

# On-Track

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## **ADS WANTED:**

Membership does have its benefits.

All members are encouraged to send in a business card ad to On-Track to promote their business. This is included in your fees. JPEG or EPS are fine.

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## **REMINDER:**

On-Track is now FULLY DIGITAL!

Please email
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Pat McDiarmid to
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Track1Mom@yahoo.ca

Printed copies will be available at the Monthly Meetings.

# CHANGE IN MONTHLY MEETING LOCATION

Meetings are held the first Tuesday of each new month and are a great opportunity for club members to socialize and review the events of the sport.

# Our new meeting location is at the Lone Star, 930 Dixon Road between the 427 and Carlingview.

The service is great, no hassle with separate bills and the food is wonderful. We brought out some memorabilia from past INDYs to show those that attended our July meeting.

Please try to attend our next meeting on August 2 at the Lone Star

Typically a meeting consists of overviews of chages to racing rules, past and future racing events, social events, buy and sell, racing videos and any other current points of interest.

Guests are always welcome! Come early for a great meal and socializing.

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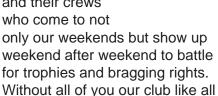
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## From the 'Pres'

With BARC's busiest year underway I would like to express my deepest appreciation to all of those club members who have

volunteered their time and efforts both on and off the track, to your board members who have worked diligently together to oversee the workings of the club, to the racers and their crews who come to not



the others would never survive.

Our combined race day with DAC at Shannonville - although not heavily attended went off without a hitch, and our BARC Canada

Grand Prix event at Mosport although getting off to a bit of a slow start went by far too quickly.

Remember that BARC is always looking for volunteers so contact any member of our BARC Board

of Directors and they will put you or your friends in touch with the right person.

Also, remember anyone can add

articles, pictures or comments to our newsletter. We always look forward to hearing from you.

See you at the Track.

Mike McDiarmid President & TRS



On July 2nd at the BARC Canada Day Grand Prix of Ontario there was a very special flag that was flown to start the races, and for the GT race, it was waved proudly by someone special to the club:

Member Steve Moore.

Steve has just nicely returned home from a year's deployment training the Afghan police overseas and flew this particular flag at all three bases he was stationed at.

He contacted me just before returning and asked if BARC would like to use the flag for the event and naturally, there were no objections.

On behalf of the club I would like to welcome Steve back and thank him for the hard work he and his fellow officers put in to help others.

Amy Harrison
On-Track Editor

# **Membership Report**



Our membership continues to climb with lots of new members joining and "old" (sorry bout that phrase) members returning as of the end of June we had a count of 197 members.

Welcome to the club: Michael Chlumecky, Tom Beale, Charles Litterest, Marek Petruczynik, Michael Mazzaferro, Trent Hindman, Garrett Grist, Max De Angelis, Michael Lati David Taylor, Robert Stammers, Andrew Litterest, George Sheppard and Nelson Mason.

Remember to talk to all your friends get them to come out and see what a great club we are. Any questions, feel free to contact any one of our Board Members (www. barc-oc.com) and they will be happy to point you in the right direction.

Pat McDiarmid Membership Secretary

# **HMCS Charlottetown Libya Deployment**



Former British Automobile Racing Club member Jim Whorley is a Sub Lieutenant on the HMCS Charlottetown which has been on deployment to the Mediterranean since March of 2011 as part of a UN mission to protect civilians in Libya. Jim is the son of Keith Whorley, BARC'S Treasurer and Board member. The HMCS Charlottetown has played a leading role in enforcing United Nations Security Resolution 1973 and the Charlottetown made headlines in early June when rockets were fired upon the ship. It was the first time a Canadian ship had received enemy fire since the Korean War and the ship was not hit or its crew harmed.

When Jim was a member of BARC he worked Pit Lane at both Mosport and at the Toronto Indy. One of Jim's more memorable moments is when he was working at the Indy. As he was standing at the Pit wall he felt a hand on his shoulder, which was being used by

someone as support, as they went over the wall. Jim turned around to see who it was and to his surprise it was Paul Newman who turned around and gave Jim a thank you smile. Jim also likes Ice Racing and would like to get back to Ontario for one of the many fun weekends we have in Minden. Another fun experience for Jim was when he was walking through mock grid at Minden and he started to talk to Nick Majors about racing on studded tires. Nick invited him to join him as a passenger so that he could get a first hand experience. Basically Jim's comment after the ride was "can they move!" Thanks Nick.

Jim's wife Karen, daughter
Marissa and son Max live in Lower
Sackville, Nova Scotia. Jim had an
opportunity to visit Monaco when
on shore leave and the one photo
is of his son Max wearing a F1
racing suit which Jim had
purchased while in Monaco. He
thought grandfather Keith would

enjoy that and he most certainly did.

BARC has been a supporter of our Armed Forces and has demonstrated it's appreciation for the sacrifices being made on behalf of all Canadians. The British Automobile Racing Club, Ontario would like to thank Jim and the crew of the HMCS Charlottetown for their sacrifices and the important work they are performing in protecting civilians in Libya. May they have continued success on their mission and our best wishes for a safe journey home.

Keith Whorley Treasurer

## **HEARD AT THE TRACK**

From a Driver:
"I didn't see the first checkered flag!"

From an Official:
"If it is not the right answer, it is the Official answer."

Stewards' rule enforced in the UK:
"You ought to have known what he was about to do!"

## From the Grids

The 2011 season is well under way for the BARC Grid Crew.
Starting on the long weekend in May at Mosport with the Victoria Day Shootout (and my birthday, thanks to all who mentioned it LOL) with the World Speed, Trans Am and CCTC., a one day event at Shannonville for the BARC / DAC joint race, back to Mosport for the VARAC Festival, the NASCAR Vortex Brake Pad 200 (with the Ontario Formula Ford Series) and of course our own Canada Day Grand Prix.

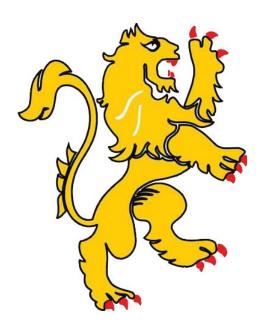
What an amazing start to the year meeting with old friends and working with racers and cars from

all over North America (especially our own regional guys and gals.)

Coming up is the Honda Indy Toronto 2011, always a busy and exciting weekend in the big TO

Our weekends don't stop there.
On July 15 / 16 we're off to
Shannonville for the DAC
weekend, then back to Mosport
with ALMS, World Super Bikes,
BARC and finally Celebration...
.... So stay tuned for reports from
them.

Pat McDiarmid
Grid Chief (AKA Track Mom)



# **Pro Driver Updates**

As I was working with the membership list I thought you'd all like to catch up on our "Pro Drivers" who race outside our regional series. I'm sure a lot of our club members don't realize who is part of our winning Team.

### **ROBERT WICKENS:**

"Robert is recognised as the brightest Canadian driving talents to emerge for two decades, and three years of winning in Europe have set him firmly on the path to becoming a Formula One driver" (from web site) Robert is currently driving in the Formula Renault 3.5 series ranking 2nd place.

## **KYLE MARCELLI:**

Kyle graduated through the ranks of karting, OFFC, Formula 2000 to the world of ALMS, currently driving in the ALMS LMPC series in 9th place with partner Tomy Drissi.

## J.R. FITZPATRICK:

J.R. is currently driving in the NASCAR Nationwide Series with Go Canada Racing #67, NASCAR Camping World Truck Series with the #99 College Complete.com and the NASCAR Canadian Tires Series \$84 for Schick Hydro.

## **DAVID EMPRINGHAM:**

David has driven the Grand Am Series along with several other series and is current a driver coach.

#### RON FELLOWS:

"Canadian Ron Fellows is recognized as one of North Americas most versatile and successful road racing drivers, winning in series from NASCAR to the 24 Hrs. of Le Mans" (from Facebook site)

Ron's latest race was at Road

America in the Bucyrus 200 where he finished 2nd.

In September of this year Ron will be inducted into the Corvette Hall of Fame located at the Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, Kentucky.

This year Ron became co-owner of Mosport International Speedway, along with partners Alan Boughton and Carlo Fidani (Canadian Motorsports Ventures Ltd.)

Next newsletter we'll catch up with our Regional Racers.

Pat McDiarmid

## **BARC Big Christmas Bash 2011**

Well everyone it's already July and we are getting ready for this years' Big Bash. We had such a great turn out last year, and I heard nothing but how much people enjoyed themselves at the 2010 Banquet. Due to the great feedback we got, this years Banquet will be held at the Delta Hotel Toronto East again.

Saturday November 19 2011 is the day you want to mark on your calendars. We will have door prizes. We will also have a raffle for 3 prizes (you will find out the night of the BBCB what they are).

Trophies and awards will be presented to the people who have

worked and done their best all year. Drivers and volunteers alike, have the chance to be honored for all they do for BARC.

If you like to dance, you can ask the DJ to play a song for you and your partner and see how many people you can get to follow your foot steps.

We will be having a Turkey dinner with all the trimmings, Caesar salad, 5 Mushroom soup and a Chocolate dessert that is delicious. Tea and coffee will be served twice, once with desert and once at around 11 pm with some cake.

Tickets will be \$25.00 per person

and will be available starting the middle of September. There are a limited amount of seats, so order your tickets ASAP to make sure you will be there with us.

Keep checking our website for all the details you need to order your tickets. We will have the information up on the web by the end of August. Just remember that tickets will not be available before the middle of September.

Hope to see you there.

Sherry Jones
Social Director

# **BARC** at the Toronto Indy 2011



## ATTENTION BARC MEMBERS - NEW AND "SEASONED"

Auto racing requires the symbiotic relationship between Competitors and Volunteers.

Without Volunteers organizing and working at the track, competitors couldn't race. And, without Competitors, race fans would not have the opportunity to be actively involved in a sport they love and enjoy.

Our Club could not function without the active participation of its Members. If you are a new member, please consider how your participation as a Volunteer could enhance your experience with Regional Racing at Mosport, Shannonville and Calabogie Race Tracks.

Whatever your skills or interests, there are opportunities for you to be involved in the sport of auto racing.

Organizational/Leadership Roles: Race Director, Clerks, Stewards, Registration, Board of Directors.

Direct Interaction with the Drivers, Crews and the Cars: Pit Lane, Mock Grid, Paddock, Podium, Pace Car.

Communications Roles: Radio Communications, Timing, Newsletter and Program, Start/Finish, Judge of Fact, Marketing, Volunteer Recruitment and Retention and many more!

Without Volunteers providing all of these functions and services, auto

racing in Ontario would not exist.

Quality Training is Provided for ALL Volunteer Positions. Currently, there is a great need for:

Scrutineers - If you have always wanted to examine race cars up close and personal, Scrutineers work hands-on, inspecting each of the race cars, talking with the drivers and crews, to ensure each car's compliance with CASC (Canadian Automobile Sports Clubs) safety and race regulation standards;

AND TRS (Track Rescue Services) Crew Members - If you've always wanted to drive on and be as close to the Track as possible, consider working with the TRS (Track Rescue Services) Crew, who roll out whenever crashes or collisions occur on the track, to ensure Drivers' safety, and remove debris as required, to keep the track clear and race ready throughout race events.

BARC Needs and Wants Your Help – If you are a BARC member, please get involved in the action yourself, and invite your family members and/or friends to join you.

Whether you are a Race Lover, a Competitor or Crew member, is there someone you know who might want to be more involved in auto racing? For many couples and families, auto sport racing is a hobby they enjoy together, along with many friends old and new.

See you at the Indy? By becoming actively involved now, you will earn the opportunity to be on the inside at next year's Toronto Honda Indy,

with access to places and parts of the track most people only dream about. BARC has just celebrated 25 years of involvement at the Indy, and only those Volunteers who are active in race delivery throughout the year earn the special honour of being invited to be an Indy Volunteer. Will we see you there next July?

Contact: Nan Einarson, Board Secretary, neinarson@cogeco.ca, or any of the Board of Directors listed inside the front cover of On-Track, to find out more information about how you can help.

# **BARC History**



Discovered in the garage of member Ken Graham.

