



Tell Tale

Our March HPDE and School was a success!

Read about it in this issue.

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President's Message

Greetings TC

One of the issues we are trying to focus on this year is growing our membership and particularly with younger people (at least younger than me) who will help carry TC on for generations to come.

If you remember my message last month I talked about a work credit program for new members where they work races to gain credits to be used as a discount for one of our driver training events. This proposal was overwhelmingly passed by those in attendance at the last meeting. Read more about my proposal elsewhere in this issue of the Tell Tale or contact me and I will email you a copy. While this proposal is available to any new member it is designed for the younger less affluent person who might struggle to come up with the entry fee., hopefully getting them involved in other aspects of the sport for the long term until they can afford to go racing on their own. So when you talk to people about TC tell them what we are doing so we can grow our membership.

And the racing season has started. First up was the Oregon Region SCCA event held on a cold, blowing and wet weekend in mid April - not too surprising for mid-April in Oregon. Karen McCoy asked Toni to work registration for some of their events this year so I decided to work turns for this event. Showing up at the worker meeting wearing my red TC jacket I was politely asked if I had another jacket to wear. Sure I did, I just wanted to see the reaction to my bright red coat.

Next up was the Conference opener put on by Cascade May 5-6 on a very nice weekend - near perfect conditions. Do to family commitments I was unable to attend on Saturday and unfortunately missed the much talked about Mercedes race car that came down from Vancouver BC that also unfortunately went off track at turn 12 and into the tire wall. Ran into one of our Bend members Morgan Smith at the chicane grandstand as the Grp 4 cars started their race. The top 2 cars in the group had a great battle all race swapping the lead several times. Kevin Smith was in this group running a solid, clean race easily beating the other AS car in the race. Jon Wilson sat on the pole for race Grp 2 with a whole gaggle of Spec Miatas behind him and easily pulling away at the start. I had to bug out early and didn't see if Jon held off those Miatas so we all will have to wait until next week's general meeting to see how he did.

Come out to PIR May 19-20 and support TC drivers John Bachofner, Darren Dilley, Joe Harlan, Gordon Jones and Kevin Smith as they go for class wins at the Oregon Region SCCA Majors Hoosier Super Tour.

Hope to see you at the track.

Jim



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MEETINGS

General Meeting

THURSDAY!!! May 17th, 7 PM

Elmer's Restaurant

9848 N Whitaker Rd, Portland, OR

Board Meeting

Wednesday June 6th, 7 PM

Elmer's Restaurant

9848 N Whitaker Rd, Portland, OR

New Member Work Discount



Submitted by President Jim Larfield

Objective:

To encourage new and/or young people to join and become active members of Team Continental while learning the inner workings of sports car racing with the reward of a deep discount at a Team Continental driver training. The goal is to develop more volunteer workers for TC to help lower our event expenditures and help the sports car racing community as a whole by exposing these new people to all aspects of the sport.

How It Works:

New members will earn credits towards a driver training discount by

- Working one or more of our events
- Attending a worker's training seminar and/or...
- Working an ICSCC or SCCA race in any of their specialties.

The Details:

- 1 credit is earned for each day worked.
- A form will be given to the worker to be signed off at the end of the day by the specialties chief with the date and name of the event. No credit will be given without this form being filled out.
- Each credit has an approximate value of \$25 for a total for the program of \$100.
- The new member can use 1 or all credits towards a single driver training/track day event with the maximum of 4 credits to be applied toward this discount.
- The program participant can use one (1) credit at a time (potentially spreading the discount over 4 events) until all four (4) have been used at which time their participation in the discount program ends.
- The driving master has discretion as to how many discounted participants (if any) can enter an event to ensure financial viability/profitability of the event. The new member participant must apply directly to the driving master with his/her request to use said discount at which time the driving master will put them on a first come list and notify them as space becomes available.

TC Picnic Announcement

Submitted by Picnic Chair Bob Smethers



Hello Fellow Race Fans –

The 2018 TC picnic is scheduled for Friday-Saturday, August 3-4 with a nice area in the trees reserved at Pat's Acres Racing Complex in Canby. Check out their link [here](#).

Featured activities include:

- Extensive BS sessions starting Friday night with potluck meal, overnight camping is available and participation is strongly encouraged
- Salad & Dessert contest on Saturday with prizes awarded
- Saturday meal to include burgers & brats and may include a surprise.

A Special group activity features on-track, wheel-to-wheel rental kart sessions!

Pats Acres provides 12-minute sessions in a 9hp kart, capable of 50 mph speeds.

TC has committed to 20 sessions in order to accomplish 2 objectives:

- Purchase sufficient sessions to have our \$200 picnic area charge waived
- Provide a fabulous TC Membership drive opportunity to enhance participation

4 raffle tickets redeemable for a Free Kart Session during our picnic will be issued at each of our 3 upcoming Membership meetings. Please attend May, June & July TC General Membership meetings at Elmers Delta Park. Only 3 rules apply at this time:

- Must be present at a TC General Membership meeting to win!
- Must be a current Team Continental Member – **join or renew now!**
- Possess a current PARC Annual Membership, available for \$12 at the track

Remaining 10 karting sessions will be available for purchase at \$25 to offset cost.

This event could be a fabulous membership drive opportunity – spread the word & bring a friend!

THANKS in advance for your support!

Bob Smethers, TC Race Chairman

Team Continental

Board Meeting / Elmer's Delta Park
May 2, 2018



AGENDA

Call To Order – Jim Larfield called the meeting to order at 7:02PM

Officer Reports:

- President – Jim Larfield – No report
- Vice President – Joe Harlan – No report
- Secretary – Toni Larfield – No report
- Treasurer – Stacey Smith – Checking balance is \$9,370.00. Profit and Loss statement is in the black \$1,087.00, membership renewals have been rolling in from reminder sent out.
- Contest Board Rep – Jon Wilson – No report
- Communications Director - Tony Hauser – Articles for the Tell Tale need to be submitted no later than Thursday, May 10.
- Executive Board Rep – Mike Conatore, called in report – Conference approved extra track day in September unanimously.
- Race Chairman - Bob Smethers - No report
- Driving Master – Kevin Smith – TC will hold a Track Day on Saturday, September 22, registration will open on MSR by May 17. The goal is to reach at least 45 entries as of August 21st, otherwise, the event will be canceled. Effective August 22nd the entry fee will increase \$50.00 there will also be a structured cancelation/no show policy.

Committee Reports:

- By Laws – Joe Harlan – Waiting for June
- Picnic – Bob Smethers – Refer to flyer posted in the Tell Tale outline as follows: The 2018 TC picnic is scheduled for Friday-Saturday, August 3-4 with an area in the trees reserved at Pat's Acres Racing Complex in Canby. Featured activities include: Extensive BS sessions starting Friday night with pot-luck meal, overnight camping is available and participation is strongly encouraged. Salad & Dessert contest on Saturday with prizes awarded. Saturday meal to include burgers & brats and may include a surprise. Not sure if anyone really wants to see a Bob Smethers surprise.... Pats Acres provides 12-minute sessions in a 9hp kart, capable of 50 mph speeds. TC has committed to 20 sessions in order to accomplish 2 objectives: Purchase sufficient sessions to have our \$200 picnic area charge waived and provide a fabulous TC Membership drive opportunity to enhance participation. Four raffle tickets redeemable for a Free Kart Session during our picnic will be issued at each of our 3 upcoming Membership meetings. Please attend May, June & July TC General Membership meetings at Elmers Delta Park. Only 3 rules apply at this time: Must be present at a TC General Membership meeting to win! Must be a current Team Continental Member – join or renew now! Possess a current PARC Annual Membership, available for \$12 at the track. Remaining 10 karting sessions will be available for purchase at \$25 to offset cost.

The Larfield's can't remember the details of who adjourned the meeting or when, can you?

Team Continental High Performance Driving Event & School



TEAM CONTINENTAL will be holding a High Performance Driving Event (HPDE) and ICSCC Performance Driving School at Oregon Raceway Park on Saturday September 22nd, 2018.

Join us to drive THE MOST EXCITING RACE TRACK in the Pacific Northwest: Oregon Raceway Park. Learn car control skills from Team Continental's accomplished performance driving instructors. And a nice September day in Central Oregon should bring the best possible driving weather.

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!

In order to hold this event, Team Continental will need 45 entrants by Saturday August 18th. If, on August 18, there are 45 entrants, credit cards on file will be charged, and the entry fee will become non-refundable. If, on August 18th, there are not 45 entrants, the event will be canceled, and no entrants will get charged. After August 18th, entry price will increase by \$50, and entries will be non-refundable.

\$245 - HPDE(non TC-member price), \$295 after August 18th

\$215 -Team Continental member price, \$265 after August 18th

Registrar: Toni Larfield – 503-702-1482 dtregistrar@teamcontinental.com

Driving Master: Kevin Smith– 503-522-2016 drivingmaster@teamcontinental.com

Link to online registration: <http://msreg.com/TC-Sept2018-ORP>



General Format of the Day:

Drivers will be divided up into groups roughly based on previous track driving experience.

The day starts out with registration and a technical inspection of all cars and drivers' helmets. Long pants, close toed shoes, and short or long-sleeve shirts are required for all drivers and instructors.

There will be a driver meeting before any on-track sessions, followed by a slow drive around ORP with instructors for anyone wanting to learn/refresh their knowledge of the ORP track layout. Anyone who has not driven around ORP clockwise should participate in this to familiarize yourself with the track.

Then the individual run groups will go out onto the track for 20 to 30-minute sessions in rotation of groups. Each run group will have 4-5 sessions, with a total of at least 100 minutes of on-track time for each group.

Frequently Asked Questions:**Is this an open lapping day?**

No, each group gets 4 20 to 30-minute sessions on the race track.

Will all drivers have an in-car instructor?

No, not all drivers will have an in-car instructor. Novices will have an in-car instructor for some of their sessions, and the number of novices allowed to enter will be subject to instructor availability. Please contact the driving master in advance if you have any questions or concerns about this.

Is a classroom session/download meeting after track driving session part of the plans for the day?

There will be no classroom sessions. Instructors will discuss the on-track session with their students for a few minutes following each session.

Are passengers (other than instructors) allowed in the car while on track?

No, only designated Team Continental instructors are allowed in cars with drivers on track.

Is lunch or breakfast provided?

Neither lunch nor breakfast is provided. Please bring your own food and drinks for the day.

What time should I arrive?

Please arrive between 6:30 and 7:30 AM. Track gates will open at 6:00 PM on Friday Sept 21st, and camping overnight on Friday is allowed at the track., Registration will open at 7 AM Saturday morning.. Technical inspection will start at 7 AM, Driver's meeting is at 8:00 AM, course tour is at 8:35 AM, First hot on-track session will be at 9 AM.

We will be running the track in a clockwise direction for this event. Unleaded 92 Octane Fuel is available for sale at the race track.



Team Continental

General Membership Meeting / Elmer's Delta Park

April 19, 2018



Call to Order - 7:00PM

Officer Reports:

- President - Jim Larfield – No report
- Vice President - Joe Harlan - No report
- Secretary - Toni Larfield - No report
- Treasurer -Stacey Smith - Financial recap; drivers training event estimated net revenue, \$1,745.00. Currently checking balance \$8,772.00 pending deposits will push us over \$9,000.00. Can I get a woo hoo!
- Contest Board - Jon Wilson – No report
- Communications Director - Tony Hauser - No report
- Executive Board - Mike Conatore - Absent
- Race Chairman - Bob Smethers - No report, complimented Tony Hauser on the Tell Tale.
- Driving Master – Kevin Smith - Drivers Training/HPDE held March 24th at ORP was an awesome day with black ice, thanks to all who volunteered making the day a success with smiles all around. Due to the success we will be looking at holding another track day on September 22, 2018 with registration format similar to Peter Belfanti's "Skip Track Day". Using this format would require 45 registrants to be registered and paid 30 days prior to event, if we are fully registered we will process charges and consider the event a go. Additional registrants will pay a significantly higher rate to register. We will allow instructors who instructed at the March event or who will instruct at the September event two on track sessions.
- By Laws - Joe Harlan - Look for report in June.
- Merchandise – Joe Harlan will research with Darcy the possibility of working with Café Press for our merchandise.
- Picnic – Tentatively scheduled for August 3rd and 4th at Pat's Acres, camp on Friday the 3rd, Saturday to include picnic, cart rides, salad and dessert contest, stay tuned for more information with details.

Old Business - none

New Business:

- New Member Work Credit Proposal made by Jim Larfield - The objective is to encourage new people to join and become active members of Team Continental while learning the inner workings of sports car racing with the reward of earning credits to be used at our Drivers Trainings to offset the costs of registration. Overall goal is to develop more volunteer workers for TC to

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help lower our event expenditures and help the sports car racing community as a whole by exposing these new people to all aspects of the sport. After much discussion Kevin Smith made a motion to pass, all in favor, Skip Yocum seconded, motion passed. Details will be posted in the next Tell Tale.

- Banquet – Darcy Olsen, due to remodel/repairs the Hallmark is not available on the dates/rate requested, postponing the event until the rooms would be ready would nearly double the expense of the banquet. After much discussion the consensus was to allow Darcy to negotiate with The Shilo Inn.

Motion to adjourn -- made and seconded by who I'm not entirely sure, I was too busy listening to the anecdotes of Scott Olsen's on track session with new member, Noor. I especially liked Scott's communication style when he told Noor to slow the "F" down, apparently Joe read his lips.



Noor!

Membership Renewal for 2018

Join or renew online using this link: <http://msreg.com/2018TCMembership>

Or fill out the form below and mail it in.



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.

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 |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Tech Inspection | <input type="checkbox"/> Treasurer |
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| <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 |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> 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 : _____

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 Notes: _____
 Status : Novice Active Senior Inactive
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