

FAST TIMES

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March 1995

MARCH MEETING

The March meeting was called to order by RE Bob Grummett.

Minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer reported a previous balance of \$2,784.83

Expenses of \$52.16 to Kristi Mathson for the newsletter, \$10.00 for the corporate report, \$5.00 certificate of good standing and \$39.09 for the timer ad.

New balance \$2,678.58

Minutes were approved as written in the last newsletter.

Bill moved we pay the bills from kinko's, Dave seconded, passed

Treasurer report was passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Dwight reported progress on the club trailer. A door and window were acquired. Construction slated to begin at the end of March.

Dale reported progress on a timing system in California and also mentioned that the ad we placed would not be published until this month.

Bob reported errors in the schedule and revised certain dates. April 16 changed to April 23, Scratch the April 30 date. May 14 changed to May 7 and July 29 changed to August 5.

The Lewistown dates are confirmed and the Bozeman date is confirmed for June 3 & 4, same place as last year.

Bill and Kristi will audit the mailing list.

NEW BUSINESS

The Points System was discussed. Dean reported on the PAX System as well as a system for using it in our region. This proposal can be obtained through the Secretary/Treasurer. Several recommendations were made to alter the proposal slightly. Bill moved to table to the committee, passed

Dwight proposed the addition of two classes. An over and under class-2,500lbs is medium. These classes will provide a slot for the off the street entrants that have not built their cars to a specific class. Dave seconded, passes

Kristi needs articles for the newsletter-does anyone have anything to say?

Bob reported that the Motor Sports Complex is moving ahead positively. Assignments are being handed out with definite deadlines. A raffle will be held for a 16 foot trailer. Tickets will be sold by all local clubs and organizations. Trailer drawing will be held at the Show-n-Shine at K-mart August 5. All proceeds are to support the Motor Sports Complex.

Dale will Chair the April 23 Vo-Tech event and Bill will Co-chair. Noise levels will be tested at this event-build to conform. At any event following Vo-Tech you will be rejected for excess noise.

Dale is going to help organize the Lewistown event.

Dead line for book and decal orders from SCCA is April 5. For orders contact: Bill Schaff after 5:00-259-2071.

Bill Schaff seconded-passed.

1995 PREDICTIONS

Each season, prior to the Solo II National Championships, Sports Car magazine does an article predicting who will so what at the event. Well how about some predictions of our own for the upcoming season. Please view these predictions in the light in which they were intended. (Amusement)

Dale Dinsmore and Dennis McCollough of Datsun 510 fame will verbally beat Bob Grummett in his little red Corvette.

Bob will beat Dennis and Dale with a baseball bat.

Bill Schaff, new modified powered by a motor cycle engine, will become confused and go to a motorcross instead of an autocross.

Dwight Gilliland will finish his modified car and disappear sometime during an autocross, because that's what happens to things at the speed of light.

Kurt Schulz will come to an event clean

Kristi Mathson will become an autocross "junky" and will get the shakes about every two weeks.

Dave Eberts will go on a diet and gain ten more pounds. Says it will help hold his car on the ground.

Dean Johnson will forsake his nasty Mazda powered modified and autocross his laptop computer.

Gordon Dewey will not roast the tires off of his Mustang. We might miss on this one.

Tim O'Brien will actually do something he said he would do.

Bill Hardy will not be crabby at an event. Him and his son, Richard, share a great looking and performing RX-7. Rich will beat his dad at least once this year.

Dick Hager has become our media chair person and we predict that he will electocute his lip on a microphone when he tries to autocross our system.

Grant Cameron will go to sleep while competing.

Bill Oaky will have his Meriin Formula Ford up and running for this season-Yes you will!

Yellowstone Region will win the Top Gun trophy this season.

Norm Williams and the crew at Bozeman will again host an event at MSU and that Sunday morning everyone will be hung over again.

We will see the group from Idaho Falls throughout the season and Cal Craner will not be crabby, or run out of gas.

If you didn't see your name here it is because we have run out of ideas and time so don't feel slighted. You can be assured that there is more to come as the season progresses

The Great Gearheadini

1995 RACE SCHEDULE

April 23

B.C.O.T. (formerly Vo-Tech)

May 2

Skyview High School
BBQ following race

May 21

Lewistown Raceway

May 29

Costco (observed Memorial Day)

June 3-4

Lewistown Raceway

June 10

Denny Menholt Chevy
(tentative-evening)

June 17-18

Bozeman (MSU Campus)

July 2

MSU Eastern (lot near the tennis courts)

July 15-16

Top Gun in Helena

August 5

Costco (evening autocross)

August 13

Skyview High School

August 26-27

Black Otter Hillclimb

September 10

B.C.O.T. (formerly Vo-Tech)

September 24

Skyview-BBQ following race

September 30-October 1

Pocatello Idaho

If you have questions, need further information or would like to help with an event please call Dave Eberts at 252-4717 or Dale Dinsmore at 256-2212.

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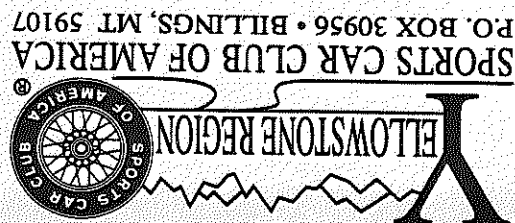
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R A C E W A Y

JUNE 3 AND JUNE 4

Mark your calendars and plan to be at one of the biggest events this year.

Rooms will be blocked out for SCCA at the Yogo Inn.
If you wish to reserve a room for the event
please call them ASAP and tell them you are with SCCA.



NOISE CONTROL

With the construction of new housing in the Skyview Highschool area and the addition of some new autocrossing sites, it has become apparent that noise control has finally become a factor in our autocrossing. As I have always been an advocate of open exhaust, seems to me "race car" and "muffler" are a contradiction of terms. It pains me to tell you that the Yellowstone Region has had to adopt the city's code for sound levels. The guide lines are 75 decibel's at 50 feet or 80 decibel's at 25 feet. Our first autocross is scheduled for April 23 and at that time I will do the required annual tech inspection on vehicles. During the course of the day we will check the decibel levels of every vehicle from several different locations on the course. We will also check every vehicle at every event throughout the season. We are aware that not everyone will be able to make the first autocross event to have their car checked for noise. You will be given ample opportunity to correct your noise levels at all the events but don't be

stupid enough to show up without a serious attempt at some kind of noise suppression on your exhaust. I think that if you have not corrected or made a very serious attempt at some kind of noise suppression on you vehicle by your second run at any event, you will not be allowed to continue to compete. I am sure I'll get a lot of flack on this one but the reality of the situation is that with the first complaint made by an irate home owner, or whoever, we will loose a site to autocross on and good sites are hard to come by. So please do yourself and everyone else a favor and come prepared because I just won't take any crap from anyone. I think the second event is at Skyview and taking into consideration that a complaint has already been made last season, we need to enforce the noise level policy so that any complaints will have no justification other than someone being P.O.d just because we are having fun.

You may have noticed that in the schedule there is the addition of some new sites. I managed to

obtain the parking area on the east side of Costco up to the back side of Red Lobster for a couple of events and the parking lot where the tennis courts are located at the M.S.U., Billings campus. We owe a debt of gratitude to Mr. William Barr, Dean Academics at the College of Technology. Bill was instrumental in helping me obtain both the B.C.O.T., formerly Vo-Tech, site and the Eastern site as well. With the merger of certain schools our access to the B.C.O.T. site was also in question but everything worked out ok. Hopefully by the time you read this article I will have nailed down the parking lot at Denny Menholt Chevy dealership for a Saturday June 10, evening date.

May all your asphalt be firm and warm.

Dave Eberts