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HOROSCOPE FOR CANCER: JUNE 21ST TO JULY 22ND

YOUR CLINGING NATURE FACTORS IN MAKING IT HARD FOR YOU TO LET GO UPON REALIZATION THAT OUR SWAMI, THE MASTER OF THE HOROSCOPE, WHOSE INSIGHT HAS GRACED THESE PAGES FOR THE LAST YEAR, IS EMBARKING ON A SPIRITUAL RETREAT TO HIGH IN THE MOUNTAINS WHERE THE MELTING ICE FLOWS CLEAR AND MIXES WELL WITH THE SCOTCH, THE SOURCE FROM WHICH MOST GREAT INSPIRATION FLOWS.

YES, THE TWELVE HOUSES OF THE ZODIAC HAVE SLID BY SINCE THE "TELL TALE" FIRST ENDEAVORED TO BRING YOU THE WORDS OF SWAMI. PAINFUL AS IT MAY BE TO LOOSE THE HELP OF OUR SPIRITUAL MASTER, WHOSE GUIDANCE WE HAVE COME TO TRUST ON OUR WAY THROUGH LIFE'S PRESSING DECISIONS, WE MUST NOW TRAVEL THE PATH ALONE, DEVOID OF THE ROCK SOLID ADVICE THAT CAN ONLY BE GARNERED FROM CONSULTING THE STARS, THE TEA LEAVES AND THE OUIJA BOARD. ON WE MUST GO, UNSURE OF OUR JET CHANGES, AND DOUBTING OUR CHOICE OF TIRE PRESSURES. SO IT HAS COME TO PASS. THE WORDS ON WHICH YOU NOW GAZE MAY WELL BE THE LAST FROM THE GREAT MASTER YOU ARE LIKELY TO SEE GRACING THESE PAGES.

......CANCER AVOID HOT WATER! YOUR IMAGINATIVE SIDE MAY DRAW OUT YOUR OWN CREATIVE TALENTS AND INSPIRE YOU TO PRODUCE EVEN FAR MORE ENTERTAINING DRIVEL AND EQUALLY DROLL OFFERINGS FOR OUR PUBLICATION. IF NOT, YOUR CRABBY SIDE MAY BE EXPOSED. ME? I AM GOING FOR SOME COCKTAIL SAUCE AND LEMON WEDGES!

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SWAMI SOMETIMES WASTING AWAY MAGNIFICENT INTELLIGENCE

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<u>MEETINGS</u>

The General Membership

Meeting will be held on

June 20th at Mar's

Meadows @ 7 pm.

Team Continental Board Meeting May 16, 2012 Mars Meadows

President Mitch Lea called the meeting to order and welcomed those present.

Secretary: No report.

Vice President: Terry Amundson. Absent.

<u>E Board Rep</u>: Kevin Smith: Absent.

<u>Communications Director:</u> Bill Murray. Bill will be the announcer at the May race. He asked for a volunteer to help. Skip Yocum feeling he was being underutilized at the event volunteered.

Contest Board: Colin Waltz. Absent.

Guests: Gordon Jones introduced Gary Morehead.

<u>Driving Master</u>: Jim Larfield. We have 28 participants registered so far. We need to continue trying to find a better way to market the driving school. Radio spots were suggested for last minute marketing.

<u>Membership Chair:</u> Terry Amundson. Absent. There was discussion on what the recent changes to the membership section of the Bi-Laws was supposed to accomplish. The issue at hand was the initiation fee of \$60 to cover the cost of giving away a jacket. The feeling was that if we just charged the \$30.00 dues and dropped the initiation fee we would attract more new members. After discussion a motion was made to drop the initiation fee in its entirety and just charge the \$30 dues. Motion was made, seconded and passed. Peter Linssen will make the changes on the web site and on Motorsportreg.com. Several people brought up the fact that the red jacket and Logo are the most visible form of advertising the club has and pointed out it should still be used and encouraged. Another suggestion was that we use the jacket as a form of recognition to outstanding new members.

<u>Past President:</u> Lynn Coupland. Lynn announced that the first Bi-Law meeting would be held June 27, 7pm at the Lucky Labrador Pub on Hawthorne. She will buy the first round.

Race Chair: Skip Yocum. Skip went over the forms for the race and passed them out to the appropriate chairpersons. He said everything is coming together. He is still working on last minute contracts for such things as a wrecker. He is trying to arrange a fly over by the Oregon Air National Guard. Bill Harris is doing a load out at PIR Wednesday around 4pm. He could use some help. August plans are in the works. Skip would like suggestions for a special race group.

Treasurer: Duane Starr: Our current balance is \$9595.00 and we are current on our bills.

<u>President's Report</u>: Mitch . Remember the club mission statement. To promote interest and enthusiasm in automobile road racing events. To promote improvement in driving

techniques and safety among members and others where possible. To lend assistance when possible to the motoring public.

Also remember to "Race For Fun."

It feels like we are adopting a mentality of a "Top Down" run club and need to remember this is a member run club. As individual members we should and need to be active. Don't let the "board" do all the decision-making. <u>Committee Reports</u>:

Trophy Committee: . No report

Banquet Chair: No report.

Spiritual leader; Robert Waco. No report

Picnic Chair: Robert Waco. No report.

<u>Club Historian:</u> Bill Murray: Bill asks member to write articles for the TellTale. It was noted how nice the TellTale is these days.

Webmaster: Peter Linssen, No report.

Competition Committee: Jon Wilson, no report

<u>Race Officials Division:</u> Ken Killam. The new conference forms for Marshall registration are done and will be used this weekend. Conference is talking about eliminating the \$10.00 ROD fee.

<u>Tell Tale Editor:</u>. Bill Murray. Tell tale went out.

<u>Equipment Chair:</u> Tony Houser absent. Tony was recognized and thanked for the many recent trips to ORP to get vehicles and equipment ready for the start of the season.

Publicity Chair: Vacant.

Banquet Chair: Mark Hanken. He will start looking for a venue at the coast for the Banquet.

Old Business: We need a Publicity chair and a History chair. These positions are currently being filled by Bill Murray on a temporary basis. Please someone step up. We also need a Christmas chair and a Membership chair.

Bill Murray thanked the club for the use of equipment for his Mothers Day rat race. He said he had 14 entries and that 70% of the drivers were first timers. He would also like help with his June 9-10 drivers school and race.

New Business

Motion made seconded and passed to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted

Paul Cap, Secretary

Team Continental Board Meeting June 6, 2012

President Mitch Lea called the meeting to order and welcomed those present. Those present were Jon Wilson, Terry Amundson, Mitch Lea, Bill Murray, Paul Cap, Duane and Valorie Starr, Kevin Smith, Skip Yocom, Bob Smethers, Colin Waltz, Jim Larfield, Robert Waco, Peter Linssen and Bruce Baggett.

Presidents report: Mitch Lea. Mitch thanked everyone for showing their TC spirit. Mitch was very pleased to hear and see members stepped up to help and make everyone feel welcome at last weekend's event.

Vice President and Membership: Terry Amundson. Terry concurred with what Mitch had to say about the weekend TC spirit and stated that membership applications were included in all the registration packets.

E-Board: Kevin Smith. Very little is happening at the E board at the present. Skip asked that Kevin present a request for a special race to the E Board. Skip and Kevin will get together with the details and it will be presented. Skip is proposing a combination of group 2 and 5 top 50 qualifiers participating in a special race.

Secretary: Paul Cap. No report.

Contest Board Rep: Colin Waltz. Colin is submitting an article to the Tell Tale requesting members to contact him with rule change proposals. Please see the Tell Tale. There will be a minimum of two meetings for the TCR. One two go over changes the club wants to present to conference and one tow vote on changes that conference is submitting.

Picnic Chair: Robert Waco. Robert submitted a picnic proposal for June 23, 24 to be held at Pat's Acres. A motion was made and seconded to approve this date and place. The motion failed. Robert stated that because of his schedule and other conflicts we probably will not have a Picnic this year.

<u>Treasurer</u>: Duane Starr. Duane and Val went over the initial numbers for the double dipper. The numbers will be presented when complete. It does appear that we will be able to make our obligations. We had a processing fee and refund s that amount to about 6.9% of gross receipts. Duane suggests starting to use the "cube" which is a credit card processor that attaches to a cell phone and has a lower fee. The board authorized Duane to proceed with securing a cube credit card device to have available to the club to use at all events for cc payments.

<u>Communication Director</u>: Bill Murray. He anticipates getting the Tell Tale out on time. Please submit articles.

<u>Race Chair:</u> Skip Yocom. Skip said that he felt the race went well and he has heard positive comments indicating most people were pleased. He will be meeting with the treasure and going over the numbers to see if we came out on top. His initial thought is we made a profit, but it is too early to tell.

Skip is hard at work getting ready for the August race. He has an immediate need for: Someone to handle the food. Robert cannot do it at the August race. Bill Harris will not be available leaving a need for equipment haulers. He needs coarse workers, and arrangements for track access. He asked the board their feeling on having breakfast, lunch and dinner being made available (by TC) at the event for the whole weekend.

<u>Driving Master</u>: Jim Larfield. Jim discussed the comments from the school participants and has ideas on how to improve it next time. All in all it went pretty smooth. There were about 42 participants between novice, HPDE and test and tune.

Merchandising Manager. Jim Larfield. Jim and his group had \$403 in sales last weekend. He has some Ideas for new merchandise. He was also given the latitude to price the existing article so we might make a profit and be able to reinvest in this new merchandise.

<u>Past President:</u> Lynn Coupland. Lynn was absent but Mitch announced her Bi law committee meeting at the Lucky Lab Pub on SE Hawthorne June 27.

<u>Old Business.</u> We are still in need of a Christmas party chair and a location.

New Business:

A request was made by Cascade that we donate two TC drivers training tuitions to be donated at a fund raiser for Doernbechers. They would be for drivers training at ORP. Motion made seconded and passed.

A sample menu was presented for the Jan 19 2013 banquet. Prime Rib Buffet was suggested. A motion was made seconded and passed to allow Skip to spend \$46.75 four times for advertising. New Business:

Motion made seconded and passed to adjourn.



Respectfully submitted

Paul Cap, Secretary

TELL TALE 7

OREGON RACEWAY PARK UPDATE 5/25-28/2012

Team Continental Driver School & Double Race Weekend. 1 of 5 Photo pages attached.



Bruce Baggett, Skip Yocom



Jeff Delaney in the Ariel Atom, not the fastest car he has driven. A former driver for Oregon State's Global Formula Racing Team, he is now an engineer with SpaceX Corporation. Jeff's Latest accomplishment is working on the module that is docking with the International Space Station this week.







Kevin Smith works on a student evaluation sheet.



TELL TALE 8

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WELCOMES

TEAM

OREGON RACEWAY PARK UPDATE 5/25-28/2012 Team Continental Driver School & Double Race Weekend. 2 of 5 Photo pages attached.



Above: The ladies of the Race Administration: Registrar: Valorie Starr, License Registrar: Debbie Morton and Lynn Coupland, Driver Services.

Left: Chef Extraordinaire: Robert Waco works the magic that transforms this mess into four days of great meals.





The Brothers Hanken, working the scales.



#6 Yellow, Saleen Mustang driver Carl Clinton.



Race Control, Base Com, Track Announcer and Timing & Scoring share the upper deck of the trailer and try to keep out of each other's way.

TELL TALE 9



OREGON RACEWAY PARK

UPDATE 5/25-28/2012 Team Continental Driver School & Double Race Weekend. 4 of 5 Photo pages attached.

"When you do it right, the race just runs itself". Conference Steward Mike Conatore and Race Chairman Skip Yocom take a well deserved moment to relax.





Bill Harris and Holly Remington queue up for Sunday's spaghetti feed.

The Grass Valley Pavilion, Robert Waco and crew again feeding the troops both Saturday and Sunday nights.

OREGON RACEWAY PARK

UPDATE 5/25-28/2012 Team Continental Driver School & Double Race Weekend. 5 of 5 Photo pages attached.

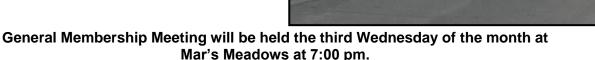


Above: The start of Monday's Group 2 Race, Back markers press to catch up to form a 2×2 grid with John Brobst leading the pack in the Viper Pace Car.

Right: The ever growing list of "944 Cup Cars". Tony Hauser in the 66 and Mat Chambers in the 243, two of the four Porsche's running in this class.

Below: Also continuing in popularity are the Spec Miata's and PRO-3 BMW's. Mike Tripp in the 135 car.

Bottom: The 173 car: As close to a photograph of the reclusive Austin Smith as we dare to publish.



DRIVING MASTER'S MESSAGE

Driver's and friends

It's hard to believe that Memorial Day was just over and all that great racing, food and friend's are behind us. Well, we here at TC are hard at work planning for our next event Aug. 3,4,5 - the Grass Valley Grand Prix. Save the date and mark your calendar to attend. If you had a great time Memorial Day then you know you will have a blast in Aug. Tell your friend's so they can enjoy the great Team Continental hospitality.

The weekend starts off Friday Aug. 3 with drivers training/HPDE/test and tune. To register:<u>http://www.motorsportreg.com/index.cfm/event/event.ad</u> vert/uidEvent/A8CCD80A-90DD-BA14-19AE91F629371C8D

For driver training information contact Jim Larfield Team Continental Driving Master drivingmaster@teamcontinental.com

On Sat and Sun Aug. 4-5 we present the Grass Valley Grand Prix. To register:<u>https://www.motorsportreg.com/index.cfm/event/event.a</u> <u>dvert/uidEvent/56520A22-94EA-BA33-594F8F4761496DD</u>

For race information contact Skip Yocom TC Race Chairman racechair@teamcontinental.com

Or registrar Val Starr raceregistrar@teamcontinental.com



See you at the track, Jim Larfield

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Portland International Raceway Only 140 miles from OREGON RACEWAY PARK UPDATE: JUNE 9TH AND 10TH, 2012

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Above: The Acurat on the main straight with one of the competitors of the first ever RAT CHALLENGE a race-within-a-race sub-event.







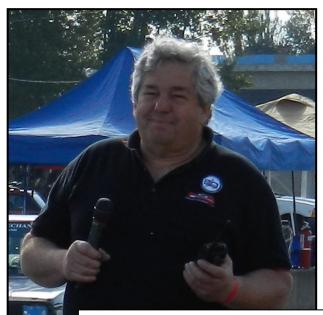
A few of our course support volunteers, Thank You to all.



Left and Above: Ron Swyers on his way to "The World's Fastest Rat Driver" title.



Bummer averted: New talent Chuck Spittal gets a courtesy drive in the STAR Projects Ratbit when his team car broke before he had a chance to get on course.



We

Radio in one hand, microphone in the other, race about to start.....what else could a megalomaniac race promoter want? life is good!

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Ben Ochs and Ronnie Swyers of team "Dan Gurney for President". Their Mustang erupted in a cloud of oil smoke in the last hour of the race but both had good runs in The Rat Challenge. Ben was the fastest driver in The Wolf, and Ronnie had the lowest combined lap time in both cars. Little wonder, he is also a top instructor at Miller Motorsports Park in Salt Lake.







Congratulations to our winners: Dave Marden, Terry Amundsen, and Charlie Peake in the Hello Kitty faux Cabriolet.

Portland International Raceway Only 140 miles from OREGON RACEWAY PARK UPDATE: JUNE 9TH AND 10TH, 2012 The Second Place Win

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The Second Place Winners, the gentlemen of Shoe String Racing: Benjamin Wilson, Jeremy Plance, Paul Spencer, the race's youngest driver Spencer Matthews, Gary Martin, and Doug Matthews.







"Fearless" Frank McKinnon, John Putnam, John Banton, Andy Lee, John Berthold, of the "Last Chance 2" Racing Team, hold their "prize of unspeakable value" a re-gifted bottle of Chumpcar champagne.

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Portland International Raceway Only 140 miles from OREGON RACEWAY PARK UPDATE: JUNE 9TH AND 10TH, 2012.

T.C. SUPPLEMENT



Team Continental driver Bill Murray (Jr.) co-driving Oregon State's S.A.E. car to a big first place win 2 weeks ago in Detroit, then back to Charlotte, and June 16th again in Michigan with the Joe Gibbs Racing Team (<u>NASCAR</u>). The team took first place in Saturday's Nationwide race with Joey Logano at the wheel. Sunday things didn't go so well and one of J.G. cars was pretty well incinerated with a damaged oil cooler. Bill's task is making some of the best pit stops in the business even faster.



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The winning team from OSU **RELATED CONTENT**

'Our commitment to excellence as students and as competitors'

CORVALLIS, Ore.– The Global Formula Racing team at Oregon State University recently won for the third consecutive year at Michigan International Speedway, considered the national championship of <u>Formula SAE</u> racing – the only time this has ever happened.

OSU's racing team, which is a collaboration of OSU and Duale Hochschule Baden-Wurttemberg-Ravensburg in Germany, received the first place overall award as well as three first place titles in engineering design, endurance, and the SAE Spirit of Excellence.

There were 120 teams from around the world at this competition, entering 106 vehicles.

Participants came from the United States, Canada, Austria, Germany, Finland, Singapore, South Korea, the United Kingdom and elsewhere.

"This is the first time in the history of the Michigan race that a university has won for three consecutive years," said Robert Stone, professor and interim head of the School of Mechanical, Industrial and Manufacturing Engineering at OSU. "It's a great accomplishment."

OSU's team, composed mostly of students from the College of Engineering, has been extraordinarily successful in Formula SAE racing in recent years. This sport is extremely popular in Europe, where almost every university sponsors a team, and OSU has also dominated many universities with strong teams in the Midwest, the historic home of the nation's automotive industry.



Team Continental

Announces Grass Valley Grand Prix August 3-4-5, 2012



This event is sanctioned by ICSCC under the 2012 Competition Regulations featuring a 2-DAY, SINGLE RACE Championship points format, plus world class driver's training,

presented by Team Continental at Oregon Raceway Park in Grass Valley, OR.

Entries Open: Entries Close:	Upon receipt of this announcement Postmark, fax or register on-line by July 31	st , 2012
Driver's Training (all day)		\$175
Race Entry Fees:	1 st Entry 2 nd Entry Late Fee – TC has waived late fees for this en Novice Single Day Crew and Spectators:	\$250 \$180 vent! \$199 FREE
Submit Entries To Or contact:	C: <u>www.motorsportreg.com</u> Team Continental Race Registrar Valorie Starr 36801 SE Proctor Rd. Boring, OR 97009 RaceRegistrar@TeamContinental.com	

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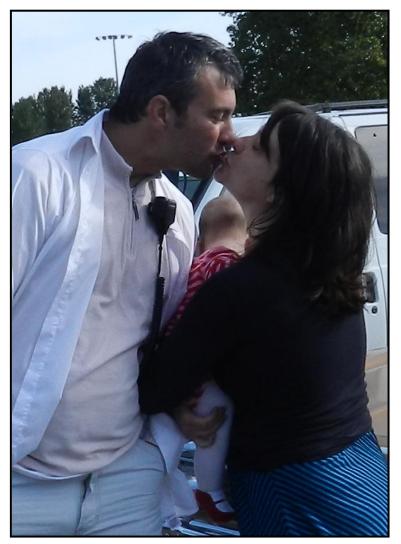
** <u>Driver Training</u> will be held Friday, August 3rd, 2012 – contact Jim Larfield at <u>DrivingMaster@TeamContinental.com</u> for additional information.

<u>Paved paddock spaces</u> will be assigned once your entry is processed and will be issued upon your arrival at the event. Please check-in with TC Paddock Marshals at ORP.

> Saturday Social – Everyone Welcome ! Please join us for a special TC Buffet @ \$5/per All other meals, all days @ \$3/per

Free beer & wine each night !! Drink With Responsibility !!

Who is this guy?



New turn worker volunteer

Philip DiNapoli

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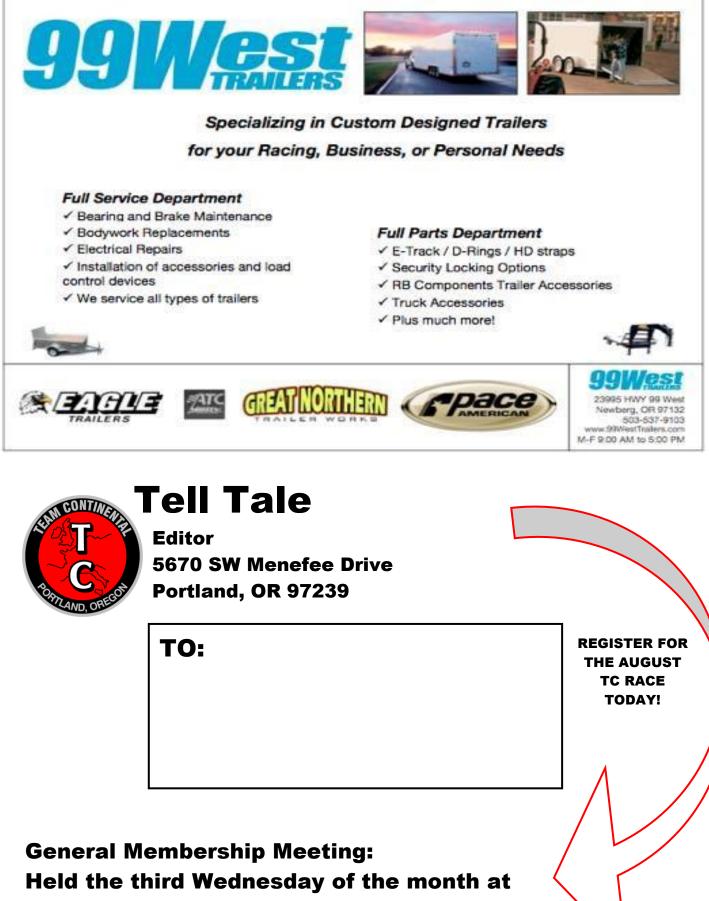
Or: Bring friends and start your own team.



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