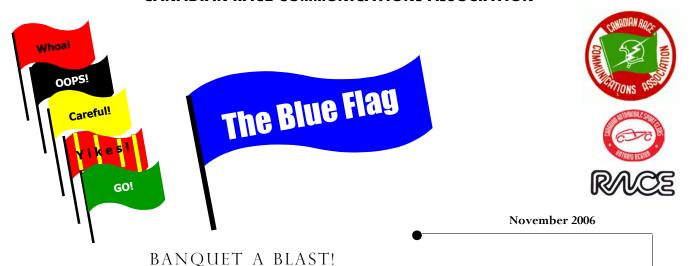
CANADIAN RACE COMMUNICATIONS ASSOCIATION



~ EDITOR

What a great way to finish out the year! There were 50 people at the Annual Awards Banquet held at the Briar Fox G & CC. The facility is under new management and a few adjustments had to be made in order to accommodate our usual setup, but it all went smoothly. The menu was selected by Shirley Jones, Social Director, and what a fine job she did! The Honey-Dijon chicken entrée was absolutely delicious and there was plenty prepared for people to go back for seconds if they had room after the first goround.

We were extremely fortunate to have not one, but two speakers this year—Bruce Gregory, one of the Calabogie Motorsports Park developers spoke to us about some of the difficulties he and his partners encountered in creating a top-quality track from a rock quarry and a dream. He took us through the planning stages, enlightened us on the OMB processes and gave us an idea of some of the future expectations for the facility.

Pat Barnes, 2004 Isle of Man TT competitor and more recently (October 06) a Daytona class winner with team-mates Matt McBride and Robert Trottier, enthralled us with motorcycle-mounted camera footage from the TT and a TV interview following his return. Pat's modest demeanor and sharp wit were engaging and very entertaining.

Several moments stood out throughout the evening but most notable was the awards presentation. The President's Award is given in recognition of outstanding service of a Director or Committee member—perfectly describing this year's deserving recipient, Larry McMillan.

Dianne Bos was doubly rewarded for her work in 2006, receiving the Gilles Villeneuve Award in recognition of her contributions to motor sport and the Barb Browne Memorial Trophy for her efforts to encourage, support and guide new marshals. Her surprise at receiving these awards was obvious, but the fun didn't stop there...Paul Clarke presented her with a "memento" of North Bay—a framed photo of a Hercules aircraft, just like the one that flew over the track and very nearly gave Dianne a heart attack. Not to be outdone (actually, it was weeks in the planning and preparation) Larry McMillan put his engineering expertise to work and came up with new transportation for Dianne in the form of a very sleek, hi-performance, hi-tech turbo broom! Mike managed to get "The Boss 2000", the trophies, the plaques, the photo and all 4 passengers safely into the van for the trip home.

The Rookie of the Year Award went to Keith Gilbert. Keith's ability, dedication and reliability really stood out among his peers.

The Founders Award was not presented this year.

The DAC Award—a very unique trophy and gorgeous die-cast model car was presented in person by Klaus Bartels to Andrew Overy.

The draws for the grand prizes had everyone's attention. One of the 3-in-1 jackets was won by Andrew Overy and the other went to Ray Zschuppe. The lucky winner of the rain-suit was Shirley Jones.

There was a ton of give-aways courtesy of several sponsors, but mostly due to the efforts of Chris Chapelle, who handed over several boxes of gifts like tools, jackets, shirts, backpacks, hats, a leather vest, and 2 autographed photos of Pascal Picotte. Yamaha, Buell, Pirelli, Honda and Hurst Marina were just a few of the generous sponsors who donated items for the draw.

So, we're done for another year. I guess all that remains is to start planning for next year... right Mike? :P

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

On October 28, 2006 CRCA wrapped up a successful 2006 season with the Annual Awards Banquet at the Briar Fox Golf and Country Club in Marysville. I would like to once again extend my congratulations to all the award winners.

As I am sure you are aware a banquet does not happen without a lot of preparation and planning and I would like to thank Shirley for all her hard work in making it such a tremendous success. Many thanks also to Mike for arranging for not one but two guest speakers, to Bob for looking after the trophies and prizes, to Rick for stepping up and doing a great job as our Emcee and to Larry, Mary, Paul and Donna for your help in decorating. Many hands do indeed make light work.

Mike Batty is once again ramping up to do our recruiting drive that will involve the Toronto Motorcycle Show in December and the International Motorcycle Show in January. Mike is also hoping for at least two local area recruiting endeavors, one being in Belleville and the other in Kingston.

On Sunday January 21, 2007 the AGM will be taking place at the Best Western in Belleville. There are three positions open for election this year, the Vice-President's position, and two directors' positions. The AGM package will be mailed out in the next few weeks.

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"If you haven't got all the things you want, be grateful for the things you don't have that you don't want."

~ Unknown

Our first event of the 2007 season will be the DAC Ice Races in Minden on the weekend of 3-4 February. A callout email will be sent in late December or early January and as usual the number of marshals required will be limited to no more than seven.

CRCA's first contracted event for the 2007 season kicks off on 21-22 April with the RACE test days. This is a little later than our usual start of the season so there's a good chance the weather will be a little more hospitable.

Once again, in 2007, in conjunction with the CRDA week-end we are planning to have another lapping evening for the marshals. This will take place after racing ends on Saturday, June 2nd. As this date draws closer an outline and requirements will be published in the Blue Flag.

A point of interest and a reminder; this was CRCA's 47th year of service to motor sport and in just over 2 years we will be celebrating our 50th anniversary. Your Anniversary Committee chaired by Paul Meyer, has been working hard and is moving ahead with plans that involve a "meet and greet" afternoon followed by a banquet at the Holiday Inn, in Oshawa. The date is 4 April, 2009 so please make plans to attend. More information will follow as it becomes available.

Our 2007 Contracted Events Calendar will be printed by the end of the year and will be made available to you early in the new year. In the meantime, check out the SMP schedule on our website from the Calendar page or from the Event Registration page. Remember, the more you support the club the more the club can do for you so when you receive your calendar, review it and plan to participate in as many events as possible next season.

In closing, I would like to thank everyone who participated this year. Whether you were out for 1 event or 30, I'm sure you'll agree it was a great season.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I wish you and your families a safe and happy holiday season and I look forward to seeing you trackside in 2007.

The 50th Anniversary Committee

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If you have some experience and a few contacts and would like to help create a "celebration to remember", please contact any of the above committee members.

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THE MARSHALS' CORNER

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

Your 2007 CRCA and CASC membership and license applications are included in this newsletter. Please ensure you provide all of the information requested on both forms, including a copy of your current logbook. If you haven't got access to a photo-copier you can send the logbook with your applications and it will be returned to you with your CRCA membership card.

Note: This has been a CASC licensing requirement for several years but they have not enforced it as long as CRCA vouched for the applicant's experience level. This soft line will no longer be permitted so you must submit your logbook when you apply or your application will not be accepted.



THIS MEANS YOU!

Don't forget—we give out "Early Bird" gifts as a reward to members who renew their memberships before 31 March!

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MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY—UPDATES



Note that for confidentiality, this info will not appear in the website version.

CASC MARSHAL OF THE YEAR— Shannonville

The 2006 CASC Marshal of the Year—Shannonville has been chosen. The Board of Directors is extremely pleased to announce that this year's recipient is long-time member and huge supporter of our club events... Dianne Bos! Dianne was presented with her award at the CASC Awards Banquet on 11 November in Toronto. Congratulations Dianne!

ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP

Notice of the meeting, nomination and proxy forms will be sent out to the membership in a separate mailing around the end of November. Please keep an eye on the mail and make sure you submit your nominations before the deadline of 31 December.



RICK...THE EARLY YEARS

SMILES 'N CHUCKLES

DON'T MESS WITH SENIORS!

We went to breakfast at a restaurant where the "Seniors' Special" was two eggs, bacon, hash browns and toast for \$1.99.

"Sounds good," my wife said, "but I don't want the eggs."

"Then I'll have to charge you two dollars and forty-nine cents, because you re ordering a la carte." the waitress warned her.

"You mean I'd have to pay for NOT taking the eggs?" my wife asked incredulously.

"YES!!"

"I'll take the special."

"How do you want your eggs?"

"Raw and in the shell," my wife replied. She took the two eggs home.

DON'T MESS WITH SENIORS!

They've been around the block more than once.





SUPERSERIES CHAMPIONS 2006

Sportsman Lightweight

1st—#7 Laird Shingleton 2nd—#57 Craig Goodwin 3rd—#666 Graham Charnock

Sportsman Middleweight

1st—#66 Rob Busby 2nd—#272 Chris Vantilbourg 3rd—#79 Paul Glenn

Sportsman Heavyweight

1st—#171 Jim Proulx 2nd—#36 Dean Plater 3rd—#66 Rob Busby

Amateur S.V. 650 Cup

1st—#79 Paul Glenn 2nd—#123 Brad Clarke 3rd—#441 Andre Talbot

Thunder Class

1st—#78 Steve Walker 2nd—#732 A.J. Simiana 3rd—#99 Ian Frost

Pro 600

1st—#210 Mike Ferreira 2nd—#1 Frank Trombino 3rd—#26 Andrew Nelson

Amateur 250 GP

1st—#201 Jim Bergey 2nd—#98 Jerry Sadler 3rd—#89 John Chemello

Womens' Open

1st—#711 Nadine Lajoie 2nd—#50 Catherine Nadeau 3rd—#169 Shawna Aron

Amateur 600

1st—#78Karl Daigle 2nd—#39Ross Milson 3rd—#35 Simon Blue

Pro 250 GP

1st—#321 Eddy Brunet 2nd—#196 Matt Cooper 3rd—#97 Nick Colley

Pro 125 GP

1st—#901 Tim Harrington 2nd—#60 Mark White 3rd—#49 Dean Hoelscher

Amateur 125 GP

1st—#7 Laird Shingleton 2nd—#146 David Shaw 3rd—#811 Mark Welsh

Womens' 600

1st—#50 Catherine Nadeau 2nd—#711 Nadine Lajoie 3rd—#169 Shawna Aron

Amateur Superbike

1st—#78 Karl Daigle 2nd—#39 Ross Milson 3rd—#164 Laurent Feuiltault

Pro Superbike

1st—#1 Frank Trombino 2nd—#210 Mike Ferreira 3rd—#8 Larry Orde

THE 2006 CRCA AWARDS BANQUET





















