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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)...

GUESTS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME !

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From The President's Desk

Sorry folks, this is mid-September, and all racing activities are on hold as the Toronto Film Festival is underway. This year, I'm planning on seeing around 25 films over the 11 day festival, while wife Sue will see close to 20. Highlights? Lion (Dev Patel & Nichole Kidman) will be getting some Oscar nominations, The Magnificent Seven won't. I go for the Midnight Madness black comedies, and Sue goes for rom-coms and emotionally engaging awards contenders.

However, the rest of the world keeps racing.

The Ontario Time Attack series wrapped up its season at the end of August, and for the first time in a few of years, will not lose money. Running only 6 events and 2 schools helped push attendance up for those events.

Our contract rallies are coming up: The Guru Nanak runs September 25th in support of their charitable causes. This is a great event, with close to 100 people coming out, including the local police to participate! This year, Competition Director Dietmar set things up for Social Director Fred to run, and I will MC the presentations at the finish. Feel free to come out to join us at the William Osler Brampton Civic Hospital!

Our meeting this month will be back at the Pickle Barrel beside the Bass Pro Outlet on Hwy 400 after our August break. We are actively looking for a restaurant with a meeting room we can use for future meetings. I managed to find one in Burlington that's very handy to my house, but about as far away from Toronto as you can be without leaving the GTA. We shall keep looking.

I am writing this at the Starbucks outside the Bloor Hot Docs cinema after seeing 2 movies here this evening. That makes 17 so far, and 4 days to go!

Please enjoy your September

Rob

TAC President

TAC 2016 EVENTS CALENDAR

<u>DATE</u>	<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>EVENT DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>CLUB</u>
September 2016			
16-18	F1	SINGAPORE GRAND PRIX (Singapore)	
17-18	Regional Race	Indian Summer Trophy Races, CTMP (Mosport)	BEMC
17	Rally	"Saturday Night at the Rallies" series, #5 Kitchener	KWRC
18	INDY	GoPro Grand Prix of Sonoma, Sonoma CA	
21	Meeting	TAC Monthly Club Meeting, Pickle Barrel, Vaughan Mills	TAC
25	Rally	Contract/Charity - Guru Nanak Car Rally see Flyer/Ad	TAC
30-1	Rally-CRC	Pacific Forest Rally , Merritt, BC	WCRA
30-02	F1	MALAYSIAN GRAND PRIX (Sepang - Kuala Lumpur)	

October 2016

1	Rally-ORRC	ORRC - No Winter Maintenance Rally, Caledon	
1-2	Regional Race	Celebration of Motorsport CTMP (Mosport)	CASC-OR
7-9	F1	JAPANESE GRAND PRIX (Suzuka)	
15	Rally	Zonta Charity Rally	TAC
15	Rally	"Saturday Night at the Rallies" series, #6 Kitchener	KWRC
19	Meeting	TAC Monthly Club Meeting, Location To Be Confirmed	TAC
21-23	F1	UNITED STATES GRAND PRIX (Circuit of the Americas - Austin Tx)	
28-30	F1	MEXICAN GRAND PRIX (Mexico City)	

November 2016

11-13	F1	GRANDE PRÊMIO DO BRASIL (São Paulo)	
16	Meeting	TAC Club Meeting, AGM & Elections, Location To Be Confirmed	TAC
25-27	F1	ETIHAD AIRWAYS ABU DHABI GRAND PRIX (Yas Marina)	
25-26	Rally-CRC/OPRC	Rally of the Tall Pines, Bancroft, ON	MLRC

December 2016

3	Rally-ORRC	ORRC - Northern Lights Rally Woodstock	KWRC
3-4	Rally-CRC	Big White Winter Rally, BC (to be confirmed)	WCRA

More events to appear as 2016 Schedules are released.

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

ANNOUNCING THE NEW MEETING LOCATION

The Pickle Barrel

North-West corner of the Vaughan Mills Mall 1 Bass Pro Mills Drive, Vaughan

<http://www.picklebarrel.ca/restaurant/locations/>

for Wednesday, September 21

Our monthly club meetings will no longer be held at the Moose & Firkin.

The Moose has undergone renovations, and our private room is gone.

Trying to hold a meeting in the main room of a busy pub is not feasible over the background noise, so we are on the hunt for a quieter place.

The Pickle Barrel has a separate entrance from the outside of the mall, just around the corner from the Bass Pro shop.

Meeting is at 8pm as usual.

Come earlier, and have some great food with us before hand!

See you on the 21st!

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18th Guru Nanak Car Rally & Picnic

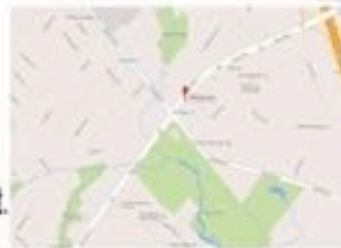
Guru Nanak Community Services Foundation Executive Committee
Feels honored to announce the 18th Guru Nanak Car Rally Schedule

On Sunday September 25, 2016
Event Start at 10.00am



Starting Point

Wildwood Park Mississauga - Area A
3530 Derry Road East Mississauga Ont.
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Finish Point

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A Relentless Social Activist - Mr. Darshan Singh Bilkhu

Founder President of Guru Nanak Community Services Foundation

Mr. Bilkhu is the most respected Indo-Canadian, who has been instrumental in creating an entirely new outlook for the Indian Community and its values in the Multicultural Mosaic of Canada.

- Mr. Darshan Singh Bilkhu was born in Mengo Town's Nansambia Christian hospital near Kampala, Uganda, East Africa on April 4, 1945.
- Father Pargan Singh Bilkhu & Mother Rattan Kaur Bilkhu, roots in Punjab India Village Nangal Khurd, Distt. Hoshiarpur, Punjab, INDIA.
- Mr. Darshan Singh Bilkhu has 8 sisters and two Brothers. Father of three sons and Grandfather of five grand children.
- Married to Nirmal Kaur Bilkhu (a former member of Immigration & Refugee Board and former Police Cop in India) and has three sons Kamaljeet, Khushjeet and Mohanjeet.
- Mr. Darshan Singh Bilkhu is an adventurer at heart. He participated in world renowned Car Rallies including East African Safari.
- Since immigration in 1973 to Canada he continued his interest in adventure sport like ICE RACING in Minden.
- Mr. Bilkhu is very active socially and well known in political spheres all over Canada.
- Mr. Bilkhu initiated several social projects and with active participation accomplished them as well.
- Mr. Darshan Bilkhu was coach of New Market Youth Soccer Club in 1976. His Team players were recognized at the national & international levels.
- He also coached the Field Hockey Teams.

Key Achievements in Social Services:

During the course of past 35 years in Canada, Mr. Bilkhu was involved in various fund raising events and founding highly successful community volunteer organizations.

- 1980 - He raised funds for **TERRY FOX RUN.**
- 1993 - He served as President of the **South East Asian Multicultural Organization of Canada.**
- 1995 - He founded The **Sikh Youth Cosmopolitan Community Organization.**

- 1995 - He was the only one Sikh Indian on the panel of Progressive Conservative Party of Canada to write the constitution of PC party of Canada.
- 1996 - He served as the President of **Ramgarhia Sikh Society of Toronto**.
- 1999 - He founded the **Guru Nanak Car Rally** and raised funds for the following:
 - (i) Sick Kids Children Hospital Toronto
 - (ii) Credit Valley Hospital Mississauga
 - (iii) Peel Memorial Hospital Brampton
 - (iv) Etobicoke General Hospital Etobicoke
- 2002 - He was founder president the **Guru Nanak Community Services Foundation** (GNCSF) which was instrumental in raising funds for the Brampton Civic Hospital for William Osler Health Centre Foundation.
- 2004 - He started **Kids Classical Kirtan Competition** under GNCSF.
- 2008 - Under the banner of Guru Nanak Community Services Foundation he introduced the **PROUD TO BE CANADIAN – Multicultural Canada Day event**.
- 2012 - He started a music training school in Punjab, India for the rural students.
- 2013-2016 - Mr. Bilkhu Organized Guru Nanak Car Rallies. Guru Nanak Community Services Foundation (GNCSF) organized Annual **Guru Nanak Car Rally** and has raised **\$ 250,000.00** (Quarter Million) under his able leadership.

We thank Mr. Bilkhu for your selfless, relentless and dedicated services to Canadian communities and contribution to Canadian Cultural Heritage. Ladies and Gentleman Let's have big hand of applause for Mr. Bilkhu and his family for making this event a success. Thanks Mr. Bilkhu for making us proud.

-Major Singh Nagra, M.A., M.Ed.

(Mr. Bilkhu can be reached at 416.805.5628)

M1 Concourse Track - Pontiac Michigan

Recent member Brad Vollmer sent some photos from a track day at M1 Concourse, a new private track and facility near Pontiac MI. He writes ...

I purchased a condo garage on the new M1 Concourse track in Pontiac Michigan (35 minutes from Windsor, Ontario). M1 has approx. 80 garages built and more in the construction stage. The track opened in August 2016, the track is 1.5 miles long with 11 corners. It's a technical track with some double apex corners and back straight reaching speeds of approx. 225 km/h. Our garage is 1200 sq. ft. with another 800 sq. ft. on the mezzanine that overlooks the track. I rented the track on August 12th and had about 40 friends and cars from Windsor and London. It was about 30 Celsius and sunny so the track was in perfect condition.



DAVID CECCHIN F458



JOE SIMARD



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This unique annual event provides drivers with the opportunity to compete in 7 Time Attack (Solo I), 4 Autoslalom (Solo II), 1 Skidpad Challenge in addition to the quarter mile run pictured here. It took place over 5 days from May 28 through June 1 at the Calabogie, Canadian Tire and Shannonville Motorsport Parks, which provided a wide diversity of motorsport challenges at some of Canada's best venues. Track time in abundance, combined with exceptional food service created an immersive motorsport experience for all involved and there were smiles aplenty throughout the paddock.

In addition to the winning "Team Slick Automotive" entry, first time team "Grambo Racing" also entered their 2015 FR-S and competed strongly in all of the Stages. The Scions outperformed a strong field that included Porsches, Mazdas, Subarus, with an Audi, Trans Am, Corvette and others also included. It is about time that other brands stepped up to make a concerted effort to wrest away the title from Scion and they should target the 2017 event to do so. The 2017 event is scheduled for May 25 through 29 and registration is open at www.cdntda.ca and www.ontario1500.ca. You won't regret joining the fantastic driving event.





Membership Application

Mail: 18759 Kennedy Road,
RR#1 Sharon, Ontario, L0G 1V0
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 (____) _____

_____ Bus. Phone (____) _____

Province _____ Postal Code _____

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

3rd Family Member _____ [#] email _____

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5th Family Member _____ [#] email _____

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

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FIFTH GEAR is also available on the website. Check here if you do NOT need a mailed copy

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