

Fast Times



Sports Car Club of America - Yellowstone Region 108
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Meeting Minutes —(No meetings in December or January)



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Mid-Winter Ramblings- by the Roving Regional Reporter

The Scottsdale Barrett-Jackson Classic Car Auction last weekend was a nice mid-winter diversion, but I still can't afford the cars I wanted to buy when I was a teenager!

Since my Packers are now out of contention, the only bright spot on the TV horizon is the Rolex 24 at Daytona this coming weekend. Racing gets underway around noon this Saturday.

The latest word from my hood builder is that the mold is

about done and prototypes are the next step. (It recently dawned on me that I made the same mistake with my hood builder as I did with my mechanic who did the "\$300 Civic" engine swap—I told him that "time was not a big issue.") (I thought you got smarter as you got older!)

Some of you have already heard, but two members of the "Team" are scheduled to be married in 2015—no, not to each other. The Newsletter Editor is getting hitched in

February to friend-of-the-Region Jerod Staebler and #2 son David is getting married in August to Sarah Pisk from Terry, Montana. In August, David and Sarah moved from Bozeman to Boulder, CO, where Sarah is attending law school at the University of Colorado. David is planning to attend graduate school after he acquires Colorado residency.

Needless to say, it doesn't look like a new C7 Z06 is in the cards for 2015. J.



What's Brewin'? — From the RE



Nominations have been received and voting has been completed for the Region's Driver of the Year and Spirit of the Sport awards. The presentation of such awards will take place at the Region's annual year-end gala to be held on Saturday, February 7th at The Windmill Restaurant & Bar, 3429 TransTech Way, Billings, MT. The party kicks off at 6:00 p.m. The Region provides hors d'oeuvres and the members and their guests provide the fun! After the awards ceremony, you can enjoy dinner in the res-

taurant or continue "bench racing" in the bar. Let me be the first to welcome two new members to the Region: **Tanner Robertson** from Hardin and **Michael Ros** from Billings. If Tanner and Michael are unable to make it to the year-end party, we look forward to extending a warm welcome at the first event of the season. Please note that similar to last year, there will be no meeting in February and we will set the 2015 event schedule at the March meeting. In the meantime, keep warm! C.B.



Randy's Ramblin's — From the Comp. Director



2014 marked the starting point of the new "Street" category which is designed to replace the 40-year-old "Stock" category. The goal of the Street category is to provide a more user- and budget-friendly set of tire rules and prep allowances, and offer more flexibility in wheel sizing. Entering 2015, Street category is facing one last change from 2014: an increase from 140 UTQG (greater treadware tires) to ones with a UTQG or at least 200. (Note that this change also affects Street Touring category which

now takes its tire eligibility rules from Street classes. Most of the ultra-high-performance tire manufacturers are aware of this rule change and are either revising an existing product or offering a new tire to meet the new standard. The February issue of *Sport-Car* tested new tires from Hankook (R-S3), Dunlop (Z11), Bridgestone (RE-11), and BFGoodrich (G-Force). The R-S3s were fastest in the dry and the RE-11s and the Z11s were fastest in the wet, but the spread was only 0.5 seconds on a 29 second course.



The Finish Line — From the Webmaster



On a recent trip to Ekalaka—don't ask—a storefront in Baker, Montana, caught my eye. The sign indicated "Prairie Rose Classics" and various vintage cars were visible at 7:30 a.m. when I passed through town. Unfortunately, I didn't get back to Baker until after 5:00 p.m., but I stopped and peered into the building anyway. Inside were a dozen or so beautifully restored classic cars covering a wide range of years and makes. I Googled "Prairie Rose Classics in Baker, MT" after I got home. I could-

n't find a website, but I found references to both a "museum" and "antique and classic auto sales." Another trip to Ekalaka is scheduled in a few months, so I will make a point to stop during business hours and find out more. From what I could see through the window, there also appeared to be quite a bit of motorabilia inside. On an unrelated note, the snow plow on the 4-wheeler is getting quite a workout this winter. If the snow wasn't too deep, the rig could set a pretty nice ice autocross course!



Monthly Region Meeting
March 3, 2015
GH&R Law Firm
175 N. 27th Street
Suite 903
6:00 p.m.

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