



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. at the Fox and Fiddle: 1285 Finch Avenue West, one block east of Keele...

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.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Fall is here and the racing and Solo events have been run. There are still rallies to be run, three regional navigational rallies and the Tall Pines performance rally. Information for all is available from the RSO website www.rallysport.on.ca or contact Rita Moore.

CASC-OR is holding their AGM on November 15 at the Sheraton Parkway Toronto North Hotel. I will be attending on behalf of TAC. Will provide an update after the event.

Next big item on the TAC agenda is the Annual General Meeting on Wednesday November 18, at the Fox and Fiddle. As I mentioned last month a number of executive positions are open this year. The position of Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary terms end this year. Serge is stepping down as Competition Director and the position of Social Director is still open. The job descriptions are elsewhere in this issue. Come on board and help run the club. Contact me for more information. We need a quorum to hold the AGM so if you cannot attend please designate another member to vote on your behalf. A proxy is in this issue. You can send your proxy by email, use the printed copy as a guide.

If you got this issue in time, then I can remind you that the Fall Ice Race competitor meeting is on Sunday, October 18th at 1:00pm at the Annandale Golf and Country Club. This is the same place as the last few years. There will be a review of the new rule book plus any changes from the Spring meeting.

The Annual Christmas Party and Awards Banquet will take place on November 28, 2009 at the Hilton Garden Inn on Hwy 7, about halfway between the 400 and Jane St. Ingrid has a flyer in this issue with more information.

At the banquet, TAC presents awards for Club Members that have the most points in a particular series. These are Race Driver, Solosprint, Autoslalom, Navigational Rally Driver, Navigational Rally Navigator, Performance Rally Driver and Performance Rally Co-driver. Now to get the results for all these activities, I ask that you send a summary of your results to me so I can sort out and determine who the winners are.

The next general meeting will be 8:00pm, October 21 at the Fox and Fiddle on Finch Ave, east of Keele St. Come early and have dinner with the other TACCies.

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<u>DATES</u>	<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>EVENT/LOCATION</u>	<u>ORGANIZING CLUB</u>
October 2009			
16-17	RA	LSPR	
18	Club	RallyCross	MLRC
18	F1	BRAZILIAN Grand Prix, Interlagos	
18	Meeting	Ice Race Competitor Meeting, Annandale GCC	CASC-OR
21	Meeting	TAC Monthly Club Meeting, Fox & Fiddle Rest. (Finch W)	 TAC
24	ORRC	President's Prize Rally	PMSC
November 2009			
1	F1	ABU DHABI Grand Prix	
1	ORRC	Open Road Rally	MCO
20-21	CRC/OPRC	Tall Pines Rally	MLRC
14	Solo-I	SoloSprint / Autoslalom Banquet (TBA)	CASC-OR
18	Meeting	TAC AGM & Monthly Club Meeting, Fox & Fiddle Rest.	 TAC
28	Dinner	TAC Annual Awards Dinner, Hilton Garden Inn, Hwy 7/400	 TAC
December 2009			
5	ORRC	First Frost Rally	SPDA
January 2010			
16	ORRC	January Jaunt Rally	 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
 RA : Rally America

Toronto Autosport Club's 2009 End of Year Dinner and Awards Presentation

Saturday, November 28, 2009

Cocktails at 6pm

Dinner at 7pm



Hilton Garden Inn

York Room

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Vaughan

(Just east of the 400)



Tickets \$30

(Price includes salad, entree, dessert and a free beverage)

Deadline for Ticket purchases and Entree selection

Wednesday November 18, 2009

To purchase tickets by credit card use the CASC website.

To order your menu selection or for more information call or e-mail

Ingrid at 905-832-8012 or ibeck@ca.inter.net

Choice of Entrees:

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Mix of Saffron and Wild Rice

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Horseradish Whipped Potatoes

Fresh Market Vegetables

Oven Roasted Chicken

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Shiitake Mushrooms

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Sauteed Sliced Potatoes

Fresh Vegetable Medley

DUTIES OF EXECUTIVE POSITIONS UP FOR ELECTION NOVEMBER 18 2009

Please consider volunteering for one of these positions. Your support and assistance is welcome.

The Vice-President:

- shall in the absence of the President, or in the case of his/her death, resignation, or inability to act, carry out the duties of the President until a successor is elected;
- shall chair meetings of the Executive;
- shall represent the Executive on committees;
- shall assist the Competition and Social Directors in publicizing all Club events;
- shall, on the advice of the Executive, promote appropriate media coverage of The Club and any special events or series;
- shall keep an up-to-date record of all members;
- shall actively seek out new members, and issue new members with certificates; shall turn over all membership fees to the Treasurer and supply the necessary membership records to CASC-OR and CARS-RSO;
- shall provide regular reports to the members of the current membership status.

The Secretary:

- shall keep records of all meetings, and other records and correspondence;
- shall be custodian of the Seal and of all books, papers, records, correspondence, contracts and other documents belonging to the Club which he/she shall deliver up only when authorized by a resolution of the Executive, and to such persons as be named by the resolution;
- shall prepare Minutes of the Executive and General Meetings for the membership;
- shall see that the attendance record book is completed, and report as to the quorum of meetings.

The Treasurer:

- shall keep full and accurate accounts of all monies received and paid out by the Club;
- shall deposit all monies in a financial institution approved by the Executive;
- shall report to the Executive the current financial state at all Executive meetings and at meetings of the general membership;
- shall complete and distribute to all members a financial report covering the activities of the Club for each year;
- shall keep a record of all Club properties.

The Competition Director:

- shall oversee all competition activities;
- shall be responsible for locating organizers for all Club competition events;
- shall maintain supplies and equipment for competition events;
- shall maintain lists of competition points for any championship series organized by the Club;
- shall ensure, through appointment of Stewards when necessary, that Club events comply with the rules of CASC-OR, CARS-RSO, TAC and the general direction of the Club Executive;
- shall maintain and up-date as necessary a calendar of competition events for the year, and coordinate same with other clubs as necessary;
- shall provide regular reports to the membership of all past and upcoming competition events.

The Social Director:

- shall plan and oversee the organization of all social activities for the year;
- shall provide regular reports to the members of all past and upcoming social events;
- shall identify and welcome guests at meetings.



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MINUTES OF THE TAC BOARD OF DIRECTORS (BOD) MEETING
held Wednesday, Sept 2, 2009 by conference call.
Meeting opened at 8:06pm.

Present: Dietmar Seelenmayer, Rita Moore, Peter Clifford.

Reports:

Peter gave the financial report: current balance is \$20,007.99, with the balance not including interest, the bill for the last conference call, or the IMR levies. Three payments for 5th Gear ads have been received.

Solosprint: Peter was the chief instructor for the TAC weekend. Sunday was good weather, no problems other than one car hitting the tire wall with no injuries. Everyone enjoyed the events.

Rally: The recent IMR had 13 entries, with 4 of the teams being brand new to the sport. Rita was also approached by a group with possible interest in a contract rally. The Guru Nanak rally was well run and had 20 cars entered. The January Jaunt is TAC's next RSO rally, and will take place January 16, 2010, from the same start location as this year.

New Business:

- We need to make plans soon for the Christmas party, so that adequate notice can be given to the members. Ingrid has offered to find a new location, since the Fox & Fiddle have a minimum attendance number which may be expensive and/or wasteful.
- the TAC Membership e-mail list has evaporated. Dietmar will contact Brooke with the current membership information so that it can be rebuilt in time for notices about the AGM/ elections, and Christmas party.
- Elections will take place at the November meeting, on Nov 18.

Meeting adjourned 8:42pm.

Next TAC general meeting is on Wednesday September 16, at the Fox and Fiddle. Dietmar will be unable to attend, so this meeting will be chaired by VP Kinal.



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MINUTES OF THE TAC GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, September 16, 2009 at the Fox & Fiddle, Finch Ave, Toronto

Meeting opened at 8:07pm. Minutes recorded by Rita Moore.

Present: Andrew Kinal, Rita Moore, Rob Jones, Janet Jones, Peter Clifford, Paul Moore, Nick Beck, Steve Martin.

Previous Minutes: It was r/m/s/c that the July/09 minutes be accepted as published in 5th Gear.
Membership:

- currently 69 primary members and 46 family members, for a total of 115
- the Vice President duties were recently printed in 5th Gear. VP Kinal mentioned that in the upcoming year, he may not be able to attend every meeting, and so the members deserve to decide if this will be acceptable or not. VP Kinal may need an assistant VP.

Treasurer's Report:

- Balance as reported: \$19,465.92. This does not reflect some unknown small amounts of interest, as there has been no bank statement received since July.
- one advertiser from 5th Gear is still unpaid for 2009. Andrew and Peter will inquire into their status.
- expecting payments for the Zonta and Guru Nanak contract rallies.
- the year-end report is being prepared.

Competition Reports:

Solosprint:

- the report from the recent TAC event was reviewed. Unfortunately Serge was not present to give more details, but the event went well and was enjoyed by all.

Rally:

- The Guru Nanak rally was very successful. All participants from the community seemed to have a lot of fun.
- A discussion about the Infinite Monkeys rally. Full report can be read in the September 5th Gear.
- Steve Martin gave a great account of the performance rally series to date, with details on the Shannonville Stages, Galway-Cavendish, and Defi Ste-Agathe rallies. Standings are very close, and the final event, Tall Pines, will be needed to determine the championship.
- the Martins' "Old School Racing" team is looking for some help in the service crew. Interested TAC members welcome.

Ice Race:

- the fall organizers' and drivers' meetings will be Oct 18.

Old Business:

- still nothing back from the registry of the club incorporation papers.
- Looking for a location for the Christmas party. Two possible dates depending on the facility selected: Nov 28 or Dec 5.
- e-mail list of members: the existing list no longer works. However, 5th Gear has its own list which does. Andrew and Nick should be able to get something working with Dietmar on this.

New Business: no items.

Items for Sale/Wanted: Rita has an OBD-II code reader available. Will read vehicles newer than 1996 using OBD but not CAN-OBD codes.

Loonies in the bus: Winner was Rita.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:35pm.

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MINUTES OF THE TAC BOARD OF DIRECTORS (BOD) MEETING **held Friday, October 9, 2009 by conference call. Meeting opened at 8:04pm.**

Present: Dietmar Seelenmayer, Rita Moore, Peter Clifford, Andrew Kinal

Reports:

Dietmar had the details on the Awards and Christmas Party. It will be held Saturday, Nov 28 at the Hilton Garden Inn, 3201 Hwy 7, between Jane St and Hwy 400 on the south side. There will be a 3 course dinner: salad, entree, and dessert, with the entree being your choice between salmon, chicken, or prime rib. The executive decided that one beer or wine ticket should also be given to each guest, with a cash bar after that. Tickets will be sold for \$30 per person. (Award winners will receive their tickets for free.) The club will pay the difference between this and what the hotel charges us.

Treasurer's Report: Since last month, the balance went up \$20 for some tee shirt sales, and down \$20 by an expense claim, leaving us with a total of \$19,466.09.

Competition: Russ organized the recent Zonta contract rally on Oct 3. Tim Laye may help with it next year. The Ice Race fall drivers' meeting is Sunday, Oct 18, at 1:00pm in Ajax.

Membership: we will need new decals to have enough for anticipated year-end renewals. Andrew will provide a file of the decal to Dietmar, who will order more.

Old Business:

- The TAC website is still not what we would like it to be. A letter was received from Seneca College web design program, offering an opportunity to have students design a site for free. The executive decided that Dietmar would reply to this letter and get more information.
- The TAC membership mailing list has not been repaired yet. Brooke has made several attempts to contact our web host, Afirma, with no answer. In case this is just a wrong contact information problem, Peter will try to contact Martin also.

New Business:

- Elections will take place at the Annual Meeting on Wednesday, November 18. Secretary, Treasurer, and Vice President terms are all up for election this year. Andrew is willing to run for re-election as VP if the club is okay that he might not be able to attend every meeting from now on. Otherwise he is willing to pass the job to someone new and offer help with maintaining the membership data.
- We hope for a good turnout at the AGM, but will print proxy forms in the next Fifth Gear issues to ensure that all members' votes are heard.
- A list of the annual TAC awards will be published, with a request for eligible members to submit their results to be considered.

Meeting adjourned 9:20pm.

Next TAC general meeting is on Wednesday October 21, at the Fox and Fiddle.

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- 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 (____) _____

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First Member _____ [#] email: _____

2nd (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 Please indicate three areas that you can autosport interests for the coming year. help with this year

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Solosprint (Solo 1) | <input type="checkbox"/> Solo (1/2) organizer / worker |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Autoslalom (Solo 2) | <input type="checkbox"/> Road Rally/Ralliette organizer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Navigational rallying | <input type="checkbox"/> Contract Rally organizer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Performance rallying | <input type="checkbox"/> Rally Checkpoint/Green-crew |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Road racing | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Event Organizer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vintage Racing | <input type="checkbox"/> Ice race organizer / worker |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ice racing | <input type="checkbox"/> Event timing / scoring |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Karting | <input type="checkbox"/> Performance Rally organizer |

**TAC MOTORSPORT CLUB INC.
(TORONTO AUTOSPORT CLUB)**

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
AND THE
2009 ELECTION OF CLUB OFFICERS**

Notice is hereby served that the
2009 Annual General Membership Meeting
and the **2009 Election of Club Officers**
will take place following the regular business meeting (which commences at 8 pm.)
on **Wednesday November 18, 2009**
at the Fox and Fiddle, 1285 Finch Avenue West, Toronto
(1 Block East of Keele)

**It is important that members attend (either in person or by proxy)
so that you can have your say in the running of the club to vote on matters
properly brought forward and for executive positions up for election**

Under the Constitution of the Club, the positions to be filled at the election are:

Vice-President, Competition Director and Secretary (For 2-Year Term)
Treasurer, and Social Director (For 1-Year remaining of 2-Year-Term)

Each of these Executive positions commences immediately after the conclusion of the 2009 elections and runs through until November 2011 (Vice-President, Competition Director and Secretary) or until November 2010 (Treasurer and Social Director).

If you know that you will be unable to attend, please fill out the notice of proxy below and submit it to the Club Secretary before the elections take place (in person by proxy-holder or to club address : 14 Princess Anne Crescent, Etobicoke, Ont M9A 2P1

**NOTICE OF PROXY – TAC MOTORSPORT CLUB INC.
2009 ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING and ELECTIONS**

I, _____, being a member in good standing of the Toronto Autosport Club, do hereby assign my voting rights at the 2009 TAC Motorsport Club Inc. Annual General Meeting and Election of Officers, to be held November 18, 2009

to _____, who is also a member in good standing.

Signed: _____ Date: _____