



Tell Tale

Welcome 2022 Board members and congratulations to our award winners! TC's most extensive events schedule in years starts in two months!

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By President Joe Harlan



OK, it's my first article as the club President. Let's see if I can avoid boring you to death. One of the things I would like to do is bring a new level of fun to the things we do as a club. This includes new and traditional things that, as members, you might enjoy. So the suggestion box is open: tccb46@gmail.com! Please let me know your ideas.

We have 3 TT events on the schedule and a 1-day race event. We will need help from the membership to get these events done! Please come and participate and enjoy hanging out with friends.

We have reserved our spot at the beach for next year. I would like to recruit a banquet chairperson to head up a committee for this event! If you have always wanted to plan a party you are the one we are looking for!

I am personally looking forward to this race season. I have three Majors races on my schedule and after those I will run the two later TT events and the single day TC race at ORP. If you have a car, and have not run for whatever reason, consider this your invitation to come back out and play! If you are new and need help just ask a fellow member. We as a club have some great talent to draw from.

OK, to keep my promise, I'll keep it short!

Joe Harlan

Team Continental President

P.S. New game for 2022! There will be a monthly word in the newsletter. If you see it, send an email to tccb46@gmail.com to have your name entered for a prize drawing (you need not be present to win).

This month's word is "Hoosier."

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MEETINGS

General Meeting

Buster's BBQ, Tigard

7:00pm Wednesday, February 16th

Board Meeting

None scheduled



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 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Registration | <input type="checkbox"/> Secretary |
| <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 \$45.00 for a one year membership, or \$90 for a two year membership along with your application/renewal.

Signature _____ Date : _____

<p>Official Use Only:</p> <p>Year: _____ Membership Number: _____</p> <p>Notes: _____</p> <p>Status : Novice Active Senior Inactive</p> <p>Fee received: \$ _____ (Check # _____ or Cash) New card sent: _____</p>

BANQUET PHOTOGRAPHS

Submitted by Sonjia Smethers & Kevin Smith





GET A HEAD START ON YOUR COMPETITION OR LEARN THE MOST EXCITING RACE TRACK IN THE P.N.W.!

Team Continental

Announces

Track Time Trials w/ HPDE

April 2, 2022

This event is sanctioned by ICSCC featuring a Single Day Track Time Trials event presented by Team Continental at Oregon Raceway Park in Grass Valley, OR.

Track Direction: FULL COURSE, counter clockwise!!

Track Time Trials participants will share the track with other cars, but these events are not wheel-to-wheel competition. Open to all levels of drivers, no track experience necessary. *Awards will be presented to Top Finishers in each class!*

Entry fees: \$225.00 | Transponder Rental: \$30.00

A catered lunch by ORP is available for purchase at time of registration! Grass Valley has very limited options for food, it is strongly encouraged to either add lunch to your registration or bring your own.

7:00am Gates Open

8:00am Mandatory Drivers meeting

[General Time Trial Information.pdf](#)

[Schedule April 2, 2022.pdf](#)

<https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/team-continental-track-time-trials-hpde-oregon-raceway-park>

OREGON RACEWAY PARK



WANTED: RACE COURSE SUPPORT PERSONNEL

O.R.P. has openings for the 2022 season! Watch the races and get paid for it too.

Candidates must be 18 years of age, and have the ability to:

- ***Be outdoors (sometimes in harsh conditions).***
- ***Posses alert observational skills and have the ability to communicate clearly.***
- ***Be able to react calmly and quickly to emergency situations.***
- ***Work cooperatively with others in a team environment.***

Duties vary but may include working corners as Course Marshal, Security, Crowd Control, and Facilities Maintenance and can develop into other specialties. We offer a great opportunity to learn procedures related to race track event operation and grow personal skills at one of the most technically challenging tracks in the nation.

At O.R.P. we welcome prior experience, but are proud of the high standard attained by many of our workers through our in-house training program. Most days start with cars on course at 9:00 a.m. and end with a cold track at 5:00 p.m. A free lunch is included midday. During multiple day back to back bookings and endurance races we are occasionally ask to provide extended hours, but that rarely happens.

Orientation Day: Is held March 19, 2022 from 9am-5pm at 93811 Blagg Lane, Grass Valley, Oregon, 97029

Interested in a new adventure? Give us a call to see how you can fit into the O.R.P. team.

Please Contact:

Brenda Pikel: 541-333-2452

email: info@oregonraceway.com

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/oregonraceway>

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Off-peak trackdays made simple.

We offer affordable, all-day trackdays for experienced drivers with flexible schedules and a passion for self-directed practice.

**Skip Day Trackdays for 7 HRS of OPEN TRACK TIME!!!
(with a prepaid minimum required car count of 30 by Feb 6th)
Pricing after the deadline will be \$300
Enduro Team option available**

Compare our price with others, you will see the value.

Our pricing model is participant count dependent.

Prepayment is **nonrefundable** after the group buy deadline (Feb 6th).

All cards on file will be charged on the deadline date.

Additional entries are always welcome after the deadline date but will pay \$50 premium for not participating in the group buy price.

If the group buy minimum is not met the event will be canceled on the deadline date 2/6/22.

<https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/skip-day-trackdays-7hrs-of-open-track-time-oregon-raceway-park-229712>

TEAM CONTINENTAL – GENERAL MEETING



Date: January 23, 2022

Location: Meeting was held at Hallmark Resort Newport, OR.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm by TC President Joe Harlan.

ATTENDANCE: TC Members guests, friends, spouses, and significant others.

OFFICER REPORTS:

PRESIDENT (Joe Harlan):

Joe wanted to thank Bobby Smethers, Mother Ally and Sonjia Smethers for all their hard work to organize the Team Continental Banquet @ Hallmark Resort Newport.

>Joe asked Bill Murray if he would accept the appointment of TC Club Historian for the 2022 Race Year? Bill Murray has accepted the appointment, Thanks Bill Murray for all the great work and TC support!

>Motion by Joe to approve the January 2021 TC Emergency Meeting Minutes that were published in the Tell Tale. Motion was seconded, and all members were in favor. Approved

>Joe indicated we have a committed date for TC Track Trial at ORP for Saturday in September and Bill Murray has the following day scheduled for an event that he is planning. Bill was open to TC holding a one-day ICSCC Championship Race event at ORP.

>Joe proposed we would have a race group practice session on Saturday included in our Time Trial event. The advantage to this September one day event is racers who have championship on the line or need championship points would and still want to race for points would come to our one-day ICSCC Championship Race event at ORP. Joe noted that all the scheduled ICSCC races are done in August. We would have the potential to draw a better race car entry total on a one-day event is September because people still want to race and there is championship on the line.

>Joe forecasted the potential for loss if we had 50 race car entries would be estimated at \$3500.00 to \$4500.00

>Joe's personal feeling on this one-day race event at ORP is that if we are going to lose TC club money putting on a race to adhere to the ICSCC 5 year sponsor a race rule, then we need to lose money on our own and buy 5 years to stay on the ICSCC Executive Board.

>Many opinions were expressed and respectfully listened to that Steve Leonard mentioned he was impressed.

>Joe pointed out that ICSCC Executive Board cannot remove our TC club membership status out of ICSCC at the Spring ICSCC Executive Board meeting. TC club doesn't have to do "shit". So, until we don't hold a race event in race season year 2022, we are not in violation of the 5-year hold a race event rule. We would be subjected to a violation in the Fall ICSCC Executive Board meeting if we don't hold a race event.

>Points of interest that we have as a standing member of ICSCC:

> ICSCC Executive Board voting rights.

>TC has an established Central Oregon Territory and Race Track that ICSCC Executive Board must acknowledge our Home Racetrack @ ORP.

>ICSCC availability to purchase racetrack event insurance.

>Joe proposed that he would like Team Continental to draft a proposal or addendum to request in writing for a ICSCC by-laws rule change that would protect a race club from being subject to the no 5 race rule. That allows a race club that is doing a development program like our Time Trial Program that is helping to develop potential ICSCC race drivers to Conference Racing Events.

>Jon Wilson proposed a motion that would recommend the Team Continental President and E board Rep to have discus-

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sion with ICSCC E board representatives to consider getting credit for promoting racing membership with TC Time Trial Events in the ICSCC race market to apply to the 5-race rule. Discussion with ICSCC E board representatives is authorized by the TC club membership. Passed.

VICE PRESIDENT (Eric Howell): No Report.

SECRETARY (Steve Adams):

>I completed the January 5, 2022 Emergency General Meeting Minutes and provided a paper copy to the board members for review.

>The January 23, 2022 General Meeting Minutes will be submitted to Tony Hauser and published in the Tell Tale.

TREASURER (Cynthia Wilson), (Jon Wilson):

Submitted Team Continental October 2021 Financial Report. Report is on file and available upon request.

>Jon Wilson made available the financial report to the attending general meeting members for review.

>Submitted Team Continental 2022 January Financial Report. Report is on file and available upon request.

TROPHY CHAIRMAN (Jon Wilson): No Report.

MEMBERSHIP REP (Dennis Roberts):

>Joe asked Denny to stay on as TC Membership Rep for the 2022 year. Denny has accepted the request and will continue serving as TC Club MEMBERSHIP REP. Joe wanted to thank Denny for all the great work and TC support! Applause from attending members.

>We have a current membership 2022 total of 73 paid members.

>14 members paid dues for 2022 on this banquet weekend.

Thank You, Denny, for all the great work and TC support!

DRIVING MASTER (Steve Lovejoy):

>Opening statement “Jon Wilson keeps pressuring me into all this shit!” = “Laughter from the membership.” >Thanks, Jon, for recruiting Steve to accept our Driving Master position. Good job Jon.

>Thank You Steve for accepting the role of TC Driving Master we are looking forward to your great work and TC support!

CONTEST BOARD REP (Jon Wilson):

>Team Continental didn't propose any new rules this past year 2021.

> Rules were confirmed by ICSCC Contest Board.

>Rule about Formula Ford spec tires.

>Rule about Pro 3

>Rule about how you must post the weight of your car when you go over the race car weight scales.

>No new rule for 2022 year.

Thank You, Jon, for all the great work and TC support!

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EXECUTIVE BOARD REP (Steve Leonard): No Report

>2021 EXECUTIVE BOARD REP. Joe Harlan reported that there is a set of rules being proposed for HPDE, Time Trial Programs for the ICSCC Board members to look at and will be reading it to identify how they are going to address that. This would possibly be a point of discussion in the ICSCC E board fall meeting.

Proposed to avoid a hardcore set of rules that ICSCC would impose on TC'S Time Trial Program. We don't want the structure of our TT program defined by ICSCC. Race clubs need to have an area of freedom to figure out what works best for their area and what they are doing, if the race clubs are not outside the safety rules and structure of ICSCC. We should be able to conduct our events as to X, Y or Z.

TRACK EVENT CHAIR (Jim Larfield):

>We have a confirmed date for 2022 PIR TC Driver Training, HPDE and Time Trial Event for Thursday, June 9, 2022.

>Jim has requested for 2022 ORP TC Time Trial Events: Saturday April 2, 2022

> Jim has requested for 2022 ORP TC Time Trial Events: Saturday September 24, 2022, we have a potential third date that is being discussed, TBD.

>Jim Larfield proposed a motion to the floor to vote on submitting to ICSCC Executive Board Spring meeting a one-day ICSCC Championship Race event at ORP Sunday, September 25, 2022. Rick Farrar seconded the motion. Motion was passed unanimous at the last emergency meeting.

>Joe indicated that he was offended by Rick Bostrom suggesting and strong arming us to co-host a specific race event to maintain our ICSCC Membership Status.

>Jim indicated we have a committed date for TC Track Time Trial, HPDE at ORP for Saturday September 24, 2022 and Bill Murray has the following day scheduled for an event that he is planning. Bill was open to TC giving up that date to holding a one-day ICSCC Championship Race event at ORP.

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>Joe pointed out to Rick Bostrom that the 2day ICSCC race events have been shortened to 1 day race events so TC's request should not be a problem because of the 1day race events ICSCC is already doing.

>Lynn Coupland suggested we take this time to get ICSCC 5 race rules and bylaws changed in the future.

>Jim recommends the Team Continental President and E board Rep to have discussion with ICSCC E board representatives to consider getting credit for promoting racing membership with TC Time Trial Events in the ICSCC race market to apply to the 5-race rule.

>Jim is still in favor of offering one year TC memberships for new people that participate in our HPDE, time trial events to promote an opportunity to participate in TC events and social events and become an active club member.

End of report, Thank you Jim for all the great work and TC support!

COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR (Bob Smethers): No Report.

Tell Tale Editor (Tony Houser): No Report

>Denny would like to remind Tony to post the TC club renewal letter in the tell-tale. *(it was included in the January issue. ed.)*

Thank You, Tony for all the great work and TC support!

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COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PICNIC CHAIRMAN (Bob Smethers): No Report

WEBMASTER (Kevin Smith):

>The Web Hosting fee \$239.88 is going to be due in February, Kevin would like to motion that the club approve the web hosting fee: Motion was seconded, Motion was unanimously approved. Passed.

BANQUET CHAIRMAN: (Bob Smethers)

WEBMASTER (Kevin Smith):

MERCHANDISE (Darcy Olsen): No Report

CHRISTMAS PARTY ():

TROPHY CHAIRMAN: (Jon Wilson) No Report

SPIRITUAL LEADER ():

COMPETITION COMMITTEE ():

ROD REP ():

HISTORIAN (Bill Murray): No Report

EQUIPMENT CHAIRMAN (Jeff Menor):

OLD RACER BUSINESS: By Bill Murray

>Bill has been working on trying to get enough interest from former old Racers to an event for former TC Members that have contributed to the TC club and we owe a fair amount of debt to for contributing so much support to the TC club over the years of their membership. That is Bill's plan.

>Bill is willing to give up the ORP track date Saturday, September 25, 2022 for the opportunity to promote our future TC Race opportunities. Bill is going to investigate if there enough interest from the Old Guard TC membership to have a track event on Friday September 23, 2022 to have a track time event and with luck we can get the Senior TC Members to stay over for the race weekend and participate in our time trial event and race event.

>Bill noted by him securing the Friday September 23, 2022 before Team Continental TT, HPDE and TC Race we would be able to set up the Race Car Paddock area for the entire weekend event. Bill is requesting the TC club members to assist with this work in exchange for TC club member work support for racetrack prep and paddock support prep. The Club members unanimously support the work crew help to Bill Murray @ ORP.

>Thank you, Mr. Bill Murray, for all the great work and TC support!

NEW BUSINESS:

>The Membership had an informational discussion about new membership recruiting for the coming new 2022 year and it was mentioned that we need to be looking at recruiting from Autocross events, HPDE track events, TT track events, associated local and regional auto club events to generate new Team Continental memberships to our racing club.

>Steve Leonard wanted to say congratulations to all the new 2022 TC Board Members, we stood up and revealed ourselves to the membership.

>Thank You Steve Leonard for organizing the TC Band "30 Reunion Anniversary Tour" playing at the TC Banquet. Applause from attending members.

>Congratulation to all the new TC Members, guests, friends, spouses, and significant others who attended our Team Continental Banquet. Looking forward to seeing you next year for more fun times.

"Attention TC Members" Please remember to renew your TC Club Membership on MotorSportReg.com for 2022, The club Thanks You for your 2022 renewal and participation.

Let's have a great year of racing and fun together. Making many new memories to talk about in the off season.

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>Jon Wilson Quote! “We race so we have something to talk about during racing and at the end of the year”. So, let’s get out those race cars and get them fired up for the 2022 race season. Looking forward to seeing you all at the 2022 racing events.

>Lynn Coupland shared her opinion about maintaining our club membership with ICSCC. Lynn was a past officer on the board for 15 years of service with ICSCC Executive Board. Lynn stated that TC was not considered the “In club” in ICSCC board of directors’ view. Lynn feels that it is worth it to stay on the ICSCC Executive Board for the TC club moving forward into the future. Lynn realized that she got know what we mean to each other and who we are as a race club. She doesn’t care what other clubs have to say about who TC is. She knows the heart of our TC Club Membership. Thank You Lynn for all your years of support and great work to better our TC race club.

>Steve Lovejoy stated the ICSCC perception of TC is exactly why he joined Team Continental as his race club affiliation to race in ICSCC. Nice statement Steve, You the Man! Applause from attending members.

>Joe commended Steve “You’re here for the right reasons”

Motion to adjourn by Joe Harlan, Motion passed (unanimous), meeting adjourned 1:30 pm.

BS & BONER DISCUSSIONS: Tiffany Neil is the current TC Boner Jacket owner for here wrong way event that occurred @ ORP and getting her VW Race Rabbit stuck on the delivery truck.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve J Adams, TC Secretary

HISTORIAN’S REPORT

By Bill Murray

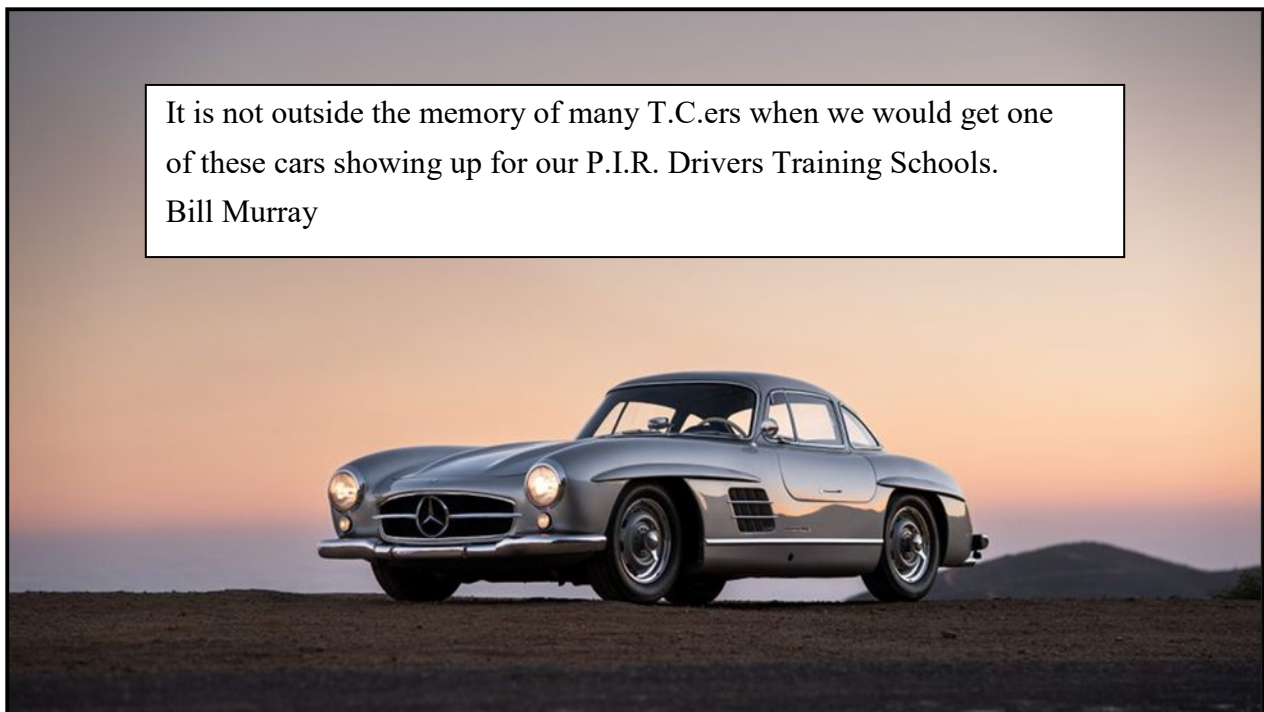


As reported in Hemmings Motor News:

RM Sotheby's stacked the deck with dozens of stellar and significant automobiles, and the creme de la creme was this 1955 Mercedes-Benz 300SL 'Alloy' "Gullwing" that realized \$6,825,000. Image courtesy of RM/Sotheby's;

It is not outside the memory of many T.C.ers when we would get one of these cars showing up for our P.I.R. Drivers Training Schools.

Bill Murray





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