

Tell Tale

Fall is upon us. Nominations for Board of Directors will open in October. Start helping the club plan for 2018 by attending the general meeting.

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TC President's Message

The final numbers are in and our loss for the race weekend is \$6398.75. \$2645.55 from the Friday HPDE/Test & Tune and \$3753.20 from the Sat, Sun Races.

Like last year the club had to borrow from the Baggs Fund to properly fund this event with the understanding that in the event of a loss, TC would not race again until all of the funds are returned.



With the current number of participants that TC gets at our race we cannot make a profit. For many years TC has lost money at his event.

TC is not able to repay all of the loan at this time. It makes me sad to make this request but it is in my duty.

The Board of Director's of Team Continental recommend that TC does not request a date in 2018 to hold a ICSCC Championship event.

There will be a vote at the next General Meeting. Please attend.

Scott Olsen

2017 TC President - president@teamcontinental.com

Team Continental General Meeting Minutes

Mars Meadows, Portland, OR August 16th, 2017

President, Scott Olsen called the meeting to order at 7:01pm.



GUESTS: Steve Attinasi with Mt. Hood Corvettes. Steve is here to promote the Dr. Quinton-Cox Memorial Car Tour & Poker Run around Lake Oswego and along with Philip Quinton-Cox will have a report in the Old Business section.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

President, Scott Olsen: Joe Harlan informed me that Marshall Atherton has cancer. Joe set a polo shirt out for anyone that would like to sign it for Marshall. With the race finished I would like to thank all of the volunteers. A special thank you to Kevin for jumping in and handling the HPDE/Test & Tune in Dylan's absence. Also, a special thanks to Bob our Race Chairman for all of his work.

Vice President, Jim Larfield: No Report.

Contest Board Rep, Joe Harlan: We had our rule change proposal meeting last week. Five members were in attendance. We discussed 8 rules and as a group agreed to submit them for change.

Driving Master, Dylan Olsen: Absent. Assistant Driving Master Kevin reports that the August 4th HPDE/Test &

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MEETINGS

General Meeting

Wednesday September 20th Mar's Meadows 9620 N Whitaker Rd, Portland, OR

Board Meeting

Wednesday October 4th, 7 PM Laurelwood Public House 5115 NE Sandy Blvd, Portland, OR

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Tune was successful. We had to order two corner workers from ORP. We were able to provide 5 group #1 drivers with instructors and the feedback was that they had a great time. We had 8 late entries, which helped our financial situation. Joe Harlan reports that he tried to participate in a Track Night of America and we should be stealing some of the drivers for our novice program. Jon Wilson said he was happy to have had the Test & Tune available at ORP. I (Darcy) thanked Stacey Smith for all the help in the HPDE/Test & Tune driver registration.

Race Chairman, Bob Smethers: I left some folders with race information on the tables for you to look through. We had to cancel the Saturday afternoon Enduro for lack of participation. It got the workers out of the heat early. The Hare & Hound was a real kick with prize money collected by Star Projects awarded to all of the finishers. Scott Olsen took 1st place; Kevin Smith took 2nd place; Bill Murray took 3rd place; Tracey Hazard took 4th place and in 5th place was Jeremiah Russell. Scott brought one of his cars out of the mothballs and went on to set track records all weekend. We had a great worker base and utilized some ORP workers. We ended up with a total of 52 entries. I would like to thank Toni Larfield for great job in registration. Thank you to Tim Jorgensen for donating the beer and wine for the Saturday BBQ. Thank you Scott and Darcy for doing the Saturday night BBQ. Thank you Bert for bringing the tilt-bed and hauling away the tent trailer.

Secretary, Darcy Olsen: No report.

Treasurer, Stacey Smith: We are currently at a \$2645.00 loss for the HPDE/Test & Tune. We are at a \$51 profit for the race. However, I am expecting to see about \$4000.00 more in expenses still, which will put us at a loss for the race. Bill thanked Stacey for her report.

Executive Board Rep, Carl Clinton: The proposed rule change submitted for the Fall Meeting is a new rule. 12.1.1.1 The Member Club that put on the championship race with the lowest attendance during the immediate preceding season, may request from the Executive a double points championship race for the next season. This request must be initiated by the club requesting the date and double points race in writing prior to or at the Fall Executive Board Meeting.

Communications Director, Pete Belfanti: Absent

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Membership Drive, Joe Harlan and Dennis Roberts: Will work on membership drive for 2018.

Membership Director, Dennis Roberts: We have 111 members.

Merchandise, Darcy Olsen: I brought merchandise.

OLD BUSINESS:

We still need a new Web Master. Kevin reports that he is working on trying to get pictures onto the website.

Philip Quentin-Cox and Steve Attinasi both attended the meeting to fill everyone in on what the event was about as well as going over the details and responsibilities that the TC members that volunteered to help with the event would need to know.

Bill Murray says he had a lot of fun in the Hare and Hound. We had a lot of contributors for the Hare and Hound prize money. Bob asked Bill for a list of sponsors.

NEW BUSINESS:

Carl reported that Neil DeAtley, from DeAtley Motorsports passed away. He owned the cars driven by Willy T. Ribbs and David Hobbs in Trans Am in the 80's. In the 1983 season Willy T won five Trans Am races and Rookie of the year, and David won four Trans Am races in DeAtley cars (Camaro and Corvette).

Bill Murray says to look forward to a big event and expansion at ORP!

Joe made a motion to adjourn meeting. Kevin seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:13pm.

Respectfully submitted, Darcy Olsen, TC Secretary September 2017 TELL TALE 4



Denny Roberts was awarded the boner jacket at the August General Meeting. During the August race at ORP Denny failed to exit the track at the end of the cool down lap following the checkered flag. Oops!

Tell-Tale Needs A New Editor

Starting with the February 2018 issue, the Tell-Tale needs a new editor.

The January 2018 issue will be my last issue as Tell-Tale editor. I will have done this service for 3 years, 3 months, 39 issues total. I am happy to train any volunteers for the position. I currently use Microsoft Publisher 2010 to format the document, and previously used Microsoft Word 2007. I will supply any volunteers with all the master files for every edition I have published, so that they can be used as a starting point for future issues, and if the volunteer is planning on using MS Publisher, I will give some training on how to use it, and photo editing tools, to create a new edition each month.

Part of this job also entails printing and mailing the hard copy editions to a few members who do not have electronic access. I will supply the mailing list for that, as well as MS word doc for printing mailing labels.

If you are interested please contact Kevin Smith, editor@teamcontinental.com, or call me at 503-522-2016.

Kevin Smith



On August 26th, eight Team Continental members assisted at the Dr Quinton-Cox Memorial Car Tour & Poker Run (http://quinton-coxcartour.bosonhub.com). They manned the 5 checkpoints handing out cards for the Poker Run, and additionally promoted TC membership by handing out TC membership applications at the checkpoints, and discussing/promoting TC with participants. In the picture above, from left to right, TC volunteers marked with (v).

Kevin Smith(v), Stacey Smith(v), Philip Quinton-Cox, Bob Smethers(v), Steve Attinasi, Carl Clinton(v), Dee Clinton(v), Scott Olsen(v), Sabrina (Denny's Granddaughter), Denny Roberts(v), and taking the picture, Darcy Olsen(v). Thanks to everyone who donated their time to this event to promote Team Continental.

Team Continental Board Of Directors Meeting Minutes

Laurelwood Brewery-Portland, OR September 6, 2017



President, Scott Olsen called the meeting to order at 7:01pm.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

President, Scott Olsen: We will discuss whether or not to we want to race in 2018 under New Business.

Vice President, Jim Larfield: No report.

Contest Board Rep, Joe Harlan: We had our rule change proposal meeting. One of the proposed rule changes to eliminate the Saturday Novice Program is advisory only. It will be an item for the e-Board.

Driving Master, Dylan Olsen: Absent. Assistant Driving Master Kevin Smith reports that we lost money on the HPDE/Test & Tune.

Race Chairman, Bob Smethers: Absent

Secretary, Darcy Olsen: No report.

Treasurer, Stacey Smith: Total loss for our event is \$6398.75. \$2645.55 for the HPDE and \$3753.20 for the race. Bright side is that we have \$48,870.00 in the checking account. A discussion was had to decide if we put all the money that we transferred from the Baggs Fund back into the fund or hold out \$5000.00 for a cushion an then pay the remaining balance of the loan at a later time. Carl Clinton motioned that we put \$40,000.00 dollars back into the Baggs fund and retain the remaining \$5000.00. Motion seconded by Joe Harlan. Motion passed. Total loss for the year is \$5900.00.

Executive Board Rep, Carl Clinton: I am also looking for an assistant E-Board Rep for this year and a replacement for next year.

Communications Director, Pete Belfanti: Absent

COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS:

Membership, Joe Harlan: Nothing current but working on something for next year. **Banquet**, We are back at the Hallmark in Newport. Jon Wilson has agreed to do Friday night Margarita's. Don Crawford and Gayle Kovacs will have a Saturday wine tasting event and Kevin Smith has offered to put together a CD of 70's music for us. After some discussion the crab feed was a big hit last year and several members offered to donate funds to help offset the cost so we can continue with the tradition this year.

OLD BUSINESS:

We still need a new Webmaster. Kevin Smith will consider the position for next year.

NEW BUSINESS:

Kevin Smith says he is looking for a replacement for next year as Tell Tale Editor.

Scott Olsen is looking for a Christmas Party Chairperson.

2018 Race season: Kevin Smith would like to ask for March 31st for a Driver Training/HPDE

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event. He will call ORP to reserve the date. Scott addressed the topic of whether we should try to hold a race in 2018 since we have a record of losing money at our events. Jon Wilson asks if maybe we should take the year off to try to make some money and build our membership? We have a hard time in the past getting enough volunteers to put on the race. We won't have anyone for timing and scoring next year and we don't have a Race Chairman not to mention a substantial loss in workers. Stacey wonders in the spirit of racing if we should offer to help another club put on a race. Carl asks that if we want to race that we chose a date soon.

Darcy made a motion to adjourn meeting. Stacey seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:19pm.

Respectfully submitted, Darcy Olsen, TC Secretary

Team Continental Driver Training - Saturday March 31st, 2018

We have reserved Saturday March 31st, 2018 for Team Continental driver training and HPDE at ORP.

In order to be successful with this event, we need to start planning for and promoting it now.

Even with this being an early season lower rate for the track, it still takes at least 35 or so entries just to break even. We really need 40-50 entries to make a reasonable amount of money. Dividing that number of entries evenly among groups means 15 or more per group. So, TC really needs about 15 (more would be better) committed instructors to be there. If you are willing to instruct (sit in the passenger seat, and teach the driver high performance driving), please contact me.

We will also need 4 people to volunteer to present at the ground school, and every volunteer we can get to commit to man a corner station for that day is a direct contribution to TC making a profit on this event. We also will need a pre-grid person or persons, and there may be other positions I have forgotten.

Please support this by volunteering to help put on the event, and to sell the event to prospective entrants.

There will be a flyer for this event by the October General meeting, and we'll have the online registration quickly after that.

Kevin Smith - kevinbsmith@frontier.com, or call me at (503) 522-2016.





Hare & Hound Race, Oregon Raceway Park, August 6th, 2017

A weekend off at the track has left me time to compile the final Hare and Hound Prize fund accounting:

First a huge thank you to the sponsors of the prize fund for this race!

Toni Larfield \$100.00 cash, Bert Dilley \$50.00 cash, Scott Olsen (Gresham Collision Center) \$250.00, Peter Linssen (The V- Shop) \$100.00, Joe Harlan (Top Tech Motorsports) \$100.00, Pete Belfanti's Skip Day Track Days \$100.00, Jim Larfield donated his \$100.00, pace car driver fee from a prior STAR Event. Neil Hansen donated \$300.00 in a trade out, and Eric Howell \$100.00 from the proceeds of a trailer sale.

Whatever form of coercion, chicanery or outright generosity brought the donations in, they were much appreciated. Although the weekend was not as well publicized as other race promotions we have done, the race itself was a blast.

Appropriately, the race winner was Club President, Scott Olsen in the MGB taking the \$500.00 check for first place. Kevin Smith was second and walked away with \$200.00, Bill Murray in third for \$125.00, The lovely Tracy Hazard in fourth received \$100.00, and Jeremiah Russell found 5th good enough to take home \$75.00.



The STAR Projects prize fund has been kicked back \$125.00 of prize money to be applied to promotion of some yet to be determined motorsport event in 2018. When it was all said and done, donations for this event exceeded the \$1,000 guarantee that was paid out. This left a \$100.00 balance which will be retained and earmarked as seed money for a future promotion to benefit a Team Continental Race.

Yours for the Sport,

Bill Murray

TC Networking

Send your business card to the Tell-Tale editor. We will publish it so other club members know what it is you do to support your habit and they can refer you additional business.







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