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GREAT CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Christmas Party at Mark & Deliah Richlen's was very nice. Those who missed it missed a good time. There was plenty of food that was shared by everyone, bench racing and just general comraderie.

Several awards were given out including a Oldest Rookie Award to Fred Magers. Ryan Coler was given a map reading award for not only making it to Colestrip, but finding Mark's cabin out of Red Lodge. Ryan also said later that he also found Lewistown this year. We once again gave Jim Arnett hell, plus we added Marci with a Dynamic Dumpster Duo Award. They both like looking in dumpster for stuff!! It's so much fun to poke fun at Jim, even when he's not there.

Mark Richlen was given an Almost a Century Award, you add the age of his car to Mark's and viola....almost a century! He was also given his own special timing device(a two minute egg timer). After poking fun at folks we gave a couple nice awards. We gave Unsung Hero Awards to Dennis McCollough & Kurt Schulz for all the extra work they have done over the past year (s). Mark Richlen was given a plaque for his 2002 Member of the Year Award and Mike Moore has a plaque that will be sent to him for his 2002 Driver of the Year Award.

The Grant Cameron Memorial Driver of the Year for 2003 Award was given to Tammy McCollough. Tammy was speechless and I bet she's still smiling. This award was very deserving.

The Dick Hager Memorial Member of the Year for 2003 Award was given to Char Schulz. Char was not speechless and thanked all who voted for her.

Thanks to Mark & Deliah for having us in their home once again. Great party!!

HAPPY NEW YEAR

From your RE



From the RE:No RE Column this month

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting called to order by R.E. Ryan Coler Treasurer's report. Current balance \$1713.16 plus \$110 in cash drawer. Skyview has still not cashed check, is being looked into.

Minutes approved as printed in Fast Times accepted. New business-

Have been turned down for Acton raceway site. American medical/Oxygen sight appears to be a go. Go on Metra upper lot this year.

Fred mentioned that one of his neighbors is Janelle Slade from Q2, is interested in doing a Sunday article on our activities.

Website was discussed again- Ryan will find us a free/inexpensive server and have copies of website publishing software available to several members to make sure our website is current throughout the year.

Mark Brown mentioned that there may be a possibility of racing at the airport in Red Lodge-is being looked into by Mark and Tammy. Mark also mentioned he had some interest in beginning a Youth Steward program-Mark R is finding info on that for him. Mark Brown was voted our region's youth steward!! Meeting adjourned.

Sorry it's a little vague-had a lot going on. Tammy's column should fill in the blanks with out new sites.

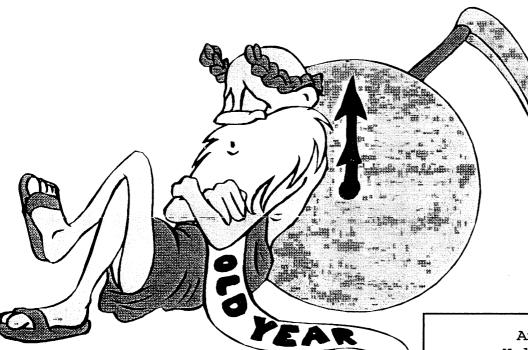
Submitted by Ryan Coler acting Sec.

EASTERN IDAHO SPORTS CAR CLUB

New Club Officers - President – Larry Hull - Vice President – Joe Kremer - Treasurer – Dave Krekel

Club meetings are the first Wednesday of most months - February, March, April, May, June, August, September, and October. July is usually too close to the July 4th race to bother with a meeting. Meetings are held at Melina's Mexican Restaurant, in Blackfoot. The address is 321 N. Main. The meetings start at 7:30 PM. However, come at 6:30 and have dinner before the meeting. http://www.ida.net/users/lewisr/eiscc1.html

The Boise Region has a new web site check it out www.snakeriverscca.org
The Utah Region SCCA will be hosting many races this year. If we don't have a race for you to go to, check them out. www.team.net/urscca/.



If you decide to celebrate by making the rounds, please use a designated driver or take advantage of the many programs across the states that offer free Taxi service.

Don't drink & drive!

Have a Safe and Happy New Year.

Southwest Montana Region (Pending) at Bozeman

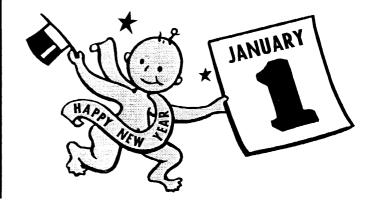
New officers were elected to the Southwest Montana Region (pending). They are as follows:

Region Executive - Russell Kaiser - 586-8264 Asst. Region Executive - Nick Coate - 222-1578 Treasurer - Ardi Santosa Secretary - Alexandra Hamilton -Competition Chair - Robin Evers - 585-8447 Webmaster - Mike Wagner - 388-2379

web site: www.swmtscca.org

Annual Dues For Yellowstone Region

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minutes from pg 1 Competition Chairperson

Hello again, Solo II fans. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you all! I have a lot of news for this column, as I've been hard at work on the schedule for next year. First, we do have some confirmed dates on the schedule for next year. They are May 31 and September 6, 2004 for Skyview. There is also July 11 for the Metra, again in the upper parking lot. I have also contacted Lewistown with 4 dates and am awaiting confirmation, which won't come until early in the year.

For Lewistown, I am hoping to have three events. Two of our regular informal events, plus one early and one late in the season. The third event I am hoping for is a two-day event with the first being an informal "test and tune" type, run loosely like the regular Lewistown events, and day two being put on with a formal course, timing, and run groups. Again, I await confirmation. There has been a 'change in hands', so to speak, at that facility and the drag racers still have first dibs (after the drivers training and other partners)on dates so getting the dates nailed down at this point was impossible. I will keep you updated as info comes to me.

Next, the Jan Kinser Evolution Driving School. As most of you know, I have been trying for a few months, thanks to info from Dwight Gilliland, to get the nationally renowned Evo Driving School to come to our little club community. Well, this is now officially in the serious works now and I have a "go" from the club to set that up. I am working to get it scheduled before the end of June, at Skyview High School. Since a site hasn't been 100% established, I am still open for ideas on any other large lot to accommodate this type of event so let me know if you have any ideas.

What I need now, is for all interested parties (limit 12 pupils) to confirm interest with a \$100 deposit. This is non-refundable UNLESS THE SCHOOL DOESN'T HAPPEN. That means that if you don't show up, you lose the money. If the school doesn't

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Toll Free 1-800-770-2055 - scca.org

Yellowstone Region Website yellowstonescca.com New website for Southwest Montana Region (Pending) Bozeman www.swmtscca.org show up, you get your money back. Simple as that. The deposit should be to me or to the secretary, Mark Richlen, by February 15. Checks should be payable to Yellowstone Region SCCA which, when all collected, will be forwarded in one sum to the appropriate party. If there is a serious problem with that deadline for the amount of the full deposit, or if you need other info, please contact me to discuss the issue.

The total cost for the school has not, as yet been determined, but will be in the \$200-\$300 range. This is one of the reasons that we need to get the deposits in. The fees are based partly on number of participants. Until we know exactly how many will be in attendance, if the site itself will cost money, and the date the school will be held on, we won't know the exact fee per person. The first step before setting a date or getting a lot, is to see how many students there will be.

In other scheduling news, we have been turned down by the folks in Acton for an event to be held in their large lot. I also think that we are finished at Cord Mitchell's lot on Underpass Ave because, the last few times I've been by there, there have been signs that his long-awaited construction plans have finally begun. We were very lucky to get the site as often as we did, sometimes with very little notice, and at no cost. We really thank Cord for his generosity in this matter!! Please remember Cord, and his business Dent Works, for your collision needs.

This means that our only remaining lots are Skyview High School, the Metra, the Armory (ahem), Lewistown, and Colestrip. We are truly in need of sites so, if you have any suggestions, please forward them to me immediately. I am following up on a possible site in Red Lodge and am looking to Fred to get me a date for the medical building parking lot.

Tammy McCollough Comp. Chair

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SAFETY SAFETY SAFETY

With all the snow and cold weather we're having, everyone needs to be extra careful when driving. The road have been extra slick and snow is dropping on ice which makes a very poor driving situation. We haven't had this much snow at one time in years. You tend to forget how to drive in snow until you hit that brake the first time and boy does it come back to you fast. Just as fast as the rearend of the car in front of you comes at you. Slow down the snow will melt soon and we'll once again have dry road to drive on. Watch out for the other guy.

FOR SALE/FREE

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To give away; Windscreen, clear, scratched but serviceable fits TR4-TR6, Spitfire1-3, and GT6 mk.1, GT6+ Call Mark Richlen, 406-248-3473 or mrichlen@montana.net

SCHEDULE

Jan 7th Meeting - Fuddruckers - 875 Main St. Billings

Montana Region, Great Falls Ed Austin, 452-1135 or Jerry Rukavina, 761.4357.

Anyone that has a possibility of a racing venue, please contact the competition chairmen. Tami McCollough, 861-2268 for Billings & Joe Evers for Bozeman 585-8447.

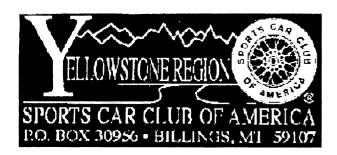


The January 2004 meeting will be held on Jan 7th. at Fuddruckers, 875 MAIN STREET, Billings, at 7:30 P.M. See you there.

WEB Sites

Yellowstone Region 108 Yellowstone SCCA.org Southwest Montana Region (Pending) www.swmtscca.org Montana Region (Great Falls) Eastern Idaho Sports Car Club http://www.ida.net/users/lewisr/eiscc1.html Big Sky Region (Missoula/Kalispell) www.users.qwest.net/~sharpguy/ Montana Region www.geocities.com/montanascca/ Northwest Hillclimb Association http://users.bitsmart.net/rainbowtees/nha.html Magic City Speedway (Billings) http://www.magiccityspeedway.com/body_index.html Cars On Canvas www.cars-on-canvas.com

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