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Happy Holidays



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RE Report

By Dave Geis

WooHoo!!! Some of the biggest news right now is that we have Raytheon again for Solo II's!! Starting next year, we'll be able to use lot "T." No, it's not the old one we used to use; it's the one along Greenwich Road. It's fairly narrow, but about 17 miles (OK, a slight exaggeration) long. Many, many thanks go to Gary Blessing Sr. for making the right contacts, etc. to get us back on there!

More big news is the eventual addition of ****two**** new race tracks in the area! It was announced at the convention that Apex Motorsports is looking at five different sites in the Kansas City area to put in a 3-mile road course, a separate kart track, 10 acres of paved paddock (possible Solo site?), and more. It looks about 3 years before it will be done.

And it's been announced that Dan Guterma, former owner of Hallett, has plans to build another race track in Tulsa. Look for it to open around 2005, so stay tuned for more details.

Other big news is that the MidDiv Convention is over and there were lots of interesting things to report on. See the article elsewhere in this edition for more information.

Since I've got at least two more articles to write with specific info about what's been going on, my last article as RE is going to be short. Are we havin' fun yet?
You bet!!

Solo Scene

By Paul Sherman

The Solo season is finally over and I think we had another great one. The final season points should be in the Wail somewhere. I would like to thank everyone for making it another successful year. We had great turnout at all the events and some really fun courses. A huge thank you to all the members that volunteered to be event chairs, co-chairs and safety stewards. The program just won't happen without all your efforts.

And speaking of the program, I volunteered (again!) to be the Solo chair for next year and Hal Larcher has volunteered to be co-chair. So pending approval by the new RE, you'll have to put up with me again. On a more positive note, we may be running at Raytheon next year, in addition to Boeing, Strother and WGP. We'll see how it all shakes out by February. Anyway, I hope to see all of you at the awards banquet and PLEASE, don't forget to send in your election ballots!

Thanks, and I hope to see everybody back for more Solo fun next year!





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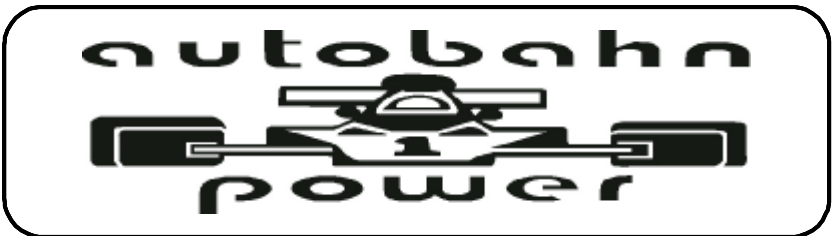
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2003 MidDiv Convention

By Dave Geis

Anybody that's ever asked me a question knows that my standard answer is "3." Well, it finally paid off. Before the awards banquet at the convention, a piece of paper was handed to everyone asking for an estimate of how many more members the MidDiv has than it did 10 years ago. I knew the standard 3 wouldn't even be close so it became 333. I was *exactly* right and won a really nice hardbound book - 100 Years of the American Auto!

Tan-Tar-A is a great place to have a convention (not to mention the fun drive through the Ozark Mountains on Highway 54). One of these days I'll have to go back so I can see something other than the inside of a room and different meeting rooms. As usual, it was a pretty busy time. As usual, I won't bore you with details, but if you need more information on anything, please don't hesitate to ask me for any specifics.

The Solo Town Hall meeting showed that the program is pretty much running itself. It was mentioned that every Region needs to concentrate more on a "novice" program to ensure that "new" people keep coming back. One item that really needs mentioning; in recognition of all of the hard work he has done for the Divisional Solos, etc., Dave Whitworth has been named as the Deputy Solo Steward for the Division. He's done a great job and will have no problems taking care of everything again. By the way, if you qualified for a t-shirt for attending two or more Divisionals, they will be sent to me and I'll get them to you as soon as possible.

The Region Finance seminar was full of all kinds of good information about being a not-for-profit organization. Since we are a 501 (c)4, we seem to have less problems than other designations.

The Club Racing Town Hall was mainly housekeeping discussion (Jack Kice named new Executive Steward, etc.). It was also mentioned that the HPCCC's are really going well and are having good results in bringing in new racers and workers.

After a short lunch break, the fun really began; the Executive Committee Meeting. Starting out with budgets for the Division specialties (F/C, Starters, Scrutineering, etc), committee reports, and such, the fun really began. As I mentioned before, please contact me if you need any more specific information since

some of the discussions went on for an hour or more.

The 2004 Club Racing and Divisional Solo **schedules** were set.

Spec Miata "spec tire" (actually, four different tires) was approved.

Club Formula Continental was approved.

A change in the **MidAm rules** concerning the powers of the Executive Committee failed.

It was determined that we are in fact grouping cars in **race groups** in accordance with the GCR.

IT7 was approved as a new class.

Transponders. After a submission for a "shared" transponder system failed, another motion was made and passed requiring all tracks in the Division require use of transponders beginning in 2004.

The last item for the day was (finally!) the Wichita Region requesting that we be the host for the 2004 MidDiv Convention. I've since heard through the grapevine that another Region may be requesting it, but nothing is official yet. Stay tuned.

On Sunday morning, I was really looking forward to the twisty drive across 54 again. Rats! Fog!



Suggested Bylaw Changes

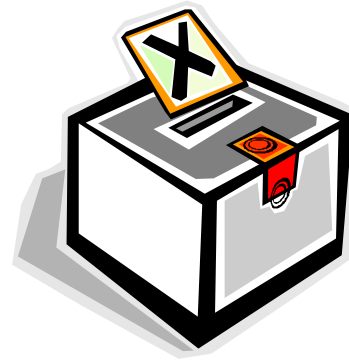
Charlene Bettinger

In this issue of the Wail (page 7) you will find several suggested bylaw changes. Please review these suggested changes carefully and be prepared to vote on them.

The suggested changes were brought before the Board and have been reviewed by a committee appointed by the RE to put into the same language used for our bylaws. This does not mean the Board as a whole endorses all the suggested changes or does not endorse all the suggested changes. We, the Board, have followed the procedures set out by the bylaws when presented with suggested changes. It is up to you, the members, to review the suggested changes and

vote for or against thus amending the bylaws or not as you, the members, see fit. If you have any questions about the suggested bylaw changes, contact a Board member for answers.

The suggested changes will be sent to members to vote on with our annual officer ballot. Each suggested change should be taken and voted on by its self, for or against. *(Editor's Note: You should have received your ballot.)*



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First Ride!

Brad Sweet

I've been interested in SCCA (Sports Car Club of America) auto racing for 35 years (since dad took me to Lake Afton auto race in the early 70's). During the last couple of years, I've picked up the interest in the sport again. A friend and I have been going to the auto races a couple of times each year. During the 4th of July races this year, we struck up a conversation with one of the drivers that drives a very fast car called a Panoz GTS. The Panoz is a 385 horsepower sports car built specifically for SCCA grand prix auto racing. You can find out about the car at www.panozauto.com. During the conversation, the driver asked us which car we were driving and we told him we were only spectators. He informed us that auto racing is a difficult sport to appreciate unless you are behind the wheel. Then he made us an "offer we couldn't refuse". He said he would give us a ride in the Panoz at the next practice day, if we wanted. If we wanted, are you kidding! I've been thinking about this every day since July 4th. Well, today was that day. We arrived at noon and reintroduced ourselves to our driver, Dan Guterman from Tulsa. Dan went for lunch and invited us. We refused because we didn't want food in our stomach before the big event. By 1:30, Dan was back and told me to pick out a flame suit and helmet. I found a suit and helmet, slipped them on, posed for pictures and then crawled into the Panoz's jump seat. They strapped me in then Dan hit the start switch. The Panoz fired up with deep, beefy sounding engine (5.8-liter Ford V-8). Without mufflers and the exhaust underneath my butt, the car was loud (even with cotton in my ears and a thick helmet). We could only communicate with hand signals. Dan told me beforehand we'd do one warm-up lap, then he would open it up. We pulled out of the pits, pulled onto the track and started to warm-up the car and tires. The warm-up lap was throwing me around quite a bit. Dan would slam on the brakes throwing me forward, then floor it, throwing me backwards, then he'd turn sharply from left to right, throwing me from side to side. I was like the ball inside of a pinball machine. I started wondering what I had gotten myself into. At the end of our warm-up lap, he let her rip! Wow!!! This car took off on the backstretch. The engine was roaring and he was shifting, lightening fast. He got the Panoz up to about 100-mph, before he had to shut it down for the first corner. When he hit the corners, he would first break hard and I mean hard! I was really thrown forward. Then he would turn. My whole world was sideways, as I would slant my head into the turn and look out of this little slot in the full-face helmet. It was surreal. Going into the corner, I was again thrown around, this time to the side. Half way through the corners, Dan floored it and I was thrown back again. This car ride was like a roller coaster on steroids. When we watch the races as spectators from the bleachers, it seems that the cars take a while to make a full lap on the 1.8 mile course. Inside the car, we seemed to make a lap in about 20 seconds. I don't know how Dan could remember what was coming up next on the track, how to position the car in the track for maximum speed and safety, how to brake, turn and accelerate, watch the gauges, keep track of laps, watch other cars, etc. It was sensory overload for me. I may have looked cool in the seat, but behind the helmet, I was gritting my teeth, grunting, pacing my breathing, talking to myself and trying not to throw-up. We make about 10 hard laps before he slowed the car down for the cool-down lap. We pulled back into the pits and I was grinning from ear-to-ear, but you couldn't see this from behind the helmet. He pulled into the parking area and shut the car down. I shook his hand, said a sincere "thank you" and crawled back out. My legs were shaking and I started by yelling from excitement. When I unzipped my flame suit, I was soaked in sweat. What a ride! I don't know whether I got racing out of my blood today or whether this just wet my appetite. Time will tell. I do know this is a milestone event in my life and something I have wanted to do for many years. We took a lot of pictures and have some video. Dan also has a camera mounted in his car and there is a chance I might get a copy of our laps. Unfortunately, the video camera won't pick up all the grunting and talking I was doing inside my helmet or what my thoughts were as we were flying around the course. I'll just have to keep that in my memory. Like skydiving, this was truly a day I will remember and talk about for the rest of my life. What a blast!

(editor: Brad is a long time friend and I had to smile when I got this email, I think he is hooked and he has been asking about which driving schools I am planning on attending)

PROPOSED BY LAWS CHANGES

The purpose of the proposed changes to the Wichita Region SCCA Bylaws is to remove the Activities Director and Assistant Activities Director positions from being elected positions. The Assistant Activity Director position is to be eliminated completely, but a new appointed position of Activities Chairperson will be created. Further is it proposed that the Assistant Regional Executive be allowed to run for two (2) consecutive terms of office, better define the position of Membership Chairperson and create a new appointed position of Points keeper.

ARTICLE IV: OFFICERS AND DUTIES

Section 1: Elected Officers and Term of Office

A. The elected officers of the Club shall be:

1. Regional Executive
2. Assistant Regional Executive
3. Secretary
4. Activities Director
5. Assistant Activities Director
6. Six members of the Board or Directors

1. Remove the current elected positions:

- Delete Article IV.1.A.4 Activities Director
- Delete Article IV.1.A.5 Assistant Activities Director

Renumber Current Article IV.1.A.6 to read IV.1.A.4

Section 5: Activities Director

The duties of the Activities Director shall be prescribed by the Regional Executive, not inconsistent with these bylaws.

Section 6: Assistant Activities Director

The duties of the Assistant Activities Director shall be prescribed by the Activities Director, approved by the Regional Executive and not inconsistent with these bylaws.

- Delete Article IV.5 Activities Director
- Delete Article IV.6 Assistant Activities Director

Renumber current Article IV.7 and 8 to read Article IV.5 and 6

ARTICLE VI: APPOINTED POSITIONS

2. **Create a new article VI.3**

- Section 3: Activities Chairperson

The Regional Activities Chairperson shall be appointed by the Board of Directors and shall serve at the pleasure of the Board.

Renumber the current Sections 3, 4 and 5 to read 4, 5 and 6.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS AND DUTIES

Section 1 Part D

No officer shall be elected for two (2) consecutive terms of office, except the Secretary and Regional Executive.

CHANGE:

No officer shall be elected for two (2) consecutive terms of office, except the Secretary, Regional Executive and Assistant Regional Executive.

Add to Part D a #3

The Assistant Regional Executive may not be elected for more than (2) consecutive terms of office.

ARTICLE IV APPOINTED POSITIONS

Section 2: Membership Chairperson

The Regional Membership Chairperson shall be appointed by the Board of Directors and shall serve at the pleasure of the Board. He/she shall receive all nominations for membership and submit the same to the Regional Executive. He/she shall maintain all appropriate membership qualifications and information. She/she shall collect all membership dues, record receipt thereof and remit same forthwith to the Treasurer. He/she shall further fulfill such secretarial duties as may from time to time be required by the Regional Executive or the Board of Directors.

Wichita Region SCCA - Official Solo Results

Wichita Points Event #10 - Boeing N-Lot

11/2/2003 at Boeing

<i>Pos</i>	<i>Car #</i>	<i>Driver</i>	<i>Vehicle</i>	<i>Best</i>	<i>Run-1</i>	<i>Run-2</i>	<i>Run-3</i>	<i>Run-4</i>
<i>Sponsor</i>	<i>Tires</i>				<i>Run-5</i>	<i>Run-6</i>	<i>Run-7</i>	<i>Run-8</i>
AS: A Stock Open								
1	51	Jim French	1989 Chevrolet Corvette	42.469	45.347 (1)	42.911 (0)	42.469 (0)	43.105 (0)
2	60	Dave Gird	1991 Chevrolet Corvette	44.349	44.934 (0)	44.739 (0)	44.349 (0)	45.219 (0)
BS: B Stock Open								
1	82	Ken Neely	2000 Honda S2000	43.046	43.925 (0)	60.793 (3)	45.544 (1)	43.046 (0)
2	80	John Vrana	2003 Nissan 350Z	48.199	55.560 (0)	51.349 (0)	49.355 (0)	48.199 (0)
3	17	Ron Mcdowell	2003 Nissan 350Z	50.531	DNF	DNF	DNF	50.531 (0)
4	80	Othal Vrana	2003 Nissan 350Z	51.572	DNF	55.368 (0)	DNF	51.572 (0)
CS: C Stock Open								
1	62	David Green	1999 Mazda Miata	44.041	46.463 (1)	46.083 (1)	44.041 (0)	46.610 (1)
2	71	Rich Sirokman	2000 Mazda Miata	45.732	49.081 (0)	45.855 (0)	45.732 (0)	46.435 (0)
DS: D Stock Open								
1	68	Steven Harader	1997 BMW 328is	51.392	56.132 (0)	52.976 (0)	54.171 (1)	51.392 (0)
2	63	Jim Monroe	1987 Pontiac Fiero 2M4	51.816	58.332 (0)	53.899 (0)	51.816 (0)	60.875 (0)
ESL: E Stock Ladies								
1	47	Julie Coblentz	1986 Porsche 944	51.919	55.757 (0)	52.929 (0)	51.919 (0)	DNF
2	52	Kaley Morris	1986 Porsche 944	53.109	57.734 (0)	54.419 (0)	56.791 (1)	53.109 (0)
ES: E Stock Open								
1	43	Tom Zickuhr	1988 Porsche 924 S	45.144	45.566 (0)	45.144 (0)	45.542 (0)	46.381 (0)
2	38	Terry Morris	1986 Porsche 944	46.542	46.542 (0)	47.070 (0)	46.687 (0)	46.554 (0)
3	41	Chester Bailey	1986 Porsche 944	48.150	49.843 (0)	56.372 (0)	48.972 (0)	48.150 (0)
4	58	Kevin Anderson	1991 Mazda Miata	48.869	49.040 (0)	49.278 (0)	48.869 (0)	59.014 (0)
5	12	Jared Anderson	1991 Mazda Miata	49.163	49.621 (0)	63.165 (0)	50.484 (0)	54.618 (0)
					49.163 (0)			
6	66	Chad Kellums	1992 Mazda Miata	51.524	56.616 (1)	53.366 (0)	51.524 (0)	52.531 (0)
FS: F Stock Open								
1	22	Derrick White	1986 Chevrolet Camaro	48.729	DNF	DNF	48.729 (0)	49.052 (0)
GS: G Stock Open								
1	44	Tom Dupler	2002 Mini Cooper S	44.728	47.299 (0)	45.601 (0)	47.756 (1)	44.728 (0)
2	34	Abner Perney	2002 Ford Focus SVT	48.035	67.658 (0)	48.035 (0)	48.088 (0)	48.103 (0)
3	67	Jim Schoonover	2002 Ford Focus SVT	49.578	52.122 (0)	50.486 (0)	49.578 (0)	49.698 (0)
HS: H Stock Open								
1	33	Guy Roberts	2002 Mazda Protégé 5	47.890	48.503 (0)	48.497 (0)	47.890 (0)	50.856 (1)
2	32	Gary Bryant	1991 Honda CRX	48.687	52.558 (0)	49.205 (0)	48.800 (0)	48.687 (0)
3	15	Bruce Bettinger	1990 Toyota Celica ST	51.250	53.217 (0)	52.362 (0)	52.867 (0)	52.018 (0)
					51.250 (0)			
4	13	Lawrence Duty	2002 Mazda Protégé 5	51.490	59.136 (0)	52.520 (0)	51.813 (0)	51.836 (0)
					51.490 (0)			
ASP: A Street Prepared Open								
1	73	David Ulrich	1990 Ferrari 348	49.733	52.804 (0)	49.733 (0)	DNF	DNF
DSP: D Street Prepared Open								
1	48	Bob Cummings	1991 Toyota Celica Turbo	43.094	48.268 (0)	44.103 (0)	43.094 (0)	45.293 (1)
2	57	Russell Blume	1991 BMW 318is	44.007	50.144 (1)	46.143 (1)	45.886 (1)	44.007 (0)
3	1	Rob Roytas	1991 BMW 318i	44.984	47.385 (0)	47.631 (1)	44.984 (0)	46.492 (1)
					46.268 (1)			
4	59	Paul Sherman	1995 Dodge Neon	45.276	53.619 (0)	49.304 (2)	45.276 (0)	46.520 (0)

EP: E Prepared Open

1	75	Mike Herrick	1985 Honda Civic	44.080	48.954 (2)	46.118 (1)	44.080 (0)	45.744 (1)
2	49	Gary Sr Blessing	1980 Fiat 124 Spyder	48.013	59.348 (2)	52.549 (0)	50.361 (0)	48.013 (0)
3	69	Mark Braun	1988 Honda CRX	50.206	50.530 (0)	54.141 (1)	56.027 (2)	50.206 (0)
4	31	Gary Jr Blessing	1980 Fiat 124 Spyder	50.975	54.056 (0)	53.653 (0)	53.276 (1)	50.975 (0)
5	6	James Sizemore	1988 Honda CRX	56.819	DNF	DNF	DNF	56.819 (0)

FM: F Modified Open

1	25	Dave Geis	1982 Morton FV	44.300	48.107 (1)	45.012 (0)	44.300 (0)	44.351 (0)
2	72	Lu Geis	1982 Morton FV	47.379	48.736 (0)	48.746 (0)	47.846 (0)	47.379 (0)

STS: Street Touring S Open

1	70	Tim Harmon	1999 Ford Contour SVT	47.259	DNF	47.259 (0)	51.472 (2)	47.536 (0)
2	16	Tom Urbanek	1992 Saturn SC	47.542	48.864 (0)	47.703 (0)	47.542 (0)	47.577 (0)
3	50	Chris Lawrie	1995 Acura Integra	48.741	DNF	69.722 (0)	48.755 (0)	48.741 (0)
4	10	Eric Salmon	1993 Acura Integra	49.438	50.965 (0)	50.735 (0)	50.125 (0)	DNF
					49.438 (0)			
5	23	Gonzalo Eduardo	1995 Honda Civic	50.118	54.708 (0)	52.230 (0)	50.792 (0)	50.118 (0)
6	18	Brandon Parks	2000 Subaru Impreza 2.5	50.587	54.367 (0)	52.288 (0)	51.716 (0)	50.587 (0)
7	65	Don Herrick	1986 Honda Civic	54.468	DNF	DNF	55.213 (0)	54.468 (0)

STX: Street Touring X Open

1	7	Robert Foster	1988 BMW 325is	47.289	49.859 (0)	50.701 (1)	49.626 (0)	47.289 (0)
					49.016 (1)			
2	11	Bryan Jones	1986 Chevrolet Camaro	47.688	47.688 (0)	51.724 (2)	48.170 (0)	47.816 (0)
					49.265 (1)			
3	4	Andrew Auerbach	2002 Subaru Impreza WRX	47.937	50.394 (0)	48.555 (0)	48.676 (0)	48.398 (0)
					47.937 (0)			
4	53	David Wasser	1994 Ford Mustang GT	48.163	55.096 (2)	52.456 (1)	48.385 (0)	48.163 (0)
5	14	Chris Cook	1996 Ford Mustang	51.315	52.798 (0)	DNF	DNF	51.469 (0)
					51.315 (0)			

SO: Street Open Open

1	64	Brent Coppock	1995 Ford Mustang GT	47.995	49.747 (0)	48.052 (0)	47.995 (0)	54.391 (0)
2	6	Jason Stucky	2001 Pontiac Grand Prix	49.919	51.228 (0)	50.214 (0)	53.842 (2)	52.289 (0)
					49.919 (0)			
3	5	Hal Larcher	1999 Chevrolet S-10	49.962	58.730 (3)	51.729 (0)	50.885 (0)	50.602 (0)
					49.962 (0)			
4	9	Thad Cook	2001 Ford Mustang GT	50.325	50.325 (0)	51.413 (0)	60.016 (0)	52.257 (0)
					50.948 (1)			
5	40	Kendall Schultz	1989 BMW 525i	51.806	DNF	55.547 (0)	51.806 (0)	54.025 (0)
6	20	Howard Schultz	1989 BMW 525i	59.019	DNF	DNF	DNF	59.019 (0)

SM: Street Modified Open

1	36	Allen DeVeuve	1997 Pontiac Firebird	47.203	48.724 (0)	51.449 (2)	47.920 (0)	47.203 (0)
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SM2: Street Modified 2 Open

1	2	Jeremy Reddout	1988 Toyota MR-2	47.690	52.373 (2)	48.746 (0)	48.476 (0)	DNF
					47.690 (0)			
2	19	Fergus Thornton	1992 Acura NSX	47.757	DNF	47.757 (0)	66.733 (1)	DNF
3	8	Lonnie Heston	1986 Honda CRX Si	50.431	53.828 (0)	52.905 (0)	50.895 (0)	50.431 (0)
					DNF			

FUN: Fun Runs Open

1	61	Tom Urbanek	1992 Saturn SC	46.448	53.302 (0)	46.448 (0)	50.738 (0)	49.783 (0)
2	21	Rob Roytas	2000 Mazda Miata	46.746	49.277 (1)	46.746 (0)	46.960 (0)	47.666 (1)
3	46	Gonzalo Eduardo	1998 Honda Civic	49.129	50.577 (0)	49.963 (0)	50.052 (0)	49.129 (0)
4	80	Othal Vrana	2003 Nissan 350Z	49.258	DNF	51.557 (0)	49.258 (0)	49.490 (0)

2 November Solo - Boeing Event Report

Hmmm, you will notice this is blank, this may be the results of my being new to the job and just could not find the report. Or it may be that no one bothered to send one in. If the former I apologize, if the latter shame on you.

November 2 Boeing Solo, Top 10 Finishers (By Time)

<i>Pos</i>	<i>Best</i>	<i>Car #/Class</i>	<i>Driver</i>	<i>Vehicle</i>
1	42.469	51 AS	Jim French	1989 Chevrolet Corvette
2	43.046	82 BS	Ken Neely	2000 Honda S2000
3	43.094	48 DSP	Bob Cummings	1991 Toyota Celica Turbo All-Trac
4	44.007	57 DSP	Russell Blume	1991 BMW 318is
5	44.041	62 CS	David Green	1999 Mazda Miata
6	44.080	75 EP	Mike Herrick	1985 Honda Civic
7	44.300	25 FM	Dave Geis	1982 Morton FV
8	44.349	60 AS	Dave Gird	1991 Chevrolet Corvette
9	44.728	44 GS	Tom Dupler	2002 Mini Cooper S
10	44.984	1 DSP	Rob Roytas	1991 BMW 318i

November 2 Boeing Solo, Top 10 Finishers (By PAX Indexed Time)

<i>Pos</i>	<i>Pax</i>	<i>Best</i>	<i>Car #/Class</i>	<i>Driver</i>	<i>Vehicle</i>	<i>Index</i>
1	34.977	44.728	44 GS	Tom Dupler	2002 Mini Cooper S	0.782
2	35.164	42.469	51 AS	Jim French	1989 Chevrolet Corvette	0.828
3	35.251	43.094	48 DSP	Bob Cummings	1991 Toyota Celica Turbo All-Trac	0.818
4	35.513	43.046	82 BS	Ken Neely	2000 Honda S2000	0.825
5	35.849	44.041	62 CS	David Green	1999 Mazda Miata	0.814
6	35.998	44.007	57 DSP	Russell Blume	1991 BMW 318is	0.818
7	36.296	45.144	43 ES	Tom Zickuhr	1988 Porsche 924 S	0.804
8	36.721	44.349	60 AS	Dave Gird	1991 Chevrolet Corvette	0.828
9	36.797	44.984	1 DSP	Rob Roytas	1991 BMW 318i	0.818
10	37.036	45.276	59 DSP	Paul Sherman	1995 Dodge Neon	0.818

~~~~~ What's Indexed Time?

The PAX index is a method of "equalizing" the difference between classes by converting each driver's best time to its theoretical equivalent, as if each driver had been in an A-Modified vehicle.

2003 Mid Am Champions

By Dave Geis

And I do mean champions! You'll notice that the list of names is considerably shorter for the final results. Because of qualifying requirements (score points in at least four races and/or starting races at two tracks), we only had two Wichita Region drivers qualified at the end of the season. But both of them came away taking the Champion position!

Dave Guinn	American Sedan	Mustang	1 st place
Paul Sherman	Showroom Stock C	Neon	1 st place

Dave and Paul join the ranks of some impressive drivers. Here are the rest of the Wichita Region drivers who have made it into the records as Champions. Note that some of these are far enough back where the race series was actually called the Midwest Division Inter-Regional Road Racing Championship.

Chester Bailey	Super Production	Porsche 911	2001
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Linn Strickland	E Production	MGB	1982
David Mould	E Production	Porsche 356	1975
Dick Price	F Production	MG Midget	2000
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Charles Rotramel	F Production	Spitfire	1984
Glen Haigler	G Production	Fiat 124 Spider	1984
Carl Todd Herman	GT-1	Corvette	1984
Jack Martin	GT-1	Corvette	1980
Richard Chance	GT-3	Datsun B210	1981
Mike Lauer	GT-4	Ford Pinto	1983
Larry VonAchen	GT-5	Austin Cooper	1986
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Ron Wilcox	C Sports Racer	Bobsy SR6	1986
Ron Wilcox	C Sports Racer	Bobsy SR6	1983
Gordon Gresham	D Sports Racer	Lambert	1983
Bob Atkinson	D Sports Racer	Beech	1980
Dave Wilcox	Formula Atlantic	Swift DB4	2000
Tony Wilcoxson	Formula Atlantic	Ralt RT4	1990
Ben Diringer	Formula Vee	Lazer Mk II	2000
Rob Greep	Formula Vee	Lazer L85	1992
Rick Knapp	Formula Vee	LeGrand	1990
Bill Rigsby	Formula Vee	Vogan	1983
Linn Strickland	Showroom Stock B	Toyota MR2	1988
David Guinn	Showroom Stock B	Citation X11	1985
Tony Stegman	Showroom Stock C	Datsun 710	1977
John Holsonback	Improved Touring B	Volvo 142e	1992
Ken Kimbell	Improved Touring C	Ford Fiesta	1994
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Terry Terrill	A Production	Corvette	1977
Robert Baker	A Production	Corvette	1973
Ron Bashor	B Production	Corvette	1978
Michael Laughlin	C Production	Datsun 240Z	1974
Bernie Mermis	C Sedan	Alfa GTA Jr	1975
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James Maetzold	Formula B	Lola T242	1976
Dick Johnson	Formula C	Merlyn	1973
Tony Stegman	Formula 440	Red Devil	1982
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Wednesday, November 12th, 2003
Wichita Region SCCA BoD Minutes

BOD members present: Dave Geis, Charlene Bettinger, Greg Laws, Frank Diringer, Robert Foster, Lu Geis, Paul Sherman, Scott Bettinger, and Andy Timmons.

Non-Voting Club Officials present: Carolyn Laws, John Houston, Tom Regen, Kellie Barker, Bruce Sargent, and George Morrison.

Visitors present: Bruce Bettinger, Linda Timmons, Lawrence Duty, Bill Preheim, Hal Larcher, and Darin Teeter

Dave Geis called the meeting to order.

Secretary's Report: October 8th BOD minutes presented by Carolyn Laws. Corrections were offered by different Board members; which included the correction that the Awards banquet will be January 17. Lu Geis moved to approve the revised minutes, seconded by Frank Diringer. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: John Houston presented the report. Lu Geis moved to accept the report, seconded by Scott Bettinger. Motion passed.

Membership Report: Charlene Bettinger presented the report. 236 members with 205 voting members.

Wail Report: Tom Regen presented the report. Lawrence Duty has agreed to publish the Wail beginning with next month. A flyer is being sent out in the Wail as a reminder: 1) Nov. 25 Membership meeting. 2) Dec. 18, Membership meeting with gift exchange. 3) SCCA Convention is Feb. 5-7, 2004. Scott Bettinger moved for a \$200. budget to be available for this Wail flyer, seconded by Lu Geis. Motion Passed.

Web Report: Robert Foster presented the report and stated hits are up.

AVRG Report: George Morrison presented the report.

Activities' Report: Kellie Barker presented the report. The MidDiv Convention will be Nov. 14-16. November 25 for the next membership meeting. December 10 for the next BOD meeting. Awards ban-

quet is January 17. Scott Bettinger moved for the Wichita Region to present the 2004 MidDiv Convention, seconded by Charlene Bettinger. Motion passed. Linda Timmons has agreed to organize the convention.

Solo Report: Paul Sherman presented the report. Hal Larcher has agreed to co-chair Solo 2 with Paul Sherman in 2004.

Rally Report: Bruce Sargent presented the report.

Old Business:

A. Scott Bettinger presented the budget for the trophies @ the Awards banquet. Greg Laws moved for the trophy budget of \$1300 to be approved, seconded by Frank Diringer. Motion passed.

B. Further action on the job descriptions was not presented @ this time.

New Business:

A. Dave Geis address concern regarding a variation of Bylaws for ballot return. This was corrected when the BOD secretary, Carolyn Laws agreed to head the Nominating Committee and receive the ballots @ her address.

B. Dave Geis presented the Ballot budget. Greg Laws moved to approve the ballot budget of \$78 for postage, seconded by Scott Bettinger. Motion passed.

Motion to adjourn was made and seconded. Motion passed.

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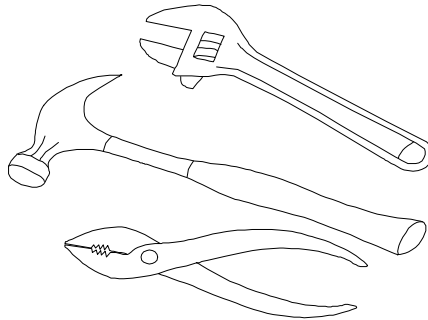
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All ads will be run for two issues, then must be revalidated in order to remain in print.

See Witches' Wail Policy on Page 3, for guidelines on placing ads.

Thanks!
The Editor

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Upcoming Events

December	
Dec 10, Wednesday	Board Meeting - 6:30 pm, Sedgwick Co. Zoo, Education Center
Dec 17, Wednesday	Membership Meeting - 7:30 pm, Red Mesa, 756 N Tyler
January	
Jan 17, Saturday	Awards Banquet
February	
Feb 5-7	SCCA Convention

WICHITA REGION

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AWARDS

BANQUET

January 17, 2004

6:00 pm

Wichita Airport Hilton

2003 Annual Tech Contacts

Racers, turn off your engines! If you're looking for an annual tech, you're a season too late. But here's the list of people who took care of it this year.

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Ray Barker
Dave Geis

554-1142
554-1142
832-0496

Frank Diringer
Rick Estes
George Morrison

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Hotline: If you need further information on any event listed in this calendar, call the Club phone (788-6023) and leave a detailed message. Someone will return your call and attempt to answer your questions.

Membership Meetings: Membership meetings are held on the fourth (not necessarily the last) Wednesday of every month at 7:30 pm. Our meeting location is the Red Mesa Grill at 756 N. Tyler - just North of Central on Tyler.

Board of Directors Meetings: BoD meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30. The meeting location is at the Sedgwick County Zoo Education Center. Enter the Zoo at the entrance near the Administration Building. Anyone interested may attend any of these meetings.

Solo II Events: Setup begins at 7:00 AM (please come help). Typically, registration is open between 8:30 AM and 1:00 PM, the drivers meeting is held at 9:30 AM and the first car is on the course by 10:00 AM. All drivers AND guests must sign the insurance waiver's). To pre-register your entry online, see our web site at: <http://www.wichitascca.org/PreRegister.html> You may also pre-register by phone by calling the Solo Chair.

Jr. Karts: The Wichita region has a great Junior Solo Karts program. Pre-registration is required for al Junior drivers. Contact Rick Knapp (722-2809) for more information.

Interested in SCCA Road Racing? Call George Morrison at 722-2872 or attend a Membership Meeting and ask questions! Race workers are always needed and you can't get any closer to the action.

Address Change? So you moved, changed your phone number, changed your e-mail address, whatever. Let us know!! Please notify the National office (in Topeka, KS), Charlene Bettinger (788-3942, bbetting@southwind.net), and Dave Geis (832-0496, dgeis@cox.net).

Email list: If you would like to participate in some electronic bench racing, subscribe to the Wichita Region SCCA email list. Send an email to majordomo@autox.team.net with the words "subscribe wichita-scca" in the body of the message. You will get an automatic reply with instructions to complete the process.

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Have you been an SCCA Member before? No Yes Year _____ Previous Member #, If Known _____

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The Last Word -The Check- ered Flag

Greetings all, please be gentle with me as this is my first issue of the Wail. If you have any comments or questions please email me or call, as I am always open to constructive criticism and suggestions. This is your newsletter so don't be shy about what you would like to see, or not see. There will be minor changes in the future as I try out some new ideas, but for the most part not too much is needed for Tom has done a great job!



EDITOR: THIS IS BEEN CHANGED BACK TO
FEB 5-7 2004!!!

Due to a situation beyond control, the SCCA recently discovered that the original dates of Feb 5-7, 2004 would not be possible for scheduling the 2004 Convention. Therefore, the dates are now moved out two weeks to February 19-21. The newly updated schedule and registration forms will be available in the RE News issue publishing late this week, and should also be available at the SCCA.com website at the same time.

The SCCA apologizes for any inconvenience this may have caused, understanding that travel arrangements and vacations may have already been requested around the original dates.

You will find the schedule to be very special this year, as tracks are now included to cater to the needs of our competitors. Please urge racers of all categories to attend, they will not be disappointed!





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