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Powell Airport Event Confirmed

The event at the Powell Airport will be a two day event on June 16th & 17th. There is a large L shaped area - approx. 3-4 acres of asphalt. Rooms are around \$30.00 a night. We will have more information as it gets closer to the event.

Meeting Minutes

The 2-07-01 meeting at Elmer's called to order.

Treasurer's report: check book is balanced and all bill current. Balance is \$2091.76

Motion to accept the minutes from last meeting as printed in the Fast Times seconded and passed.

OLD BUSINESS

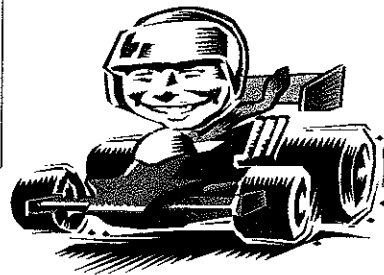
Committees:

Trailer - same- no report.

BMP: report from Mark & Kurt.
Yellowstone Racing Association requested a track be built there which the Foundation decided not to do. The timing tower and other necessary structures are going to be started this spring. The staging area is going to be 200' by 600'. By 2002, there will be pavement and drag racing. Hopefully, we can use the staging area for autocrossing.

Comp Chair: a tentative site selection & schedule follows: May 6, Lockwood; May 20 Lewistown; May 27 Skyview; June 3 - Powell; June 17 Powell; July 8, Butte with Big Sky Region; CONT.' ON PG. 3

From your RE



We had another good turnout for our February meeting. I hope more of you will make it a priority to attend.

The SCCA meeting in Denver was great! I met lots of people from around the country, and if you read the Redline, you know that all the RE's from the Rocky Mountain Division met for the first time. The seminar for RE's was well attended with 46 regions. I came away with a RE Manuel that, I think, has answers to most questions that will come up over this next year. There were seminars for administration, club racing, rally, and solo. I spent most of my time with the solo seminars, but I did attend the insurance and rally cross seminars. I dropped in to the newsletter/magazine seminar to get information for Char. The time & money to go to Denver was well spent and I'm feeling better able to represent the Yellowstone Region.

Our new President & CEO, Steve Johnson is going to be a great asset to our club. He is focusing on member recruitment and retention, and on marketing our organization. He comes from the NHRA and is an impressive guy.

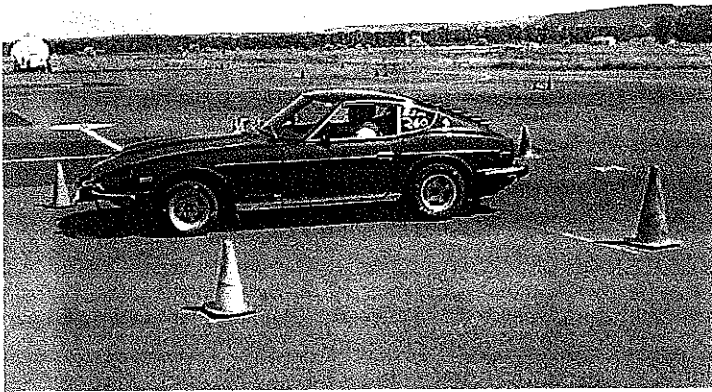
Dennis "Hairy" McCollough has put together a tentative schedule and the Bozeman group met on the 21st, so I think we're getting close to having our schedule for the year. As soon as I check with Dennis, I think we can get a schedule on the web site. I'll be talking to you Chanda.
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UPDATE ON LES WOMACK

Les is recovering from injuries she received in an automobile accident on Dec. 23, 2000. She has gotten the cast off her arm, but still is not allowed weight bearing on her legs & feet, so most of her time is spent in a wheel chair. At this time she is still in Aspen Meadows, 3255 Ave. C., Billings. She will be there for some time and sure could use some company. The phone number is 656-8818. Cards & letters are also nice, she sends thanks to those who have remembered her.



If you're in a vehicle going the speed of light, what happens when you turn on the headlights?

If you tied buttered toast to the back of a cat and dropped it from a height, what would happen?

Why do they put Braille dots on the keypad of the drive-up ATM?
from joke@flowgo.com

advertising rates

full page \$50.00 1/2 page \$30.00
1/4 page 20.00 business card \$ 10.00
Camera ready copy required.

Classified are free to members (non-business) for three months - 25 word limit. Non-members \$10.00 for the first 25 words, then \$.10 a word after that.

SCCA POINTS FUND FOR SOLO II
YELLOWSTONE REGION

FUNDING

Money will come from car registration fees (\$5. per number), entry fee to the points series (\$10.) and from a \$1.00 fee levied on all entrants to Yellowstone region events that are listed as points races.

Money raised by number sales and entry fees to the points series will be equally divided between all major divisions (stock, street prep, prep, mod and street touring/mod). Monies from the \$1.00 fee on entrants will be kept in the division that the car is racing in.

SCORING

All cars will be classed per the SCCA Solo II rule book. In this points series there will be no bumping or moving of cars to make a larger class, however, the points awarded will be higher for a win in a multi-car class.

6 or more cars	5 cars	4 cars
1st12 points	11 pts.	10 pts.
2nd10 points	9 pts.	8 pts.
3rd 8 pts	7 pts	6 pts
4th 6 pts.	5 pts	4 pts
5th ---- 4 pts	3 pts	
6th ----- 2 pts.		
3 car	2 car	1 car
1st 9 pts.	8 pts	7 pts
2nd ... 7 pts	6 pts	
3rd 5 pts		

This is just a proposal, it's not set in stone unless we vote on it. We would also need to set what events would be a points race. Lewistown would not be a points race. Look this over and bring your ideas to the meeting.

FROM YOUR RE CONTINUED:

One of the things that I came away from Denver with was a new resolve to be organized at our events. After visiting with people from the large regions where they have 150 to 200 cars at an event, you know they have to be organized. Mike Leuty from Seattle has e-mailed me checklists that they use at their events. I think we can take them and modify them for our use. I've sent them on to Bob Grummett for his comments and I'll bring copies to the next meeting; I'd like your comments. One of the things that I think we can do better is our drivers meetings. If we have a checklist, then all the important topics will be covered and no one will walk away wondering how many runs per run group, etc.

One other thing that I'd like us to do is to have a few drivers who would be willing to mentor the rookie drivers at each event. These mentors would walk the course, maybe take the new driver as a passenger, or ride with him a time or two, so the rookie has a good experience and wants to come back again. Any volunteers???

Well, there's lots to do and it looks like we're going to have a good full schedule of autocrossing this summer.

Give some thought to coming to the meetings; we need everyone's input and thoughts as we put together our racing season. Please give me a call if I can be of any help or answer any question.

See ya in Billings.

Dennis

With the events that happened at Daytona this year, we just want to remind everyone to check your safety equipment. You can not check it too many times. This year you need a Snell 90 or better helmet. It's a very important part of your racing gear. Don't try to cheap yourself out, get a good helmet.

Take a minute and offer a prayer or sent good thoughts to the Earnhart family. I guess if it was his time to go, what a way to go. Doing something he loved so much.

Have a safe racing and driving year.

check out the web site
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MORE MINUTES

July 14-15, Top Gun with Big Sky running it; Aug 5, open; Aug 18-19 or 25-26 ? Black Otter; Sep 9, Lewistown; Bozeman dates next meeting; October - Spokane Octo-Cross; Wendover - Father's Day Divisional Autocross; Labor Day - Mustang Days, Bozeman. Some dates are for sure, e.g. Lewistown, and some are tentative. Next meeting should solidify more dates and clear up questions.

A replacement shade for the canopy: prices as following: \$81.62 same as we had and \$170.00 for a heavy duty. We are checking another source as well. No action taken at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

Ryan McDonald offers a companion to our web-site. It is streetracer.org. Members may register if they want.

Dennis M.(Hairy) inquired about having ads in the Fast times, and we discussed this as well as possible rates. They should be listed somewhere in this newsletter. It was remarked that people who wish to run ads (not classified) would need to help with inserting into the newsletter. We thought that ads would be a good addition to th FT.

Points fund: Kurt Schulz is going to get started on the points fund system and will contribute articles as necessary to the FT to educate the membership on the merits of doing such. It was thought that it is a positive thing to do and will require some administration which Kurt will take care of if there is serious interest in it.

Assistant RE Brian Dean is in the process of checking out an advertising scheme. We also talked about using PSA's to get our message out. (Public Service Announcements) They are free and could be helpful.

RE Dennis Hoeger reported on his visit to the National Convention. He will write in his column about it. In short, he reported that our new President is Steve Johnson from the NHRA. Our membership is 57,000 now and he wants to increase it and make the SCCA as visible as the NHRA.

We determined a number of Rule books and GCR's to order. If you want one, there may be some not taken.

There was a motion to adjourn. It was seconded and passed.

Thank you again to all who were present.

Ken Decker



This space could have been yours for only \$10.00....think about advertising in the next issue - business card size only \$10.00 per issue!

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

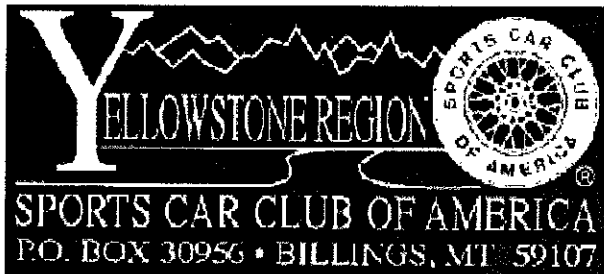
May 6 Lockwood
May 20 ***TBA - possible Bozeman
May 28 Skyview
June 2 Lewistown - NEW DATE - Saturday
June 10 Bozeman - Ice Gardens
June 16-17 Powell Airport - Firm
June 24 Bozeman - MSU
July 8 Butte with Big Sky Region
July 14-15 Top Gun, Missoula running it.
July 22 Bozeman - MSU
Aug 5 TBA - In town
Aug 12 Bozeman - MSU
Aug 18-19 Black Otter Hillclimb
Sept 3 Labor day - Mustang Day - Bozeman
Sept 9 Lewistown - firm
Sept 16 Bozeman - Hospital
Divisional Autocross - June 17 - Wendover, Utah
Hillclimb - May 26-28 - Whitefish

The March 7th meeting of SCCA will be held at Elmer's Pancake House, 875 Main Street at 7:30 P.M. If you would like a different place to meet, bring your suggestions to the meeting.

WEB Sites

Yellowstone Region 108
<http://www.yrsc.ca.enthusiasts.org>
Montana Region (Great Falls)
<http://me.mygarage.com/scca.htm>
Eastern Idaho Sports Car Club
<http://www.ida.net/users/lewisr/eisccl.htm>
Big Sky Region (Missoula/Kalispell)
http://people.montana.com/~sharp_guy
Northwest Hillclimb Association
<http://users.bitsmart.net/rainbowtees/nha.html>
Magic City Speedway (Billings)
http://www.magiccityspeedway.com/body_index.html
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