clock. Straightforward, easy-to-follow route book instructions are specifically designed to introduce newcomers to the fun of navigational rallying.

Approximately 200 km of entertaining back roads.

There are three classes of competition: Novice, Intermediate and Expert.

## **Never rallied before?**

No problem. There are many resources available to help you get started:

- [Rallysport Ontario](#) is holding a beginner's school in March.
- [Maple Leaf Rally Club](#) has a [Mini Rally](#) series
- Gail Walker has made a [collection of articles](#) about some of the types of instructions you may encounter. These also include many types that the more experienced classes could see as well, so don't be afraid!
- You can even see some of the instructions from previous runnings of the Discover Ontario

## **Registration Information**

At registration you will need to show proof of ownership of the vehicle, or have a letter from the owner specifically stating that you have permission to enter this rally. If a minor is participating in the rally, the legal guardian must sign a release form or you must have a letter of permission from the legal guardian.

Start location:

To Be Announced - likely in the St. Catharines/Niagara area

Entry fee is \$45 per car, \$35 for TAC members

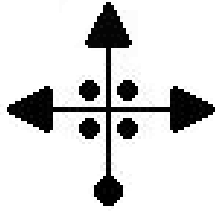
Pre-registration is available on the RSO web site [here](#).

For information, please contact Brooke: [brooke@brooke.net](mailto:brooke@brooke.net) or 905 764-1833.

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AN EVENT IN THE 2011 ONTARIO ROAD RALLY CUP  
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The Toronto Autosport Club presents the

# TAC August Challenge Rally

Round 7 of the Ontario Road Rally Cup  
Saturday, August 6, 2011



<http://www.torontoautosport.ca>

Twitter: @JanuaryJaunt

Entry Fee: \$45  
Start: Tim Hortons  
6982 Financial Drive, Mississauga  
Finish: Drake and Firkin  
6982 Financial Drive, Mississauga  
Registration Opens: 9:00 AM  
Beginner's Meeting: 9:45 AM  
Driver's Meeting: 10:10 AM  
Car '0' Starts: 10:30 AM  
Car '0' Finishes: 4:30 PM (approx)

The TAC August Challenge (TAC) Rally is a road rally with traditional navigational instructions, using roads in the escarpment area northwest of Mississauga.

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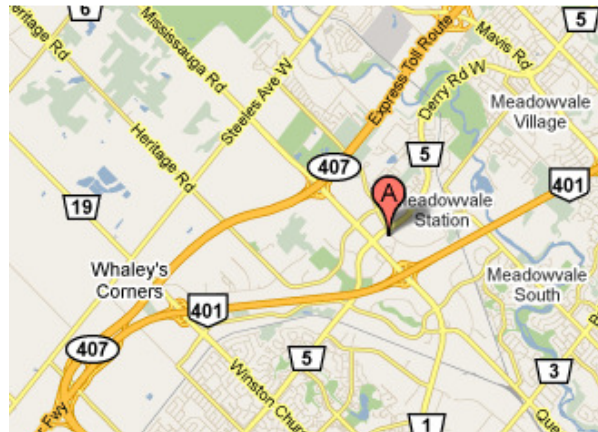
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*From Highway 401, exit at Mississauga Road and proceed northbound. From Highway 407, exit at Mississauga Road and proceed southbound.*

*The start/finish locations are in the plaza at the south east corner of Derry Road and Mississauga Road.*

*Fuel is available at a PetroCan station 1 block north of Highway 407 on Mississauga Road, or an Esso station 1 block west of Highway 401 on Derry Road.*







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## **Toronto Autosport Club April 2011 Executive Conference Call Notes**

Call date: April 6, 2011

Call time: 8:03pm

Present: Rob McAuley, Andrew Kinal, Rita Moore, Dietmar Seelenmayer, Graham Tulett

- RSO AGM was held and the incumbent president was returned for another term. TAC's Paul & Rita Moore have resigned as RSO Secretary, TAC RSO club rep and VP. A new TAC representative to RSO is being sought.
- Time Attack series is not able to obtain the new RFID readers required for a new timing system. The old system will be used for one more season and the new system should be available for 2012.
- Presidents meeting of CASC-OR was held April 3. The CASC website has recently had a major update. TAC will be one of the clubs involved in beta testing. CASC has an advisory committee set up to determine ways to grow the sport. Joe T has been the interim chair and will be stepping down. A new chair is being sought.
- Treasurer's report: ING Direct account balance of \$17,073.41. The chequing account balance is \$4,206.45.
- 2011 Membership currently at 91 family with 54 primary members.
- Website membership transfer to club issues have been attributed to privacy and security controls, particularly when a member joins another club. The application does not want to release membership info to any other clubs.
- Given the results of the RSO AGM, the organizers of the upcoming ORRC Infinite Monkeys rally are not prepared to continue but would be prepared to run it as a club event. The executive will decide on a course of action.
- Rob is following up with Mosport concerning the TAC Corral at the ALMS / BBQ in July.
- Time Attack Open house at CSC Racing this weekend to be attended by Rob, Andrew, Dietmar, Carsten and Graham.

Meeting adjourned: after 8:35 pm at which point I had already left.

Notes recorded by G. Tulett.

## Toronto Autosport Club – Minutes of April 2011 General Meeting

Meeting date: April 20, 2011      Meeting opened: 8:15 pm Attendees: 10

Minutes of the March 16, 2011 meeting as published in Fifth Gear moved for acceptance by Dietmar S and seconded by Rob McA.

- 1) President's report:
  - a. The RSO AGM did not proceed as hoped. Ray Felice has been returned as President for another term. RSO's Secretary and VP, Paul and Rita Moore have resigned.
  - b. CASC-OR Presidents' meeting was held April 3. TAC will participate in beta testing for the revised info systems. Issues with the website transferring member info have been attributed to privacy controls.
  - c. Solo / Time Attack open house held with four new club members signing up. The cost of Time Attack events has gone up significantly.
  
- 2) VP Report : (Andrew was unable to attend but sent an email)
  - a. 98 total members so far with 60 primary.
  
- 3) Treasurer's Report:
  - a. Chequing account balance \$4,099.41
  - b. Investment account balance \$17,073.41
  - c. Suggestion to order more club merchandise – perhaps golf shirts and baseball caps.
  
- 4) Competition:
  - a. Ice racing banquet was held with report in Fifth Gear.
  - b. Next ORRC event is Spring Runoff April 30 from Peterborough.
  - c. Time Attack school to be held at Mosport DDT may 14/15
  - d. Chumpcar's Shannonville 7 hour endurance races to be held June 11 and 12.
  
- 5) Social:
  - a. Wine & Beer making night at the Brew Kettle coming is coming up next week
  - b. Rob McA will follow up with Mosport in good time regarding the location and tickets for the July 23 ALMS race & BBQ.
  - c. August fun rally is being planned, date to be determined.
  - d. DKW show may be in September.
  - e. If there is any interest in a kayak outing Andrea Tulett would organize something.
  
- 6) Old Business: no news regarding Fiat 500.
  
- 7) New Business: Former club member and guest Orville brought a number of automotive related books for future distribution to interested parties which were received with thanks.
  
- 8) Items for sale: Dietmar has old Audi 4000 parts.
  
- 9) Items wanted: Paul Moore is looking for another AWD ice racer.
  
- 10) Loonies in the bus: Dietmar won again and scooped up the \$10.

Adjournment: about 8:48 pm

Minutes recorded by G. Tulett.



# Membership Application

**Mail:** 14 Princess Anne Crescent,  
Etobicoke, Ontario, M9A 2P1

**Email:** [registrar@torontoautosportclub.ca](mailto:registrar@torontoautosportclub.ca)

- New Members** – Single or Family \$50.00  
 **Renewal Members** – Single or Family \$50.00

(You may also JOIN or RENEW ON-LINE; 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 is shared with CASC-OR

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

1st Member \_\_\_\_\_ [# ] Home Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Bus. Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

First Member \_\_\_\_\_ [# ] email: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

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

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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