

Tell Tale

Come to the June general meeting for a chance to win a free Kart session at the TC picnic August 3rd & 4th at Pat's Acres!

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President's Message

Greetings TC.

A couple of things to mention here on the TC front. First, the picnic is fast approaching. You still have a couple of more opportunities to win a kart session at Pat's Acres, this year's site for the picnic. But you must be present at general membership meeting for a chance to win.



Our second track day for this year is set for Sat. Sept. 22 at ORP. To limit our financial liability this event has been set up with a drop dead date of

Aug. 18 with a minimum of 45 entries needed by then. It should be a great opportunity to get some last minute track time in when the weather conditions should be ideal at ORP.

The racing season has certainly jumped into full swing with 4 races in the last 4 weeks. 2 Conference 2 SCCA Majors and 1 regional and a couple of these weekends double booked between Conference and SCCA and one of those weekends even had a SOVREN race thrown in for good measure. And with the Spokane Conference race on the horizon (as of this writing), I'm sure the race workers are a little weary and will be ready for a break. If you are a racer this has given you plenty of opportunity to get your car on track, maybe more than you'd like. That was one of the discussions that came up this weekend while cruising around the paddock at the SCCA Regional at PIR. With all this racing packed into a few weeks it can be overwhelming for all of us volunteers and racers alike. Word has it that a meeting maybe forthcoming for all the clubs and organizations that host races to get together to schedule their events so this concentration of races doesn't happen in the future. Stay tuned, let's see what comes of this.

And finally off topic a little, Toni and I recently took a trip to Detroit, Michigan to visit friends. While there we went to the Henry Ford museum in Dearborn. If you have never been you should go if in the area. There were planes, trains and automobiles and even a house (Buckminster Fuller's Dymaxion House). Needless to say there was a lot more to it than just cars. And talking about cars there were presidential car's including the Kennedy car. Lincoln's chair from the Ford theatre. The bus Rosa Parks was on - just tons of American history.

Hope to see you at a meeting,

Jim

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MEETINGS

General Meeting

THURSDAY!!! June 21st, 7 PM Elmer's Restaurant 9848 N Whitaker Rd, Portland, OR

Board Meeting

Wednesday July 4th, 7 PM Elmer's Restaurant 9848 N Whitaker Rd, Portland, OR

New Member Work Discount

Submitted by President Jim Larfield



TELL TALE 3



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 <u>here</u>.

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!

Raffle tickets redeemable for a Free Kart Session during our picnic will be issued at each of our remaining TC Membership meetings. Please plan to attend!

CONGRATULATIONS to the following Free Kart Session raffle ticket winners: (from May) – Bert Dilley, Darcy Olsen, Peter Linssen & Jon Wilson

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



June 2018

TELL TALE 5

Team Continental

Board Meeting / Elmer's Delta Park

June 6, 2018

Minutes

- Call To Order President 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 Kevin Smith reported for Stacy Smith, net income \$2,352.00, Checking balance \$10,635
 - Contest Board Rep Jon Wilson, no report
 - Executive Board Rep Absent
 - Communications Director Tony Hauser, no report
 - Race Chairman Bob Smethers, no report
 - Driving Master Kevin Smith, email blast sent off to anyone who participated in a TC event over the last 5 years also posted on Facebook. Joe Harlan will distribute flyers to Track Night in America
- Committee Reports
 - Banquet Absent
 - Picnic Bob Smethers, Picnic August 3-4 Pat's Acres, refer to flyer
 - Membership PCC Graduation June 13 or 14, Peter Linssen has volunteered for visiting graduating class with race car, member Tiffany Neil to work as liaison with PCC. It should be noted that neither Tiffany nor Peter were present during this conversation so it may come as a surprise to them.
 - Merchandise Joe Harlan, Café' Press is the front runner for TC merchandise. TC supplies the logo, orders are placed directly with Café' Press, we determine the additional mark up and the money rolls in. Joe Harlan volunteered to assist with the initial set up. Jim Larfield will communicate with Darcy Olsen.
- Old Business None
- New Business None
- Adjourn Jim Larfield made a motion to adjourn, motion passed, adjourned 7:37pm.
- Respectfully submitted by Toni Larfield, who fell asleep writing this report



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: <u>http://msreg.com/TC-Sept2018-ORP</u>





TELL TALE 7

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.



June 2018

Team Continental

General Membership Meeting / Elmer's Delta Park May 17, 2018

- Call to Order President Jim Larfield called the meeting to order at 7:00pm
- Officer Reports
 - President Jim Larfield acknowledged guest Carol Harris, Bill Harris' wife. Bill went on to explain
 that Carol was his former crew chief. In 1972 Bill made the national news, Bill is sure it was because
 Carol, this cute little chick with long blonde hair was washing his car. (Bill's words).
 - Vice President Joe Harlan, absent
 - Secretary Toni Larfield no report
 - Treasurer Stacy Smith, presented financial statement, \$9,550 in checking
 - Contest Board Jon Wilson, no report
 - Executive Board Mike Conatore, absent
 - Communications Director Tony Hauser, no report
 - Race Chairman Bob Smethers, no report
 - Driving Master Kevin Smith, track day scheduled for September, 22. Require 45 entries by August 18 for event to be confirmed.
- Committee Reports
 - Banquet Darcy Olsen, Shilo Inn January 18, 19 and 20.
 - Picnic Bob Smethers, August 3 and 4th Pat's Acres. Motion passed to use Baggs fund for the TC picnic. After the motion there was further discussion about the use of Baggs funds. Jon Wilson, being the closest to Baggs knew that his favorite thing was the annual TC picnic.
 - Membership Denny Roberts 56 membership renewals
 - PCC Graduation June 13 or 14
- Old Business None
- New Business
 - Four raffle tickets were pulled by guest Carol Harris for Pat's Acres kart rides at the TC picnic, recipients include: Darcy Olsen, Jon Wilson, Bert Dilley, Denny Roberts who graciously gave his ticket to Peter Linssen.

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ROWLAND, ORLEON

June 2018

TELL TALE 9

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• New member Noor has been signed off as Novice eligible at a recent IRDC drivers training, woo hoo!



- Adjourn Jim Larfield made a motion to adjourn, Jon Wilson seconded, meeting adjourned 7:58pm
- Boner Jacket Noor is the proud recipient of the prestigious Boner Jacket. The "novice" eligible driver went off the track 5 times. Noor thinks Scott Olsen should get the boner jacket because he lost his cool as Noor's instructor and used the "F" word. Noor currently holds the record for most offs in one day, you make the call. (I have to ask, what the "F" is IRDC thinking?)
- Respectfully submitted by TC Secretary, Toni Larfield



A time-honored tradition within Team Continental is awarding the "Boner Jacket" to a member deserving recognition for acts or deeds which said member wishes they were not being recognized for..

The previous owner, Dennis Roberts, was all too happy to bestow ownership of this most famous of garments to Noor Al-Khazraji who will now need to decide how best to add a decoration that illustrates how he managed to find himself off the pavement five times at the TC driver's training event this past March at ORP.

Congrats, Noor. You wear it well.

May General Meeting at Elmer's Restaurant





TC Networking

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