



**Canadian Automobile Sport Clubs – Ontario Region**  
2021 Annual General Meeting Minutes  
Held Virtually on January 15, 2022, at 1 pm, for the 2021 Period

**CASC-OR Board of Directors in Attendance**

Brad Shimbashi Vice-President, Scott Ellsworth Secretary and Webmaster, Anne McCallum, Treasurer; Ray Arlauskas Race Director, Kevin Wong Time Attack Director, Steven Day Autoslalom Director, Brad Elkins Ice Race Director, Robin Buck Karting Director

**Registered Delegates in Attendance:**

Bryan Rashleigh BARC, Bob Stiver BEMC, Darrell Briggs CRCA, Mike Nilson DAC, Deborah Johnston, MMS, Stephen Rocque OSCC, Stan East SCC, Rob McAuley TAC, Steve Walker TKC, Lynda Day TLMC, Dave Good VARAC

**Additional Members and Guests in Attendance:**

Terry Dale OSCC, Dale Pasternak OSCC, Steve Tong MSOC, Ted Michalos VARAC, Gary Vernon SPDA/TAC, Ivano Di Pietro SPDA, Mavis and George Burnham TLMC

The Vice-President called the meeting to order at 1:02 PM.

**Welcome from the Vice-President** Brad Shimbashi, Vice President, welcomed all the members in attendance (Brad was acting on behalf of Gunter Schmidt who was unable to make the meeting due to health concerns)

Members of the CASC Board present were introduced

CASC Members introduced themselves

Guests introduced themselves

Scott Ellsworth was appointed secretary for the meeting, who advised the attendees that the meeting was being recorded for later transcription

Scrutineers were not appointed as voting would be performed by show of hands given the virtual nature of the meeting

Statement of Quorum: The Secretary reported that Quorum was met as 11 of 22 clubs and 62% of possible votes were represented at the meeting.

**Acceptance of the 2020 AGM minutes**

A motion to accept the 2020 AGM minutes was made by Kevin Wong, seconded by Ray Arlauskas, minutes were accepted as presented.

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## Year in Review

Reports were presented by the following board members:

- President – Gunter Schmidt (read by Brad Shimbashi)
- Vice-President – Brad Shimbashi
- Secretary and Webmaster – Scott Ellsworth
- Treasurer – Anne McCallum
- Race Director – Ray Arlauskas
- Karting Director – Robin Buck
- Ice Race Director – Brad Elkin
- Time Attack Director – Kevin Wong
- Autoslalom Director – Steven Day

### Discussion Surrounding Directors' Reports:

**President's Report:** COVID closed the office for the entire 2021 season and the office administrator Deb Johnston worked from home with a reduction in efficiency. A lot of effort was put in (along with Robin Buck, Karting Director) to integrate karting into CASC-OR. Thanks to all the volunteers and competitors who made the 2021 season a success.

**Vice President's Report:** First thanks to Gunter for all his efforts and contributions to motorsport in Ontario. We have retained sponsorship from Pirelli, Braidan, Pagid, Polito Ford, and others are presently under negotiation.

**Secretary/Webmasters Report:** Minutes being taken and distributed. Maintaining and securing the two principal websites and virtual servers was the main webmaster activity. More and more people are contributing on the main www website as intended which is appreciated. Scott thanked Stephen Day, Val DiPietro, and Richard Muise for their Forums work, Stephen said most of work was done by Val and Richard.

**Treasurer's Report:** Anne presented a Financial Report for 2021. CASC-OR was profitable overall mostly driven by race division. Insurance was sold and paid for through CASC-OR for the first time in 2021. Karting was allocated 10% of the administrative expenses subject to review of the admin work related to karting.

**Race Report:** COVID continued to impact racing with the cancellation of the first two regional events. Once it got rolling the year was generally successful. Race groups were generally strong, Libre could use more entries. The 2023 schedule was presented. Paul Subject named as the new Chief Instructor and his efforts helped with getting new licensees.

**Karting Report:** Formed a karting committee made up of track owners to guide and grow karting in Ontario. Working on building trust between kart tracks and competitors and following the guidelines of GDS-ASN for karting in Ontario. Excited about 2022 season.

**Time Attack Report:** Lost school plus first event due to COVID. Ran a successful championship despite that. Strong marketing results through social media. Recognized the club time attack leaders.

**Autoslalom Report:** Slow start due to COVID with school and events cancelled. Three clubs eventually hosted eight events. Safety was a concern with some near misses then a major incident at an autoslalom event, thankfully without injury. Safety will be paramount in Autoslalom in 2022 given that it takes place in public settings.

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**Ice Race Report:** 2021 Ice Racing season was completely lost to COVID. 2022 season is planned and hopeful of being able to go forward.

**Other Business**

Deb Johnston has resigned to take a position at a health services company and we wish her well in her new endeavour. She will continue to support CASC on a part time basis while the board works on a replacement. We sincerely thank Deb for all of her efforts on behalf of CASC-OR over the last 10 plus years.

Plans are in place to ensure continuity of service for memberships, licensing and insurance for the ice race season.

Clubs and members should continue to email [office@casc.on.ca](mailto:office@casc.on.ca) which will be monitored by a group of board members.

**Elections**

Brad turned the Elections and voting portion of the meeting over to Scott Ellsworth.

The offices up for election were:

- President for one-year term
- Secretary for two year term
- Race Director for two year term
- Autoslalom Director for two year term

No nominating committee was struck for the 2021 election.

Scott advised that several nominations were received by email prior to the meeting

VARAC nominated Ted Michalos for the position of President.

VARAC nominated Brad Shimbashi for the position of Vice President

BARC nominated Scott Ellsworth for the position of Secretary

VARAC nominated Ray Arlauskas for the position of Race Director

A request was made for nominations from the floor for the position of President. No nominations were made from the floor. Nominations were closed. Ted Michalos VARAC was acclaimed as the President of CASC-OR for a one-year term.

A request was made for nominations from the floor for the position of Vice President. No nominations were made from the floor. Nominations were closed. Brad Shimbashi VARAC was acclaimed as the Vice President of CASC-OR for a two-year term.

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A request was made for nominations from the floor for the position of Autoslalom Director. No nominations were made from the floor. It was moved that the board seek a person to fill the position.

Brad turned the meeting over to Ted Michalos as the new President.

Ted thanked Gunter Schmidt for all his efforts. Similarly, he thanked Deb Johnston for her continuing support for CASC-OR.

He noted our first concern was supporting the imminent ice racing season.

A Presidents Meeting will be scheduled virtually, most likely in April, to present direction, goals and objectives for 2022.

Anne McCallum noted that a motion would be welcomed ratifying the actions of the Board of Directors.

A motion to ratify the board's actions was made by Mike Nilson DAC, Stan East of SCC seconded. All in favour. None opposed. Carried.

Ray Arlauskas mentioned that the Motorama show was going to include the Ontario road racing class champions in their Night Of Champions when the show can be held (it may be held on a delayed basis)

Brad Shimbashi felt that CASC-OR needed to have a social media person. Ted responded that there would be a search undertaken for a communications person for CASC-OR in the near future.

Stan East SCC asked for an update on the status and activities of GDS-ASN and how the regions are working with GDS-ASN and one another. Ted responded that communication from GDS-ASN has been sporadic in 2021 and he planned to reach out to GDS-ASN.

**Motion to Adjourn:** made by Darrell Briggs CRCA, seconded by Bryan Rashleigh BARC. The meeting Adjourned at 1:59 pm.