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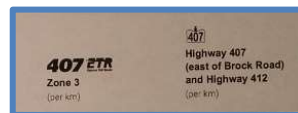
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Photo: Ian MacIntyre



Photo: Lesley Wimbush





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Also on Facebook and Twitter

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.



Canadian Automobile Sport Clubs Ontario
CASC-OR, the Official Sanctioning Body of Motorsports in Ontario.



2017 Executive

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From the Editor's Keyboard

March 2017

Good grief!! Just when you thought Spring was just about here....Winter is hanging on. As I write this on March 14, we are in a moderate snowstorm with perhaps 3-5 cm of snow. The forecast was for 15-20 but that part of the storm stayed to the south.

Where was this cold and snow from Feb 20th to March 5th?

We had to scrap the Sunday of our race weekend which meant the club lost some money or might have broken even. And the weekends of February 25-26, March 4-5, and 11-12 and 18-19 (rain dates), were also cancelled because our track melted. The rain and mild temps of the previous couple weeks just were too much for the Kin Club to rescue the facility.

So instead of a six weekend series...we got 3 ½.

Your club also had a Rally Cross event slated for Burnt River on March 11...but rain and melting snow washed out part of the road we were to use.



Photo: Ian MacIntyre

Maybe next year??

Your Humble Scribbler,
Len Arminio

***The Peterborough Motor Sports
Club Presents
The 37th Edition of
the***



Spring Run Off Rally

***Saturday, April 29,
2017***

**Round 3 of the 2017 Ontario
Road Rally Championship**

Beginner & Expert Instructions

“Touring” Class Welcome (Non-ORRC)

Start/Finish:

Cobourg (TBA)

Registration: 09:30 -10:30

First car leaves 11:00

About 200 km

\$45.00 per team

**FOR MORE INFORMATION
CONTACT**

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Competition Calendar 2017

~~Line thru~~ = Event concluded or cancelled

Red = Next events on calendar

Event	Date	Location	Organizer
Ice Race	Feb. 18 & 19	Minden	Dan Demers
Rally Cross	CANCELLED	Burnt River	Pete Gulliver
Snoecross	CANCELLED	Shannonville	Al Pawling
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Cobweb Solo	April 23	Kawartha	TBA
Spring-Runoff Rally	April 29	Cobourg	Louis Cabarbos
Watchwinder Rally	May 27	Peterborough	
Watchwinder Solo	May 28	Douro	Dan Demers
Speed Weekend Solo	June 18	Kawartha	
Mid-Summer Solo	July 23	Kawartha	
Dog Days Solo	Aug. 20	Kawartha	
Fall Ball Solo	Sept. 10	Kawartha	Dan Demers
Last Chance Solo	Oct. 15	Kawartha	Travis Grubb
President's Prize	Nov. 4	Peterborough	Travis Grubb/Chris Johnson
Fun Rallies: 1	June 28 (GPS)		Len Arminio
2	July 26 (Poker)		Alain Cabardos
3	August 23 (Golf)		Dan Demers



Autoslalom/OntarioTime Attack Open House

Saturday April 1, @ JRP
Johnston Research & Performance
2344 South Sheridan Way
Mississauga
ON L5J2M4 in Mississauga.

From: 11:30-2:30

Series Registration can be done at the time,
RESERVE YOUR NUMBER!
This year, \$40 cheap! Win your class, win your
registration for 2018.... Also included, banquet,
(party....) possibility of other prizes yet to be
confirmed. Nifty giveaways!

For this year, series will be best 4 out of 6, if we
can't confirm the other events. IF, we get the
seventh event confirmed, (CTMP June 24), that will
be 7 events, still going to be the best 4 of 7..... See
my comment below.

I will have 2016 trophies!
Hope to see you there.
Bruce

TLMC 2017 Slalom Schedule (TENTATIVE)

May 14
June 11
June 25
July 9
July 30
August 19 & 20
September 10

Once we have a contract in hand, we will
"officially" post the schedule.

TLMC Autoslalom Co-Director



Changes to Drive Clean Program April 1, 2017

Find out if you need a test

Generally, you need to get the test every 2 years, once
your vehicle is 7 years old. Larger vehicles (called
'heavy-duty' vehicles) require the test every year, once
they are 7 years old.

The Ministry of Transportation will notify you when
your vehicle needs an emissions test, when you receive
your registration renewal documents either online or in
the mail (See example of the [notice form](#))

You can also use our online tools to find out if you need
a Drive Clean test and to search your vehicle's Drive
Clean History.

Types of vehicles

Two types of vehicles are subject to the test. The process
and rules are different for each type.

Light-duty vehicles

- cars
- vans
- SUVs
- light trucks and motorhomes — with a gross
vehicle weight rating (or gross combined weight
rating) of 4,500 kg or less

Heavy-duty vehicles

- large trucks and motorhomes — with a gross
vehicle weight rating (or gross combined weight
rating) of over 4,500 kg
- buses

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Exempt vehicles

You do not need an emissions test for:

- most-hybrid electric vehicles
- light-duty vehicles with a model year before 1988
- vehicles that are plated “Historic” under the *Highway Traffic Act*
- light-duty commercial farm plated vehicles
- kit cars
- motorcycles

Fees

Vehicle Type	Before April 1, 2017	After April 1, 2017
Light-duty vehicles (initial test at registration renewals)	Up to \$30 (plus tax)	Free
Re-test fees (light-duty vehicles)	Up to \$17.50 per test, if it is done at the same facility that performed the initial test. \$30 (plus tax) if the re-test is performed: more than 120 days after the initial test after 2 re-tests at \$17.50 each • at a facility other than where you had the original test	No change – Up to \$17.50 per test, if it is done at the same facility that performed the initial test. \$30 (plus tax) if the re-test is performed: • more than 120 days after the initial test • after 2 re-tests at \$17.50 each • at a facility other than where you had the original test
Heavy-duty vehicles	Each facility sets its own fees. Applicable taxes are extra.	No change - Each facility sets its own fees. Applicable taxes are extra.

Starting in spring 2017, the Drive Clean website will be updated with an online tool that will help you determine if you are eligible for a free test by entering in your Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) – check back then to find out if your vehicle is eligible.

Notice form

If your vehicle is due for a Drive Clean test, you will see an asterisk (*) on the notice form you get from the

Ministry of Transportation when it's time to renew your vehicle's registration.

vehicle's engine and emissions system, every time you drive.;

The Drive Clean test uses your vehicle's on-board computer to identify emissions problems.

During the test, the information stored in your vehicle's on-board computer is checked to determine if your vehicle's emissions systems are working properly and are not releasing pollutants beyond your vehicle's emissions standards.

Tailpipe test

Vehicles not equipped with an electronic on-board diagnostic system include gas-fuelled:

- cars and vans (model years 1988–1997)
- SUVs or pickup trucks between 3,857–4,500 kg (model years 1988–2006)
- heavy-duty trucks and buses, with a gross vehicle weight rating over 4,500 kg

These vehicles will have a tailpipe test done to measure emissions.

Courtesy : MTO

For more info:

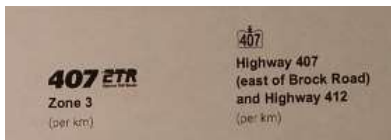
<https://www.ontario.ca/page/drive-clean>



***REMINDER: Monthly
Membership Meeting is
Wednesday, March 22nd
7:00 pm @ Souvlaki Pit***

***Eats at 6:00 pm
Everyone is Welcome***





Check out the differences in base charges between the private 407ETR and Ontario Hwy 407/412
(Doe not include trip and non-transponder charges)

Period	407 ETR Zone 1 (per km)	407 ETR Zone 2 (per km)	407 ETR Zone 3 (per km)	Highway 407 (east of Brock Road) and Highway 412 (per km)
Peak Period (AM) Mon-Fri 6am-7am, 9am-10am	35.97¢ ea 34.65¢ wa	35.97¢ ea 35.97¢ wa	34.65¢ ea 35.97¢ wa	29.00¢
Peak Hours (AM) Mon-Fri 7am-9am	42.42¢ ea 39.42¢ wa	42.42¢ ea 40.92¢ wa	39.42¢ ea 42.42¢ wa	29.00¢
Peak Period (PM) Mon-Fri 2:30pm-4pm, 6pm-7pm	35.95¢ ea 37.32¢ wa	37.32¢ ea 37.32¢ wa	37.32¢ ea 35.95¢ wa	29.00¢
Peak Hours (PM) Mon-Fri 4pm-6pm	40.85¢ ea 44.74¢ wa	44.74¢ ea 42.40¢ wa	44.74¢ ea 40.85¢ wa	29.00¢
Weekday Midday Weekdays 11am-2:30pm	30.88¢ ea 30.88¢ wa	30.88¢ ea 30.88¢ wa	30.88¢ ea 30.88¢ wa	23.00¢
Weekend Midday Weekends & holidays 11am-7pm	28.29¢ ea 28.29¢ wa	28.29¢ ea 28.29¢ wa	28.29¢ ea 28.29¢ wa	22.00¢
Off Peak Weekdays 7pm-5am, Weekends & holidays 7pm-11am	22.48¢ ea 22.48¢ wa	22.48¢ ea 22.48¢ wa	22.48¢ ea 22.48¢ wa	19.00¢

Webster’s Dictionary defines “rogue” as one “whose behaviour one disapproves of but who is nonetheless likeable or attractive.” It’s an apt name for Nissan’s compact crossover because, aside from a couple of niggling flaws, the Rogue is indeed a pretty likeable little crossover – and not bad looking at all.



Introduced in 2008, the Rogue has since become Nissan’s top-selling vehicle in Canada. After its second-generation

launched in 2014, Rogue sales increased explosively – but then, so did those of most of its competitors. It may be Nissan’s number one seller, but ranks in fifth place behind the Toyota RAV4, Honda CR-V, Jeep Cherokee and Ford Escape.

In the last few years, compact crossovers have seen staggering growth, and this is reflected in the level of customer expectation. Mid-cycle refreshes arrive with increasingly substantial changes to satisfy those demands. While the original Rogue resembled a scaled-down and budget Murano, the new one’s bold styling stands on its own merit – another reflection of the C-segment’s growing importance. Many buyers are choosing to scale down by choice, rather than out of necessity, and want the same level of style and comfort they’ve enjoyed in their full-size vehicle.



***Comfortable cabin,
flexible cargo space
and available AWD prove why
Nissan's Rogue is a Canadian
favourite.***

by Lesley Wimbush | Originally
Published February 13, 2017
2017 Nissan Rogue

For 2017, the Rogue returns with a new hybrid option (for the U.S. market) and extensive upgrades. These include new front and rear fascia, a more pronounced version of the brand’s “V-Motion” grille, new wheels to choose from,



redesigned headlights and tail lights, and a strip of chrome. The cabin boasts new materials and colour schemes, a higher level of sound insulation and a sporty new flat-bottomed steering wheel. As before, there are three trim levels: S, SV and SL Premium, and the features increase accordingly moving up the trim levels. Both S and SV models are front-wheel drive with optional all-wheel drive, while SL Premium is AWD-only.

Luxury upgrades include standard first- and second-row heated seats, and an optional heated steering wheel. These are automatically activated, along with heated



mirrors and front and rear defrost, using the remote start option available

on upper trim levels. Similar to the one previously introduced on the Ford Escape, there's also a new hands-free rear tailgate.

A new suite of available safety features is now available, but it's reserved for the top-spec SL. In addition to previously available blind-spot monitoring, rear cross-traffic alert and forward emergency braking, lane-departure warning and lane-keeping assist, adaptive intelligent cruise control and pedestrian detection have been added for 2017.

Our tester this week is a top-of-the-line SL Premium, and it's as bright as a new copper penny – for those of you who remember those. While lower trim levels have



cloth upholstery, the SL boasts stitched leather, soft-touch plastics and a high level of fit and finish. It's

quiet and comfortable, and well insulated from road noise. The updated centre stack comes with a seven-inch touch screen that now includes Nissan's Around View Monitor, a 360-degree camera system. The infotainment system is easy to use, but slow to react to touch prompts and even froze up a couple of times and had to be re-booted.

The front seats are terrific, with plenty of cushioning and support. Second-row passengers get decent leg room, fore and aft adjustment and seat heat in upper trim levels. There's an optional third row seat, but it's probably best to consider it seven-seat-bragging-rights, as it's too cramped to be really useful. With second and third rows folded down, the Rogue has 1,982 litres of total cargo space. Rear visibility is compromised by thick pillars – fortunately all trim levels come with backup camera.

The drivetrain, a 2.5-litre four-cylinder producing 170 horsepower and 175 lb.-ft. of torque, is carried over unchanged. The sole transmission choice is Nissan's Xtronic continuously variable unit with three drive modes: Eco, Normal and Sport. Although choosing Sport does make the throttle response more frantic, acceleration remains on the lethargic side. Combine it with the CVT's monotonous droning and the numb steering, and overall it adds up to a drive engineered for comfort, not speed.

The Rogue is happiest left in "Normal" mode, delivering a smooth and fuel-efficient ride. I averaged 9.8 L/100 km during a week of winter driving – not bad when you consider the conditions required the all-wheel drive



system to work harder than in dry conditions. By default a front-wheel driver, the Rogue's smart all-wheel drive

uses an even torque split at start-up, then cuts power to the rear wheels unless needed to save fuel. There's a locking differential to keep it in AWD mode for rugged terrain, giving it a bit more off-road credibility than the average urban crossover.

Great styling, terrific front seats, decent cargo capacity and comfortable handling over rough terrain make the Nissan Rogue a good choice as a family vehicle. But its lethargic acceleration and lack of safety features on all but the most expensive trim levels could be what's keeping it behind the segment's leaders.

- **Type of vehicle**

AWD compact crossover

- **Engine**

2.5-litre four-cylinder

- **Power**

170 horsepower @ 6,000 rpm, 175 lb.-ft. of torque @ 4,400 rpm

- **Transmission**

Continuously variable

- **Brakes**

Four-wheel disc with ABS

- **Tires**

225/65R17

- **Price: Base / As Tested**

\$25,248/\$38,155

- **Destination Charge**

\$1,795

- **Natural Resources Canada Fuel Economy**
(L/100km) 9.1 city, 7.1 highway; 9.5 city and 7.4 highway with AWD

- **Standard Features**

All-wheel-drive, 19" alloy wheels, forward emergency braking with pedestrian detection, lane departure warning and prevention, leather seats, panoramic moon roof, motion activated lift gate.

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Peterborough Motor Sports Club

Minutes

February 22 2017, Business & Social Meeting

The Souvlaki Pit, Peterborough ON

Attendance: 9

Executive: Mike Van Rees – President, Travis Grubb – Vice President,

Len Arminio – Communications Director, Dan Demers – Competition Director, Kevin DeVries – Secretary

Members: Chris Johnson, Pete Gulliver, Doug Armstrong

Guests: John Sanders (Peterborough Amateur Radio Club)

Call to Order: 19:11 by M. van Rees

Reminder about Rallysport Ontario AGM, March 18 at Bakers Hill

Affiliation Fees

- Matt has invoice

Ice Race Recap

- Lost track late Saturday afternoon
- 58 entries, 40 if races ran on Sunday
- Mild weather, family day weekend possible reasons for reduced entries
- Financial report to be emailed

Rallycross

- Initially was to run at Shannonville but no snow on the February weekend and insufficient snow for March 11/12 weekend
- Pete Gulliver & Lindsey Webster visited Burnt River Off-road facility
- Roads in good condition, approx. 4-6" of snow/ice cover over gravel base
- 5 entries as of meeting
- Track length 2.6-2.7 km
- Some volunteers already confirmed, need 7-8 more
- Website is live. Registration form up at pmscrally.com/rx
- Using Darin Mayes' scoring system
- Insurance and CARS permit in progress

Competition Calendar

- All dates confirmed except Douro

Kart Klub Charity Event

- Taking place July 30 at Kawartha Downs
- Extended invitation to PMSC. Possibility of bringing ice racer, rally car, etc
- Inquired about a mini solo type course

Communication

- Bulletin is out
- Glen Webster taking over uploading of content to website from Len

Business portion closed at 19:58

Social Meeting: Videos: Subaru's Launch Control
- "Aiming North", about Travis Pastrana running Tall Pines 2016

How Formula E cars work



NEXT PAGE: That strange yodeling song in the Hyundai TV Ad.....



title, "Full of Life".

The yodeling lyrics are hard to determine...But the song used is called **"One Day/The Reckoning"** by Israeli artist **Asaf Avidan**.

He was the front man for The Mojos which broke up in 2011. The song is from their 2008 album ***The Reckoning***.

Asaf Avidan & the Mojos released



three albums: *The Reckoning* in 2008, *Poor Boy / Lucky Man* in 2009 and *Through the Gale* in 2010. *The Reckoning* (2008) was released in parts of

Europe in 2009, to generally good reviews.

In 2012 the "Reckoning Song" of the album became popular in Germany by a remix of DJ Wankelmut.

The band continued to tour non-stop from 2009 all through 2011 (mostly in Israel and Europe but also in the US, Canada, China and India), building up a devoted following and a reputation for a legendary live show. Amongst the hundreds of shows, they played at Brandenburg Gate at The World Championship of Athletics in Berlin; at the closing event at Cannes Film Festival 2010; at China's biggest May 1 festivals; and at a tribute concert for The Who in Carnegie Hall, New York. They played at dozens of festivals across Europe (including Solidays France, Latitude UK, Paleo Switzerland, Frequency Austria, and Haldern Pop Germany) as well as a number of radio and TV shows (including Taratata and One Shot Not in France, and two Rockpalast performances in Germany). Avidan's website lists a number of tour dates in Germany and France this spring and summer.

Here is a link to a video of one of his concerts when he sings "One Day" as an acoustic ballad in which you can actually understand the lyrics.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A16VcQdTL80>

Sources: Wikipedia, Hyundai and <http://www.asafavidanmusic.com/>



BONUS PAGES!

*A few pictures from
"Motorama" by Jack Hannah*



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