



# Confederation of Autosport Car Clubs Meeting Minutes



Type of meeting	Fall Annual General Meeting
Date and time	November 20, 2022 10:00 AM
Location	Zoom Virtual Meeting
Attendees	CACC Executive: David Bell, Doug Floer, Mike Kaerne, Pam Stec, Giff Robb, Al Harvey, Bruce Yeo, Greg Cavouras, John Elliott, Mike Bailey  Other Attendees: Paul Haym, Ray Stec, Rob Weber, Ryan Richman, Scott Adam, Steve Gunner, Terry Hogan, Tracey Pearson, Wade Schmidt, Jim Kurtz, William Kwan, Courtenay Rimaldi, Keith Robinson, Makayla Lubbers, Jovi Adams, Mathieu Dupuis, Mike Currie, Gordon Palmer, Andrew Clouston, Karen Clouston, Angus Glass, Ann Peters, Bruce Stevenson, Gunther Ruppel, Mike Hawthorne, Neil Gustafson
Regrets	Frank Ewald, John Gillespie

## Meeting Minutes

1. Call to order: 10:04 AM
2. Approval of Spring 2022 AGM Minutes – motion to accept without reading and with correction of reference to AGM by Al Harvey, seconded by Mike Kaerne, adopted.
3. Reports from Discipline Directors
  - David Bell – the fall virtual discipline meetings were a success and would like to retain virtual discipline meetings going forward.
  - Executive Steward – Mike Kaerne
    - Full report provided in Appendix A.
    - Andrew Clouston – has a decision been reached on the incident at the last CACC Mission race?
    - Mike Kaerne – Outcome has not been reached. Penalties will be posted on the CACC website.
  - Autoslalom – Giff Robb
    - Discipline meeting December 1, 8 licensees in attendance.
    - 2022 travel assistance plan was well subscribed with 16 participants, 26 trips, just under budget of \$4000
    - Regional series didn't take place due to absence of suitable sites.
    - Have reworked the travel assistance program to ensure it's available to more drivers. Budget remains the same.
    - Presentation of WIM committee seeking assistance to promote women participating in Autoslalom. It was agreed to fund up to \$500 in matching funds. Details to be worked out for spring meeting.
    - Jordan Valgardson has agreed to serve as assistant Autoslalom discipline director, Giff will continue to serve as director.
    - David – congratulations on bringing Street Cats in Cranbrook into the fold
  - Ice Racing – Neil Gustafson
    - Had meeting November 15, two licensees in attendance, no rule changes occurred.

- Speedy Goat is working in cooperation with WCIRABC to host three events but none will be sanctioned through CACC.
- Neil will remain as discipline director.
- Mike Kaerne – disappointed that there won't be any CACC sanctioned events.
- David Bell – we all share your concerns and need more people to step up and help out at events.
- Ryan Richman – we've recently met and will be applying for a permit for a sanctioned CACC ice event at the end of February.
- Doug Floer – will Speedy Goat be applying to become a non-profit and affiliating with the CACC?
- Ryan Richman – no plans at the current time.
- Karting – Scott Adam
  - The discipline meeting was held in October, quorum was met. Bank balance is just over \$6000. Budget for 2023 will be the same at \$1250, travel plan was approved for \$3000, \$2000 allowance for equipment carried over from the previous year. George has resigned and Scott will be taking on the role of karting discipline director.
- Officials – Mike Bailey
  - Held meeting October 25, better attended than in previous years.
  - Have a committee ongoing that is trying to come up with requirements for licensing for other officials. We already have well defined requirements for race officials licenses.
  - David Bell – there is also some money budgeted for clubs to find and train officials. If a club wishes to recruit officials, they can apply to the officials discipline for funding.
- Race – Greg Cavouras
  - Discipline had its meeting on November 5. Rule changes included 1) reverting to old red flag rule, 2) penalties for causing a red flag, 3) Formula Ford spec tire, 4) Civic racing series brakes and spec tires, 5) new class IPE-C for small engine improved production cars. 2023 budget was approved. Greg will be serving as race discipline director, John Gillespie will continue as assistant race discipline director.
- Time Attack – Frank Ewald (absent, written report provided)
  - Knox Mountain Hillclimb was back for 2022, great group of drivers, record spectator turnout, second fastest time on the hill was recorded. Please consider supporting the only hillclimb in Canada this coming May long weekend.
  - VMSC has announced Western Speedway is closed and is looking for alternate venues.
  - No time attack events were held in 2022 but VCMC will be taking steps to host events in 2023.
  - CACC Time Attack license holders will have access to a travel fund that involves ferry travel or significant distance but exclude the hillclimb. CACC Time Attack license holders that volunteer at Knox will have access to a travel fund to offset costs. The CACC Time Attack discipline will be making funding available to all clubs who hold TA events in 2023.
  - CACC Time Attack, lapping and HPDE regulations have been revised for 2023 and are being reviewed with executive board.
  - Frank Ewald will be the 2023 TA discipline director and Mike Esinga will be the TA committee secretary.
- Vintage – John Elliott
  - Discipline meeting was held on November 20 with twelve attendees and three guests. Only rule change was to align medical requirements with race standard.
  - Would like to have more information on the website.
  - Awarded the most valuable contributor to Brent Martin.
  - John Elliott and Larry Sandham will remain as discipline director and assistant DD, respectively.
- Smart Legacy Fund Committee – Mike Kaerne

- Committee will hold a seminar, likely in March, focusing on “racecraft” hosted by someone like Ross Bentley to discuss various techniques to alleviate incidental contact during race events.
  - Women in Motorsport – Courtenay Rimaldi
    - Presentation provide by Courtenay Rimaldi (Appendix C).
    - Mike Currie – can funding for WIM be handled through central source (executive body)?
    - David Bell – the CACC funding model doesn’t provide for funding outside of disciplines.
4. Reports from Affiliated Clubs
- Austin Healey Owners Association of BC – Not in attendance, no report
  - BC Corvette Club – Not in attendance, no report
  - Canadian Classic MG Club/Canadian XK Jaguar Registry – Not in attendance, no report
  - Formula E Vancouver Racing Services Group Club – Not in attendance, no report
  - Fraser Valley British Motor Club – Not in attendance, no report
  - Knox Mountain Motorsport – absent, report submitted by Bryan Fulton, Chairman KMMS
    - KMMS is actively planning the 2023 Knox Mountain Hillclimb on May long weekend. Should have confirmation from Kelowna by early December with registration starting in January.
  - Motorsport Emergency Turnworkers Association – Ann Peters
    - META has 33 members, not much travelling, mostly Mission events, recruitment continues to be an issue. Funds are available through the officials discipline to clubs for recruiting of volunteers.
  - Okanagan Precision Driving Association – Steve Gunner
    - Kelowna hosted 13 events with Rob Hamilton being the winner, Vernon hosted 6 events with our 2-day Eliminator. Doug Floer won Vernon championship, Jordan Valgardson won the Eliminator. The club purchased a new trailer. All events are on motorsportreg.com which has made registration very easy. Lot of work done with regard to small lot regulations but had no effect on quality of events. Nod to Wade and Matt Schmidt for leaving the club in good condition. We also held an Introduction to Autocross course with 20 attendees, including 4 women. Eight are still active in competition.
  - Okanagan Valley Japanese Roadster Car Club – Not in attendance, no report
  - Peace River Motorsport Association – Not in attendance, no report
  - Southern Interior Karting Association – Rob Weber
    - Had 40 members in 2022, looking at using motorsportreg.com for next year to help people find SIKA.
  - Speed-Fanatics Motorsports Club – Not in attendance, no report
  - Sports Car Club of BC – Ray Stec
    - Approximately 350 members, ~200 of which had CACC licenses. Held two driver training courses under pre-Covid protocols with drivers in cars. Added new squad of novices. Hosted six CACC race weekends. New arrangement with BCCCA track management has been challenging. We are making a small profit on our race events. For 2023 we plan to have two driver training sessions and six race weekends. Look forward to having the vintage club join us at race events. Exploring possibility of cohosting time attack events at Mission. Third-party events have impacted operations and hope to work with CACC to alleviate. AGM is in February.
  - Street Cats Car Club – Makayla Lubbers
    - First season affiliated with CACC and first season hosting any competition events. We have 37 members and hosted four events in 2022. Approximately 15 people at first 3 events, 26 at final event. Expect to have a good showing next year. Grateful for all the help from the OPDA and CACC in getting established. Looking forward to having an even better season in 2023.
  - Victoria MG Club – Not in attendance, no report
  - Vancouver Mini Club – Rick Higgs
    - Full report provided in Appendix D.
  - VCMC Motorsport Club – Giff Robb

- Full report provided in Appendix B.
  - Victoria Minis Car Club Association – Terry Hogan
    - 30 members but plan to return to normal with monthly meetings and events throughout the year. We do car shows, drives and get-togethers. Periodically we host Mini Meet West with cars from all over North America. We're hoping to have more interaction with other clubs.
  - Victoria Motor Sport Club – Mathieu Dupuis
    - Banner year, 128 members, 14 events (10 slalom, 2 lapping, 1 time attack and 1 driver training). Sept 11 was final event of season and at Western Speedway and raised \$3000 for two local food banks. Western Speedway is permanently close and under development. VMSC is actively looking for alternate venues but does not plan to hold competitive events in 2023 but will hold social events.
  - Vintage Racing Club of BC – Mike Bailey
    - Have 93 members for 2022, several younger members. Held one event (BCHMR). The club executive has concerns over number of incidents at BCHMR.
  - Western Canadian Ice Race Association of BC – Ryan Richman
    - New executive for 2022. Had three events this past year. Three events next year, with the last event being done under own direction.
5. Executive Reports
- Secretary – Doug Floer
    - Nothing to report
  - Treasurer – Pam Stec
    - Disciplines are in positive financial state, disciplines have been made aware of their balances. License administrator computer will be expensed in 2023. Have done review of financial positions with discipline directors. Net income for almost all disciplines was better than anticipated. WIM had income of \$1900 of shirts and hoodies. Some money budgeted from Legacy fund for META training for Formula E event.
  - Vice President – Brue Yeo
    - Working on trophies and patches. Patches should be available early January. Have been involved in digitization of BC motorsport history spearheaded by Vince Howlett.
  - President – David Bell
    - Thanks for contribution from executive board, discipline directors, corner-workers, officials, volunteers, club-level executive. Am concerned about level of contact occurring at race events. Need more volunteers at all levels. Please encourage your friends to join.
6. Old Business
- Keith Robinson – who is involved in updating GCRs?
  - David Bell – GCRs are the purview of the executive board.
  - Giff Robb – have noticed inconsistencies between discipline regulations and GCRs. Are we to use the rule change mechanism on the website?
  - David Bell – submit them to the board.
  - Mike Kaerne – please email them to me.
  - Doug Floer – changes to the GCRs can be proposed by anyone. The Rule Change Request form on the website is the proper place for any rule change to be submitted. It allows proper tracking and management of change requests.
  - Keith Robinson – I submitted a request to the board and was told the board wouldn't entertain it. Where do I go now?
  - David Bell – contact your discipline director.
7. New Business
- Digital licenses

- David Bell – CACC is looking at implementing digital licenses. No hard card would be sent out, just a digital image. The QR code in the image will bring up a webpage with the real-time status of the license.
- Mike Bailey – what about hard cards for officials and turn-workers?
- David Bell – in preliminary discussions we’re looking at issuing hard cards for officials.
- Greg Cavouras – will other sanctioning bodies recognize the digital license?
- David Bell – if you’re in doubt, request a hard copy license.
- Doug Floer – the plan is to use the digital license as the default license issued. If a hard copy license is required, that would be an additional charge. I would like to see one charge for competition licenses and a lesser charge for officials. The objection is to reduce the workload for the license administrator and expedite the turnaround between license request and fulfillment. If everyone requests hard cards, there is no reduction in work for the license administrator and no reduction in turnaround time. The digital license is secure, very difficult to duplicate and provides real-time status of the license. If you’re in doubt about whether a club will accept your license, pay the additional fee for a hard card.
- Ray Stec – will it be possible to order a hard card mid-season?
- Doug Floer – yes
- Terry Hogan – will an email be sent to members identifying the change to a digital card?
- David Bell – we’re currently in the process of developing the procedures.
- Ann Peters – I very much oppose having to pay a fee for a hard card.
- David Bell – we’ll discuss it at the board level with the hope of accommodating our officials.
- Awards Presentation
  - Club of the Year - Victoria Motorsport Club
  - Brand Award - Vince Howlett
  - Charlie Lisson Award – Greg Cavouras
  - Open Wheel Driver’s Award - Keray McEwen
  - Closed Wheel Driver’s Award - Aaron Schmidt
  - Ed Smart Award - Alan Harvey
  - Novice of the Year - Courtney Rimaldi
  - Vintage Contributor of the Year - Brent Martin
  - Best Appearing Car - Doug Yip
  - Time Attack Competitor of the Year - not awarded
  - Autoslalom Competitor of the Year - Jordan Valgardson
  - Ice Race Competitor of the Year - Nolan Kitchener

8. Meeting Adjourned: 11:37 AM

Currently working on changes and updates for the CACC GCR's - I expect to have this completed early January. Disciplines have had their meetings for regulation changes, I am reviewing all those and will be sending any recommendations to the Executive for the new regulations to be approved by the Board and ready for publication.

I am also on the ASN Circuit Competition Regulations Task Force. That national initiative will provide a consistent set of Regulations across Canada. Expectation is for late January/early February completion, ready for the 2023 season.

There has been far too much contact in Race this past season - in the opinion of the Stewards, Organizers and the competitors themselves. I will be updating the standard penalties to include contact, unsportsmanlike conduct and other infractions while increasing the severity of penalties available to stewards.

### **Steward and Clerk Seminar 2023:**

- To be held in early March 2023 – online Zoom, screens on for the entire seminar, written test at the conclusion.
- In order to register, participants will be required to apply for their Official's licence first.
- Emphasis on paperwork flow (web forms) Incident report, steward report
- There will be increased review of the clerks duties, and responsibilities
- Emphasis on unnecessary contact in Race – both drivers will be required to report to steward for consult after session. No exceptions, like Vintage regs. Number Board will be displayed at Pit In, automatic penalty for not reporting to Steward.
- Review and discussion of the updated standard penalties
- Returning stewards and clerks that have submitted reports/worked events not required at seminar (can if they wish) - all else will be required.

Executive has discussed a new section on the webpage to publish penalties.

VCMC Report to CACC FALL 2022 Meeting

Reporting for VCMC: Gifford Robb – Competition Director

1. 2022 membership was 293 (down significantly from pre-covid years)
2. 2022 Events
  - a. One autoslalom test and tune
  - b. Seven VCMC Annual Cup events
  - c. One 2-day Blitz event
  - d. All autoslalom events were held at MRP Kart Track and were well attended
  - e. Five track/lapping days planned
    - i. One at Area 27
    - ii. Two at Mission Riverside Park
    - iii. One at VIMC, partnered with VMSC
    - iv. One at The Ridge, Cancelled
    - v. Track day program lost money due to under subscription of seats.
  - f. Annual Awards Banquet – November 5
  - g. AGM scheduled for November 28 at which time a new executive will be elected.
3. A \$250 grant was given to a member to assist attendance at the “Women in Motorsport Panel” September 2022.

### Accomplishments

- Facebook followers grown to 694 and still growing
- Purchased 6 flags, have 2 at Mission, 1 at Kelowna, 1 at Vernon, 1 VCMC autocross and 1 at Area 27
- Distributed stickers and hero cards to many women at motorsport events
- Purchased and sold over 100 merchandizing t-shirts/hoodies/tanks this year, used as a marketing tool with zero cost to our budget
- CTV News Clip to promote Women behind the Wheel
- Arranged photo op with large group of volunteers and drivers in WIM shirts Oct 2022
- QR code created and posters (20' x 24") promoting all disciplines, designed and ready for print
- WIM Wednesday is a weekly feature to promote current women In motorsports. 80+ posts this year.
- Newly added is a pre-event post to promote participation.

### Initiatives

- Gift Basket for 700 Facebook followers
- Baseball hats with logo for next year
- Poster/Signage to have at track(s) for more exposure than just race weekends
- Reaching out to affiliate clubs to connect with women currently involved and request for Facebook features to promote current events
- Allocated budget for \$1200 towards merchandise
- Allocated budget for \$500 for posters – that are designed and ready for print
- Allocated budget for \$500 for signage and banners (track side) working on “free” advertising space at various locations
- Allocated budget for \$1000 towards promo video

### 2023 Goals

- Promotional video to boost interest and involvement in Motorsports in all disciplines and highlight of the social aspect that is a big part.
- Develop a WIM Newcomer Support Program to increase the interest and participation of women in all motorsports



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## Appendix D – Report from the Vancouver Mini Club

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The Vancouver Mini Club (VMC) is an Incorporated Society under B.C. law and in Good Standing.

VMC began as a Classic Mini club 49 years ago and while the Membership consists primarily of classic owners, several also own Modern MINIs.

Currently, there are 46 Members including Individual and Family Memberships.

VMC holds regular monthly meetings on the 3rd Wednesday. COVID sent meetings outdoors in 2020 and the Club has held several outdoor meetings in a picnic setting in good weather.

Club activities in 2022 have included the Pat O'Brien Rally (gimmick) to raise funds for Cardiac Care at Royal Columbian Hospital, a Spring Escape aka Steve's Drive for Diabetes with proceeds to Diabetes Canada, and a Fall Escape aka Martina's Drive for ALS with proceeds to the ALS Society of B.C. The 2-day Spring Event included a loop over the Duffey Lake Road to Cache Creek/Hat Creek. The 3-day Fall event included a day on West Kootenay roads, crossing on Hwy. 3 from the Coast.

VMC did not hold a White Elephant Sale this year and is going to schedule it for summertime weather and picnic in future. Proceeds from this sale also go to the ALS Society.

Members attended Mini Meet West 2022 (western North America) on the Kitsap Peninsula in Washington State, All British Field Meets, various Car Shows, the Knox Mountain Hill Climb, SCCBC & Vintage races and like events.

Members include a road course competitor (Geoff Tupholme), Vintage Race supporter (Stanton Guy) and others who participate in Autocross events. In 2022, 3 Members took part in the ALCAN Summer Rally (approx. 5,000 miles over 10 days), Ken Friend & Ron Lockwood campaigned a 1965 Countryman and Rick Higgs with Micke Pettersson from Sweden crewed a 1973 Australian built Mini Window Van. Friend/Lockwood finished 1st in Class, Higgs/Pettersson 2nd in Class.

Members often have restoration/modification projects underway and share build and service advice experience with one another. One young man in a family Membership, Rowan Fletcher Won the Regional Auto Mechanic Apprentice Skills Competition at VCC.

VMC is looking forward to a similar program of activities in 2023.

Submitted by: President Ken Friend  
Treasurer Rick Higgs