



# Tell Tale

The TT returns after a one month hiatus. Our monthly meeting also returns to Elmers this Thursday.

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## President's Message

Greetings TC.

If you missed the picnic at Pat's Acres than you missed out on a good time. First, I want to thank Bob Smethers for doing a great job organizing, setting up our area, and being the chief cook and bottle washer. Thanks again for your hard work. Bob set up three competitions at the picnic: fastest lap on the kart track and two food contests - best salad and best dessert. So, when it came to fast lap Scott Olsen's old kart days came back to him and he took top honors. Not too far behind was his protege Noor. And thanks to Scott's coaching between sessions I was able to lower my best lap by almost 2 seconds. For the salad contest Darcy Olsen was chosen to judge and she chose my cucumber salad as her favorite. Bert Dilley was the judge for the dessert contest and said if he had more room he'd go back for the berry cobbler made by Dee Clinton. The one real spot of business that has been lingering around like a sore thumb was finding someone to take the old derelict Dodge van stored at ORP. Thanks goes to Don Smethers who has gotten all the paperwork sorted out. And luckily Bert Dilley said he will take care of it from there. Now what Bert does with it, only God and Bert know. Sometimes it's best not to ask too many questions.

I hope those of you who have any rules change proposals got Jon Wilson's email about how to submit your proposals and the time frame in which it needed to be done. And if you hadn't heard Jon and Cynthia are spending the month of September in Scotland and Ireland. Look forward to hearing how their trip was when they get home.

It's that time of year to discuss if TC is going to host a race next year as all the other clubs are starting to put their schedules together. I'm sure this will be a hot topic for the board which will make a proposal for the general membership to vote on. Your comments, opinions, feelings, etc. are welcome at both the board and general membership meetings. This is **your** club so please give your input on this important topic. Next general meeting is Thur. Sept. 20 at 7pm. If you can't make the meeting and feel you want to be heard feel free to call or email me and I will pass on your comments.

And, finally, if you haven't heard by now we had to cancel our Sept driver training at ORP due to it being under subscribed. We needed a minimum of 45 entries to break even and, unfortunately, we weren't even close. More to discuss at the upcoming meetings.

Hope to see you there.

Jim



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## MEETINGS

### General Meeting

**THURSDAY!!!** September 20th, 7 PM  
 Elmer's Restaurant  
 9848 N Whitaker Rd, Portland, OR

### Board Meeting

Wednesday October 3rd, 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.

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TO: TC Board of Directors, TC General Membership  
9, 2018  
RE: TC Picnic Chairman Report, September BOD Meeting

September

Hello Fellow Race Fans –

I'd like to extend my appreciation out to all TC Members and Guests who attended our recent 2018 TC picnic August 3-4 at Pat's Acres Racing Complex in Canby. The weather was sunny and comfortable in the shade, suitable for sharing conversation with friends old & new. We also perused TC History photo albums presented by Kevin & Stacey Smith and enjoyed a variety of board games organized by Lynn Coupland.

We were stuffed with grilled burgers & brats, sweet corn donated by Rob & Annie Rissberger and a wide variety of salads & desserts prepared by our talented TC Chefs. Nobody was thirsty, thanks to beer and a variety of wine donated by Tim Jorgensen.

The TC Membership meetings preceding our picnic were intended to help increase participation in club activities and promote involvement in Team Continental. We held monthly drawings for Kart Sessions which culminated in on-track competition.

CONGRATULATIONS to the following Free Kart Session raffle ticket winners:  
(from May) – Bert Dilley, Darcy Olsen, Peter Linssen & Jon Wilson  
(from June) – Kevin Smith, Erin V, Bill Harris, No'or, Scott Olsen  
(from July) – No'or, Stacey Smith, Jim Larfield, Philip Quentin-Cox  
Thank You to those who donated their raffle sessions to other participants.  
I'd also like to congratulate Scott Olsen for earning the Top Time trophy for the event!

Due to participation levels and time constraints, TC has a credit voucher good for \$275 worth of future karting track sessions. Let's have another TC Club outing soon!



## Team Continental

Board Meeting / Elmer's Delta Park  
September 5, 2018

### AGENDA

- ❖ Call to Order - Jim Larfield called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm
- ❖ Officer Reports
  - President - Jim Larfield, no report
  - Vice President – Joe Harlan, no report
  - Secretary – Toni Larfield, no report
  - Treasurer – Stacy Smith, absent, no report
  - Contest Board Rep – Jon Wilson, submitted rule changes to steward will schedule meeting for vote after stewards report
  - Executive Board Rep – Michael Conatore, absent, no report
  - Communications Director – Tony Hauser, please send in pictures of picnic and report for Tell Tale Saturday, September 8.
  - Race Chairman - Bob Smethers: Looking at possible format that would support Conference and HPDE which also could include and enduro race.
  - Driving Master – Kevin Smith, absent
- ❖ New Business
 

Spirited conversation surrounding the possibility of Team Continental hosting a race in 2019 Ideas exchanged, creative thinking, possible venues other than ORP.

  - ❖ Motion was not made to adjourn, but we did. With five board members present we thought we would be done early, but we were not. Not enough for a quorum but a good conversation none the less.

Hope to see you later in September!





*2019 TC Banquet News*

*DENIM & DIAMONDS*

*Newport Shilo Inn*

*January 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> 2018*

*Reservations 541-265-7701*

*Mention TC Retreat*

*On or before 12-20-18*

*All rooms \$99.00*





## Team Continental

General Membership Meeting / Pat's Acres  
August 4, 2018

Meeting held at Team Continental Annual Picnic

Special thank you to Bob Smethers and Dom Smethers, if you want to know why, read the President's message.



Selfie opportunity for me with Gordon Jones who was working firewatch in the pits during the Indycar weekend at PIR. Gordon was one of the local racers who volunteered for this duty and got the opportunity to get about as close as anyone could to these fantastic cars and pro racers. Gordon, if memory serves me, was working in James Hinchcliff's pit.



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