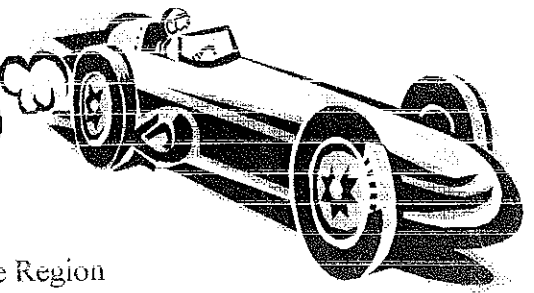


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Points Fund Will Be Decided At Meeting

The points fund will be decided at the meeting. Check inside for the proposal and either come to the meeting or call Char 252-2426 or 259-2621 and respond to the post card sent earlier this month. Do you want a points fund? Do you want the \$5.00 car number registration? Do you want the \$10.00 point fund entry fee? Let us know what you want.

Our proposal is patterned after Rocky Mountain Division's Regional Points Fund. All Regional & National drivers have to reserve their number each year for \$10.00 and if they wish to join the points fund for regional, they may for an additional fee. Money from each regional race entry fee is added to the pot whether or not they are participating in the points fund.

Most of the regions have a number buy in, we are one of the few who don't. When a racer buys his number, you know he's serious.

Meeting Minutes

Meeting of 3-07-01 called to order.

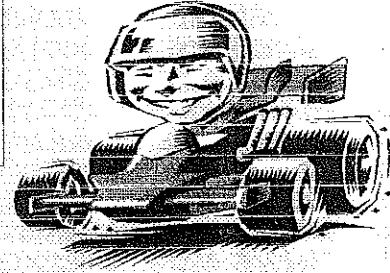
Treasurer's report: current balance is \$2071.31. Large items are a \$300.00 debit to the Mt. St. Drivers Ed for the two Lewistown events, and a \$300.00 deposit from the national office for the subsidy for our delegate to the convention (Dennis Hoeger).

Old Business:

BMP committee gave no new report.

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From your RE



Well, there's not a whole lot going on right now. the schedule is being firmed up. Ed Prather & I met with the MSU staff & we have to put together a Risk Management plan for our races. Dennis McCoullough is working on more in town locations for Billings.

There has been a change in TOP GUN. The dates are the same, but it will be held in Great Falls, at the fairgrounds, rather than Helena. The Helena Airport will be undergoing substantial construction, so it won't be available. They will use SCCA Rules & Missoula will be helping with the event. I think Missoula would like to have TOP GUN be a division event.

It appears that the Points Fund is receiving positive feed back from the membership. I'm not sure yet whether I will participate, but if the majority wants to race for points & possible profits, then that's great. I think the \$10. that will go into the fund is fine, it's voluntary. I OBJECT to the \$5.00 fee to buy your number. For those who don't want to participate, should NOT be required to "protect" the number they have used for years, by being required to pay \$5.00. That is not voluntary and should not be part of the points fund.

If we have a points fund, let's remember that we're here to have fun. We need to have everyone be honest & straight forward about how their cars have been continued on page 3 - From Your RE

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UPDATE ON LES WOMACK

Les is recovering from injuries she received in an automobile accident on Dec. 23, 2000. Les is able to bear weight on one leg hopes to be on both feet real soon. She is sick & tired of the nursing home and wants to get out of there. At this time she is still in Aspen Meadows, 3255 Ave. C., Billings. She will be there for a little while longer, but is shooting for the end of April as her home "going". The phone number is 656-8818. Cards & letters are also nice, she sends thanks to those who have remembered her.

June 16 & 17

2 day event

Powell Wyoming Airport

\$24.00* member

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(form in next month newsletter)

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Powell is about 1 1/2 to 2 hours from Billings. All of these Motels can be accessed from the main road into Powell. We'll try to get a map for next months newsletter. The course at the airport is L-shaped and is about 4 acres of blacktop. Chanda's mother will cook Breakfast on Sunday morning at the track, let us know ahead of time if you want to attend.

If a cow laughs real hard, would milk come out her nose?

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**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
1st 12 points	11 pts.	10 pts.
2nd 10 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:

modified. Let's not have the predicted arguments & the resulting hard feelings.

Let's have a good turn out for the meeting, this is your organization.

Dennis Hoeger

MORE MINUTES: Comp. Chair: Dennis M. noted that our first Lewistown date is on a Saturday. The facility is hard to acquire at times, and this was what was available. We also talked of the need for another Billings event, to take place on May 20. Ryan M. was going to check out the National Guard lot, but he was not able to be at the meeting to give a report.

Chanda B. gave a report on the Powell event, a two day affair which will prove to be one of the major events of the season. She reported that there are 5 motels in Powell, and as an example, the Lamplighter is \$49.00 a night. There is also a Super 8 and a Best Western among others. The Corvette Club is interested in participating. There will be a lunch wagon and a breakfast available at the site on Sunday. A head count is needed for breakfast. This will be reached by buying a ticket or such. Chanda & Kurt are event chairpersons for this two day event. The entry fee is more than for a single event, so watch and read for more info on this. Chanda also said that a one day event is possible later in the season at the site. By the way, we are talking about the airport. This event is something that "Powell" wants to do not only this year, but in the future as a yearly happening.

Canopy: Char said that canopy replacement is not available locally, so it was motioned and seconded to replace the lost one with the exact piece from the factory (as opposed to a heavy duty one at nearly twice the cost). Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was much discussion on the possible resurrection & inclusion of a Points system. Though not all races will be points races, enough will be to make it interesting. The feeling at the meeting was that it is of interest to newer members. Some of the veterans pointed out that it is often the cause of much argument & tension & they would just as soon not do it. However, the upshot was that a poll would be taken either on the internet or via the mail to see how the membership at large feels about it. We hope that you all respond with your input. It will involve a small fee to enter and the money will be given back to the winners in prize money or the like. (trophies). We also talked about registering our car numbers for a fee of \$5.00. Again, there was disagreement, some saying why pay for something that is already theirs. It was offered that it is a way to raise some money for the club, and would solidify an attempt to register numbers last year, which basically failed.

We talked about buck runs, & also had some spirited debate on that subject. The seemingly acceptable result of that debate was that these money raising runs are available only to the racers that have registered & participated in the event of the day. It was of considerable importance to have enough people around when it is over to clean up the area and shut down the event. If this does not happen, buck runs may not be possible. Dennis H. felt that it was a good way to raise money, and that the Bozeman group has had

success with it. It was the mood of the meeting that no one just happening be there may pay a buck a run and get in as much as those who worked all day. This is also true of spectators, etc.

Dennis H. brought up the need for an event philosophy. This is a continuing problem, & to help us out, he handed out materials procured at the convention. The preceding paragraph on buck runs is an example of this needed philosophy, as well as a checklist for the driver's meetings. There is much more to consider as well. Keep yourselves aware of the responsibilities of membership.

It was motioned & seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed. Thank you to all who attended, & a special nod to those who drove in from out of town (Chanda & Dennis H.) with apologies to those whom I missed.

Ken Decker



On the last lap at Atlanta
Jeff Gordon asked God for help on whether to go high or low for the pass of Kevin Harvick. God told Jeff to go low, Gordon then asked, I don't know...I've been doing good all day up high & have passed a bunch of cars in the groove. God reply's.....Jeff, go low.
Jeff try's to pass low & Kevin goes on to win his first race on his third try.
Jeff, pounding the wheel of his car asks, "God, why did you tell me to go low?", God reply's, "I don't know,Dale, why did we tell Jeff to go low?"

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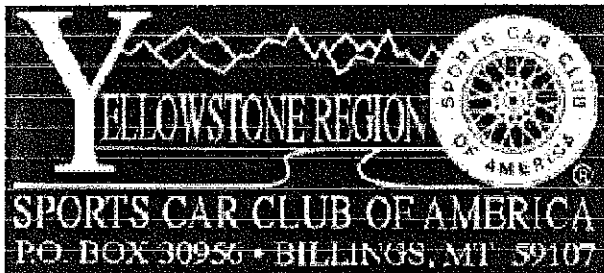
May 6	Lockwood
May 20	***TBA - possible Bozeman
May 28	Skyview
June 2	Lewistown - NEW DATE - Saturday
June 10	Bozeman - Ice Gardens
June 16-17	Powell Airport - Firm
June 24	Bozeman - MSU
July 8	Butte with Big Sky Region
July 14-15	Top Gun, Missoula running it.
July 22	Bozeman - MSU
Aug 5	TBA - In town
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	

April 4th meeting for Billings will be held at Elmer's Pancake House, 875 Main Street, at 7:30 p.m.

WEB Sites

Yellowstone Region 108
www.yrseca.enthusiasts.org
Montana Region (Great Falls)
<http://me.mygarage.com/scca.htm>
Eastern Idaho Sports Car Club
<http://www.ida.net/users/lewisr/eiscccl.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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