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August General Meeting Minutes

No General Meeting in August.

Next General Meeting

The next general meeting will be 8PM on September 20th, 2012 at the Irish Club (654 Erin St.)

WCMA AGM Coming to Winnipeg

By Sandra MacBain

In honor of WSCC's 60th Anniversary the WCMA has decided to hold its AGM and awards banquet here in Winnipeg. For those of you who want some input into what's happening with your discipline you may want to take advantage of this opportunity to attend the meetings and have your say. The meetings and banquet are being held at the Viscount Gort Hotel on the weekend of October 20th 2012. When the WSCC Executive receives an agenda, we will forward it to you so you can choose which meetings you wish to attend. The banquet will be on the evening of October 20th and the WCMA awards will be handed out.

Please try to attend, considering most of these folks are from out west they are going to great deal of time and expense to come here, the least we can do is come out and show our support.

Vintage Weekend and WSCC 60th Anniversary Weekend

By Sandra MacBain

Well the Classic Motor Works Vintage weekend has come and gone once again. We lucked out with pretty good weather and a large turnout for racing and for the Club dinner on Saturday night.

We had Stu Geddes from Alberta, and Gord Leach and Gary Tholl from Saskatchewan make the trip out to help fill out the fields for both sedan and open wheel racing. Thanks to them for driving great distances to join us.



Spencer Beaudoin did the colour commentary during the racing and made it interesting for everyone. With all the activity in the pits it's not often that we can follow what's going on on track, so it was a real treat for everyone at the track to listen to Spencer's description of all the excitement. Thanks Spencer, you did a great job!

It was an action packed weekend between antifreeze on the track to a concrete core used to fill the hole at turn 8 flipping up after being driven over one too many times and unfortunately, putting both Grant Kubay's Corvette and Dirk Bolger's vintage Mini out of commission for the rest of the weekend. There were some on track scrimmages and off track forays that caused some excitement but I'm happy to say that everyone was okay. The cars involved were a little worse for wear, but hopefully all repairable.



We had some beautiful vintage cars show up on Saturday for the Vintage Show and Shine and votes being cast for the People's Choice Award for the favorite vintage car and the favorite race car. The vintage trophy was won by Graeme Lowden for his beautiful Austin Healey 3000 and Mike Demchenko's Datsun 280 won for favorite race car.

Saturday ended with 101 people enjoying a delicious pork dinner provided by Danny's Whole Hog and

was finished off with a piece of WSCC 60th Anniversary cake.

At the end of the points racing on Sunday an Australian Pursuit was held with eight cars participating. Bill Langner was the winner.

Trophies and certificates were supplied and handed out by Dirk Bolger to the three drivers with the fastest lap in each class, both open-wheel and sedans. Thanks to Dirk for sponsoring the weekend and giving the winners some very unique and beautiful trophies.

It was a great weekend, good weather, good racing, good people and good food, you couldn't ask for anything more.

Update on Dino Calvert

By Dr. Henri Marcoux

I have had many opportunities to visit and provide chiropractic care for Dino since his fall and subsequent paralysis.

He suffered a spinal cord injury that left him paralyzed from the neck down. He has been completely unable to move his legs and arms and has no feeling from the shoulders down. He has maintained an excellent spirit throughout this horrible ordeal. I have the feeling that he has discovered a new sense of humour or he is re-enacting one that has been dormant for a while. He laughs heartily at jokes and has a few that keep him laughing.

He had surgery 2 weeks ago and his lower neck was fused down with mechanical screws. He is recovering from that. As far as is known, Dino does not have a severance of the cord. Although no one can predict accurately what his outcome will be, Dino has maintained the goal to at least recover the use of his arms and hands. He says that he can along with a wheel chair as long as he has use of his hands.

I say this about Dino: I am sure that it is difficult for him at times, but he has risen to the occasion and is planning to get back in the game of life. He has been enduring strong physiotherapy and rehabilitation exercises which have produced an increase in arm strength and some movements to his arms.

Overall things look positive for Dino. He still has no feelings and no movement to his legs, but he is responding as well as can be expected in his occupational therapy and rehab sessions. His attitude is good and he is maintaining a positive attitude and can visualize himself in action once more. He accepts with a great dignity what has occurred and is facing this challenge like the good man that he is. You can't keep a good man down!

The Fall Driver's School is Now Open

By Scott McDonald

The Winnipeg Sports Car Club High Performance Driving Experience (HPDE)/Race School is on October 6/7 at the track at Gimli, MB. It is mandatory for anyone wishing to get a Western Canada Motorsports Association (WCMA) annual Race or Solo License. There is a classroom session in Winnipeg from 7 to 9 on the Thursday evening preceding the school weekend at Aalto's in the Canad Inn on Regent (not the casino one but on the south side near Plessis).

The weekend part is on the track at Gimli, so bring a car, a helmet and a driver's license. We provide the instructors. Some people take the school just for the fun of it. If you're one of those register for the HPDE. If you intend to take part in lapping, SoloSprint events, or to race next summer, register for RACE. It's the same school.

Come to the track before 9 on Saturday. That morning you'll be involved in a series of exercises helping you improve your car control skills. There will then be a chance to get oriented to the track with a small tutorial on each corner. Next you will be assigned to a lapping group and an instructor will take you around for a familiarization lap or two in your car. Then you will get a chance to drive the track with your instructor in a small lapping group. A lunch wagon should arrive about then and there'll be time off to eat. Next you will take your turn with your group in running practice laps with an instructor to offer feedback. If you are doing well in a corner they will cheer you on and if your line isn't working so well they will help you figure out how to do it differently.

Once you master the corners there'll be more track time with your lapping groups practicing alternate lines as well as some practice starts and practice passing. There will be no actual racing. When lapping, if a faster car comes up behind you, they will only pass on the straights and you are asked to signal them past. Finally there will be some time at the end of the day for practice laps. Instructors will remain available.

The track is open Sunday for practice lapping and instructors will be available in the morning. You are welcome to join a lapping group in the afternoon when we will be joined by some club members who want some lapping time. Some of the club members who have been instructing may bring their race cars and do a few laps on Sunday afternoon for test and tune purposes. If you ask nicely they may even take you for a ride.

You need to be a club member to enter the school and you can do that through the DLB Racing website when you register for the school. The club membership is \$50 and the school fee is \$200. Your membership will apply to 2012 and 2013. You can pay through PayPal if you have an account. We can't reserve a spot for you at the school if you don't pay. If you don't/can't use PayPal, email me and I'll tell you where to send your check. After you get your membership, DLB will let you register. Make up numbers when they ask for them or use zeros. Registration is now open. You might want to jump in fairly quickly once registration opens as we're only taking 15 and it fills up pretty fast. Feel free to email me at roadrace@wscc.mb.ca if you have questions.

Workers Needed

By Bryce Stewart, Chief Course Marshal

Howdy Race Fans,

The final race weekend is approaching (with more notice this time). As usual I am looking for volunteers for the race weekend of September 22-23. This will be the final Race event of the year. As usual I am looking for 6 people for Friday if you can make it let me know.

We will again be having pizza and pop.

Look forward to seeing you all soon.
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Last Race Weekend: Time for Worker Swag

By Scott McDonald, Road Race Director

It has been our custom for racers to bring gifts to be presented to the workers at the end of the day Saturday in appreciation for their summer of service. We'll do this as soon as racing is over and before they go out lapping. Bring your "Swag" to the drivers meeting in the morning or give it to the Chief Course Marshal later in the day if you forget. I'll also need some volunteers to go out and cover the corner stations so the marshals can lap. Let me know at the drivers meeting if you are willing to help out.

I also need a small work party on a day to be determined next week. We are going to pour and sculpt the rumble strips to patch the apexes in corners 8 and 9, probably on Wednesday or Thursday next week. I'm shooting for the latter part of the afternoon so people won't lose too much work time but I'm not sure how much control I'll have over it. Please let me know if you can give us a couple of hours at the track and which days next week you can come, beyond Tuesday the 11th.

New Business

By Sandra MacBain

I hate to say this, but now that summer is coming to an end, although I'm still trying to date all my cheques as August, it's time to start up the WSCC General Meetings once again. The next meeting will be on September 20th, starting at 8:00 at the Irish Club on Erin.

The Executive would like to remind you that the WSCC Elections of Officers and Directors will be taking place at the Annual General Meeting on November 15, 2012. All positions are open for election. At the October General meeting on October 18th, 2012 a nominating committee will be struck. We require volunteers to sit on the nominating committee and volunteers to run for all positions on the Executive. If you can assist us with either of these, please contact our club President, Peter Gwyn by email president@wsc.mb.ca. There is no club without volunteers, so if you wish to continue to enjoy Road Racing, Ice Racing, Autoslalom, Time Attack as well as hot laps and race schools then the club needs your help. Please consider taking a position on the Executive and help your club.

Road Race Report

By Scott McDonald, Road Race Director

By all measures I think we enjoyed a successful Vintage Race Weekend. The first sign was evident by Saturday morning as a full pit with lots of enthusiastic pit crews greeted arriving participants. We had 18 closed wheel and 9 open wheel entrants. In addition there was lots of nice old car activity in the paddock. The weekend provided lots of close racing and even with broken cars we had a reasonably full track by the end of the weekend for the Australian Pursuit. Cancellation of the GT Challenge was a brief letdown but did not color the weekend.

The Friday Lapping and the Time Attack grids were each up slightly and a BMW school on the Thursday added further to the weekend and more than paid for itself while adding a few more potential Lapping Day enthusiasts. The Pig Roast was well attended and thoroughly enjoyed, adding to the sense of celebration of our 60 years. Dyrk Bolger, our Vintage Weekend Sponsor from his shop Classic Motor Works, provided beautiful and unusual plaques to the drivers with the fastest lap in their respective classes. Stu Geddes came down from Alberta to represent our western neighbors despite there being racing in Edmonton the same weekend. He ran at the front and won every race. Thanks Stu and thanks for turning your tow check into a hard luck award. I think it was fitting that the track workers selected Dyrk Bolger for the award. He collected a log of concrete thrown up by a preceding car in notorious Corner 8, disabling his Mini early in the weekend and was unable to continue. Thanks for all your support and enthusiasm Dyrk.

The repairs to the track at the offending corners 8 and 9 will be organized by Keith Berglind before September race cars hit the track greatly assisted by Grant Kubay who volunteered the help.

Road Race Points Standings

Formula V

| Pos. | No. | Name | Total | Diff | Gap |
|------|-----|------------------------|-------|------|-----|
| 1 | 42 | Wayne Schellekens | 140 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | 0 | Jean-Sebastien Stoezel | 130 | 10 | 10 |
| 3 | 7 | Greg Eastwood | 75 | 65 | 55 |
| 4 | 6 | Glenn Gordon | 63 | 77 | 12 |
| 5 | 12 | Pete Loewen | 47 | 93 | 16 |
| 6 | 11 | Damon Surzyshyn | 45 | 95 | 2 |
| 7 | 3 | Wayne Mather | 30 | 110 | 15 |

GT1

| Pos. | No. | Name | Total | Diff | Gap |
|------|-----|--------------|-------|------|-----|
| 1 | 46 | Grant Kubay | 7 | | |
| 2 | 40 | Dennis Goruk | 0 | 7 | 7 |

GT3

| Pos. | No. | Name | Total | Diff | Gap |
|------|-----|------------|-------|------|-----|
| 1 | 11 | Damon Hill | 7 | | |

IT2

| Pos. | No. | Name | Total | Diff | Gap |
|------|-----|--------------------|-------|------|-----|
| 1 | 28 | Bill Langner | 33 | | |
| 2 | 12 | David Krushelniski | 7 | 26 | 26 |

IT3

| Pos. | No. | Name | Total | Diff | Gap |
|------|-----|-----------------|-------|------|-----|
| 1 | 13 | Jordan Sharples | 122 | | |
| 2 | 007 | Ken MacBain | 91 | 31 | 31 |
| 3 | 5 | Chris Brown | 87 | 35 | 4 |
| 4 | 44 | Clint Sharples | 60 | 62 | 27 |
| 5 | 8 | Dwight Ullberg | 42 | 80 | 18 |
| 6 | 4 | Stephen Leiding | 18 | 104 | 24 |
| 7 | 200 | Wayne Kehler | 16 | 106 | 2 |

STO

| Pos. | No. | Name | Total | Diff | Gap |
|------|-----|----------------|-------|------|-----|
| 1 | 88 | Mike Demchenko | 19 | | |

STU

| Pos. | No. | Name | Total | Diff | Gap |
|------|-----|-------------------|-------|------|-----|
| 1 | 2 | Al Marcoux | 94 | | |
| 2 | 65 | Gerd Uebele | 72 | 22 | 22 |
| 3 | 17 | Darin Wach | 63 | 31 | 9 |
| 4 | 14 | Ian Fillingham | 37 | 57 | 26 |
| 6 | 67 | Walter Tollenaere | 11 | 83 | 23 |

Vintage

| Pos. | No. | Name | Total | Diff | Gap |
|------|-----|--------------|-------|------|-----|
| 1 | 67 | Hugh Hanson | 11 | | |
| 2 | 35 | Dyrk Bolger | 5 | 6 | 6 |
| 3 | 48 | Bruce Holden | 2 | 9 | 3 |

Autoslalom Report

By Sandra MacBain

With only two double header weekends left on September 15/16 and September 29/30 our season is rapidly coming to an end. We've had a good showing at most events and because of that we hope to return a lot of what we had to spend on surface repairs at St. Andrews back into our reserve. If you haven't been out for a while come on out and try the new asphalt, you won't believe the difference.

We had six of our WSCC Autoslalom drivers down in Lincoln, Nebraska for the 40th Tire Rack SCCA Solo National Championships: Mark S, Briget S, Joe P, Chris M, Jeff J and Emily B. Emily won 1st in BS class. Congratulations to you all for a job well done you've made us proud. A special congratulations to Emily for her win, she did an amazing job, especially when you consider this is only her second year participating in Autoslalom. Way to go Emily!

Autoslalom Points Standings

These results are unofficial at this time. Thank you to Beau Maryniuk for supplying these results.

Stock Streets

| Pos | Name | Points |
|-----|------------|--------|
| 1 | Jason F | 5982 |
| 2 | Claudio Z | 5965 |
| 3 | Tim R | 5938 |
| 4 | Curtis J | 5929 |
| 5 | Brendon R | 5808 |
| 6 | Brian T | 5792 |
| 7 | Jim A | 5666 |
| 8 | Liam R | 5085 |
| 9 | Ian W | 4321 |
| 10 | Shawn C | 3846 |
| 11 | Timothy W | 2671 |
| 12 | Nico B | 1982 |
| 13 | Peter G | 1845 |
| 14 | Sam G | 1618 |
| 15 | Joe P | 995 |
| 16 | Jeremy S | 980 |
| 17 | Nishanna G | 967 |
| 18 | Chris D | 963 |
| 19 | Trevor B | 954 |
| 20 | Mike W | 897 |
| 21 | Michelle P | 835 |
| 22 | Aaron S | 815 |
| 23 | Jim H | 643 |

SCCA

| Pos | Name | Points |
|-----|-------------|--------|
| 1 | Jeff J | 6000 |
| 2 | Corey D | 5944 |
| 3 | Chris M | 5690 |
| 4 | Emily B | 5677 |
| 5 | Art S | 5619 |
| 6 | Marion S | 5466 |
| 7 | Mark S | 5267 |
| 8 | Jairus D | 5178 |
| 9 | Mike W | 5160 |
| 10 | David P | 4624 |
| 11 | Chris K | 4552 |
| 12 | Bryan S | 4288 |
| 13 | Jason C | 4146 |
| 14 | Karl S | 3700 |
| 15 | Ben V | 2820 |
| 16 | Briget S | 2268 |
| 17 | William M | 1793 |
| 18 | Derrick P | 1514 |
| 19 | Emily W | 1496 |
| 20 | Chris D | 978 |
| 21 | Joe P | 927 |
| 22 | Von C | 904 |
| 23 | Trevor B | 897 |
| 24 | Bill M | 892 |
| 25 | Daniel P | 882 |
| 26 | Daryl G | 880 |
| 27 | Sebastian C | 850 |
| 28 | Thomas G | 849 |
| 29 | Ian M | 838 |
| 30 | Charith J | 830 |
| 31 | Rob B | 827 |
| 32 | Jesse G | 823 |
| 33 | Gerry J | 807 |
| 34 | Jonny D | 801 |
| 35 | Burke C | 774 |
| 36 | Chen L | 596 |

Prep/Mod Streets

| Pos | Name | Points |
|-----|---------------|--------|
| 1 | Jeremy S | 5968 |
| 2 | Joe P | 5927 |
| 3 | Jeremy C | 5911 |
| 4 | Beau M | 5739 |
| 5 | Ben V | 5719 |
| 6 | Von C | 5665 |
| 7 | Phillip R | 5610 |
| 8 | Andrew V | 5531 |
| 9 | John V | 5191 |
| 10 | Allan B | 4673 |
| 11 | Noel M | 3853 |
| 12 | Nick H | 3625 |
| 13 | Peter M | 2870 |
| 14 | Chris T | 2828 |
| 15 | William M | 2748 |
| 16 | Cole R | 2523 |
| 17 | Bryan S | 1891 |
| 18 | Mohamed A | 1749 |
| 19 | Duncan I | 1685 |
| 20 | Ryan T | 1662 |
| 21 | Derrick P | 1566 |
| 22 | Chris D | 964 |
| 23 | Curtis J | 959 |
| 24 | Chris M | 919 |
| 25 | Brent H | 894 |
| 26 | Nick C | 881 |
| 27 | Trevor B | 867 |
| 28 | Christopher B | 856 |
| 29 | Chad E | 823 |
| 30 | Matthew W | 819 |
| 31 | Craig P | 815 |
| 32 | Avril H | 628 |

Solo Sprint/Time Attack Report

By Sarah Wach, Time Attack/Solo Director

We only have one more event left for this year on September 22 so hopefully everyone will come out to enjoy some of the last track time of the season.

In the August event we had an accident where some anti-freeze was spilled on the track. This required a track cleanup, which delayed the racing. We have been requested that, if possible, to run water instead of anti-freeze in cars running in Time Attack events.

So far this season passengers have been allowed to ride along during sessions. Our WCMA rep brought to my attention that passengers are not allowed during timed sessions according to the WCMA rulebook. If you still want to take people for rides you can take them on Friday lapping days or during the hot laps at the end of Saturday.

Solo Sprint/Time Attack Points Standings

| Racer | Car | Class | Points Total |
|----------------------------|-------------------|------------|--------------|
| Ken Hilash | 99 Jaguar XK8 | GT2 | 390.02 |
| Wayne Chin | 95 Ford Mustang | GT1 | 308.65 |
| Mark Kubay/Micheal Borbely | 07 Chevy Corvette | Improved** | 300.00 |
| Tim Woelk | 08 VW GTI | GT4 | 205.43 |
| Tim Polnau | 06 Honda Civic | T1 | 190.82 |
| Sam Gu | 11 Nissan 370Z | SGT3 | 188.72 |
| Beau Maryniuk | 05 Subaru WRX STi | SGT2 | 101.48 |
| Sarah Wach | 07 Toyota Matrix | T3 | 100.56 |
| Carlos Cordeiro | 03 Honda Civic | T1 | 99.53 |
| Ron Porada | 88 Ford Mustang | Improved** | 98.03 |
| Chris Taggar | Subaru Impreza | Improved** | 97.85 |
| Franklin Swark | 92 BMW 325is | GT3 | 95.79 |

** Cars not classed will receive a class of Improved and a PAX factor of 1.

Classifieds

As members of the WSCC you can place for sale ads in the newsletter at no cost. If you have an ad you'd like in the newsletter please contact Newsletter Editor/Secretary Sandra MacBain at secretary@wscc.mb.ca.

More Photos from the Vintage Weekend



