



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 MOOSE AND FIRKIN, 7600 Weston Road at Hwy 7 (SW corner), just west of Hwy 400 in Woodbridge (www.mooseandfirkin.com)...

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

For the past couple of years September has been a crazy month. I volunteer at the Toronto Film Festival - TIFF, and it consumes 2 weeks from when the box office opens through the last film of the final weekend.

The highlight of this year's festival is Ronnie Howard's movie, **Rush**. It tells the story of James Hunt and Nikki Lauda during the 1976 Formula 1 season. This was the last year an F1 race was held at Nurburgring, due to a crash that almost killed Lauda. Lauda returned after the crash, and the overall championship wasn't decided until the final race of the season.

When attending TIFF, volunteering or otherwise, you cannot fit everything in. I could not get tickets for Rush, and heard later that Nikki Lauda attended the show. Most movies feature a question & answer session with the directors and stars after the movie is shown. I would kill for a chance chat with these guys. There has been much talk on line about the effort Howard has put into making the movie as accurate as possible. Someone pointed out that the Marlborough logo could be seen on a Ferrari at one race, where tobacco had been banned. Apparently Howard had it digitally removed.

I am looking forward to seeing it at theatres when it opens wide later this month, and am sure this film will be up for a Best Picture Oscar.

I can't help but think of other "serious" movies on the topic. Some good (**Grand Prix**), some not (**Driven**). Poor Sylvester Stallone. He wanted to make a "real" F1 movie, and even cast Burt Reynolds as Frank Williams, but the setting was changed to Indy Car, and Burt was left in the wheel-chair.

I had a fun meeting at the Brampton General Hospital with their head of fundraising. They invited the Guru Nanak group and thanked them for organizing their annual car rally. The Guru

folks have raised close to \$250,000 for the William Osler Health Centre, mainly by running the rally that TAC organizes. We are very well thought of, and people enjoy the car rally so much, they routinely get over 50 participants.

Past President Dietmar organizes the event, but always needs helpers. This year's event runs on September 22nd. Drop either he or I a line if you want to come out and participate or help.

Our Time Attack season comes to an end on September 29th. We will be running a shoot-out to determine the overall series champion at the Canadian Tire Motorsport Park's Driver Development Track (or as we all know it, Mosport's DDT). The event will be a hoot, with open lapping available to competitors and other drivers in the morning, then single timed-lap sessions to eliminate drivers. By the end of the day, the driver that comes closest to their class's PAX time will be declared the overall champion. I expect that I will push too hard, and go four-wheels-off on my hot lap. As long as I bring Sue's car back in one piece, I'll be happy.

I am thrilled to announce that Heather Hughes will be CASC's new Ice Race Director. She is taking over for her husband, Andy, who passed away suddenly this summer. I know all Ice Racers are extremely grateful, and our TAC Ice Race volunteers are looking forward to working with Heather throughout the season. Let's hope it gets cold (in a few months)!

I hope to see some folks out to our club meetings. As always, we meet on the third Wednesday of the month. Bring a friend, come out for a drink or dinner, and talk some motorsports!

Rob

TAC 2013 EVENTS CALENDAR

<u>DATE</u>	<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>EVENT DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>CLUB</u>
SEPTEMBER 2013			
14-15	Autoslalom	Deerhurst Lodge Airport, Huntsville Ontario Regional Event #8,9	SPDA
14-15	Regional Race	Indian Summer Trophy , CTMP (Mosport)	BEMC
14-21	Rally	Targa Newfoundland Rally	
18	Meeting	TAC Monthly Club Meeting, Moose & Firkin, Weston&7	TAC
20 - 22	F1	SINGAPORE GRAND PRIX (Singapore)	
21-22	RACE	Chumpcar Race, GATEWAY MOTORSPORTS PARK: 12+6 Hour, \$1200	
22	Contract Rally	Guru Nanak Car Rally, Brampton Hospital	TAC
28-29	Regional Race	Celebration of Motorsport , CTMP (Mosport)	CASC-OR
28	Rally-ORRC	ORRC - No Winter Maintenance Rally, Flesherton	
28	RACE	Chumpcar Race, SEBRING INTERNATIONAL RACEWAY: 14 Hour, \$1000	
28-29	RACE	Chumpcar Race, CALABOGIE MOTORSPORTS PARK: Double-7, \$1000	
29	TimeAttack	Time Attack Championship Shootout, CTMP DDT	CASC-OR
29	Rallycross	MLRC Rallycross	MLRC
OCTOBER 2013			
4-5	CRC	Pacific Forest Rally , Merritt, BC	WCRA
04 - 06	F1	KOREAN GRAND PRIX (Yeongam)	
4	Rally-CRC	CRC - Pacific Forest Rally	
5-6	INDY	Grand Prix of Houston, Reliant Park	
5	Rally-CRC	CRC - Pacific Forest Rally	
5-6	RACE	Chumpcar Race, PITTSBURGH INTERNATIONAL RACE COMPLEX: Double-7, \$1000	
11 - 13	F1	JAPANESE GRAND PRIX (Suzuka)	
12-13	RACE	Chumpcar Race, CANADIAN TIRE MOTORSPORT PARK (MOSPORT): Double-7,	
16	Meeting	TAC Monthly Club Meeting, Moose & Firkin, Weston&7	TAC
19	INDY	MAVTV 500, Fontana CA	
19-20	RACE	Chumpcar Race, ROAD AMERICA: Double-7, \$1000	
25 - 27	F1	AIRTEL INDIAN GRAND PRIX (New Delhi)	
27	Rallycross	MLRC Rallycross	MLRC
NOVEMBER 2013			
1-2	CRC	Rocky Mountain Rally, Invermere BC	CSCC
01 - 03	F1	ETIHAD AIRWAYS ABU DHABI GRAND PRIX (Yas Marina)	
1-2	Rally-CRC	CRC - Rocky Mountain Rally	
2	Rally-ORRC	ORRC - Fall Night Rally	
2-3	RACE	Chumpcar Race, ATLANTA MOTORSPORTS PARK: Double-7, \$1000	
2-3	RACE	Chumpcar Race, AUTO CLUB SPEEDWAY: Double-8, \$1000	
15 - 17	F1	UNITED STATES GRAND PRIX (Austin)	
20	Meeting	TAC Club Meeting, AGM & Elections, Moose & Firkin, Weston&7	TAC
22 - 24	F1	GRANDE PRÊMIO DO BRASIL (São Paulo)	
29-30	CRC/OPRC	Rally of the Tall Pines, Bancroft	MLRC

More events to appear as 2013 Schedules are released.

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



GURU NANAK COMMUNITY SERVICES FOUNDATION

15th Guru Nanak Car Rally

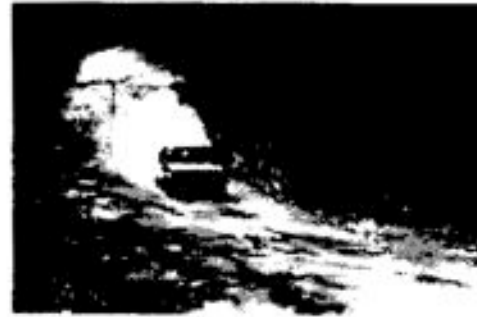
Guru Nanak Community Services Foundation Executive Committee feels honored to announce the 13th Guru Nanak Car Rally schedule for Sunday September 22, 2013

Starting Point

Brampton Civic Hospital – Parking Lot
2100 Bovaird Dr East
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Finish Point

Brampton Civic Hospital – Parking Lot
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We appreciate your generous support in previous years and hope for the same in coming years.

Major Singh Nagra

President

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TORONTO AUTOSPORT CLUB, ONTARIO TIME-ATTACK UPDATE

SEPTEMBER 2013

Event seven, the last regular OTA season event for this year, took place Sunday, August 18th at the Grand Prix Track at Canadian Tire Motorsport Park. It was greatly anticipated by all, as probably the most popular event each year on the calendar. The track and facilities at CTMP have been continually improved and upgraded and it was exciting to take part at the "new CTMP". The weather was warm and sunny and the track was dry. The many rivalries that have been brewing all season were to come to a head at this event, as class winners were finally decided. Once again, there was very close competition indeed. There were ten participants in GT3 alone, and it remains the most populated class.

The following are some of the TAC member's results. Complete results are available on the CASC website under Ontario Time Attack.

Event Seven, CTMP, Sunday August 18th – TAC drivers top three in points

Kelly Ball, GT3, '10 Mustang GT, 97.556

Ronald Billings, GT3, '12 VW Golf R, 96.072

Rob McAuley, GT4, '08 BMW 335xi, 95.945

The top TAC novice driver once again was Jeremy Brutzki, in his 2001 Honda Prelude.

I am now also able to provide the overall season results in points for TAC competitors. It came down to the final event. On a personal note, I was naturally pleased to come out on top, but I have to say I have the greatest of respect for my competitors. I watched Carsten Gieschen win the overall top TAC driver award the last couple of years and realized that this year I actually had a chance of catching him. He made me focus very hard, right up to the last event, where it was finally decided. The difference was oh so close. And we had to keep our eye on Rob McAuley and Ronald Billings who constantly threatened to catch us both. What great competition. In Club Points, TAC ended up a very respectable 2nd place with 1540, behind SPDA.

Top five TAC drivers overall in points for the season are as follows:

Kelly Ball, 486.053

Carsten Gieschen, 484.160

Rob McAuley, 482.864

Ronald Billings, 482.457

Albert Ribeiro, 472.074

Although the regular season events have now been completed, it's not over yet! As I have mentioned before, on Sunday, September 29th there will be a "new for this year" final "Shoot-out", elimination rounds style event, to determine the overall OTA champion driver for the year. The class winners that have been determined by season points will remain, but to be declared the overall winner of the OTA series for 2013, one will have to survive this new event right to the very end. It should be very suspenseful and loads of fun. Will the OTA champion be a TAC driver?? We'll have to wait and see....

Kelly Ball, Ontario Time-Attack, Car #61

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BULLETIN



BULLETIN No.: 2013 – 13

Subject: Broadcast Agreement

Issue Date: September 3, 2013

Broadcast agreements are now in place with TSN/TSN2 and RDS to air the Canadian Rally Championship in both official languages.

"Rally is the most challenging motorsport in the world," notes Musketeer Media's Andrew Comrie-Picard, "We're looking forward to bringing that excitement to Canadian audiences again"

The broadcast agreements will allow the championship to continue to be seen on TVs across Canada in a seven show series of half hour programs. The format and style of the shows will mirror the look already seen in the online videos being produced from each event in the championship.

"Everyone is excited about the new look and format of the TV show," said CARS Marketing Manager Keith Morison, "viewers will be seeing more competitors than just the front of the pack. There are a lot of great stories out there at each event."

"The broadcast show continues to be an important part of the championship for our partners and top teams," said CARS President John Hall. "The shows are also strongly valued by the event organizers and the member clubs."

Both English and French programs are expected to start airing in October. Detailed schedules will be published when they are available.

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ON THE COVER

Coming down Turn 2 at
Canadian Tire Motorsport Park
(Mosport) at the ALMS race.

(photo by Nick Beck)

Toronto Autosport Club – July 2013 Executive Conference Call Notes

Call date: July 3, 2013 Call time: 8:01 pm

Present: Rob, Paul, Rita, Graham

- President's Report:
 - o OTA Grand Bend event by TAC upcoming next weekend
 - o Permit applied for; insurance received
 - o ALMS weekend – good turnout expected & attendees to bring desert/salad etc
 - o Guru Nanak contract rally
 - o York region charity rally
- Vice President:
 - o New membership year strong : 99 = 6 life + 56 primary + 37 family
- Treasurer:
 - o Investment: approx. \$14,475.56; PayPal, \$987.78; Chequing, \$3,376.65
 - o ASN has acknowledged payment for five events was received
- Competition:
 - o DOCR rally was improved over last year with 12 entries including new teams
 - o Potential issue with date of January Jaunt 2014
 - o Zontas contract rally requires organizer on October 5 to execute prepared rally
 - o Dietmar is working on the Guru Nanak contract rally
 - o OTA Grand Bend event organized by TAC July 12/13
- Social:
 - o ALMS weekend looking good with Mosport/CTMP
- Old business: none
- New business: none

Call adjourned: 8:30 pm

Notes recorded by G. Tulett.

Toronto Autosport Club – Minutes of July 2013 General Meeting

Meeting date: July 17, 2013

Meeting opened: 8:00 pm

Attendees: 11

1) President's report:

- a. No news from CASC-OR
- b. Time Attack at Grand Bend
- c. ALMS weekend

2) VP Report :

- a. Total membership up now 102 = 6 Life + 59 primary + 37 family

3) Treasurer's Report:

- a. Account balances - \$14,475.56 savings; \$3,376.65 Chequing; \$987.78 PayPal
- b. ASN insurance refund sought for cancelled event and January Jaunt 2014

4) Competition Report:

- a. OTA at Grand Bend well attended with 46 entries up from 20 last year
 - i. M&M meats provide a nice BBQ at a discount
 - ii. Kelly Ball organized Sunday
 - iii. Carstein G won his class
 - iv. May be an event at TMP in 2014
- b. 2014 January Jaunt will need a new organizer if it cannot be held on the usual date
- c. DOCR returned to normal attendance this year. Thanks to Brooke J for organizing
- d. Paul & Rita participated in the first Lawrence hacking moto rally from the Mohawk Inn – 250 km in the URAL. Over 200 entries, good times and some hair raising experiences.

5) Social:

- a. Jane unable to attend ALMS but Fred will bring the canopies. Looks like 44 people.

6) Old Business: nil

7) New Business: Andy Hughes has passed away unexpectedly. TAC sent flowers.

8) Items for Sale / Not Wanted: Rob's BMW E36 road racer is available

9) Loonies in the bus: Fred won gas card #1 Jane won gas card #2 and Nick took the \$11 loonies in the bus

Adjournment: about 8:47 pm

Minutes recorded by G. Tulett.



Membership Application

Mail: 49 Monkswood Crescent,
Newmarket, Ontario, L3Y 2J9

Email: registrar@torontoautosportclub.ca

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

(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 (____) _____

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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