

The Bulletin



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***The Peterborough Motor
Sports Club
Presents...***

***Annual Awards Night Dinner and
Presentations***

***Wednesday January 27, 2016
6:00pm***

***Marty Moo's Family
Restaurant***

***Keene Road, Otonabee-S. Monaghan Twp.
(Just south of Hwy 1/115)***

***\$10 meal coupons for 2015-16 club
members. (See page 10).***

***Draw prizes including Ian Law
Advanced Driving Schools certificate
(\$560).***



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Meetings

Club Executive meetings are held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at the call of the President.

Social meetings are held on the 4th Wednesday of each month at The Souvlaki Pit, 75 George St. North, Peterborough. (Meetings in June, July & August are often highlighted by fun events and venues.)

Affiliations

The Peterborough Motor Sports Club is a multi-discipline club, organizing ice races, solos, auto crosses and rallies. It is affiliated with the Canadian Automobile Sports Clubs-Ontario Region, Rally Sport Ontario and the Canadian Association of Rally Sport.



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***From the
Editor's
Keyboard***

January 2016

Happy New Year!! Our 63rd year (or it might be our 64th depending how you add things up), begins with our annual awards night on January 27th.

We will be at Marty Moo's Family Restaurant on Keene Road just south of Hwy 7/115. Dinner will start at 6:00pm (but if you arrive late don't worry, because you order from the menu). The club will provide \$10 meal coupons for all 2015-16 club members. (Single or Family).

We hope to get to the actual awards presentation around 7:15-7:30. The list of winners is in the next column.

There will be many club and automotive-related draw prizes with the top prize (for members only) an Ian Law Car Control Schools gift certificate valued at \$560.

We begin our competition season on the weekend of February 6-7 with event #3 of the CASC/Minden Subaru Ice Races at the Minden Fairgrounds. Dan Demers is our organizer and happily has a full roster of workers for the weekend.

The full list of club events is later in this bulletin, but it includes two new club level Saturday TSD rallies tag-teaming with Sunday solo events.

Both new (or renewed) rally events will be geared to newbies and hopefully attract more folks out to road rallies.

We will also hold our summer fun events again, The GPS Rally, Scrabble or Golf Rally and Poker Rally on what normally would be membership meeting nights in June, July and August.

I hope to see you all at any (or all) of our events in 2016.

Your Humble Scribbler
Len Arminio



***Peterborough Motor Sports Club
2015 Annual Award Winners***

Club Champion - Dan Demers

Club Runner-up - Travis Grubb and Chris Johnson

New Member Award - Al Pawling

Solo Driver Champion - Glenn Austin

Solo Driver Runner-up - Chris Johnson

Solo Driver Rookie - Martyn Danby

Rally Driver Champion - Dan Demers

Rally Navigator Champion - Travis Grubb

Ice Race Champion - - Dan Demers

Ice Race Runner-up - Tim Fleguel

Metal to Ice Champion - No Award

Street Studs Champion - Dan Demers

Rubber to Ice Champion - Tim Fleguel

Ice Race Rookie - No Award

Organizer Award - Len Arminio and Louis Cabardos

Organizer Runner-up - Pete Gulliver and Kevin De Vries

President's Prize Driver - Kris Dickson

President's Prize Navigator - Travis Grubb





CASC/Minden Subaru 2016 Ice Race Series

Jan. 23-24 TLMC

Jan. 30-31 TAC

Feb. 6-7 PMSC

Feb. 13-14 DAC

Feb. 20-21BEMC

Feb. 27-28 BARC

Rain Dates Mar. 5-6, 12-13

For more Info and Rules:

www.casc.on.ca

CARS Announces 2016 CRC Schedule

By: Peter MacDonald

The Canadian Association of Rallysport (CARS) has announced the schedule for the 2016 [Canadian Rally Championship](#).

The most notable change to the calendar is the addition of December's Big White Winter Rally to the national championship as a new finale for the season. Big White's inclusion - dependent on observation of the 2015 event in just under two week's time - increases the series to 7 rounds.

The [Rocky Mountain Rally](#) also sees a return to its traditional late-spring date, after running at the end of October the past three years. The move brings more balance to a schedule which had been largely weighted to the final three months in recent seasons.

Feb 5-6 [Rallye Perce Neige](#)- Maniwaki, Quebec

May 28-29 [Rocky Mountain Rally](#) - Invermere, British Columbia

July 1-3 [Rallye Baie des Chaleurs](#) - New Richmond, Quebec

Sept 8-10 [Rallye Défi](#) - Ste. Agathe, Quebec

Sept 30-Oct 1 [Pacific Forest Rally](#) - Merritt, British Columbia

Nov 25-26 [Rally of the Tall Pines](#) - Bancroft, Ontario

Dec 3-4 [Big White Winter Rally](#) - Kelowna, British Columbia



Plenty of new vehicles made Canadian debuts in Montreal



By [Lesley Wimbush](#)

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Logistically speaking, it's difficult – and expensive – for automakers to immediately pack up, move and then rebuild their displays, and all within 24 hours.

Therefore, some of the hottest vehicles unveiled at the North American International Auto Show in Detroit are no-shows at the Montreal Auto Show. Most notably absent were the new [Chrysler Pacifica](#), [Buick Avista](#) and [Lexus LC 500](#). However, there's a lot to see and plenty of new vehicles making their Canadian debuts in Montreal this week.



Nissan's [Rogue Warrior](#) wins my personal vote for most outrageous debut. Riding on enormous tank-like treads, it's ready for a post-apocalyptic,

Arctic dystopia.

Among the unveilings were several important vehicles for our Canadian market. Here are our top five.

2017 Chevrolet Spark



What is it? [Chevrolet](#)'s little two-door micro-car has been completely redesigned for 2016. Built on an all-new, slightly longer wheelbase, the body

is actually 1.6 inches shorter and rides lower, for better aerodynamics and fuel efficiency.

The [Spark](#) offers compelling value in this bargain segment, with standard 10 airbags, a seven-inch MyLink

touch screen infotainment system, OnStar with 4G LTE and backup camera. Available is Apple CarPlay and Android Auto, Lane Departure Warning and Forward Collision Alert. It's powered by a 1.4-litre, four-cylinder Ecotec engine with 98 horsepower, mated to either a five-speed manual or optional CVT.

Why does it matter? Move over [Nissan Micra](#) and [Mitsubishi Mirage](#) – at \$9,995, the Chevrolet Spark is now the cheapest new car in Canada. According to General Motors, 35 per cent of Spark owners are first-time car buyers. Since 45 per cent of Spark buyers are also new to the Chevrolet brand, it's a great way to lure them into the Chevy fold.

When is it coming? The Chevrolet Spark will be available in the first quarter of 2016.

Should you buy it? At this price, the Spark makes a compelling alternative to buying a used car, by offering plenty of feature content and a two-year warranty. It's also one of the most fuel-efficient small cars you can buy, with a rating of 5.7 L/100 km (highway).

BMW M2



What is it? The [M2](#) is probably the most eagerly awaited debut of the year, and marks [BMW](#)'s return to the lightweight, pure sports cars it's renowned for. Based

on the 235i, the M2 is far more than the M235i – it's a full-on product of BMW's skunkworks division and the new entry-level offering in the M lineup. The coupe's powered by the familiar turbocharged 3.0-litre inline-six, but it's been tweaked to produce 370 horsepower and 343 lb.-ft. of torque – and 369 lb.-ft. in overboost for quick passing manoeuvres. Purists rejoice – the M2 is offered with both six-speed manual with rev-matching, or seven-speed dual-clutch automatic transmissions.

Why does it matter? BMW has faced criticism in the past for sticking their venerable "M" badge on a progressively porkier lineup of vehicles – including SUVs. The M2 is a throwback to the Bavarian company's roots, and brand purists consider it the best new BMW since the 1M.

When is it coming? Set to arrive in Canada this spring, the M2 should sticker at around \$60,000.

Should you buy it? If you're an enthusiast, the BMW M2 is the hottest debut of the year. It features automatic rev-matching, and electronically controlled active differential, dynamic steering assistance, GoPro integration and a lap timer.

Hyundai Elantra



What is it? Making its Canadian debut in Montreal, the sixth-generation [Elantra](#) returns with a high-strength steel platform, a more refined ride, and two

engine choices: a 128-horsepower, 1.4-litre turbocharged four-cylinder with 156 lb.-ft. of torque, mated to a seven-speed dual-clutch transmission, and a 2.0-litre four with 147 horses and 132 lb.-ft. of torque, mated to either a six-speed manual or automatic transmission.

Why does it matter? As one of Hyundai's top-selling models, the Elantra has experienced a meteoric rise from bottom of the heap in 2010, to second-place ranking among best-selling Canadian compact cars, displacing the mighty [Toyota Corolla](#).

When is it coming? The Elantra should be available in Canada by the first quarter of 2016

Should you buy it? If you're in the market for a good compact with plenty of features, you're in luck. The competition in this segment is fierce – especially between the top-ranking [Honda Civic](#), Elantra and Toyota Corolla. Each is vying for the top spot by offering increasing levels of content and value – and the buyer is the winner. With its new eight-inch split-screen touch display, next-generation Blue Link connectivity and higher level of refinement, the Elantra may just give the Civic a run for its money.

Mercedes-Benz C-Class Estate Wagon



What is it? The [Mercedes-Benz C-Class](#) wagon made its North American debut in Montreal. Although wagon buyers are a niche market, there's still a

loyal following here in Canada – and the C-Class Estate

won't be available in the U.S. It features a four-cylinder diesel engine producing 200 horsepower and 369 lb.-ft. of torque, and offers Start/Stop technology, dynamic ride modes and Airmatic suspension.

Why does it matter? The C-Class wagon returns to our market after a brief hiatus with a lower, sleeker profile. It offers luxury buyers a more dynamic choice than an SUV and boasts the same level of semi-autonomous technology that debuted with the [S-Class](#).

Infiniti QX30



What is it? Appearing for the first time in Canada, the QX30 is derived from the Q30 hatchback that was unveiled at the Frankfurt Auto Show.

It features a higher ride height, and roof rails to emphasize its more rugged character. It will be available in three separate configurations: the base model QX30, "sports calibrated" QX30S and a QX30 AWD. All models are powered by a 208-horsepower, turbocharged four-cylinder engine, mated to a seven-speed dual-clutch transmission.

Why does it matter? The QX30 is [Infiniti's](#) new entry in the rapidly growing premium compact segment and will be going head-to-head against the [BMW X1](#), [Audi Q3](#) and [Mercedes-Benz GLA](#). Not only that, it's the first product of an Infiniti/Daimler partnership, sharing its platform with the [Mercedes-Benz CLA](#) and GLA. With its promise of sporty handling, and a price expected to be just above \$30,000, the QX30 should attract a younger set of buyers to Infiniti's QX lineup.

When is it coming? The QX30 is expected to arrive here sometime this spring.

Should you buy it? The QX30 should appeal to the buyer who appreciates lively handling. In fact, they were test-driven by former Infiniti Red Bull driver Sebastian Vettel during the development stages.

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BURLWOOD Motorsport Group Newsletter

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HAPPY NEW YEAR! I hope that you are looking forward to the promise that the New Year brings with it. I know that I am excited about all of the great experiences that are waiting to unfold.

One of them starts right now and that is with a resolution to be a better communicator with our friends and growing family of motoring and motorsport enthusiasts.

As you know, we are dedicated to the vintage and classic motoring and motorsport scene. We do it because we love it and it is a pleasure for us to help you keep your special cars operating well and to create and organize events that make your vintage and classic car ownership experience richer and more exciting.

To that end, we would like to keep you informed of developments so that you won't miss out on a chance to take advantage of our offerings or to participate and have some fun along with us.

I hope that you find our messages interesting and I promise that we will only send one or two updates every month.

Please, share the newsletters with your friends.

Cheers!

Bob DeShane

BURLWOOD Motorsport Group Formed

Amalgamating Divisions "Under One Roof"

You may know us through one of our divisions, pursuits, identities and yes, we have a few of them. In fact, we are growing again and this presented a few organizational challenges. As a result, we decided that for ease of management and also to better serve our friends and clients, it was time to re-group and refine our structure.



Accordingly, as 2016 unfolds, we will be developing and implementing a new website to incorporate all divisions. Until the new site is launched, you can find the [BURLWOOD MOTORSPORT GROUP](#) on Facebook. Meanwhile, we will maintain and improve the existing websites until such time as we can roll them into the new consolidated platform and we will keep you informed of progress.

GOODWOOD REVIVAL TOUR PLANNED

September 6 to 14th - 8 Days of Heaven!!

You have heard of it. You have seen it on TV and in videos and you know that the Goodwood Revival is the very best classic motor racing event in the entire world.



This September, join Bill Brack (Canadian Champion, Formula Atlantic Champion, Formula One Driver) on this truly classic adventure.

Stay in 4-Star Hotels with breakfast and dinner each day. Visit the London Motor Museum, the Brooklands Auto Museum and the Mercedes F1 Headquarters and spend three full days at Goodwood so that you don't miss a thing! Options are available to help you customize your trip.

This top quality adventure is provided in cooperation with Denure Tours, one of the very best in the travel field.

To check out the flyer [click here](#).

BRACK CLASSIC HILLCLIMB at Inglis Falls

September 16 & 17, 2016

BURLWOOD Motorsport Club announces a fabulous new annual mid-September event!

The

"Brack Classic Hillclimb at Inglis Falls" will take place in Owen Sound, Ontario on the same weekend as the fabulous "Cobble Beach Concours D'Elegance".



Hosted by one of Canada's greatest racing personalities, three-time Canadian Driving Champion and twice Formula Atlantic Champion and Lotus F1 driver, Bill Brack,

A planned parade into Downtown Owen Sound and Public Reception/Street Party will take place on Friday evening will kick-off the weekend, with the Hillclimb competition and associated events taking place on Saturday.

Cars and Motorcycles falling into the following categories: Vintage (up to 1962), Historic (1963 to 1972) and Classic (1973 to 1989) will be eligible for the competition.

The course will be comprised of a one kilometer section of the Inglis Falls Road, which will be closed for the event.

The Brack Classic Hillclimb will emulate the Goodwood Revival atmosphere and competitors and visitors will be encouraged to get involved in the overall theme by dressing in period clothing. Planned attractions for the ladies will include a "Fascinator Contest" as well as a "Fancy Dress Contest". For the men, there will be a contest to judge the best "Period Costume".

Additional features will include a classic car show, food vendors, a "paddock in the park", picnic facilities for the family, live music and other interesting and entertaining offerings. For more information [click here](#).

Speaking of old cars and things related...

My better half, who is an avid rug hooker, came upon a very nice blanket while shopping for wool items in the Talize second hand store. She cuts the wool into strips to use in hooked rug designs. However, this blanket had a **Black Watch** tartan design and a tag reading “**Argyle Motor Rug**”.



Because it was in perfect condition, she kept it as a warm and comfortable cover up on chilly days and nights.

I set about to look up the Argyle Motor Rug and didn't have a lot of success getting info on it other than some auction sites which priced them anywhere from \$40 to \$90CDN.

I asked Bob Deshane of the above Burlwood group and British car expert, if he had any info on the Argyle Motor Rug. He did send a jpg of a 1941 edition of the Ottawa Citizen newspaper and an ad for a department store that contained “Motor Rugs” for \$5.95. A substantial sum in those days. Bob sent my pictures along to a VARAC-related friend for further study and information. Stay tuned.

Len



Competition Calendar 2016 (DRAFT)

Event	Date	Location	Organizer
Ice Race	Feb. 6&7	Minden	Dan Demers
Spring-Runoff Rally (ORRC)	April 23	Newcastle	Louis Cabarhos
Cobweb Solo	April 24	Kawartha	Dan Demers
Watchwinder Rally	May 28	Peterborough	Peter Watt
Watchwinder Solo	May 29	Douro	Glenn Austin
Speed Weekend Solo	June 26	Kawartha	Chris Johnson
Mid-Summer Solo	July 24	Kawartha	Travis Grubb
GCFR/TSD Rally	July 9/Aug.13	Catchacoma	Peter Watt
Dog Days Solo	Aug. 14	Kawartha	Chris Johnson
Full Ball Rally	Sept 17	Peterborough	Pete Gulliver???
Full Ball Solo	Sept. 18	Kawartha	Dan Demers
Last Chance Solo	Oct. 16	Kawartha	Travis Grubb
President's Prize ORRC	Nov. 12	Peterborough	Travis Grubb/Chris Johnson
Snocross		Picton	Al Pawling
Rallysprint		Burnt River	
Rally Cross		Shannonville	
Fun Rallies:1	June 22 (GPS)		Len Arminio
2	July 27 (Poker)		Alain Cabardos
3	August 24 (Golf)		Dan Demers





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