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The TAC MOTORSPORT CLUB OF TORONTO Incorporated, (known as the "Toronto Autosport Club") is a general interest motorsport club involved in rallying, Solo I, Solo II, ice racing, road racing and social events. Club Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month (**except August & December**) at 8:00 p.m. (currently via ZOOM online). -

NOTE- In-Person Meetings Suspended due to COVID-19 limits.

GUESTS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME !

FIFTH GEAR is the monthly publication of the Toronto Autosport Club. Articles concerning Club members' activities are of special interest and members are encouraged to submit their writings to any member of the Executive or send them to the Editorial Offices. Past issues of FIFTH GEAR are posted for viewing on the club website.

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From The President's Desk

So spring has come to an abrupt end, and summer is here. Ontario Time Attack had their kick-off school this past weekend, along with their first event. We were able to accommodate 30 students and a pile of lappers - possibly a record number of people running at one of our schools.

The students were keen, and while many had track or Autoslalom experience, none had competed with us before. The organizers were impressed with the steadily dropping age of the participants.

We are definitely attracting a younger crowd. This can only be good for the sport, as many of us veterans age out.

It was great to see people who had come out to the Open House at the start of April make it out to the event. The school is a great way to start, and see how OTA events are run.

TAC's next event is the Discover Ontario Car Rally. The DOCR will run on June 25. As usual, it goes on the longest Saturday in the year. This year, it will run north of Oshawa in and around some very pretty country side.

But that's for the driver to take in, as the navigator will have their head buried in the route book instructions.

Then, the next weekend is the IMSA CTMP/Mosport picnic on July 3. Watch for a flyer in next month's Fifth Gear, and get ready to sign up. The last time we did this was in 2019, so I expect people will be very keen!

We've all heard about supply shortages and shipping delays. This has been a huge problem for anyone waiting for a new car. A friend finally got her new Toyota this week, after ordering it in November. This is definitely not unusual.

Used car prices have shot up, because some people just can't wait. This same friend was replacing her Corolla after it was rear-ended. Her insurance gave her what they considered a fair settlement, but it was about \$3,000 short of the cost of a comparable vehicle as seen in AutoTrader. Instead, she bought a Sentra, used. She really wanted a Toyota, so after a few months of owning the Sentra, she visited the Toyota dealership. They offered her about \$1,000 less for the Sentra than she had paid for it. She could keep it until her new car arrived.

She was upset that she was taking a loss on the Sentra, but I reminded her that she would be getting about 4 months of use out of it for the loss of \$1,000. She still decided keep the car. Now that her new car is in, Sentras are selling for about \$4,000 more than she paid for it. The market is so hot, that used cars are almost as expensive as new cars.

So, plan ahead, and get that new car on order months before you need it!

Rob
TAC President

TAC 2022 EVENTS CALENDAR

DATE	CATEGORY	EVENT DESCRIPTION	CLUB
<hr/> May 2022 <hr/>			
18	Meeting	ONLINE: TAC Monthly Club Meeting, ZOOM	TAC
22	F1	GRAN PREMIO DE ESPAÑA (Barcelona)	
27-28	Rally-CRC	Rocky Mountain Rally, Kananaskis AB	CSCC
29	F1	GRAND PRIX DE MONACO (Monte Carlo)	
29	INDY	INDY 500, Indianapolis Motor Speedway	
<hr/> June 2022 <hr/>			
4-5	Regional Race	SMP CUP; at SMP	
4	RallyCross	PMSC Rallycross	PMSC
5	INDY	The Raceway at Belle Isle Park	
11	TimeAttack	Ontario Time Attack Event #2, TMP/Toronto Motorsports Park	
11	RallyCross	KWRC Rallycross, Eaglesnest Motorsport Park, Ohsweken	KWRC
12	F1	AZERBAIJAN GRAND PRIX (Baku City, Azerbaijan)	
12	INDY	Road America	
15	Meeting	ONLINE: TAC Monthly Club Meeting, ZOOM	TAC
16-19	Vintage	VARAC Vintage Grand Prix, CTMP (Mosport)	VARAC
19	F1	CANADIAN GP (Montreal)	
19	RallyCross	MLRC Rallycross, Free-Flow MX Park, Belleville	MLRC
25	Rally-ORRC	Discover Ontario Car Rally, - See Flyer- North of Oshawa	TAC
25-26	Race	Lucky Dog Canada Endurance Race Calabogie	LDC
25	Rallycross	PMSC Rallycross	PMSC
<hr/> July 2022 <hr/>			
1-3	Rally-CRC	Rallye Baie des Chaleurs, New Richmond, Quebec	CRAB
3	F1	UNITED KINGDOM GRAND PRIX (Silverstone)	
3	Social	TAC at CTMP Sports Car GP Weekend ; FAMOUS TAC BBQ	TAC
3	INDY	Mid Ohio	
9	RallyCross	KWRC Rallycross, Eaglesnest Motorsport Park, Ohsweken	KWRC
10	F1	AUSTRIAN GRAND PRIX (Spielberg)	
16	TimeAttack	Ontario Time Attack School #2, CTMP/Mosport GP Track	
16	Rallycross	PMSC Rallycross Free-Flow MX Park, Belleville	PMSC

More events to appear as 2022 Schedules are released.

For more information on any event, please contact the organizing club or sanctioning body directly.



DISCOVER ONTARIO CAR RALLY

Saturday, June 25th, 2022

The Discover Ontario is the fourth round of the Ontario Road Rally Cup. This is a **beginner-friendly** event that is a great introduction to the sport of rallying. Any licensed car can compete and there are no car-breaker roads. All you need is a clipboard and pens, and a settable clock. Straightforward, easy-to-follow route book instructions are specifically designed to introduce newcomers to the fun of navigational rallying.

Approximately 180 km of entertaining back roads.

There are two classes of competition: Novice and Expert.

Never rallied before?

No problem. There are many resources available to help you get started:

- Rally Sport Ontario has some good [resources](#)
- Gail Walker has made a [collection of articles](#) about some of the types of instructions you may encounter. These also include many types that the more experienced classes could see as well, so don't be afraid!
- You can even see some of the instructions from previous runnings of the Discover Ontario:

2015	Novice Intermediate/Expert	2014	Novice Intermediate/Expert	2013	Novice Intermediate/Expert
2012	Novice Intermediate/Expert	2011	Novice Intermediate Expert	2010	Novice Intermediate/Expert
2009	Novice Intermediate Expert	2007	Novice Intermediate Expert	2006	Novice Intermediate Expert
2005	Novice Intermediate/Expert	2004	Novice Intermediate Expert		

Registration Information

At registration you will need to show proof of ownership of the vehicle, or have a letter from the owner specifically stating that you have permission to enter this rally. If a minor is participating in the rally, the legal guardian must sign a release form or you must have a letter of permission from the legal guardian.

Start Location:

To Be Announced - Likely the Oshawa Area

Beginner's School

A Beginner's School will be held prior to the rally. If you have never rallied before, this is a chance to understand some of the basic rules to get you started in rallying.

Pre-registration is available on the RSO web site [here](#).

For information, please contact Brooke: brooke@brooke.net or 905 764-1833.

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Visit the store at

<http://www.cafepress.com/torontoautosportclubgear>



Toronto Autosport Club - Executive Conference Call Meeting Minutes May 4, 2022

Call time: 8:20 pm via ZOOM

Participants: Graham, Brooke, Nick, & Ingrid

Regrets: Claire, Gary & Rob

President:

Absent. Today is his birthday, so we will excuse him. Happy Birthday!

We've got 589 followers on Facebook.

Membership: 89 members: 6 life, 49 primary, 34 family

Treasurer:

Account Balances:

PayPal	\$ 135,04
Tangerine	\$ 20,585.95
RBC	\$ 6,071.97

Competition:

Time Attack - school & first event are next weekend, everything seems to be in control

Ice Racing - next committee meeting is May12.

DOCR - June 25, 2022, looking for volunteers

Social - BBQ at Mosport SportsCar Grand Prix race July 3. Details to come.

Old Business -

New Business -

Adjourned at 8:30 pm

Minutes by I. Beck



Membership Application

Mail: 148 Tamarack Drive,
Thornhill, Ontario, L3T 4X4

Email: registrar@torontoautosportclub.ca

- New Members – Single or Family \$40
 Renewal Members – Single or Family \$30 or \$25 Early

(You may PAY ON-LINE or by Cash or Cheque; Please see below...)

- TAC Membership includes CASC-OR (Race, Solo) & RSO (Rally) affiliation for the year
- Family rate is limited to family members domiciled at the same mailing address.
- Renewals : Indicate membership number [#] (if known)
- Assigned membership numbers will be reserved until February 1st.
- All memberships and affiliations expire December 31.
- Please be aware that membership data may be shared with CASC-OR and/or Rallysport Ontario.

Date _____

1st Member _____ [#] email _____

Address _____ Home Phone (____) _____

_____ Bus. Phone (____) _____

Province _____ Postal Code _____

2nd (Family) Member _____ [#] email _____

3rd Family Member _____ [#] email _____

4th Family Member _____ [#] email _____

5th Family Member _____ [#] email _____

PAYMENT METHOD:

Cash Cheque # _____ PayPal Other TOTAL \$: _____

To pay by PAYPAL/Credit Card, please visit the Club website at: www.torontoautosportclub.ca.

This Application Form must also be filled out and submitted so we have your information.

You should begin receiving the FIFTH GEAR newsletter by email within 2 months.

FIFTH GEAR is also available on the website.

TAC works only because volunteers make autosport happen!

So that we know *your* interests (and where you can help out) and can therefore plan the right mix of events – please complete the information checklists below ...

Please indicate your autosport interests for the coming year :

- TimeAttack (Solo 1)
- Autoslalom (Solo 2)
- Navigational rallying
- Performance rallying
- Road racing
- Vintage Racing
- Ice racing
- Karting

Please indicate three areas that you can help with this year :

- Solo (1/2) organizer / worker
- Road Rally/Ralliette organizer
- Contract Rally organizer
- Rally Checkpoint/Green-crew
- Social Event Organizer
- Ice race organizer / worker
- Event timing / scoring
- Performance Rally organizer