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MISSION STATEMENT: To be a beacon for individuals of good character and responsible nature. To be a platform to passionately volunteer time and talent to our communities for civic and social improvements. To support the nonprofits that make a difference in our communities.

Welcome Penske Entertainment - New Owner of the Grand Prix



Penske Entertainment has added the Grand Prix of Long Beach to its IndyCar stable of races and venues, including the IndyCar franchise, Indianapolis Motor Speedway, and a joint 2025 venture with the Dallas Cowboys and Texas Rangers on the Grand Prix of Arlington. Roger Penske bought the race from long-time owners Gerry Forsythe and the late Kevin Kalkhoven.

The Long Beach Grand Prix is the longest-running major street race held in North America and is considered one of the most prestigious events on the IndyCar circuit. The Grand Prix is the single largest event in the city of Long Beach.

In an interview reported by KGET.com, Roger Penske said, "We're incredibly proud to be the new stewards of this cherished and iconic event. This is the most historic and prestigious street circuit race in North America, and we're excited to work with Jim Michaelian and his great team in Long Beach to ensure continued success and growth over the long term.

"This race and its loyal fans matter so much to everyone across the IndyCar community, and we're looking forward to a very special 50th anniversary celebration this April, as well."

Following an interview on Tuesday with Jim Michaelian, President and CEO of the Acura Grand Prix of Long Beach, our President Karen Pasion reported, "This acquisition will only mean good things for the Committee of 300. If we can continue to show Penske the high degree of professionalism and service that they demand, we will grow right along Penske's plans for the Grand Prix.

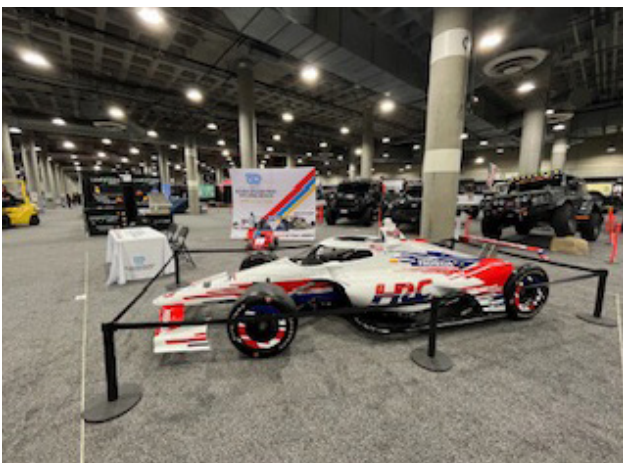
"Penske Entertainment recognizes the storied history of this race, the role of the Committee of 300 in bringing it to Long Beach, and our service to Long Beach. With Penske's help and influence, we can provide even more service to Long Beach."

November Community Service Recap

Thank you to the members who were able to participate in serving Thanksgiving Dinner for the Boys and Girls Club. It was a huge success.



Los Angeles Auto Show Recap



Hello C300,

Having reached the year's midpoint, our members and seasoned Redcoats have accomplished notable successes in community outreach, played a crucial role in shaping our organizational structure, and encouraged collaboration, facilitating stronger bonds among us. Look forward to more exciting events in 2025.

Season's greetings to you and yours for a joyous and safe holiday season.

Yours truly, **Karen Pasion** - President 2024-2025

November Activity Recap - Tanaka Farms

Thank you to the members that were able to attend Tanaka Farms.



December Activity Recap - LB Treelighting



Council District 1 invited our Directors and their partners to the **10th Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony** on the downtown Performing Arts Center Terrace on Wednesday, December 4th. That included VIP tickets to their reception from 5-6pm prior to the event.

The celebration, which featured a 67-foot tall Christmas tree and more than 500,000 lights illuminating the Terrace Plaza in downtown Long Beach, had record-breaking attendance, city officials said.

DECEMBER 2024

12/06/24 (FRI) SEAL BEACH XMAS PARADE
12/07/24 (SAT) BELMONT SHORE XMAS PARADE
12/10/24 (WED) C300 ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY
12/14/24 (SAT) 70TH ANNUAL DAISY LANE PARADE
12/25/24 (WED) CHRISTMAS

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Happy Birthday!

5 - Ernie Estrada

6 - Mary Pruitt

9 - Larry Case

10 - Fred Zermeno

11 - Lawrence Martinez

15 - Raymond Portillo

15 - Catherine Yapjoco

16 - Angelina Villabos

19 - Natalie Hale

19 - Ed Klotz

20 - Ruselle Cherry

21 - Brian Aldrich

23 - Bill Cruikshank

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