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The Vintage Racing Club of British Columbia (VRCBC) announces the dates for its 2013 British Columbia Historic Motor Races

The Vintage Racing Club of British Columbia announced today that the twenty-sixth running of its annual marquee race weekend, the **British Columbia Historic Motor Races**, will be held on May 25 and 26, 2013, at the Mission Raceway Park – Road Course, Mission, British Columbia.

Since 1976, when the races were first staged at the famous Westwood track in Coquitlam until their current home at the multi-purpose racing complex at Mission, the VRCBC's British Columbia Historic Motor Races has grown to become the largest vintage race event in Western Canada and one of the most significant in the Pacific Northwest, with more than 100 vintage and historic racing cars and more than 3,000 spectators in attendance.

"The BCHMR is unique," said Event Chairman Tom Johnston. "Nowhere else in British Columbia can road racing fans get as up close and personal with these wonderful machines and their drivers, and be able to see some of the world's finest race-bred marques racing for the chequered flag. The paddock is open to the public all weekend and the on-track racing is fast and competitive, stirring nostalgic memories from a (mostly) bygone era of motor racing and motor sport".

The BCHMR is a very popular annual gathering for vintage racing drivers and their crews, as well as for many local classic car enthusiasts who display their fascinating cars in a special area, creating a unique show of their own. Adding to the festival atmosphere are the many sponsors' booths offering everything from automobilia and artwork, to automotive product displays. The food concessions, informative track-side commentary and excellent grandstand viewing, all make this an entertaining weekend for families as well as long-time enthusiasts.

The plans for the 2013 BCHMR include a celebration of the 60th anniversary of 'America's Sports Car', the Chevrolet Corvette, as well as special races for single-seaters, including Formula Ford, Formula Vee and others. The VRCBC is currently working on an additional line-up of interesting racing cars, racing celebrities and fun activities. As these are finalized, they will be announced on both the Club's website: www.vrcbc.ca and the event website www.bchmr.ca, as well as through the press.

The VRCBC is a non-profit member organization, which organizes a series of racing-related activities and events, including the BCHMR weekend annually. The purpose of the VRCBC is to encourage the restoration, racing and exchange of information concerning vintage sports and racing automobiles. The Club members' philosophy is to encourage participation, sportsmanship and display of these vehicles in their natural state - on the race track.

For more information and sponsorship opportunities, please contact Tom Johnston at tomjohnston@shaw.ca or 604 922 2722.