

## Announcement



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### **Subject: CARS Competitor's Representative**

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Announcement 2017-12 issued November 6, 2017 asked for interested competitors to put their name forward for the role of CARS Competitor's Representative.

CARS has had three candidates come forward and express their interest in the position, as a result we will be holding an election.

Information on the candidates follow in this announcement.

To cast your vote please email Debbie Dyer at [office@carsrally.ca](mailto:office@carsrally.ca) by the end of business Friday December 15, 2017. Once the votes are tallied we will announce the winner.

Thank you

Debbie Dyer  
CARS Office Manager

## **Candidate 1 Shayne Petersen**

To the board of CARS Rally and my fellow competitors,

Please accept this letter as my application toward the position of CARS Competitor's Representative on the CARS extended board.

I feel that I have had a wide range of experience although I've not been competing as long as many competitors. I've participated in almost every event on the national calendar at least once and won the Linda and Terry Epp Trophy in 2016. I have also competed, since 2015 in a handful of Rally America events including the Rally in the 100 Acre Wood, Missouri. Having competed at WRC Rally Mexico 2017 and with plans to compete in at least one WRC event in 2018, I've been privileged enough to experience events on an international level.

I have always felt the need to give back to the community through volunteering at an event or by assisting organizers. This has proven very difficult in the past as I've always been competing at the event. As such, I relish the opportunity to help my fellow competitor and CARS as a whole by facilitating communications between competitors and the board.

As a former business owner and semi-successful husband and father I have a strong background dealing with people who are happy, sad, angry, grumpy, sleepy or other. I generally manage to listen and handle the situation with aplomb.

I now work a regular full-time job which leaves me available most evenings and weekends and can make myself available to attend the AGM in person each year.

Sincerely,

Shayne Peterson

## **Candidate 2 Sylvain Vincent**

Being in rally since 1987, I'm better known as a driver. I have also given rally schools, help organised regional rallies and rally sprints alongside being my own rallycar preparator. Now since a couple of years I have been a crew member servicing.

There is a lot of other areas in rallysport I didn't cover but I do have a wide perspective of the sport, past and present.

I want to be a voice for the competitors and give the input to the board of directors from a typical team point of view.

Sportsmanship and security will be my line of sight, I have already a lot of input and ideas to give, taken from what i have witness and from various competitors (teams) insight.

I feel I can contribute to the well being of Canadian rally.

Cordialement,

Sylvain Vincent

## **Candidate 3 Wim van der Poel**

### **Candidate ‘Competitor representative’ Wim van der Poel**

At this year ‘s AGM of Rallywest, I was told that CARS is still looking for a ‘Competitor Representative’ for the coming year. After being informed what is exactly expected from a Competitor Representative and some soul searching to see if I would be capable to deliver what is expected from the competitor community to the CARS board, I have to decide to put my name up for this function.

As a competitor in a lot of rallies in the past 6 years, mostly in Canada and some in the North West USA, I should be aware by now what competitors are looking for in competing in the CARS competition. Of course, most of the rallies I attended where in the West, but the past 2 years I have also done most of the rallies in the East. By doing that, I had the opportunity to meet most of the competitors and get in a limited way familiar with what is going on. For the coming year, I am also intending to do most of the national rallies in Canada; so I will have the opportunity to understand in person what is going on in the competitor community.

What can you expect from me in this function? Setting my personal opinions aside, I will try to represent as good as I can, in a rational way, the concerns, interests and any other that might be living in the competitor community to the Cars board. Of course, everyone has his own opinions; certainly I do. Under all circumstances, as a competitor representative, I will do my ultimate best to represent the competitor community in a rational way to the board, so that all other board members, can get the right impression what is going on in our community.

For the people who don’t know me that well, some personal info:  
55 years old, married, kids and self employed.

Attended my first rally in 2010 and competed my first event in May 2011. Since then, competed at most western events. In 2016 and 2017, competed in most eastern events. In total, I competed in approx. 35 events.

If necessary, I am always willing to provide information.

Wim van der Poel