



Canadian Automobile Sports Clubs – Ontario Region

2025 Race Workshop

October 25, 2025

Agenda

1) Opening remarks and introductions

2) 2025 review

3) Topics for discussion

4) 2026 Planning



1. Opening remarks and Introductions

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2. 2025 Review

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2. 2025 Review

- I. Report from Regional Chief Instructor
- II. Report from Regional Chief Scrutineer
- III. Report from the Regional Executive Steward
- IV. Report from the FL-FC Task Force
- V. Detailed review of results from the Race Director



2. (I) Chief Instructor's Report

Chris Lawson
Regional Chief Instructor



2. (I) Chief Instructor's Report

The Role of the Regional Chief Coach/Instructor

- CASC-OR Coach/Instructors
- Licence Activities
- Accreditation of Racing Schools
- Observations/Marshal Observation Program
- Granting of single event waivers
- Race Medicals



2. (I) Chief Instructor's Report

Licence Activities

- I work closely with Jennifer at the CASC-OR office for the granting of A licences, interviewing and approving new B licence holders, A licence upgrades and licence reinstatements.
- In 2025:
 - A Licenses Granted – 234 (222) licence holders
 - B Licence Drivers Granted – 122 (121) licence holders



2. (I) Chief Instructor's Report

Accreditation of Race Licence Schools

I work closely with accredited CASC-OR race schools

- Association des Instructeurs de Sport Automobile (AISA) Race Academy (Calabogie)
- Brack Driving Concepts (Shannonville)
- BMW Trillium (CTMP)
- Auto Eclectic Motorsports – new for 2025



2. (I) Chief Instructor's Report

Observations/Marshal Observation Program

- Observations are done for a variety of reasons – mostly for new drivers, licence upgrades and on occasion for driver reviews as requested by race officials such as the Race Director, the Stewards and the Clerk of the Course.
- Observations are completed using talents of the Marshals, the Stewards, and the Clerk of the Course.



2. (I) Chief Instructor's Report

Granting of Single Event Waivers

- I work closely with the Registrar to grant special one Event waivers to selected drivers from other racing organizations that do not have reciprocal licence status with CASC-OR, or require special permission to participate in a CASC-OR Event.



2. (I) Chief Instructor's Report

Race Medicals

- Working closely with CTMP Medical Director Dr. Christi Kim and Dr. Bill Liang.
- We setup a race medical clinic in March 2025 in Burlington, Ontario.
- Plans are to run another day in 2026



2. (I) Chief Instructor's Report

- Any questions?
- Comments?



2. (II) Chief Scrutineer's report

John Bordin
Acting Regional Chief Scrutineer
(regrets)



2. (III) Regional Executive Steward's Report

Richard Muise

Regional Executive Steward



2. (III) Regional Executive Steward's Report

1.Volunteers & Recruitment

2.Driver Conduct & Driver Rights

3.Improvements

4.2026 Regulations

5.Q&A



2. (III) Regional Executive Steward's Report

Volunteers & recruitment

- It takes an army of volunteers to run a race weekend.
 - Registration, paddock/parking, scrutineering, pit lane, false grid, flaggers, pace car, Race Control, stewards, competitor services, organizers.
 - Roughly 1:2 to 2:3 ratio of volunteers to competitors.
- Need to have continuous infusion of new volunteers.
- Especially valuable are racers and crew who might be available on a weekend, even if just for a few hours.
- Recruiting email will be sent early next year.
- Other opportunities: Motorama, QR codes, social media.



2. (III) Regional Executive Steward's Report

Driver Conduct & Competitors' Rights

- Everyone wants to have fair and consistent officiating.
- Not everything is reported to Race Control for further actions.
 - We do not have infinite volunteers.
- If you feel something was not properly addressed, please bring your enquiry to the Clerk.
 - Not everything gets reported to Race Control.
 - If something wasn't right, don't assume it was reported.
 - Reporting after a weekend leaves officials with no recourse to address concerns.



2. (III) Regional Executive Steward's Report

Improvements

- A penalty guideline document for officials and competitors.
- Discussing how to better access Chief officials to report an issue.
 - Positioning an official in the paddock to take enquiries.
 - Online reporting system like VARAC.
 - Communications tools like text messaging, WhatsApp or Sportity.



2. (III) Regional Executive Steward's Report

2026 Race Regs

- Asking for feedback by end of October.
- Draft available in December for review, and official publication once approved.
- Changes under discussion
 - New SA2025 helmet. SA2015 helmets will expire Dec 31, 2026.
 - Update Miata Canada Cup to more closely match SCCA.
 - Introduce PIRELLI Tire Super Touring GTU class for cars faster than 1m23 @ CTMP.



2. (III) Regional Executive Steward's Report

Questions?

Comments?



2. (IV) Report on the FL – FC Task Force

Paul Subject

Formula Drivers' Rep

VARAC VP Formula Classic



2. (IV) Report on the FL – FC Task Force

- Over the past several years, the Formula Classic/Formula Libre (FC/FL) grid has been declining and was not generating sufficient numbers to justify the class:
 - In 2022 the average FC/FL grid was 17.3 race cars per race weekend
 - In 2023 the average FC/FL grid was 14.6 race cars per race weekend
 - In 2024 the average FC/FL grid was 13.6 race cars per race weekend
- In January of 2025, Pat Cyr, CASC-OR Race Director, asked me to spearhead a task force to build the grid of FC/FL grid, this coincided with my election to the VARAC Board as VP of Formula Classic.
- The plan developed to form a task force to build the FC/FL grids.



2. (IV) Report on the FL – FC Task Force

The Steps for the FC/FL Task Force in 2025

1. Form a working committee of interested FC/FL drivers with the goal towards building the FC/FL grid.
2. Engage with the F1200's to monitor their future growth and engage in their participation in the FC/FL grid.
3. Canvas FC/FL car owners using the VARAC and CASC-OR driver database to determine their interest in participating in the FC/FL grid.



2. (IV) Report on the FL – FC Task Force

4. Revisit the VARAC Drivers Challenge points layout to determine if it will have any impact on improving FC grid numbers.
5. Review the number and location of FC/FL events to optimize grid numbers.
6. Reach out to the regional race groups and clubs to determine the opportunity for cross participation on the FC/FL grid.
7. Work closely with CASC-OR and the local clubs to develop joint and alternative strategies to build the FC/FL grid.



2. (IV) Report on the FL – FC Task Force

Accomplishments of the FC/FL Task Force

1. Form an FC/FL working committee: The Formula Classic/Formula Libre Task Force had its first meeting on the 31st of March and has met every month since. Key accomplishments: reaching out to the FC/FL community to stimulate attendance, setting up a For Sale/For Rent page on t the CASC-OR and VARAC websites, completing the Drivers Orientation Program video for FC/FL drivers which will be loaded to the VARAC YouTube channel this fall
2. Engage with the F1200's: We regularly have 8 to 10 F1200's on the FC/FL grid which has helped build the FC/FL grid numbers.



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3. Canvas FC car owners using the VARAC and CASC-OR driver database: We reached out to 30 FC drivers and 20 FL drivers via email to set up phone interviews, we were successful in talking with 17 FC drivers and 6 FL drivers about their interest in participating on the FC/FL grid – we received some excellent feedback resulting in actions for the FC/FL Task Force to undertake.
4. Revisit the VARAC Drivers Challenge points layout & reviewing the number and location of VARAC FC events: we worked with Dave Good, VARAC to update the VARAC Drivers Challenge point of the FC drivers.



2. (IV) Report on the FL – FC Task Force

5. Review the number FC/FL events to optimize grid numbers: we worked closely Pat Cyr to reduce the number of FC/FL race weekends to build the FC/FL grid numbers.
6. Reach out to the regional race groups and clubs to determine the opportunity for cross participation on the FC/FL grid. We regularly sent out emails and had in person conversations to stimulate FC/FL grid participation.



2. (IV) Report on the FL – FC Task Force

7. Work closely with the CASC-OR and the local clubs:
 - Work closely with Pat Cyr and interface with local clubs to build/develop new drivers for the FC/FL grids – we have 6 new drivers across the FC/FL grids this season.
 - We are developing the CASC-OR Open Wheel Invitational July 24th to 26th, 2026 – this work is ongoing



2. (IV) Report on the FL – FC Task Force

- In 2025, the FC/FL grid averaged 19.5 race cars per grid, up substantially from the 2024 average FC/FL grid of 13.6 race cars per race weekend.
- Our plan in 2026 is to continue the work of the FC/FL Task Force by:
 - focusing on getting more new drivers into open wheel cars by continuing to promote the open wheel race cars for sale or rent and having spring test days at Toronto Motorsports Park in a variety of open wheel cars for prospective drivers.
 - Promoting the CASC-OR Open Wheel Invitational July 24th to 26th, 2026



2. (IV) Report on the FL – FC Task Force

Any questions?



2. 2025 Review

Pat Cyr
CASC-OR Race Director

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How did we do in 2025?

2025 RACE WORKSHOP



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- We held a 6 event series in 2025 with activities at:
 - Canadian Tire Motorsport Park (CTMP)
 - Shannonville Motorsports Park (SMP)
 - Calabogie Motorsport Park (CMP)

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- Plus...
- The Miata Canada Cup was a support race at the Ontario Honda Dealers Indy - Toronto

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2. (III) 2025 Detailed review

- Performed a detailed analysis of 2025 (24) CASC – OR entries
 - GT Sprints 134 (108) entrants – 291 (244) entries or 2.2 (2.3) per driver
 - Miata Canada Cup 35 (34) entrants – 97 (88) entries or 2.8 (2.6) per driver
 - FL (Libre, F4, Rad) 23 (29) entrants – 72 (31) entries or 3.1 (1.1) per driver
 - FPC 36 (27) entrants – 43 (42) entries or 1.2 (1.6) per driver
 - VARAC (VH, CL, FC) 147 (153) entrants – 188 (161) entries or 1.3 (1.1) per driver
 - F1600 (4 events) 29 (34) entrants – 75 (75) entries or 2.4 (2.2) per driver
 - Overall 404 (379) entrants – 766 (644) entries or 1.9 (1.7) per driver



2. (III) 2025 Detailed review

- Average entry in 2025 was 118 (106) cars per event



2. (III) 2025 Detailed review

- Here is what an average entry looked like in 2025 (2024):

• GT1-2	20 (17) cars
• GT3-5	28 (24) cars
• Miata	24 (22) cars
• FL/F4/FC	18 (14) cars
• VH	13 (10) cars
• CL	15 (10) cars
• F1600 (4 events)	19 (19) cars
• FPC	8 (10) cars



2. (III) 2025 Detailed review

- Here is what we'd like to see in 2026:
 - GT1-2 20 cars
 - GT3-5 25 cars
 - Miata 25 cars
 - FC/FL/F4 20 cars
 - VH 15 cars
 - CL 15 cars
 - F1600 (4 events) 20 cars
 - FPC 12 cars



2. (III) 2025 Detailed review

Topics from the Race Director

- Growth in numbers – enhancing the overall experience
- Presence/awareness off the race track
- Super Touring Split – new GTU for 1.22.999 and faster
- Miata Canada Cup at the CMP NASCAR race in July
- Building the overall race organization/volunteers



2. (III) 2025 Detailed review

Any other items people would like to discuss regarding the 2025 Regional Race Series?



4. 2026 Planning

I. 2026 Regional Race Schedule

- Spring Fling (and school) at SMP TBA
- BEMC Spring Trophy Races at CTMP May 9 - 10
- SMP Cup at SMP May 30 - 31
- *(VARAC Vintage Grand Prix at CTMP)* Jun 18 – 21
- **CASC-OR Touring Races** June 27 - 28
- BARC Open Wheel Invitational Jul 25 - 26
- OSCC Calabogie Summer Classic at CMP Aug 22 – 23
- BEMC Late Summer Trophy Races at CTMP Sep 19 - 20
- Celebration of Motorsport at CTMP Oct 3 - 4

