



Tell Tale

Come to the Christmas Party. Come to the Banquet. Come celebrate 2014 and kick-off 2015 by celebrating with all your Team Continental friends.

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December Presidential Report

My fellow racers, we're rapidly winding down 2014, and I find myself reflecting on the year and grateful for so many of our Team Continental accomplishments. We have an unprecedented opportunity to bring new members to Team Continental with our ORP/TC appreciation days. We also look forward to having a great Christmas Party and will soon be at our next annual banquet. We have an excellent slate of candidates for the 2015 Board, please vote in the upcoming elections.

Our cooperative training of Course Marshall Workers and Driver Training instructors began in March 2014. We had an opportunity to put out real fires in preparation for a real life scenario. The sunny day made the day even more enjoyable.

Another important hurdle cleared was the investment in race radios, which will lower the cost of operating expenses when putting on a TC event. Still to figure out is the issue of more secure TC storage. The issue of purchasing a storage container will continue into 2015.

The TC race was superb as usual. This was a landmark race for ORP and Conference racing. This was the first sanctioned counter clockwise event. I'll bet some of you are smiling about the downhill run on Valkyrie Hill into lower pucker factor.

With the help of Don Smethers, TC has achieved IRS Tax Exempt status. TC is available to receive your tax deductible financial contributions to further the mission of Team Continental. This is an important landmark in TC's history.

You all have much to be proud of, we have made in-roads to getting old timers back to be active in TC. But even more we need the next generation, fresh way of thinking, tech savviness. I stand in awe of our younger members and what they can do to bring us into the 21st century. Thank you all for a fantastic year!

Duane Starr, 2014 TC President

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MEETINGS

Christmas Party
 December 13th, 7pm
 TC Banquet
 January 16-18th
 See announcements in this
 issue!

NorthWest Autosports Association Does Oregon Raceway Park 2014!

Who is [NWAA](#)? We are a small group that loves to play with cars! So, we have something in common with [Team Continental](#). In fact, two things in common, we love ORP! NWAA is a group that originated in Astoria, Oregon and now includes Southwest Washington and Northwest Oregon. The club is over ten years old and throughout those years has hosted a hundred plus autocross events at Ilwaco, WA., Astoria Airport, Tillamook, Seaside, Packwood, WA., Deep River, WA. and more recently Aberdeen, WA. and Oregon Raceway Park. We are also involved in Hillclimbs with our sister club [Willamette Motor Club](#). We have provided workers at the Bible Creek Hillclimb and been co-sponsors of the Maryhill Loops Road Hillclimb. We also have put on a Teen Driving school for the last eight years teaching defensive driving and car control.

What is this all about? The Love of driving and sport driving! A few years back a video was made at your home track by [ICON Motorsports](#). They used ORP and the local area plus, Maryhill Loops Road (only about 30 minutes due north). Well that give me an idea and thanks to Paul Evers, it now has come true! At the March 2014 TC School and Rat Race Weekend, Paul told me we should go for my idea this year. What idea? How about NWAA putting together an "after" event? After the Hillclimb at Maryhill Loops Road, we



have a track day at ORP. I told Paul no...he persisted and so I agreed that if he would take care of all the paperwork I would co-chair the event with him. Guess what? Yep, he went right down and talked with Brenda and the date was reserved for NWAA! I still did not think would ever come about. He took the information to the next NWAA meeting and was greeted by enthusiasm, so here

we go with another event on the schedule. This was the easy part!

My goal for [2012](#) was to run all of the events sanctioned by the [Northwest Hillclimb Association](#). I started my quest by doing some track days and attending Team

Continental's school in 2012. My coach/instructor was Mr. Bill Murray. I think ORP is a great place to train for Hillclimbs. During that season I met and talked with like-minded drivers and encouraged them to come to ORP. Late in 2012, my wife Lisa and I talked about racing and she urged me to go for the longtime dream. Could I be out there with "those guys and gals"?? The TC gang of Peter Belfanti, Mitch Lea, Bill Murray and a few others worked on me that school day to



me

race in the novice race in 2012! I was very close jumping in....road racing or Hillclimbs. Hillclimbs won that day. That day stayed with me all year and how much fun we had that weekend! So, my novice year was 2013 with Team Continental as my club. Dream year 2013!! In 2012 while Hillclimbing, I made many new friends I met at the seven different hills we visited and we stayed in touch. One thing I tried to do was to get them to come to ORP!

Paul put the plan in motion and it all came together! The [Maryhill](#) event with WMC and NWAA has had a full grid of 60 cars the last three years! There is always a waiting list. We put the word out to the Hillclimb drivers. We had over half the grid show up on Monday, September the 8th. About 38 drivers had never been to ORP. We set a maximum of 50 drivers for our event and we hit the maximum plus a wait list. About 8 had never been on a road race track. Thanks to Motorsportreg.com, I could see what we had for driver talent. Still we had a small problem. We did not



want to be a school, just a track day. So how does one get these new drivers up to speed in an efficient manner? Paul and I contacted our very own TC Driving Master, Jim Larfield. Jim

suggested a lead-follow exercise for the first session, and then have instructors available to help those that need it to keep things safe. Paul and I thought if any TC Instructor wanted to instruct, they could drive for free if they help instruct. Our instructors were: Jim Larfield, Morgan Smith, Tom Kotzian, Paul Evers and Brian Bogdon.

Things went very well. The ORP staff did their normal excellent job taking care of us on track and off, including the famous ORP lunch! The cherry on the sundae!

We exceeded our expectations with the full grid of drivers from all over the Northwest. Participants came from Montana, Idaho, Washington, British Columbia, Oregon and California! Plus, a great group of cars to go with the drivers! Paul and I would like to thank Jim, Morgan, Tom, Bill, Brenda, all the Corner/Safety Workers and [ORP](#) staff that made this an easy event to hold at ORP! This greatly helped make our event a big hit with all the drivers!

Paul and I believe we will see many return entrants as well as new drivers "NWAA DOES ORP AGAIN" on September 21st, 2015. The WMC/NWAA Maryhill Loops Road Hillclimb will be September 19th and 20th , 2015.

A warm Thank You to the TC membership that voted me (Brian Bogdon) as the TC Novice of the year 2014! Thank you all! As some know I did not race this year as I have been grounded from racing by my Doc. I hope to be back in 2015 racing with the TC colors!

Best Regards,

Paul Evers and Brian Bogdon, Members of Team Continental and NWAA

NWAA: www.nwautox.org, WMC: www.wmclub.org, NHA: www.nhahillclimb.org

Vote For TC BOD Officers & Driver of the Year

It is now time to vote for 2015 Team Continental Officers and Driver of the Year Award. If you are receiving the Tell-Tale electronically (and are a TC member), please vote at : <https://www.motorsportreg.com/index.cfm/event/survey/uidSurvey/BD1BFB54-042E-39E8-E86196E1149950E4>

If you receive the Tell-Tale via US Mail, then your numbered ballot will be attached, and you need to get it in at the Team Continental Christmas party, see announcement later in this issue.

The Candidates for the TC Board are:

President – Ben Weaver

Vice President – Scott Olsen

Secretary – Liz Peters

Treasurer – Val Starr

Executive Board Rep - Kevin Smith

Contest Board Rep – Peter Linssen or Scott Shobert

Race Chairman – Pete Belfanti

Driving Master – Jim Larfield or Dylan Olsen

Membership Chair – Dennis Roberts

Communications Director – Jeremy Plance

The candidates for Driver of the Year, along with the championships that make them eligible are:

Todd Harris - SCCA Western Conference Majors Champion, SCCA NorPac Division Champion in SRF

Gordon Jones - SCCA Oregon Region Champion in HP

Frank McKinnon - SCCA Oregon Region Champion in CP1

Dylan Olsen - SCCA National Champion in AS

Kevin Smith - SCCA Western Conference Majors Champion, ICSCC champion, SCCA NorPac Division Champion, Oregon Region Champion in AS

Skip Yocom - SCCA Oregon Region Champion in ITS

Team Continental Memberships expire Dec 31. Please renew your membership now using the form below, or on Motorsportsreg.com at: <http://www.motorsportreg.com/events/team-continental-membership-2015-tc-065529>



Team Continental Membership Application/Renewal

Full Name: _____

Nickname or Preference: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ - _____ - _____ Work Phone: _____ - _____ - _____

Other Phone: _____ - _____ - _____

E-Mail: _____

New Membership _____

Renewal Membership Status _____ (See explanations below)

Active – A New Member after attaining ICSCC Senior Competition or SCCA Regional License or a member in good standing for one year.

Senior – An Active Member who has won an ICSCC, SCCA Regional or National Championship, or other recognized championship, or at least ten first in class wins in races comprising more than four cars, or who has been an Active Member in good standing for more than three years will attain Senior status when present at a formal meeting.

Inactive Member – An Active or Senior Member who no longer wishes to, or cannot take an active part in the activities of Team Continental, but who wishes to maintain an allegiance with the Team may assume Inactive status by so advising TC in writing of this intent. An Inactive Member may attend meetings and may resume membership at any time by advising TC, and paying the remaining yearly dues.

Team Continental relies on volunteers to put on our racing, driver training, and other club events. Please indicate below any areas where you would be willing to help:

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|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Driver services | <input type="checkbox"/> President |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Registration | <input type="checkbox"/> Secretary |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tech Inspection | <input type="checkbox"/> Treasurer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Scales | <input type="checkbox"/> ICSCC Executive. Board Rep. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Timing & Scoring | <input type="checkbox"/> ICSCC Contest Board Rep. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-grid | <input type="checkbox"/> Race Chairman |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Turn Worker | <input type="checkbox"/> Driving Master |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flat tow | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership Chairman |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Paddock Marshall | <input type="checkbox"/> Communications Director |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Driving Master | <input type="checkbox"/> Telltale/Newsletter Editor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Driving Instructor | <input type="checkbox"/> Picnic Chairman |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other | <input type="checkbox"/> Banquet Chairman |

Please present this completed form to the TC Membership Chairman or send it to:

TC Membership Chairman, PO Box 2273, Portland, OR 97208-2273.

Please include the \$30.00 membership fee along with your application/renewal.

Signature _____ Date : _____

Official Use Only:

Year: _____ Membership Number: _____

Notes: _____

Status : Novice Active Senior Inactive

TEAM CONTINENTAL – GENERAL MEETING MINUTES



Date: November 19, 2014

Location: Mars Meadows Restaurant, East Delta Park

Meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm by TC President Duane Starr;

GUEST INTRODUCTIONS:

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Val's chickens are hungry, food donations are appreciated.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

SECRETARY (Bob Smethers):

- Meeting minutes are available for review at each BOD and General Membership meeting;

CONTEST BOARD REP (Peter Linssen): present, no report, left briefcase at work - see Kevin's report.

MEMBERSHIP (Dennis Roberts):

- 128 TC Members have joined new or renewed to date, 22 signed up for 2015 so far. Thanks to Jeremy for setting up Membership renewal signup on MSR. Dues paid past October will apply to 2015 season;

DRIVING MASTER (Jim Larfield):

- TC has been contacted by ACCO to discuss providing instructor training - ACCO has joined hillclimb association and will be running event at ORP, 60 cars - TC could provide instruction prior to running their event; 2 sanctions in same day logistics are a challenge; Jim has negotiated instruction at a fee for event sat or sun in April/May timeframe; Kevin S - supports the concept as this removes risk factor; Bill H -

Team Continental Banquet 2015



Banquet Committee Report

Theme: Football – The Super Bowl
Hallmark Resort – Newport, Oregon

Make your reservations with the hotel – 888-448-4449

1. **Friday Night - Tailgate Party**
Drinks: by Jon Wilson
Food: Hot dogs, hamburgers
2. **Hospitality Room**
Hours: Friday: opens at 6:00 p.m.
Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
2:00 p.m. – Wine Tasting – Gayle Kovacs and Don Crawford
Closed during banquet
Reopens after banquet – Gambling Night
3. **Banquet**
Registration opens: 6:00 p.m.
Happy Hour: 6 pm – 7 pm
Dinner: 7 p.m.
Awards: 7:30 pm
4. **Annual General Meeting** – starts at noon on Sunday.
Clean up starts at 1:00 p.m.
Hospitality Room closes at 2 p.m.

Team Continental Banquet is January 16th-18th at the Hallmark Resort.

which track configuration ? Jim - not determined but would have 3 cars on track, 3-4 runs in 3 hr period;

RACE CHAIRMAN (Pete Belfanti):

- Star projects event for TC Appreciation Day re-scheduled for Sunday, Nov 23rd - great opportunity for getting more membership interest and referring a number of new prospects;
- May race date has been requested (2-day/2-race), October date not yet requested;
- Pete will schedule work party following banquet late jan/feb for trophy assembly party - date TBD;
- Pete submitted work party improvement projects to ORP management with possibility to offset rental;
- Budget will be compiled near banquet timeframe;

TREASURER (Val Starr):

- See report of TC General Funds dated November 19, 2014 (refer to handout); ICSCC dues payment has been submitted;

EXECUTIVE BOARD REP (Kevin Smith):

- ICSCC Fall Meeting was Saturday Nov 8th, Bill Murray attended as alternate with appreciation;
- TC 2015 event dates requested include: Mar 7 (DT), Mar 29 (DT), May 22-24 (DT/double race);
- Proposals included removing blocks for requesting/insuring late season events for DT;
- ROD did not pursue reducing required number of workers per station; Bill M presented ORP staffing logistics;
- CBR Rule changes were numerous, 1 TC rule change proposal did not pass (reducing number of required driver meetings), all others did pass;
- Clubs working well together for a positive meeting, could bring back double points race to induce participation at traditionally under-attended events;
- ICSCC AREA licenses have been eliminated - novice grade will advance from NOVICE to INTL, same work requirements still apply;
- Car numbers would be associated with car not license;
- CSM still exists as a class, basically runs as SM rules with different tires;
- No new ICSCC President, 2016 incoming will be recruited;
- Jon W - any new Tech rules pertaining to safety requirements? Kevin S - Gear may now be teched at express registration (show log book), HANS still not required; Belt rules passed good for 5 years;

- Duane - what rationale behind eliminating AREA license ? Kevin - car sharing, different cars was presenting logistical challenges; INTL under observations still has existing requirements for work requirements and car decal;

PRESIDENT (Duane Starr):

- Tonight is the last opportunity to nominate your buddies for 2015 TC BOD positions

VICE PRESIDENT (Ben Weaver): present - baby is in the oven!

STAR PROJECTS/ORP UPDATE (Bill Murray):

- ORP Star Projects will be hosting TC Appreciation track day - Sunday, Nov 23, 2014; latest forecast is sunny, 43 degrees, taking reservations for Goose Pit Prime Rib Dinner;

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

CHRISTMAS PARTY (Lynn Coupland): scheduled for 7pm, Saturday December 13th at Murray Manor - bring a gift if you would like to participate in the gift exchange - turkey & ham is provided;

Lynn C - see flyer for TC Christmas Party, signup sheets are available if you plan to attend, soda and coffee provided; Tim J - could we consider week following Xmas to avoid date conflicts with businesses?

ANNUAL BANQUET: scheduled for January 16-18, 2015 at Hallmark Inn, Newport OR (541-265-2600)

Rooms reserved at special price: Single Queen (\$91), Double Queen w/mini kitchen (\$114), King Spa (\$119)

Lynn C - see flyer for TC Banquet, theme is football to coincide with Superbowl (the following weekend);

BANQUET CHAIRWOMEN: (Lynn Coupland, Toni Larfield, Val Starr)

TROPHY CHAIRMAN: (Steve Leonard)

SPIRITUAL LEADER (Robert Waco):

ROD REP (Ken Killam):

EQUIPMENT CHAIRMAN (Tony Hauser):

PICNIC CHAIRMAN (Val & Duane): Summer party was held Aug 16th, 2014 at Starr Alpaca Farm

Team Continental Christmas Party




Saturday, December 13, 2014
 Home of Bill Murray and Lynn Coupland
 5670 SW Menefee Dr.
 Portland, Oregon 97239
 Starts at 7:00 p.m.

Dinner at approximately 7:30 p.m.
Gift Exchange and General Meeting – after dinner

Please bring a potluck item for dinner.
 Turkey and Ham will be provided
 Bring your own Bottle(s)
 Mix, sodas and coffee will also be provided

Bring a wrapped Christmas gift (\$20 limit) if you want to take part in TC Gift Exchange.

Please let Lynn Coupland know if you are attending.
coupla5@aol.com or 503-701-3547

MERCHANDISE (Ben & Darcy Weaver): Lots of event t-shirts and other TC merchandise is available;

OLD BUSINESS:

Nominations for 2015 TC Board of Directors submitted so far include:

President: Ben Weaver was nominated by Kevin S;
Communications Director: Jeremy Plance was nominated by Ben W;
Contest Board Rep: Peter Linssen was nominated by Jon W;
Membership Director: Dennis Roberts was nominated by Bill;
Driver Training Master: Jim Larfield was nominated by Lynn C - Jim requests in incoming assistant
Driver Training Master: Ron Swyers was nominated by Pete B; (declined in Nov)
Race Chairman: Pete Belfanti was nominated by Jim L;
Treasurer: Val has volunteered;
Executive Board Rep: Kevin Smith was nominated by Jon W;

Kevin S - We need to review current membership for prospective TC BOD recruits;

NEW BUSINESS:

New Nominations for 2015 TC Board of Directors:

Secretary: Elizabeth (Liz) Peters was nominated by Bob S;
Treasurer: Val Starr was nominated by Bob S
Driving Training Master: Dylan Olsen was nominated by Scott O, supported by Jim L
Contest Board Rep: Scott Shobert nominated by Jon W;
Vice President: Scott Olsen nominated by Jon W
(M/S by consensus): **Motion** to adjourn, **Motion passed** (unanimous), meeting adjourned 8:06 pm;

BS & BONER DISCUSSIONS:

- Ken Killam still has TC Boner jacket

Respectfully Submitted,

Bob Smethers, TC Secretary

TEAM CONTINENTAL ANNOUNCES

**THREE EARLY SEASON DATES TO GET ON
YOUR CALENDAR NOW !**



**ALL EVENTS TO BE HELD AT
OREGON RACEWAY PARK**

SUNDAY, MARCH 8TH

T.C. APPRECIATION DAY #2!

A full day of open track lapping, just for the fun of it!
Come drive 4 different track configurations. The event fee is \$125.00. This event is restricted to T.C. Club Members & Guests only.

Not a member? Make inquiries to: Dennis Roberts: membership@teamcontinental.com

SATURDAY, MARCH 28TH

DRIVING INSTRUCTOR AND COURSE WORKER COMBINED TRAINING DAY:

Team Continental, Oregon Raceway Park Club and STAR Projects again pool resources to host the most comprehensive road course instructor training in the Northwest. Following lunch the split morning classrooms are on course for an afternoon of training in real time. Simulating race conditions, Instructors stage scenarios to help develop and hone the skills of new and returning O.R.P. Course Control Staff. The event fee for instructor candidates and returning instructors is \$75.00 and includes a hot lunch.

Application for T.C. Instructors is through Driving Master Jim Larfield. drivingmaster@teamcontinental.com

O.R.P. Club Members and Course Staff applicants should apply through the Track Office:
Brenda: 541-333-2452 or info@oregonraceway.com



SUNDAY, MARCH 29TH

T.C. DRIVER TRAINING

Rain or shine. Basic performance driving to advanced competitor. Learn from experienced instructors that take their craft seriously. Classroom sessions are mixed with "one on one" on course instruction to bring you farther faster. The event fee is \$ 225.00 and includes a hot lunch. Registration is through: www.motorsportsreg.com



It is your responsibility to read and understand track and specific event rules. Below are a few of them.

Contact the above for supplemental regulations, eligibility, vehicle requirements, schedule information etc.

Or, you may contact our Dumb Question Expert: Bill Murray, O.R.P. Operations Manager, 503-358-2617 10:00 a.m. to midnight.

www.starprojectsevents.com



Entries for the above three events open upon receipt of this announcement and will close when 40 paid reservations have been received. Upon acceptance of your entry application event fees must be paid promptly to confirm your spot. To keep costs of these events to a minimum event fees paid by credit card are subject to a surcharge.

A standby list will be maintained. Cancellations (by e-mail) must be received 7 days prior to all events to receive a full refund. Cancellations with less than the required notice are subject to a 50% service fee. No show / no call, no refund.

For those bringing crewmembers or guests Hot Lunch is by advanced arrangement only and \$10 per person.

Not Driving? Sign up to work a corner for the day (Free lunch provided). Come and make some new friends. Course worker training is free and open to all (18 and older). If you would like to be considered for future employment with O.R.P. please bring employment credentials with you.

Free overnight camping is available at the track for most O.R.P. events. Gate access hours may be restricted so obtain and read the supplemental regulations for each event carefully.

If the Gate Security Building is not manned please report with all members of your party to the Track Office directly upon your arrival.

All persons entering O.R.P. property must sign the release form and wear the appropriate wrist band at all times.

92 octane non-alcohol, unleaded fuel is available at the track pumps at \$5.50 / Gal. Ask anyone with a radio for fuel service. Please pay at the Track Office.

Please be respectful of the community that welcomed us and observe the speed limits in Sherman County, especially when driving by the school.



TEAM CONTINENTAL – BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: December 3, 2014

Location: Columbia River Brewing – Portland, OR



BOD MEMBERS: Bob Smethers, Duane Starr, Val Starr, Jim Larfield, Pete Belfanti, Dennis Roberts, Ben Weaver, Peter Linssen, Kevin Smith, Jeremy Plance, Kevin Smith

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Jon Wilson, Bill Murray

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by TC President, Duane Starr

OFFICER REPORTS:

SECRETARY (Bob Smethers): 2014 BOD and General Meeting Minutes are available for review;

PRESIDENT (Duane Starr): Thanks to everyone for attending - Duane has enjoyed hanging out and racing with this group throughout the season with great friends; Thanks to Ben W for chairing the November BOD meeting;

VICE PRESIDENT (Ben Weaver): no report;

COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR (Jeremy Plance): (see handout)

- Jeremy was approached with a proposal to feature TC on a television show 'Motorsports Roadtrip'. The Mav TV crew will professionally film a portion of our 2015 event, meet with fans, hand out giveaway gifts and work with event staff to film the competition. Product Placement Package fee is approximately \$1850. ICSCC, sponsors & racers would be interested - national level broadcast could draw huge crowd to TC events. Included in the proposed package is 15 minutes air time, filming crew would attend all weekend. Other facilities have stringent filming restrictions, ORP would likely be much more flexible to allow many more opportunities;
- Bill M - Any idea of their local market distribution? How may additional entries could this produce? Discussion includes having this televised opportunity on the May race weekend which would produce the most return on TC investment;
- Jeremy - Some series sponsors with contingency could help bring in opportunities for boosting TC entry especially focused on May DT/DBL race event;
- Duane - Asked whether any opportunities exist beyond the obvious 2015 May opportunity; Kevin S - TC 2015 incoming BOD should be equipped to get some serious traction on this opportunity;
- Pete B - ICSCC has an elected Publicity Chairman, recommendation is to pursue within TC resources;
- Kevin S - Web page for 2015 BOD elections needs to be brought live soon, with link by end of day this Sunday; Deadline for Tell-Tale submissions will be Sunday following each BOD meeting;

TREASURER (Val Starr):

- See report of TC General Funds, Profit & Loss reports - dated Dec 3, 2014;
- No significant changes to cash flow - Kevin S observed \$3K in capital improvement expenditures;
- Anticipated TC Banquet expenses will include trophies;

CONTEST BOARD REP (Peter Linssen): no report;

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR (Dennis Roberts):

- 128 current members for 2014, 30 new members for 2015 including 2 new members joined at the ORP track day event hosted by Star Projects;
- Ben W - Discussion regarding any interest in issuing free merchandise with new TC Membership;

DRIVING MASTER (Jim Larfield):

- Will be considering 2015 opportunities;
- ORP club appreciation day would be applied to end of March event as scheduled;
- Kevin S - 2015 RATS meeting tentatively scheduled for Sat March 7th. We could consider moving TC DT event from March 7th (sat) to March 8th (sun) or March 15th (Sunday); Majority opinion recommends March 8th (sun) for first DT event in 2015;
- Bob S - Any opportunity to spread out 2015 insurance premiums paid to ICSCC is worth considering;

RACE CHAIRMAN (Pete Belfanti):

- Preliminary event budget is expected to be available in January. Pre-race expenses are approx. \$8k;
- John Rissberger has purchased a forklift to be loaned to TC which fits our paddock placement needs; Peter L - It's imperative to have a forklift available for TC race event usage. Previously, a flatbed rental through Bert D transports the forklift between ORP and Master Mechanics in Portland;
- Jon W - Reconfiguring paddock spaces on an angle would be less difficult for access to spaces; Bob S - observed the number of usable paddock spaces is significantly reduced with increased angle;
- Pete B - Trophy purchases are being considered, TC Race Committee meetings will be scheduled;
- Pete will be approaching ICSCC worker representatives regarding potential compensation packages.
Jim L - Discussion whether ICSCC workers will be willing to volunteer at non-race weekend events;

EXECUTIVE BOARD REP (Kevin Smith):

2015 event dates are available including 2 tentative floating DT dates for second half of year (Oct 3rd ?);

STAR PROJECTS, Rat Race Report (Bill M):

- ORP Star Projects hosted a TC Appreciation track day - Sunday, Nov 23, 2014. Duane - Commented on the nice weather; Pete B - turned on outside air to cool off the car and there was a complete sheet of beautiful ice across upper paddock in the AM; Bill M - Pete attempted numerous 360's causing a 3" dent in the upper chain link fencing - repair costs are minimal, Pete's ego suffered the most damage!
- Kevin - Asked if expenses were covered; Bill / Pete - Proved the format was marketable (\$800 loss);

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TROPHY CHAIRMAN: Steve Leonard has accepted this appointment

SPIRITUAL LEADER (Robert Waco):
Wilson):

COMPETITION COMMITTEE (Jon

ROD REP (Ken Killam):

HISTORIAN (Bill Murray):

EQUIPMENT CHAIRMAN (Tony Hauser):

WEBMASTER (Jeremy Plance):

PICNIC CHAIRMAN (Val & Duane): Summer party was held Aug 16th, 2014 at Starr Alpaca Farm

MERCHANDISE (Ben & Darcy Weaver): Lots of event t-shirts and other TC merchandise is available;

TELLTALE EDITOR: (Kevin S) need TC Christmas Party and Banquet flyers for publication;

(M/S by consensus): **Motion** to adjourn, **Motion passed** (unanimous), meeting adjourned 8:22pm;

Respectfully Submitted,

Bob Smethers, TC Secretary

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