



# Tell Tale

Wow, it's 2017 already. Meet your new board. Celebrate with your friends. Join us for the TC annual banquet at the Shilo Inn in Newport.

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## TC President's Message

Its party time again at the Coast!

It's time for Team Continentals annual Awards banquet. This year it will be held in Newport, OR. at the Shilo Inn. The party starts Friday in the Hospitality Suite after room check in and lasts until the General Meeting is over Sunday afternoon.

See You there!

Scott Olsen  
2016 TC President - [president@teamcontinental.com](mailto:president@teamcontinental.com)



## Team Continental Board Meeting Minutes

Laurelwood Brewery-Portland, OR  
December 7, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by President, Scott Olsen.



### BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

**President**, Scott Olsen: No report

**Past President**, Ben Weaver: Absent

**Vice President**, Position vacant.

**Contest Board Rep**, Kevin Smith: No report.

**Membership Director**, Dennis Roberts: We have 18 renewals for 2017.

**Driving Master**, Dylan Olsen: The dates we have to choose from for next year are March 24,25,26. April 21,22,23. May 27 and August 4,5,6. March 25th would be logical since it is in the low rent season and we would be more profitable. Weather could be a concern though. Another possibility would be Friday, August 4th before the race event. If not a Driver Training event then maybe a Test and Tune.

**Race Chariman**, Bob Smethers filling in for Steve Leonard: Bob states he is in favor of using Friday, August 4th for a DT or T&T. Bob discussed the cost of putting on a two day double versus a three day double race event. Will we want to do an Enduro or possibly increase Qualifying time? Bill Murray commented that we should contact some NW people to possibly partner up or fill in the time was used for the Enduro.

**Secretary**, Darcy Olsen: No report.

**Treasurer**, Stacey Smith: We have \$9360.72 in the bank. Profit for the year is \$5266.12.

**Executive Board Rep**, Skip Yocom: Anything outside of the normal will have to go through the Executive Board when planning our race event.

**Communications Director**, Pete Belfanti: Absent.

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## 2016 TEAM CONTINENTAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Kevin Smith, Editor 503-522-2016

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## MEETINGS

### General Meeting

At the Annual Banquet  
Sunday January 29th, 12 PM

### Board Meeting

Wednesday February 1st, 7 PM  
Laurelwood Public House  
5115 NE Sandy Blvd, Portland, OR

### Annual Banquet

Saturday January 28th, 6 PM  
Shilo Inn Newport  
536 SW Elizabeth St, Newport, OR

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**COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS:**

**Trophy**, Jon Wilson: We currently have 7 or 8 of the perpetual trophies collected. Discussion regarding what to do about the new and old Waving Flag trophy. Skip made a motion to use the new Waving Flag trophy moving forward. Scott Olsen seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Kevin Smith suggested retiring the old Waving Flag trophy.

**Christmas Party**, Scott Olsen: See you at the Red Lion, Jantzen Beach on the 10th at 6pm.

**Banquet**, Darcy Olsen: We've decided on Oly to ORP for our theme.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

From Scott Olsen: A service will be held for Chris Billings after the New Year.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Track news from Bill Murray: ORP is having its annual Worker/Instructor Training Day on March 18, 2017. 2017 track rental fees will remain the same. There will be extended track hours for an additional \$300.00 per hour. ORP will be charging gate fees this year at \$5.00 per day, or you can buy a yearly Annual Pass for \$25.00. Skip requested an estimate from ORP for 2017 season that includes all new fees and taxes.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Kevin Smith, motion passes. Meeting adjourned at 8:59pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Darcy Olsen, TC Secretary

## *Team Continental Annual Banquet 2017*

*Shilo Inn, Newport 536 SW Elizabeth (541-265-7701)*

*January 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>*

*Call and mention TC group before 12-27-16 \*Deluxe rooms \$99. plus tax*

*Standard rooms, \$89. plus tax – pet \$25. per night, plus \$75. deposit refundable if no damage*

*(Standard rooms are for up to 2 dogs-plus dogs must be in a crate when left alone in room)*

*All banquet meals \$40, gratuity included*

*Old Guard Beef Tri Tips*

*Trophy Chicken and Prawns*

*Chef Michael's Vegetarian Special*

*Go to [MotorSportsReg.com](http://MotorSportsReg.com) (<http://msreq.com/TC2017Banquet>) to reserve/pay for dinner*

*All other questions please call 503-310-8511*

## OLY to ORP Pictures



Trophies from '87 &amp; '89 OLY races. Photos from Dee Clinton



Dave Sessum at Thunderhill. Not sure of the year.



Labor Day '99. Checking out Coos Bay Raceway.



Duane Starr setting up paddock at Thunderhill.



Don Edwards and Susan Johnson preparing to cook dinner during a Thunderhill race weekend.



Left: Ethan Micich toting produce to prep for TC Thunderhill dinner.

Right: Thunderhill workers cool off in Hotel pool at the end of a hot day. From top: Rob Jacobsen, Diana Dance, Heather Dunn



## Still More OLY To ORP Pictures



Rob Rissberger, Sophie, and Holly Smith in the paddock at Port Orford early on set-up day, 1997.



Port Orford, 1995, from bottom left: Greg Towner, Lei-lani Towner, Ann Curtis, Rob Rissberger, Bruce Baggett, Bill Laird, Diana Dance.



Kevin Smith, Jon Davies and Robb Rissberger race hard into ORP turn 3, Oct 2010.



Ron(in car) and Joyce Tanner, pre-grid, Thunderhill.

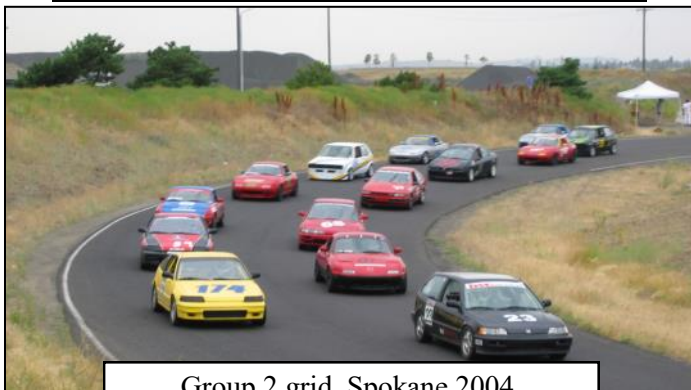


Victory lap  
Driver Ned Kohlhauff takes his Alfa Spider on a victory lap with pit crew member Kristen Sierra Sunday at the Tri-City Grand Prix. Races at the Richland Airport. Kohlhauff won the Group 4 race. See story, Page B1.

Tri-cities GP. Joe Harlan in Datsun.



TC banner, hanging in the Thill paddock.



Group 2 grid, Spokane 2004.



Dick Albrecht mid-corner at Olympia.

**Team Continental General Meeting Minutes**

TC Annual Christmas Party, Red Lion Inn, Janzten Beach  
December 10, 2016



Meeting was called to order by President Scott Olsen at 7:48pm.

In attendance were Scott and Darcy Olsen, Dylan Olsen, Glenna Conklin, Kevin and Stacey Smith, Scott Rich, Don, Sonjia and Bob Smethers, Skip and Judy Yocom, Ric Farrar, Ben, Darcy and Hudson Weaver, Jim and Toni Larfield, Jon Wilson, Bert Dilley, Lynn Coupland and Bill Murray.

**BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:**

**President**, Scott Olsen: No report.

**Past President**, Ben Weaver: No report.

**Vice President**, Position vacant.

**Contest Board Rep**, Kevin Smith: No report.

**Membership Director**, Dennis Roberts: Absent.

**Driving Master**, Dylan Olsen: No report.

**Race Chairman**, Filling in for Steve was Bob: Norma and Steve send their regrets for not attending the Christmas Party. We committed to a double race event held the weekend of August 4/5/6, 2017.

**Treasurer**, Stacey Smith: We have \$9300.00 in the checking account.

**Executive Board Rep**, Skip Yocom: No report.

**Communications Director**, Pete Belfanti: No report.

**COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS:**

**Banquet**: Kevin offered to help with pictures for Oly to ORP banquet theme.

**OLD BUSINESS**: None

**NEW BUSINESS**: None

**ELECTIONS**: **Secretary**, Darcy Olsen: Here is your 2017 Board of Director's:

**President**, Scott Olsen

**Past President**, Ben Weaver had kindly offered to volunteer for 2017

**Vice President**, Jim Larfield

**Contest Board Rep**, Joe Harlan

**Membership Director**, Dennis Roberts

**Driving Master**, Dylan Olsen

**Race Chairman**, Bob Smethers

**Secretary**, Darcy Olsen

**Treasurer**, Stacey Smith

**Executive Board Rep**, Carl Clinton

**Communications Director**, Pete Belfanti

Respectfully submitted,  
Darcy Olsen, TC Secretary

## Membership Renewal

Join online using this link: <http://msreg.com/2017TCMembership>

Or fill out the form below and mail it in.



## Team Continental Membership Application/Renewal

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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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\_\_\_\_ Paddock Marshall  
\_\_\_\_ Driving Master  
\_\_\_\_ Driving Instructor  
\_\_\_\_ Other

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\_\_\_\_ Secretary  
\_\_\_\_ Treasurer  
\_\_\_\_ ICSCC Executive Board Rep.  
\_\_\_\_ ICSCC Contest Board Rep.  
\_\_\_\_ Race Chairman  
\_\_\_\_ Driving Master  
\_\_\_\_ Membership Chairman  
\_\_\_\_ Communications Director  
\_\_\_\_ Telltale/Newsletter Editor  
\_\_\_\_ Picnic Chairman  
\_\_\_\_ Banquet Chairman  
\_\_\_\_ Christmas Party 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 \$45.00 membership fee along with your application/renewal.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date : \_\_\_\_\_

Official Use Only:

Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Membership Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

Status : Novice Active Senior Inactive

Fee received: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Check # \_\_\_\_\_ or Cash) New card sent: \_\_\_\_\_



**Join TEAM CONTINENTAL for an ICSCC Performance Driving School and Track Day at Oregon Raceway Park.**

**Saturday March 25th, 2017**

**Drive THE MOST EXCITING RACE TRACK in the Pacific Northwest, Oregon Raceway Park. Learn the track and car control skills from Team Continental's accomplished performance driving instructors. Never been to an event like this? No problem! Instructors will be present to help guide and teach you so you will have a successful and fun day of on-track driving. Tell your friends and family because this event is open to anyone with a safe car and a helmet!**

**We will be running the track clockwise for this event.**

**Entry fees:**

**\$225—ICSCC Sanctioned Driving School**

**\$225—HPDE (High performance driving experience)**

**\$195—TC member price**

**TC Driver Training Registrar: Darcy Olsen – 360-200-2169**

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**TC Driving Master: Dylan Olsen – 360-430-4563**

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**Register Online at: <http://msreg.com/TC-Mar2017-ORP>**

## OLY To ORP Pictures, Yep, They Just Keep Coming



Gordon Jones entering turn 3, ORP, October 2010



Group 5 Pre-Grid, Double Dipper Grand Prix, ORP, May 2011

## TEAM CONTINENTAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Laurelwood Brewery-Portland, OR

January 4, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:01pm by President, Scott Olsen.



### BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

**President, Scott Olsen:** I was looking forward to this being my last meeting as President but that will not be the case. ORP requested that we cancel all of the dates we were reserving that we will not be using this year. We kept Saturday, March 25th for a Driver's Training event and the weekend of August 4,5,6 for our race event. Our 2016 contract with Laurelwood has expired and we need to be thinking about whether we will stay here another year or look for another meeting location.

**Past President, Ben Weaver:** Absent

**Vice President, Jim Larfield** was ready to go to work when he was told that he officially does not start until the general meeting that will be held at the Banquet this month.

**Contest Board Rep, Kevin Smith:** No report

**Membership Director, Dennis Roberts:** We currently have 31 renewals.

**Driving Master, Dylan Olsen:** Time to think about our agenda for the March Driver's Training. We should talk about prices and the choreography of the event. Jim has been working on a schedule. We usually make money on our spring events. Kevin Smith offered to be assistant Driving Master this year. YEH! Some of the feedback from the students suggests that they are rushed through sessions and find it hard to get back and forth between the track and the classroom lessons and that led to a discussion on how we may change the schedule. It was suggested that we go back to a Friday night ground school but fell short with support due to the distance to ORP and that would mean staying the night Friday night with the added expenses. Bob Smethers suggested that we might go to an online course but that idea fell short in that we really see a need to have the student have a classroom course after the on track sessions to be able to discuss what they learned and be able to ask questions. So, do we try to change thing or work with what we have been doing? The discussion ended with the premise that we can discuss it more at a later date.

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**Race Chairman**, Steve Leonard: Absent. Filling in for Steve is his assistant Bob Smethers who will be your 2017 Race Chairman. Steve Leonard has offered to assist Bob for the 2017 season. Some of the items we will focus on are obtaining local ORP workers. We will work to secure the sound guy from last year. We do not have any conflicts with other events so we should be okay for workers. Pete brought up number of corner worker required according to the ICSCC policies and procedures two worker are required per manned corner. The ORP Worksheet and Rate Card are available on ORP's website. Bob discussed using only one ASL ambulance versus two to try to save us \$1800.00. The downside to this is that if we have an emergency where the ambulance must leave we will have to stop the races until another can be secured and on the premises. Bob also talked about the Enduro and whether we continue with that or go with something else. Bill Murray brought up the Legends Cars and Pete was able to give Bob some info for a contact.

**Secretary**, Darcy Olsen: No report.

**Treasurer**, Stacey Smith: We are \$5646.00 in the black for the year. The checking acct balance is \$10,015.00. Don Smethers has been in contact with me and will handle the year end taxes.

**Executive Board Rep**, Skip Yocom: Carl and I will attend the Spring Meeting on January 14th. Does the BOD have anything to present to ICSCC? Carl passed out some information about a subject that was tabled from the Fall Meeting. Kevin Smith was able to explain to the BOD's what these proposals would mean to the Driver's. After giving the BOD's all the information it was unanimous that we send the vote back to the licensed driver's regarding the first proposal. The second proposal would not be good for our club. Bob recommended that we encourage ICSCC to combine race group 3 and 6.

**Communications Director**, Pete Belfanti: Pete apologized for being absent so much that last few months. He is focused now! Pete secured the fire extinguishers from Nike and the majority is CO<sub>2</sub>. Do we keep them or donate them. Skip says keep them all and decide later what to do with them. Bob agreed that we keep them in our possession. A few of them will need to be serviced.

#### **COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS:**

**Banquet**, Darcy Olsen: Everything is going well. We have 40 meals sold. Sonjia, Don and Judy are busy with details. Bob said that Lynn Coupland usually handles the after banquet games for the hospitality suite. Banquet committee will follow up on that. Trophies are being handled by Jon Wilson who reported having all the perpetual trophies in his possession and is running on schedule.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Dennis Roberts reminded us that he will not be able to attend the banquet and that Kevin Smith will fill in for his absence.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

BOB mentioned that TC has some fire extinguishers that currently need maintenance and wondered where to budget that from and was told Race Budget.

A motion to adjourn meeting came from Skip and was seconded by Dennis. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:39pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Darcy Olsen, TC Secretary

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