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# 2019 Season Is Coming Up. Are You Ready?

The 2019 season will start in less than two months in Las Vegas. Las Vegas has always been a great place to start the season but in the last few years we have had a difficult time and had to cancel.

This year we are going with a different host and a different tactic on a much longer 2.7 mile course. We are also gioing with a one day format to make it easier for everyone to get home since many have to travel far.

We expect to have a great turnout and an even better tight racing that we are accustomed to seeing at UST-CC events.

Be sure to get your cars ready and do not procrastinate. If there is work to be done, it is always better to do it now than to worry about it when you have a few days left. Hope to see you in Las Vegas.



### 2019 Calendar

April 20 Las Vegas

May 25-26 Fontana

June 15-16 Sonoma

June 29-30 Laguna Seca

August 3-4 Thunderhill

September 7-8 Sonoma

November 9-10 Thunderhill

## **Team Meeting Minutes**

February 16, 2019

Meeting called to order at 17:10.

Teams submitting proposals: MC Racing Life's Good Racing **BAF** Racing GoGoGear.com Agardner Racing **MBO** Motorsports

#### Business:

- Chris Hovey from Life's 1. Good Racing proposes raising the power level of some production based RWD GT cars to 6:1. Motion: Approved pending further research.
- Sam Stowell of BAF Racing would like to eliminate RE-WARDS weight from GT. Motion: Approved.
- Andrew Gardner of Agardner Racing would like SP cars over 3200 pounds to be allowed to use 260 mm tires. Motion: Approved. SP will now use the same tire sizing as TC.
- Andrew Gardner of Agardner Racing would like to only use AIM data systems. Motion: denied.
- Reza Arsham of GoGo-5. Gear.com proposes a change in the SP power to weight system to eliminate the 150-pound SP penalty and instead have a separate ratio for SP. Motion: Approved.
- 6. Reza Arsham of GoGo-Gear.com proposes a change to the rule not allowing co-drivers on more than one team. Allow on

more than one team if in different classes. Motion: Approved.

- Chris Hovey from Life's 7. Good Racing proposes not allowing E85 fuel. It was argued that certain cars need E85 to make more power. Motion: Denied. However, E85 use will only be allowed for engines under 1600 cc.
- Chris Hovey from Life's 8. Good Racing proposes a separate rookie championship for each class. Motion: Approved and an overall Top Rookie will be crowned with a new points system.
- Chris Hovey from Life's 9. Good Racing proposes using NASA's ST power to weight ratios. Motion: Denied.
- Chris Hovey from Life's 10. Good Racing proposes allowing bigger tires in ST. Motion: Denied.
- 11. Michael McColligan of MC Racing would like clarification on what can be done in Parc Ferme and would like to be able to take tire temperatures and pressures. Motion: Approved.
- 12. Michael McColligan of MC Racing proposes active aero. Motion: Denied.
- Michael McColligan of MC Racing would like clarification on splitter and diffuser size. Motion: Approved.
- 14. MBO Motorsports proposes weight break for front wheel drive cars to make them more competitive especially in TC class. Motion: Approved.

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## 2019 Registration **Now Open**

Season registration is now open for teams and drivers. You can sign up online under RULES/FORMS the tab of the website. You can start out with the Season Registration Form and then you can choose to sign up on a race by race basis or you can take advantage of the discount program allowing you to sign up for the entire season at once. You will basically earn a free race by taking advantage of the special offer. You will also save yourself some hassle by never having to remember to send your entry form in before the deadline.









# Minutes (continued)

#### **Rule Changes**

- 1. USTCC will allow only Traqmate data acquisition for the 2019 season while other systems are being evaluated and tested.
- 2. Tire allocation system will be simplified with 14 dry tires allowed for the season per car in SP and TC plus 1 set of wet tires.
- 3. The Team Championship points system will be revised to give favorable points to cars in bigger classes.
- 4. A discounted entry fee will be available to those that sign up for the entire season.

Meeting adjourned at 19:30.

## Order Tires Soon

Race cars need tires and be sure to place your tire orders as soon as possible. Remember to allow 3-4 weeks for tire delivery at the beginning of the season. Hankook Race Tire will be getting you the tires quickly and once again if you would like to pick them up in the NorCal area, you can do so for free.





# Karting Challenge March 23

USTCC karting challenge will be held on March 23, 2019 at LeMans Karting in Fremont starting at 8:30pm. Everyone is hungry for racing and here is a fun and inexpensive way to show off your driving skills. Bring your friends, family and crew and enjoy a 90 minute team enduro. You will get about 30 minutes of practice time and a 90 minute race for about \$60 per driver which is a bargain. You will be teamed up with one or two drivers, depending on the total number of drivers. So bring your teammates or one will be selected for you.

If you are interested in attending, please be sure to send us an email at ali@ustcc.com before March 20. Be sure to list your name and number of people in your party.