



Tell Tale

TC held a successful driver training March 25th.
Come to the general meeting, April 19th, share your stories,
racing plans & news.

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TC President's Message

Welcome to the 2017 race season! Our March 25 Drivers Training/Track-Day was a success! We had 30 entries and the club made a profit.

Here are some dates to mark on your calendars:

- Thursday June 1, Skip Day track day at PIR. TC instructors are invited to instruct. Contact Pete Belfanti for details.
- Saturday July 15, TC Picnic at Carl and Dee's home in Gresham.
- Friday August 4 Test-n-Tune at ORP
- Saturday/Sunday August 5-6 TC race at ORP
- TC Christmas Party and Awards Banquet TBA



TC members are welcome to attend our Board meetings held on the first Wednesday of each month at the Laurelwood Brewery at 7:00 PM. TC members and guests are encouraged to be at our General meetings held the third Wednesday of each month at Mars Meadows at 7:00 PM.

So, come to the April 19th General Meeting with your best boner stories and have some fun!

Scott Olsen
2017 TC President - president@teamcontinental.com

Team Continental General Meeting Minutes

Mars Meadows-Portland, Or
March 15, 2017

President, Scott Olsen, called this meeting to order at 7:01pm.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

President, Scott Olsen: No report.

Past President, Ben Weaver: No report.

Vice President, Jim Larfield: No report.

Contest Board Rep, Joe Harlan: No report.

Membership Director, Dennis Roberts: We have 81 members as of today. I sent 65 renewal letters out. I will be attending the Driver's Training event on the 25th of March.

Driving Master, Dylan Olsen: To date we have 23 entries for the March 25th Driver's Training event. We have 9 confirmed instructors and 13 group 1 entries so we still need more instructors. We are very close to breakeven point but we still have 2 weeks to go. We have the \$5 gate fee issue that I need feedback on for the event. This discussion led to the decision to leave it in the hands of ORP to collect the money so TC doesn't have an unfavorable connection to the new gate fee.



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MEETINGS

General Meeting

Wednesday April 19th, 7PM
 Mar's Meadows
 9620 N Whitaker Rd, Portland, OR

Board Meeting

Wednesday May 3rd, 7 PM
 Laurelwood Public House
 5115 NE Sandy Blvd, Portland, OR

Membership Renewal

Join online using this link: <http://msreg.com/2017TCMembership>

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.

Inactive Member – An Active or Senior Member who no longer wishes to, or cannot take an active part in the activities of Team Continental, but who wishes to maintain an allegiance with the Team may assume Inactive status by so advising TC in writing of this intent. An Inactive Member may attend meetings and may resume membership at any time by advising TC, and paying the remaining yearly dues.

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 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Scales | <input type="checkbox"/> ICSCC Executive. Board Rep. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Timing & Scoring | <input type="checkbox"/> ICSCC Contest Board Rep. |
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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 : _____

Official Use Only:

Year: _____ Membership Number: _____

Notes: _____

Status : Novice Active Senior Inactive

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

Team Continental Driver Training & Track Day March 25th 2017

Team Continental held a successful combined driver training and track-day on Saturday March 25th. There were 30 entrants, with approximately 14 in group 1, and 8 each in groups 2 and 3. We were able to make a little money on this event due to the lower costs of track rental since we scheduled this to take place during the off-season. Darcy Olsen was the registrar with Stacey Smith assisting her. Dylan Olsen was the driving master, with Kevin Smith assisting



Stacey Smith and Darcy Olsen working registration.



Morning drivers meeting. It's still early!



Instructor's view, going into the half-pipe.

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Race Chairman, Bob Smethers: We had a Race Committee meeting on March 4th. I attended the RATS Meeting and have some paperwork to handout. There will be a bill for Stacey from ICSCC for this. At the RATS Meeting all of the Race Chairman's agreed to support the decision to allow 12-16 year olds to ride bicycles in the paddock provided they wore helmets. Any rider of anything motorized must be 16 years or older and licensed. I will be having a work party at ORP on the 25th for those not instructing in our school. The shelving is in Gresham and will need to be taken to ORP. We decided to call our race event in August, Orion's Belt Triple Points Grand Prix and it will be a three day event with double points given on Sunday.

Secretary, Darcy Olsen: No report.

Treasurer, Stacey Smith: We have \$7754.00 in the checking account.

Executive Board Rep, Carl Clinton: Absent, on vacation.

Communications Director, Pete Belfanti: Absent, in South Korea.

COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS:

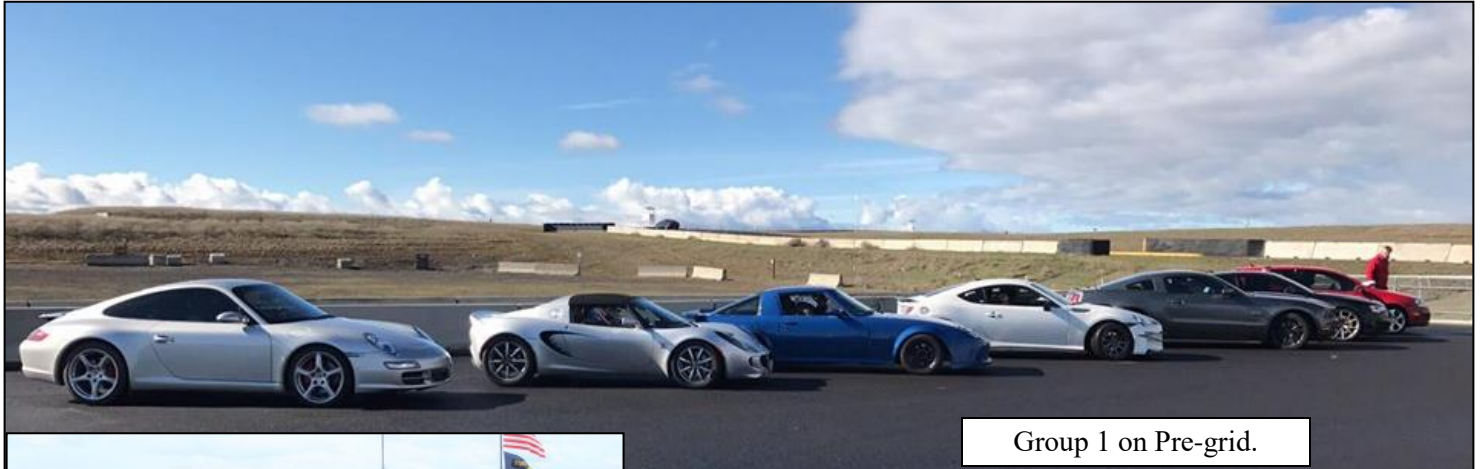
Trophy Chairman, Jon Wilson: I would like to present two of the trophies from the Annual Banquet to the recipients that were unable to attend the Banquet. The first is to recognize Tony Hauser as the past equipment chairman. The second is to present the 2016 Waving Flag award which also goes to Tony Hauser.

By Laws Committee, Jim Larfield: We had our first By Laws committee meeting. There are several things that we are going to address such as cleaning up the verbiage, how trophies are won and whether to change the Past President position. Anyone is welcome to attend the meeting. Kevin brought up the topic of what other clubs do in the event that they must dissolve. What happens to the money? Duane mentioned that we are a 501c3 organization and we should probably have this decision made soon. Jim announced that the next By Laws Committee meeting will be held April 13th at River City Brewing in Portland and the announcement will be in the next Tell Tale.

OLD BUSINESS:

Bob will get the shelving from Gresham Collision Center to ORP and have a work party on March 25th to install it
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Group 1 on Pre-grid.



Chris Howard and Zack George at work.

him. We had an excellent group of volunteers to give the ground school presentation, Jim Larfield, Peter Linssen, Joe Harlan, and Pete Belfanti. Overseeing vehicle tech was John Rissberger, with Eric Howell providing assistance, and Eric was also in charge of Pre-grid for the day, and John assisted Eric with that. We were able to get an excellent group of volunteer instructors, Jim Larfield, Pete Belfanti, Peter Linssen, Scott Ol-

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in the container.

Bill Murray gave a reminder about the ORP Annual Instructor Training event on March 18th. \$100.00 gets you 4 hours on the track. We will have morning classroom and fire suppression practice. Your lunch and Annual Gate Fee are included. Also, Bill stated that when he has an opportunity he is directing people our way for the Driver's Training Event on March 25th.

NEW BUSINESS:

Scott announced that we need a date for the Picnic. At the last Board Meeting Bob Smethers made a motion that we suggest July 15th as the picnic date and take it to the General Meeting for a vote. Bob restated his motion to the General Membership to have the TC Picnic on the 15th of July. Joe seconded the motion. The motioned passed unanimously.

The discussion tabled from the last meeting to have a Membership Drive was reopened since Dennis is in attendance. Joe and Dennis will work together on the Membership Drive. Joe pointed out that we need to find ways to increase membership and volunteers. Some of the things we could try are flyers, posters and emails. Joe will work on forming a committee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Duane Starr announced that Tara just obtained her master's degree!

Bill Murray announced that young Bill is engaged to be married!

Scott Olsen announced that Dylan just bought his first house!

Motion to Adjourn the meeting by Jon Wilson and seconded by Joe Harlan. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Darcy Olsen, TC Secretary

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sen, Brian Bogdon, Neil Bradley, Ken Latham, Gordon Jones, Zack George, Kevin Smith, Bill Harris, Terry McBride, Jon Wilson, Ben Weaver, and Austin Smith. Additionally, we also had a work party going on to put up shelving in the Team Continental container. Bob Smethers led that effort, with Don Smethers, Dennis Roberts, and Tony Hauser all helping out with that project.



Erin Wilson was our starter.



Brian Bogdon, Jim Larfield, Eric Howell



Brian Bogdon, his black Mustang, and Greg Silvey's Mustang.



Chris Nordhaus and his ZL1 Camaro Convertible. Very cool roll-bar in this car!



Many nice cars in attendance. Jim Larfield chats with owners.



Nice view looking south across the paddock. Clouds were dramatic looking, but the day was dry.

Team Continental Board Meeting Minutes

Laurelwood Brewery-Portland, OR
April 5th, 2017



President, Scott Olsen called this meeting to order at 7:01pm.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

President, Scott Olsen: No report.

Past President, Ben Weaver: Absent

Vice President, Jim Larfield: No report.

Membership Director, Dennis Roberts: We currently have 95 members. I sent 65 reminder letters and got back 14 renewals. We have a new member Mike O'Harrow from the March Driver's Training event.

Driving Master, Dylan Olsen: Our first event at ORP went without a hitch. We made money! Thank you Kevin for all of your help!

Race Chairman, Bob Smethers: We had a TC work party on March 25th for those that did not participate in the Driver's Training event. Scott and Dylan delivered the shelving so Tony Hauser, Dennis Roberts, Ben Weaver and I could assemble and install them in the container. We also hauled away the Golf Cart. Don Smethers went out to ORP early to assess the break in the asphalt that affects timing and scoring. We temporarily filled it with sand until ORP can repair it properly. We have changed the ORP Worksheet to include 2 ambulances instead of just one for the upcoming race event in August. We are ready for Stacey to send the down payment to ORP. We have the race schedule finished for the 2-day format. We are currently looking at the entry fee being \$475 for both days and Saturday's Enduro at \$150 and Sunday's Hare and Hound also at \$150. Scott asked Bob to please forward all Board Member's a copy of the budget. Bob said that was fine. Bob has a sponsor for 6 new Fire Extinguishers. Ken Sutherland with Wyatt Fire Protection has graciously donated these with a value of \$720.

Secretary, Darcy Olsen: No report.

Treasurer, Stacey Smith: Absent but Kevin filled in for her. He reports that the preliminary results for the Driver's Training are income of \$6313.50, expenses of \$5640.00, so we have a profit of \$673.50. ICSCC sent TC an invoice for the materials that were given to Bob at the RATS Meeting. This expense was expected and Stacey will pay the \$80.00 when she returns home.

Executive Board Rep, Carl Clinton: ICSCC needs us to decide how we want to vote on a rule change proposal changing the age of bicycle riders in the paddock from 16 to 12. The consensus is that we will vote in favor, but knowing that ORP has a policy of it's own, we can use the Race Supplemental to address this at our event held at ORP.

Communications Director, Pete Belfanti: Absent but sent items for President, Scott Olsen to address regarding the Skip Day Track Day event that he is putting on at PIR in June. After much discussion the BOD decided that these items need to be kept separate from Team Continental.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Membership: Dennis and Joe are working on ideas to increase membership and participation. Dennis has put together a list of past members and put this on Excel which he has given to Kevin. Joe is working on a letter that he will give to Kevin and Kevin will send this out. It was suggested that we send this letter out to the current membership as well in hopes that we can get them more involved.

By-Law Committee: Jim reports that he will hold another By-laws Committee Meeting on April 13th at Columbia River Brewery at 7pm. We have big stuff to talk about!

OLD BUSINESS:

Bill Murray inquired of Dylan if we received any Driver Participation Questionnaires back from our Driver's Training event and the response was that we received 3 back.

NEW BUSINESS:

Scott announced that we are having a Memorial Service for Chris Billing's at PIR on the 14th of April at 5:30 at the outer track area at turn 6. SCCA is running an event that weekend and is aware and has approved this.

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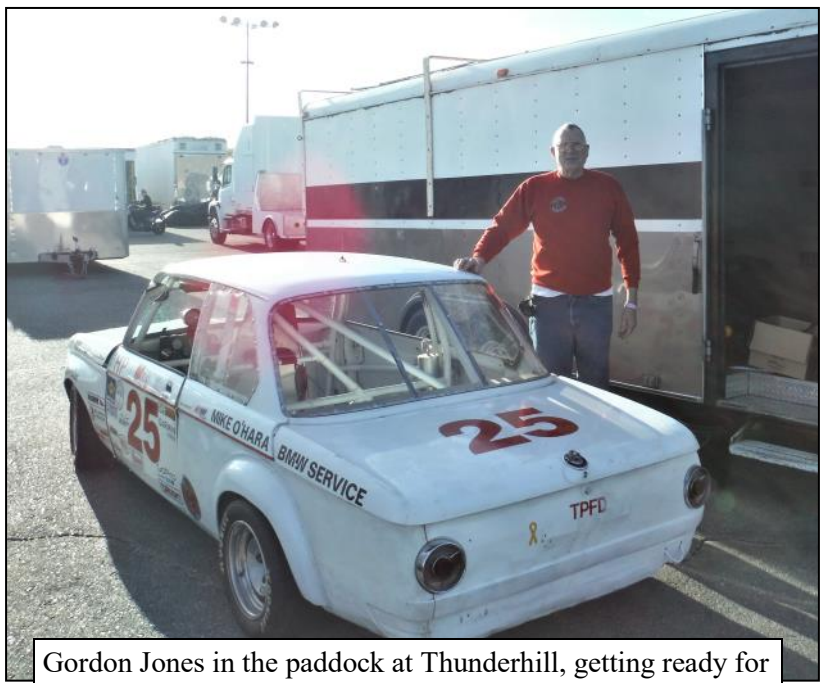
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A motion to adjourn this meeting was made by Kevin Smith and seconded by Dylan Olsen. Meeting adjourned at 8:30.

Respectfully submitted,
Darcy Olsen, TC Secretary



Three Generations of Harris competed in the SCCA July 3, 2016 SRF race. From left: Grand-son Calvin, Bill, and son Todd Harris. Congratulations to all three generations of racers.



Gordon Jones in the paddock at Thunderhill, getting ready for 1st of two SCCA Majors the weekend of April 1st-2nd, 2017



Skip Yocom at ICSCC season opener, April 30th, 2016, Portland.

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