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Someone wiser than me once said "You never quit learning".

So I'm going to come back to Billings after all these years running various pro series, enter an autocross, and learn something about racing? In a street car? Damn right! Using a flick of your wrist in a properly fitted race car to negotiate a 120 mph sweeping turn is a whole lot easier than going hand over hand thru a slalom at 20 mph while sliding around on a flat seat and wearing belts you can't tighten down. The nut behind the steering wheel should be one of the first to be considered. I'm sure there would have been a lot difference in lap times had I rather than holding myself in place! Real seat belts and added side bolsters or a full competition seat can be easily added and are well worth spending part of your performance budget on. Enough said

Dwight

A View From the Rear

It's another busy summer for us if all events are taken in. It seems that traveling is a must if you want to compete in June. We are going to try to find a dirt lot for an autocross and I've promised not to put any "air" under the cars, but I can't promise no dust, so don't bring your show car to this event. Lewistown is always a lot of fun if only for the amount of seat time. I've burned 10 gallons of gas up there and left wanting more. Bozeman is becoming the hot event for the year. I hear everyone has a great time there.

This year Top Gun is going to be held at the Highway Department for both days. While the sight leaves a lot to be desired, the people are great and we need to recapture the top slot for ourselves.

In August it's the upper Metra lot and Skyview. We got massive Metra lot for Sunday only and decided to do a two day event to encourage out-of towners to step in and play for the weekend. We're supposed to have our new staggering lights and staggered start fully sorted at this time so we can stage a Pro/Solo style event.

A small clarification-Black Otter Hillclimb is being sponsored by Northwest Hillclimb Association-not SCCA, but we included it in our schedule for obvious reasons.

After hillclimb we stay local for a few weeks and then wrap up the year at West Yellowstone. Last year was absolutely fantastic, great people, fast courses and picture perfect weather.

It's time to dig our cars, wash, wax and tinker them to perfection. There are several qualified people to help you with what ever aspect you don't feel up to and almost everyone will give you advice. A couple of people who deserve a mention-a man by the name of Mike McCord has opened a muffler shop on 746 Dunham. Mike understands performance exhaust and has a full line of Walter Mufflers-give Mike a call at 245-8400-especially if your car is starting to roar instead of purr.

Another person who deserves some promotion is Dwight Gilliland-his numbers are: 1141 Wicks Lane • 259-0358, or Elmers in the Heights. Dwight's specialty is fabrication. He is a talented and knowledgeable about damn near any aspect of car suspensions, frame, or body modifications. Just ask him he can probable do it.

Well I'll see you at our season opener at Doc & Eddy's. Bring your friends and have a good time with us on the 24th of April and for those of you who are so inclined- the 4X4 folks are putting on an obstacle course on the 23rd. They play pretty rough but still have a lot of fun.

March Meeting

The March meeting was called to order by RE Dennis McCollough.

The treasurer reported a current balance of \$2058.50

Treasurer report was passed.

March minutes were read and passed.

Old Business

Dennis reported the reconstruction of the starting light set up (previously burned down at February Ice Race) Also the intentions of tying into the timer as is. Also the battery in the timer is due for replacement. Dave moved we replace it, Mark seconded-passed.

Discussion on Sutton's availability not settled yet.

Dennis read off the planned schedule for the '94 season

Dave reported on this meeting with the Rimrock 4X4 club. The results were mixed as far as getting them out for hard surface autocross.

New Business

Dave suggested that the club should pursue Gift Certificates for top time of day.

Dave has pursued this with Godfathers Pizza and McDonalds Restaurants, Suds Hut also has voiced interest in donating.

Doc & Eddy's has already donated \$70 dollars worth of gift certificates for the cause. Dave asked all members to pursue this cause.

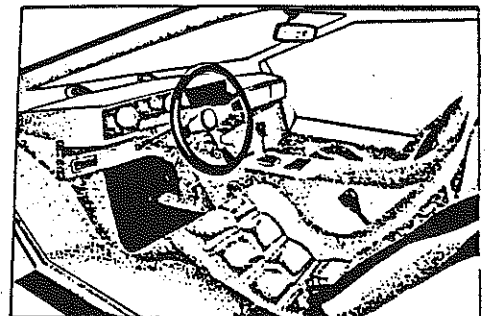
Dave mentioned that the Doc & Eddy's parking lot (rear) would be available for autocross on certain dates.

Dwight mentioned we print information flyers, Dave seconded-passed. A capper of 200 flyers was agreed on.

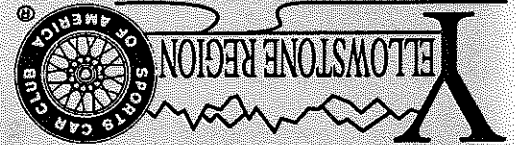
Bill reported our newsletter came in 14th out of 56 regions. Well done.

Dave asked that we send gift certificates to Jim Waldo and Mr. McCarthy the land owners of where we Ice Raced. Dale seconded-passed.

Dale moved we adjourn, Mark seconded-passed



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Tentative Scheduling of Events

April 24	Doc & Eddie's (Broadwater)
May 8	Vo-Tech or Dirt Autocross
May 22	Skyview Falcon Finale
June 4-5	Bozeman
June 19	Lewistown
July 3	Skyview McDonald House
July 16-17	Top Gun-Helena Highway Dept.
July 31	Vo-Tech or Dirt Autocross
Aug. 6-7	Skyview-Upper Metra
Aug. 21	Skyview
Aug 27-28	BOHC-Sponsored by NHA
September 11	To be Announced
September 25	Vo-Tech
Oct 1-2	West Yellowstone

From the Member at Large

Well race fans, the 1994 autocrossing season is almost upon us and again I would like to remind all of you to double check the unit you are going to race this year for safety. It looks as though our season opener will be held in the parking lot behind Doc & Eddy's on Broadwater about April 24th. As this will be a small area with high visibility, safety is of the up most importance.

I sent \$25.00 gift certificates to Jim Waldo and Wayne and Lorene McCarthy of the Acton area for letting us use their pond to ice race on.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the following people and establishments for their generosity in supporting our club with gift certificates that will be given to the winners of each class at selected events this season. Please patronize these establishments at every opportunity. Thank You to:

Doc & Eddy's on Broadwater Avenue, Bill Schrup, owner, and special thanks to Marty Roos, manager, for helping us out with gift certificates and for suggesting and securing the parking lot.

Suds Hut on Broadwater Avenue, Charles Schmidt, owner. Chuck was very generous.

Godfather Pizza chain will support our efforts at a later date and both owners of the local McDonald's restaurants have committed supporting us for the Ronald McDonald house fund-raiser to be held on July 3rd at Skyview.

May all your asphalt be firm and warm
Dave Eberts