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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 May, 2014

Len Arminio

Wow! Was April ever a busy start of our "warm" weather competition season.

First the Shannonville "double header", as reported in our April Bulletin, was a general success.

The other two events at the end of April capped off a great motorsport weekend. Saturday April 26th is the 34th Annual Spring Run Off Rally. The Rally was the third event in the ORRC series and "Team Cabardos" came up with a clever and scenic rally through the hills and dales of Durham Region with a so-so turnout of 11 cars.

Dan Demers (who was actually the organizer, not Glenn Austin as erroneously reported last month. My Bad!), came up with a quick but challenging driving skill test at Kawartha Speedway paddock for the Cobweb Solo. Twenty Five drivers were entered, including a number of our Oshawa friends.

We also have to add the 2014 Ice Race Awards Banquet on that Saturday evening in Oshawa where Tim Fleguel and Dan Demers picked up awards. Dave Chambers also got an award but couldn't attend.

There was a great turnout for the Watchwinder Solo on May 11th with 29 entries.

The club received great media coverage over the past month with radio and newspaper items including the Community Press chain. Former club prez, Ken Netzel said he spotted an article in the Hastings County edition (Tweed).

Our Facebook page has 153 "friends" (as of May 21st). The Twitter feed has 39 followers.

Don't forget our monthly membership meeting on Wednesday, May 28th. Our guest speaker will be J.P. Josiasse, Owner/Promoter of Peterborough Speedway.

On a personal note, I have been approved for a Steward's License for CASC Road and Ice Racing. I'll be one of the Assistant Stewards at CTMP once or twice this summer. I will Steward at least one Ice Race in 2015. Gary Vernon and Heather Peckham-Hughes also attended the training session at CTMP on May 3-4 and I trust they will also Steward Ice Races.

Another Steward's and/or Clerk's training course for Ice Racers will be held in September.

Anyone interested in those important tasks should stay tuned for more details later this year.

Your Humble Scribbler

Len



PMSC Members Do Well at Lanark Highlands Rally.

PMSC Member Kurt Thiel of Canandaigua, NY and co-driver Phil Barnes of Cortland, NY took 2nd place overall at the Lanark Highlands Rally May 3rd.

Phil and Kurt are seen at the left below. The rally was won by Kelly Mathews and Andrew Kulikowski (centre) with third spot taken by Gary Sutherland and Yevgeniy Gospodinov.



(Photo courtesy Peter MacDonald CDNRally.com)

Of note: PMSC brother team of Matt and Andrew Ballinger of Oshawa, took 14th overall in their very first OPRC Rally. They also picked up a couple of other prizes... Five hours of shop service from Rally/Race Developments and a pair of rally tires from Old School Motor Sport D-Mack tires for the most improvement as measured on the Power Stage. A very promising start for the Ballingers.



Arminio & Gulliver Win Novice Class at Spring Run Off Rally – Demand Recount!

Newcastle, April 26, 2014 – Their first response was “WTF???”. But after checking score cards, Len and Pete, running their first rally together since Pierre Trudeau was Prime Minister, were reluctantly convinced they had taken top spot in Novice class. But it wasn’t by much!

They survived getting lost in Orono (relatively hard to do considering the size of the village) and being nearly stymied by a crossword puzzle-like set of instructions to wind up the unlikely winners of the Novice Class at the 34th Annual Spring Run Off Rally hosted by PMSC.

In fact, they were so surprised by the win, Pete asked for the route cards to make sure there wasn't a scoring error!). However, despite that, they squeaked out a class win by a mere 1/10th of a point over Darin and Amy Mayes of Milton and the Kitchener-Waterloo Rally Club (KWRC).

The final tally was Arminio-Gulliver 27.4. Mayes-Mayes 27.5. The Mayes' would/should have been the class winners by a large margin had they not missed a checkpoint in the final leg taking a 20 minute penalty. The PMSC duo found all the checkpoints....they even "0"d one of them!

Pete said, “We ran strictly seat of the pants”, (with some help from the GPS trip calculator). However, Len said it was really, “the lucky horseshoes implanted firmly where the sun doesn’t shine”, that led to the victory.

Third place in the class went to Kathryn and Dan Demers of PMSC. They collected 34.9 penalty minutes while the club's Kirk Dickson of Bowmanville and navigator Paul Dion had to retire early because of a previous commitment and wound up sixth and last in class.

Stephen Denaka of Georgetown and Opal Gamble of Milton who are both members of the Subaru Performance Drivers Association won the Expert class. Intermediate Class was taken by Roger Sanderson and Lynda Connolly of KWRC.

Eleven cars entered the event, which was the third rally in the Ontario Road Rally Championship series.

Thanks to "Team Cabardos". Louis, Michel and Alain for organizing a challenging but fun event with tours of some great roads and lakeshore scenery.

And thanks to the hundreds of trout fishers passed along the way who made some narrow roads an lot tighter to navigate.

Note: No fish were harmed in the running of this rally...at least by the rally cars.



Cabardos/Maxwell Win Blossom Rally

Congratulations to PMSC's Louis Cabardos who navvied for Brian Maxwell May 10th, to win the Expert class at the 50th Blossom Rally hosted by the Kitchener Waterloo Rally Club. Louis and Brian won both legs with scores of 1.0 and 1.2 penalties. That's only 2.2 minutes over 25 checkpoints. Super performance.

Tim Fleguel Wins Major Ice Race Awards

A big night for PMSC member Tim Fleguel at the CASC-OR Ice Race Awards Banquet in Oshawa on April 26th.

Tim was winner of Class 4 (AWD - Rubber to Ice). He was also winner of the Overall Rubber To Ice Trophy (Donated by PMSC) and the Tim Whitfield Award for top 4-WD driver. Tim also collected the coveted CASC-OR, Magnum Ice Race Series jacket.



BTW- The PMSC Trophy, the big one on the right, dates back to the mid-1960s and is the oldest continuously presented award in Ontario Ice Racing.

Former multiple winner of the trophy, Bryan Rashleigh of BARC says, in his mind, it is the most coveted award in the sport.

Tim was escorted to the banquet by his daughters Rebecca and Joanne, who was accompanied by her daughter Maddy. Both Rebecca and Joanne have also ice raced but Rebecca has moved to Vancouver, while Joanne has taken time off racing to raise her daughter. Maddy, we expect will be behind the wheel of an ice race car in about 16 years.

A big congrats also to Dan Demers who took second place in his AWD Street Stud Class.

Not making it to the banquet was Dave Chambers who took second in the AWD Street Stud Second Driver Class. Kudos to all!!!

Cobweb Solo Results

Pax Time Results										
#1 - Cobweb - Sun 04-27-2014										
Timed Entries: 25										
Pax Pos.	Pos.	Class	# Driver	Car Model	Total	Factor	Pax Time	Diff.	From 1st	
1	1	ES	8 Tighe, Phil	99 Miata	56.990	*0.828	47.187	0.000	0.000	
2	1	CSP	19 Strebel, Stephen	01 Miata	56.316	*0.861	48.488	1.301	1.301	
3	1	HS	18 Hunt, Bryan	00 Cavalier	60.460	*0.804	48.609	0.121	1.422	
4	2	CSP	20 Krishnam, Ramesh	04 S2000	56.849	*0.861	48.947	0.338	1.760	
5	1	CM	15 Junkin, Tyler	97 Cavalier	54.811	*0.910	49.878	0.911	2.691	
6	1	FSP	2 Grubb, Travis	01 VW	59.866	*0.838	50.167	0.289	2.980	
7	2	HS	24 Van Roden, Shaun	00 Cavalier	62.739	*0.804	50.442	0.275	3.255	
8	3	HS	1 Demers, Dan	92 Prelude	62.935	*0.804	50.599	0.157	3.412	
9	1	CS	11 Lynas, Brian	09 Miata	61.119	*0.834	50.973	0.374	3.786	
10	1	FS	21 Dover, Jay	97 Firebird	61.488	*0.830	51.035	0.062	3.848	
11	4	HS	7 Manning, Phil	97 Jetta	63.562	*0.804	51.103	0.068	3.916	
12	2	CS	9 Ried, Don	13 FR-S	61.561	*0.834	51.341	0.238	4.154	
13	1	XP	3 Dickson, Kris	92 Miata	57.232	*0.901	51.566	0.228	4.379	
14	2	FS	6 Austin, Glenn	88 Mustang	62.269	*0.830	51.683	0.117	4.496	
15	1	GS	23 McCann, Andy	95 BMW 318	63.606	*0.816	51.902	0.219	4.715	
16	5	HS	12 McLean, Jordan	03 Sunfire	64.589	*0.804	51.929	0.027	4.742	
17	6	HS	14 Lloyd, Darrel	02 Cavalier	64.673	*0.804	51.997	0.068	4.810	
18	7	HS	16 Gray, John	69 Corvair	64.967	*0.804	52.233	0.236	5.046	
19	8	HS	5 Brandon	94 Legacy	65.603	*0.804	52.744	0.511	5.557	
20	9	HS	10 Manning, Orville	98 Jetta	65.987	*0.804	53.053	0.309	5.866	
21	3	CS	13 Major, Paul	07 Miata	64.134	*0.834	53.487	0.434	6.300	
22	10	HS	4 Kern, Jack	05 Impreza	67.830	*0.804	54.535	1.048	7.348	
23	11	HS	22 Junkin, Marilyn	05 Cobalt	68.995	*0.804	55.472	0.937	8.285	
24	2	XP	25 McLean, Drew	88 RX-7	62.095	*0.901	55.947	0.475	8.760	
25	2	GS	17 Wright, Peter	10 Genesis	73.679	*0.816	60.122	4.175	12.935	

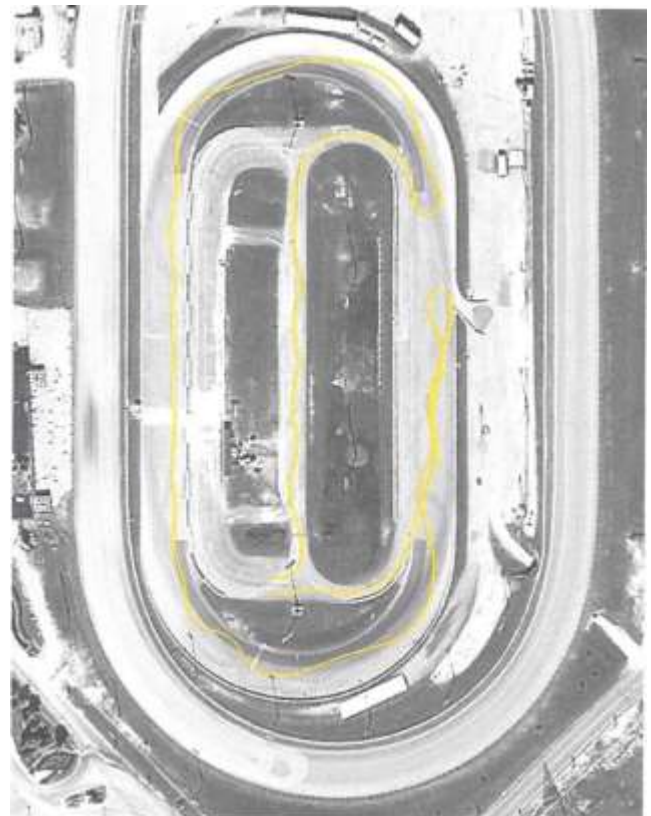
Final Raw Time Results										
#1 - Cobweb - Sun 04-27-2014										
Timed Entries: 25										
Raw Pos.	Pos.	Class	# Driver	Car Model	Raw Time	Diff.	From 1st			
1	1	CM	15 Junkin, Tyler	97 Cavalier	54.811	0.000	0.000			
2	1	CSP	19 Strebel, Stephen	01 Miata	56.316	1.505	1.505			
3	2	CSP	20 Krishnam, Ramesh	04 S2000	56.849	0.533	2.038			
4	1	ES	8 Tighe, Phil	99 Miata	56.990	0.141	2.179			
5	1	XP	3 Dickson, Kris	92 Miata	57.232	0.242	2.421			
6	1	FSP	2 Grubb, Travis	01 VW	59.866	2.634	5.055			
7	1	HS	18 Hunt, Bryan	00 Cavalier	60.460	0.594	5.649			
8	1	CS	11 Lynas, Brian	09 Miata	61.119	0.659	6.308			
9	1	FS	21 Dover, Jay	97 Firebird	61.488	0.369	6.677			
10	2	CS	9 Ried, Don	13 FR-S	61.561	0.073	6.750			
11	2	XP	25 McLean, Drew	88 RX-7	62.095	0.534	7.284			
12	2	FS	6 Austin, Glenn	88 Mustang	62.269	0.174	7.458			
13	2	HS	24 Van Roden, Shaun	00 Cavalier	62.739	0.470	7.928			
14	3	HS	1 Demers, Dan	92 Prelude	62.935	0.196	8.124			
15	4	HS	7 Manning, Phil	97 Jetta	63.562	0.627	8.751			
16	1	GS	23 McCann, Andy	95 BMW 318	63.606	0.044	8.795			
17	3	CS	13 Major, Paul	07 Miata	64.134	0.528	9.323			
18	5	HS	12 McLean, Jordan	03 Sunfire	64.589	0.455	9.778			
19	6	HS	14 Lloyd, Darrel	02 Cavalier	64.673	0.084	9.862			
20	7	HS	16 Gray, John	69 Corvair	64.967	0.294	10.156			
21	8	HS	5 Brandon	94 Legacy	65.603	0.636	10.792			
22	9	HS	10 Manning, Orville	98 Jetta	65.987	0.384	11.176			
23	10	HS	4 Kern, Jack	05 Impreza	67.830	1.843	13.019			
24	11	HS	22 Junkin, Marilyn	05 Cobalt	68.995	1.165	14.184			
25	2	GS	17 Wright, Peter	10 Genesis	73.679	4.684	18.868			

More.....

Watchwinder Results

Bird's Eye View of the Watchwinder Solo Course

James Mewett provides us with a look at the course at Kawartha Speedway from his on-board GPS transposed onto a Google Maps image of the track. Check the yellow line. Click to enlarge in your browser.



Pax Time Results									
#2 - Watchwinder Solo - Sun 05-11-2014									
Timed Entries: 29									
Pax Pos.	Pos.	Class	#	Driver	Car Model	Total	Factor	Pax Time	Diff. From 1st
1	1	HS	26	Johnson, Chris	04 Civic	71.680	*0.804	57.630	0.000
2	2	HS	15	Austin, Glenn	05 Civic	74.572	*0.804	59.955	2.325
3	1	GS	27	Robia, Daniel	95 240SX	73.537	*0.816	60.006	0.051
4	1	ASP	13	Mewett, James	08 BMW 135	69.564	*0.866	60.242	0.236
5	1	ES	10	Tighe, Phil	99 Miata	73.126	*0.828	60.548	0.306
6	2	ES	8	Richard, Sean	90 Miata	74.583	*0.828	61.754	1.206
7	1	CS	3	Lynas, Brian	09 Miata	74.117	*0.834	61.813	0.059
8	2	CS	29	Ried, Don	13 FRS	74.264	*0.834	61.936	0.123
9	3	HS	14	Green, Nick	86 MR2	77.079	*0.804	61.971	0.035
10	1	STX	4	Daemke, Evan	07 Golf	76.041	*0.827	62.885	0.914
11	1	CM	19	Junkin, Tyler	97 Cavalier	69.152	*0.910	62.928	0.043
12	1	XP	20	Dickson, Kris	92 Miata	69.979	*0.901	63.051	0.123
13	1	SS	2	Bateman, Georg	07 Elise	74.374	*0.859	63.887	0.836
14	2	GS	22	McCann, Andy	95 BMW 318	79.370	*0.816	64.765	0.878
15	4	HS	1	Demers, Dan	92 Prelude	81.075	*0.804	65.184	0.419
16	1	FS	6	Dover, Jay	97 Firebird	79.310	*0.830	65.827	0.643
17	2	STX	9	Hill, Mike	07 MX-3	79.861	*0.827	66.045	0.218
18	5	HS	25	McLean, Jordan	03 Sunfire	82.218	*0.804	66.103	0.058
19	1	STR	5	Grubb, Travis	01 Jetta	78.833	*0.839	66.140	0.037
20	1	FSP	7	Kovalou, Tyler	90 Volvo	78.938	*0.838	66.150	0.010
21	6	HS	23	Manning, Phil	97 Jetta	83.211	*0.804	66.901	0.751
22	3	CS	21	Samuel, Kyle	13 FRS	80.656	*0.834	67.267	0.366
23	7	HS	28	Manning, Orville	98 Jetta	84.089	*0.804	67.607	0.340
24	8	HS	18	Kern, Jack	05 Impreza	84.758	*0.804	68.145	0.538
25	4	CS	16	Major, Paul	07 MX-5	83.682	*0.834	69.790	1.645
26	3	ES	17	Norval, Rob	87 RX-7	84.980	*0.828	70.363	0.573
27	9	HS	12	Gary, John	69 Covair	88.397	*0.804	71.071	0.708
28	3	GS	11	Zyba, Derek	03 Altima	87.657	*0.816	71.528	0.457
29	10	HS	24	Harrison, Steve	06 F250	98.147	*0.804	78.910	7.382

Final Raw Time Results									
#2 - Watchwinder Solo - Sun 05-11-2014									
Timed Entries: 29									
Raw Pos.	Pos.	Class	#	Driver	Car Model	Raw Time	Diff.	From 1st	
1	1	CM	19	Junkin, Tyler	97 Cavalier	69.152	0.000	0.000	
2	1	ASP	13	Mewett, James	08 BMW 135	69.564	0.412	0.412	
3	1	XP	20	Dickson, Kris	92 Miata	69.979	0.415	0.827	
4	1	HS	26	Johnson, Chris	04 Civic	71.680	1.701	2.528	
5	1	ES	10	Tighe, Phil	99 Miata	73.126	1.446	3.974	
6	1	GS	27	Robia, Daniel	95 240SX	73.537	0.411	4.385	
7	1	CS	3	Lynas, Brian	09 Miata	74.117	0.580	4.965	
8	2	CS	29	Ried, Don	13 FRS	74.264	0.147	5.112	
9	1	SS	2	Bateman, Georg	07 Elise	74.374	0.110	5.222	
10	2	HS	15	Austin, Glenn	05 Civic	74.572	0.198	5.420	
11	2	ES	8	Richard, Sean	90 Miata	74.583	0.011	5.431	
12	1	STX	4	Daemke, Evan	07 Golf	76.041	1.458	6.889	
13	3	HS	14	Green, Nick	86 MR2	77.079	1.038	7.927	
14	1	STR	5	Grubb, Travis	01 Jetta	78.833	1.754	9.681	
15	1	FSP	7	Kovalou, Tyler	90 Volvo	78.938	0.105	9.786	
16	1	FS	6	Dover, Jay	97 Firebird	79.310	0.372	10.158	
17	2	GS	22	McCann, Andy	95 BMW 318	79.370	0.060	10.218	
18	2	STX	9	Hill, Mike	07 MX-3	79.861	0.491	10.709	
19	3	CS	21	Samuel, Kyle	13 FRS	80.656	0.795	11.504	
20	4	HS	1	Demers, Dan	92 Prelude	81.075	0.419	11.923	
21	5	HS	25	McLean, Jordan	03 Sunfire	82.218	1.143	13.066	
22	6	HS	23	Manning, Phil	97 Jetta	83.211	0.993	14.059	
23	4	CS	16	Major, Paul	07 MX-5	83.682	0.471	14.530	
24	7	HS	28	Manning, Orville	98 Jetta	84.089	0.407	14.937	
25	8	HS	18	Kern, Jack	05 Impreza	84.758	0.669	15.606	
26	3	ES	17	Norval, Rob	87 RX-7	84.980	0.222	15.828	
27	3	GS	11	Zyba, Derek	03 Altima	87.657	2.677	18.505	
28	9	HS	12	Gary, John	69 Covair	88.397	0.740	19.245	
29	10	HS	24	Harrison, Steve	06 F250	98.147	9.750	28.995	

Updated Competition Calendar 2014

~~Past Events~~ — **Upcoming Events**

Event	Date	Location	Organizer
Ice Race	Jan. 18 & 19	Minden	Len Arminio
Shannonville Stages	April 12	Shannonville	Peter Watt
Salmon River Rally	April 12	Shannonville	Peter Watt
Spring Runoff Rally	April 26	Newcastle	Louis Cabarbo
Cobweb Solo	April 27	Kawartha	Dan Demers
Watchwinder Solo	May 11	Kawartha	Phil Tighe
Speed Weekend Solo	June 29	Douro	Glenn Austin
Mid Summer Solo (Regional)	July 20	Kawartha	Travis Grubb
GCFR	Aug. 9	Catchacoma	Peter Gulliver
Dog Days Solo	Aug. 24	Kawartha	Brian Lynas
Lapping Day	TBD	Mosport	TBD
Fall Ball Solo	Sept. 14	Kawartha	Kris Dickson
Last Chance Solo	Oct. 19	Kawartha	Travis Grubb
President's Prize	Nov. 8	Peterborough	Mike van Rees
Fun Rallies: 1	June 25 (Scrabble)		
2	July 23 (GPS)	Peterborough	Len Arminio
3	August 27 (Poker)		



***Peterborough
Speedway
Owner J.P.
Josiasse Will
Be Our Guest
Speaker at the***

May Membership Meeting.

Wednesday, May 28th

7:30 pm.

Dinner at 6:30 pm.

Souvlaki Pit

75 George Street N.

Peterborough.

Everyone is welcome!



Good day,

I would like to introduce to you to a brand new North American Motorsport event occurring on the upcoming June 27, 28 & 29 weekend at the Canadian Tire Motorsport Park on the grounds and on the track at the historic Mosport Grand Prix Racing Circuit.

This is the inaugural event of the “GLORY DAYS Celebration of Speed” Extravaganza and it is modeled after the world famous English Goodwood Festival of Speed complete with a HILLCLIMB on the track.

The “GLORY DAYS Celebration of Speed” is a total car and bike experience featuring a hill climb, lapping, an auction and shows at Canadian Tire Motorsport Park on the historic Mosport Grand Prix Circuit. This event is for all cars whether they be brand new or classics.

Please see Glory Days link below for more details.

With regards,
Michael.

Michael J. Deschamps
Promotions Director
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Date: April 8, 2014

To: SFI Member/Affiliate Sanctioning Bodies, Consumers, and Manufacturers

From: SFI Foundation, Inc.

Notice of Counterfeit SFI Labels on Suits and Hoods sold by Sawan Sports

Please note that SFI has found several products (suits, hoods) sold by Sawan Sports which bear counterfeit SFI labels stating that the manufacturer certifies that their products meet the applicable SFI Specs. SFI obtained examples of some of these products and determined through testing that they DO NOT meet the performance requirements of the SFI Specs: The Thermal Protection Performance of the suit falls short of the 3.2A/5 rating claimed on the counterfeit tag, and the thread holding the hood (balaclava) together is not heat-resistant.

These products have NOT been submitted for certification by the manufacturer and they do not comply with SFI Spec 3.2A for Driver Suits or SFI Spec 3.3 for Driver Accessories. It should be noted that for any spec program, certification that products meet the minimum standards is made by the submitting manufacturer. Products are NOT certified, endorsed or approved by SFI.

SFI Specifications require that a manufacturer's label appear on fire suits and hoods, but there are no manufacturer-identifying markings on these products. Necessary measures should be taken to ensure that items purchased from this source are not allowed to be used where compliance with the relevant SFI Specifications are required. Please contact SFI with any concerns or inquiries about questionable product.



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Seen at a friendly neighbourhood Wal-Mart

First Impressions of the 2014

Chevy Malibu

A new face and improved technology for GM's mid-size sedan.



By Lesley
Wimbush

After such a long and brutally cold winter, the warm sunshine was like a balm for the soul. We couldn't have picked a nicer day for a drive through the countryside in the 2014 Chevrolet Malibu, and while Oshawa isn't generally known for its picturesque qualities, the sun glinting off Lake Ontario behind General Motors headquarters made a fetching backdrop.



What is a 2014 Chevrolet Malibu?

Malibu is one of Chevrolet's oldest nameplates, having been around since the early sixties. Although it had been thoroughly revised in 2013, the last Malibu was still rather nondescript and fell behind the tough competition in this second largest Canadian car segment

Returning for 2014 with a crisper, more charismatic face, the Malibu now boasts a redesigned interior and a long list of impressive new technology – including the segment-exclusive new Stop/Start technology.

2014 Chevrolet Malibu Prices and Specs

Prices start at \$24,995 for a base Malibu LS with 2.5L engine and 6-speed automatic transmission. Standard features include Auto Stop/Start, 10 airbags, OnStar with 6 months Direct/Connect, Stabilitrak Traction control,

Bluetooth, 6-speaker sound system, cruise control, keyless remote.

Volume-selling (45%) 1LT 2.5L models (\$26,795) add Premium cloth, MyLink with 7" Touch screen, USB, phone and audio streaming, Sirius XM, dual exhaust, floor mats. The 2.0L turbo engine (which doesn't include stop/start) arrives with the 3LT model (\$30,215) and the range-topping Malibu 2LZ throws in everything under the sun including 19" aluminum wheels. Navigation is available as an option on all models except LS and 1LT.

Driving the 2014 Chevrolet Malibu

Malibu Product Manager Paul Hewitt describes the new Malibu as the "quietest car Chevrolet had ever launched" – well, until the arrival of the new Impala.

It certainly provides a serene ride as we cruised through some of the prettiest countryside in Southern Ontario. Other than a bit of engine noise in the 2.5L models when pushed, the Malibu is a solid and smooth cruiser.

All models now feature the same strut and rebound spring setup introduced on the turbo models last year, and the result is a composed chassis even over the rough pavement we encountered north of Oshawa. Vibrations and harshness are kept to a minimum, and steering feels nicely weighted.

While the 260hp/295 lb ft. turbo engine equipped cars were obviously quicker and with that much torque - quite a lot more responsive, the naturally aspirated 196 horsepower 2.5L is perfectly adequate in a daily driver.

All 2.5L models now feature auto stop/start, saving fuel and reducing emissions. A secondary battery located in the rear of the car helps power all auxiliary functions while the car is shut off – including the recirculation of transmission fluid to keep it at operating temperature for smooth starts. The engine also features variable valve timing and intake valve lift for enhanced torque and reduced emissions.

Models with this engine now claim fuel ratings of 8.0L/100 km city and 5.3 highway.

2014 Chevrolet Malibu, inside and out

Borrowing cues from big brother Impala, the Malibu's more chiselled front fascia gives it a new, sportier look.

The redesigned cabin looks and feels much better executed than the previous car's, with modern lines and

tight panel gaps. A handsome, modern design now features soft touch, premium feel materials. The bigger centre console features a padded, extended armrest, and there's ice-blue ambient lighting and a choice of chrome or glossy wood trim.

The large touch screen flips up to reveal a cubbyhole – great for hiding cell phones and wallets. MyLink connectivity now offers Apple Siri compatibility for iPhone users and can now read most smartphone text messages, and answer incoming calls with a pre-recorded message in order to avoid distracting the driver.

Both my driving partner and I commented on the comfortable seats, which feature concave backs to provide more knee room for rear passengers.

Comparing the 2014 Chevrolet Malibu

The improved Malibu is now a worthy contender in a hotly contested segment that includes the long-time leaders Toyota Camry and [Honda Accord](#) as well as the Ford Fusion, [Mazda6](#), and Hyundai Sonata.

That's hefty competition.

However, at a price that's about mid-pack for the segment, the Malibu offers a lot of technology and safety upgrades, and is well worth consideration.

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Minutes: Business Meeting, May 14th, 2014.

Started at 7:35, 8 members present

Competition Director, Dan Demers

The April 27th Cobweb Solo at Kawartha Downs had 25 entrants. 14 were PMSC members. The May 11th Watch Winder Solo at Kawartha Downs had 29 entrants. 14 were PMSC members.

2014 YTD points were presented to the membership.

The next event will be the June 29th Speed Weekend Solo at the Douro arena. J.P. Josiasse, owner of

Peterborough Speedway will be the guest speaker at the May 28th social meeting.

Len Arminio, Communications Director

An ice race steward training session was organized by Region Executive Steward Mary Lobban and held at Canadian Tire Motorsport Park on May 3rd. Len attended and will be a licensed ice race steward for 2015. There may be an additional steward training session held in September, as well as a clerk of the course session.

Louis Cabardos, Spring Run Off Rally Co-Organizer
The April 26th Spring Run Off Rally had 11 teams enter; 3 expert teams, 2 intermediate teams & 6 beginner teams. Len Arminio & Peter Gulliver were 1st in the beginner class. Dan Demers & his daughter Kathryn were 3rd in the beginner class.

Peter Gulliver, Treasurer

The current financial balance sheet was presented to the membership.

Peter is seeking permission again this year from the MNR to use the Fire Access Road from Cty Rd 507 to Chrystal Lake Road for this year's Galway-Cavendish Forest Rally. **May 21st note: Peter has been given permission to use the Fire Access Road this year.**

The club will be looking at getting some PMSC labelled clothing. It was suggested to purchase new chairs for the PMSC trailer.

Doug Armstrong, Secretary

The consensus after last year's karting evening was that we should organize 2 nights at Peterborough Kartway this year. Since most of the 4th Wednesday social meeting nights have planned events, I suggest holding the first event on the 3rd Wednesday of June, the 18th and the second possibly on the 3rd Wednesday of August, the 20th. I will confirm this to the membership by email in the next couple of weeks.

May 28th social meeting - J.P. Josiasse, owner of Peterborough Speedway will be the guest speaker

Meeting adjourned at 8:10

Doug Armstrong
PMSC Secretary



Just in: MNR Gives OK to Extend GCFR Road!

After numerous requests over the years MNR has finally given us a green light to use Fire Access Road from Cty Rd 507 to Crystal Lake Road.

This is a distance of approximately 17 kms. We are trying to decide if we should run it as single long stages or break into two stages

Peter Watt and I met with Kris Windover and Matt Bancroft of Minden MNR and did a road inspection. There are a few rough spots which will need a little repair.

We will have the usual GCFR road from 507 to Quarry turn. From that point, the road is somewhat like Lavant Road at Lanark. Twists, turns, crests, exposures, etc

Jeff Parnell is willing to run a machine through the road prior to the rally.

The MNR wants very early notification of other users ATV clubs, seasonal users, etc.

One of the largest challenges we have is trying to stay a one day format. There is no way we can do two recce passes on Saturday morning. So we will need to work on that.

The GCFR web site is activated with work continuing on the build.

Pete G

