



Tell Tale

**NEXT MEETING: WED. MARCH 16TH
BUSTER'S BBQ TIGARD AT 7:00PM**

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By President Joe Harlan



Hey it's March already! We are close to our first event of the season! I hope everyone is well and ready to start having fun again. Since my last message there has been lots of good stuff happening. As a lot of you know, I sit on the BOD for NWR SCCA up north and the racing planning for 2 regions, I have several motorsports pages that I own and moderate, I own a racing based business, operate a chassis dyno and race cars. I am pretty in tune with the racing world. I can share what the racing world needs the most is HELP! Racing needs volunteers as much as it needs participants! March 12th Saturday there is a volunteer training day at PIR. If you have the opportunity, please come join me out there to see if we TC members can offer up our help.

As a club we are in good shape and we have lots of opportunity to grow this year. Our first event is April 2nd at ORP, so share this with your friends and family and let's get entries up and come spend a day doing car things.

Finally, we have a general meeting Wednesday April 16th at Busters BBQ at 7:00pm. Don't miss it! The word of the month is "huberbucket" to send in an email to toptechtccb46@gmail.com... Mention the word to be entered for a prize!

Remember, if you don't make the meeting, there is a good chance I'll appoint you to take over a job ;)

Joe Harlan

Team Continental President

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MEETINGS

General Meeting

Buster's BBQ, Tigard

7:00pm Wednesday, March 16th

Board Meeting

Wild Hare Saloon, Oregon City

7:00pm Wednesday, April 6th



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:

___ Driver services

___ Registration

___ Tech Inspection

___ Scales

___ Timing & Scoring

___ Pre-grid

___ Turn Worker

___ Flat tow

___ Paddock Marshall

___ Driving Master

___ Driving Instructor

___ Other

___ President

___ Secretary

___ Treasurer

___ ICSCC Executive, Board Rep.

___ ICSCC Contest Board Rep.

___ Race Chairman

___ Driving Master

___ Membership Chairman

___ Communications Director

___ Telltale/Newsletter Editor

___ Picnic Chairman

___ Banquet Chairman

___ 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 : _____

Official Use Only:

Year: _____ Membership Number: _____

Notes: _____

Status : Novice Active Senior Inactive

Fee received: \$ _____ (Check # _____ or Cash) New card sent: _____

**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 the share 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 regis-
tration 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>

STAR Projects is again offering both our Annual Instructor Training and Worker Training event on Saturday, March 19th at Oregon Raceway Park. To address the specifics of each specialty, divided morning classrooms are combined in the afternoon with on course practice in real time.

The cost to cover the Instructor Training is \$175. Worker Training is FREE for all who wish to attend. Your lunch and gate pass for the day are included. The morning format consists of classroom, fire suppression practice, lunch, a track orientation tour and the afternoon split with time on track in each direction. This is also the first step of training for those who would like to become paid members of the 2022 O.R.P. Staff.

In keeping with our tradition of enlisting the best of Northwest talent I am pleased to announce that this year's guest speaker will be Mr. James (Gator) Hudson. Gator will be drawing from experience gleaned not only as a successful Racing Driver, but his many years of interactive training. He will also be sharing his insights on integrating the ever developing tools of data acquisition and analytics to your teaching / coaching techniques.

As in years past, the Instructor Training classroom will be run concurrently but separately from the Worker Training classroom. Both groups will combine before lunch to familiarize worker recruits with many of the vehicle safety systems and how to best assist drivers with response and egress during emergency situations.

Since Lemon's, Lucky Dog, and Team Continental (International Conference of Sports Car Clubs) have again all booked 2022 racing dates with O.R.P. The Turn Worker curriculum will include familiarization with the varying protocols of each organization as well as the general procedures of staffing turns, event flow, and communication required for Track Day, H.P.D.E., Schools, and Private Testing events.

Participation in training does not guarantee placement as a Turn Worker or qualification as a Driving Instructor, however it bears heavily on the selection process. Whether a seasoned veteran Turn Marshal, or new to the road racing environment, YOU are welcome. Instructor candidates please file or update your resume with Brenda at registration. Due to the need to plan meals and arrange facilities I urge all participants to sign up as soon as possible.

Whether Turn Worker or Driving Instructor you are the front line, the people making our sport happen. We continually strive to improve our game. We learn from each other. Come and participate.

Bill Murray, STAR Projects Events
503-358-2617
10:00 am to midnight

Brenda Piki. Track Office Manager
541-333-2452

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PROJECTS



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 Piki: 541-333-2452

email: info@oregonraceway.com

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

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/brendapiki/>



Saturday March 26th

FREE Coffee all day

Affordable, all-day track days for experienced drivers with flexible schedules and a passion for self-directed practice.

The time is now to sign up for the next Skip Day Track Day. Its never too early to register.

Unfortunately due to new pricing and regulations at ORP there is a slight increase in pricing and now a 45 day advance cancelation policy

7 hours of open track time and a very delicious hot lunch is available at Oregon Raceway Park

**Enduro Team option also available
(with a prepaid minimum required car count of 35 by Feb 6th) \$250 Single Entry or \$500 for Endurance Team**

Pricing after the deadline will be \$300

Please reach out with any question, comments or to chat with me (Colin) directly through this email or my cell at 503-516-8723 call or text

Without our minimum 35 car count the event will need to be canceled

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

NOTICE OF JIM BRASSFIELD'S PASSING

Submitted by Steve Leonard



Hi Val.

I talked with Jim last Thursday. He was in hospital but was transferring to hospice the next day he told me at the end of the conversation. The news left me speechless. He had only called me looking for a contact for some drywall work. Til the very end he was taking care of people.

At the end of the conversation he said "hey man I love you" I responded the same.

Jim was a very private person. He was practical and matter of fact about life. He didn't complain or whine about his illness. I don't remember the name of his disease but I equated it to Cystic Fibrosis as he described it.

I met Jim in 1987 at an ACLS class. He approached me and asked if I was the Steve Leonard who was racing? He offered to help. He came to PIR on the next race weekend. Saturday was a very good day. Sunday morning in qualifying I did a complete rollover and demolished the car. I had only bought it on the Wednesday prior.

He was the perfect crew chief, handled me well and was a skillful and dedicated partner.

Over the course of the Summer we bought a huge POS street car for a replacement chassis and took everything we could salvage off the wreck. Then we built a new car from the old cars parts. We got to know each other pretty well in the process. For the next three seasons he and I maintained, repaired and raced that car. We had many adventures along the way.

He wanted to get back to the track safety workers gig he had in California prior to moving to Oregon. He became a leader within the Flagging and Communications community. He would be moved by the recognition and response from the Pacific NW and entire US racing Family at his passing.

He was a remarkable and fine human being. I know I'm speaking for many when I wish him God-speed and thank you for the times we shared and for being a wonderful friend.

One last thing. I was standing next to him the day he was on standby at PIR when over the PA they announced him as the winner of a brand new sports car. We looked at each other and in unison said "put a cage (roll cage) in it". Always a true racer. You know the story soon thereafter when Denny Marsh wrote him a letter informing that per the employee manual any winnings on duty became the property of Buck Ambulance. That really got him...

Thank you Val for letting the EMS community know of his passing.
Steve Leonard

TEAM CONTINENTAL – BOARD MEETING MINUTES



Date: March 2, 2022

Location: Wild Hare Saloon & Cafe

GUEST INTRODUCTIONS: none

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Web meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by TC President Joe Harlan.

ATTENDANCE: Joe Harlan, Steve Leonard, Bob Smethers, Jim Larfield, Steve Adams.

OFFICER REPORTS:

PRESIDENT (Joe Harlan):

Joe Harlan will be attending the event at PIR on the March 12, 2022 to represent Team Continental.

Joe Harlan suggested we recruit volunteers to work our September race event.

Joe Harlan opened discussion about better relationships with our race volunteers and racecourse workers.

Joe suggested we investigate the opportunity to have a Zoom Driver Training Meeting. We would have to get this approved by ICSCC before we could move forward on this proposal.

Joe suggested the Tell Tale Minutes be condensed and not report on general meeting members opinions for outside specific club business.

Joe proposed how to encourage and market our TC club drivers to attend the Dornbecher Dash event as an appreciation for making an opportunity for TC to have a TT event at PIR. Joe would like us to be well represented with our TC jackets, hats, flags, and swag. Park together as Team Continental in the pit area.

The TC Corral, Joe would like to see us do that and promote TC club racing at this event.

Joe will work on finding sponsorship for a donation to the Children's Hospital fund.

Joe would like up to be more involved at PIR and contribute to the racing events at PIR.

Steve Leonard reported we need to get Joe Harlan set up as a signer on the TC checking account.

Steve Leonard reported that we need to update our annual report to State of Oregon Corporation Division on our new 2022 officers and all that stuff? We need to reassign our TC person of contact for the State of Oregon Corporation Division for 2022. Steve will go online and update the information with the State of Oregon Corporation Division.

Joe suggested that Jon Wilson be the point of Contact for the State of Oregon Corporation Division and for 2022. Steve Leonard and Joe Harlan will discuss this further.

Joe will investigate Fiduciary responsibility for the TC club board representatives. To verify we have insurance to protect the TC board members from liability.

VICE PRESIDENT (Eric Howell): No Report

SECRETARY (Steve Adams):

I have completed the February general meeting minutes and provided a paper copy to the board members for review. March Board Meetings will be recorded and submitted to the TT Editor.

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TREASURER (Jon Wilson):

Jon Wilson passed out the financial report to the attending board members for review. Submitted Team Continental 2022 February Financial Report. Report is on file and available upon request.

MEMBERSHIP (Dennis Roberts): No Report.

Joe is working on getting a past competition driver list from Rick, ICSCC President. To find out where all the past drivers are now. Joe is going to investigate why each driver stopped racing?

DRIVING MASTER (Steve Lovejoy): No Report.

EXECUTIVE BOARD REP (Steve Leonard):

No Executive board information to share currently. Steve discussed the difficulty of getting on the E board meeting

Seat Belt Expiration Data: ICSSC is going to allow use of seat belts 3 years past the expiration date listed on the seat belt.

Conference is doing an acceptance plan with helmets from the expiration dates listed. More information to be announced on a later date.

TRACK EVENT CHAIR (Jim Larfield):

Identified what we need for our ORP Race support positions: race control, timing and scoring, pit marshal, pre grid, pace car, communicator, and a safety crew.

ROD Rep for ICCSC: we need to recruit a qualified person for the position.

Jim will be attending the RAS meeting online on March 19th. The RAS Meeting required attendance: Race Registrar, Race Chairman, Tech Inspector, Flag Chief.

Jim indicated we need to recruit corner workers, flaggers, and corner marshals to work at our ORP race.

We discussed options and ideas of how to get workers to and from Portland to ORP. We discussed ideas like renting a bus or vans to transport volunteers and workers to and from Portland.

Steve Leonard and Jim are going to interview turn workers to get their feedback and suggestions on what it would take to have the workers participate at our race in September at ORP.

Jim announced that the MSR page for the PIR TT event is almost ready to go online. Discussion about the price \$\$\$ for the PIR TT event.

Fire extinguishers need to be inspected and made ready for the OPR Race. Jim announced that we have Linda Blackburn for timing and scoring. Steve Leonard will reserve 3 rooms in town for event workers.

Jim would like to have a designated photographer for our TC Events who can post news in real time. He would like our podium celebrations shown with each class and run group. This would get posted on all our media sites and communications.

Steve Adams suggested we have a TC central email account that we can send all our pictures to from cell phone or digital cameras and designate an appointed person to post the TC club information. Joe will work on this proposal as committee work.

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COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR (Bob Smethers):

Bob has modified the MSR page to be more generic. Bob requested a message from the TC President to add to the MSR page for the new and existing membership to read.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: none

OLD BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS: Joe requested we meet at the Wild Hare Saloon & Café again for the next TC Board Meeting. Jim will book a time for us to meet.

Motion to adjourn by Joe Harlan, Motion passed (unanimous), meeting adjourned 8:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Steve J Adams, TC Secretary



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