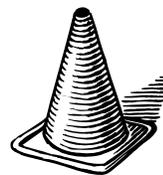


# Fast Times



Sports Car Club of America - Yellowstone Region 108  
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## Meeting Minutes — May Meeting

The monthly membership meeting of the Yellowstone Region SCCA was called to order by Regional Executive Scott Cranston on May 6, 2009, at 6:30 p.m., in the GH&R Law Firm conference room.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:** A motion was MS&P to accept without addition or correction the minutes of the April 2009 meeting as published in the May 2009 issue of *Fast Times*.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sec./Treas. J. Reuss announced the current bank balance and reported that the first two events of the season made money despite less-than-usual attendance. A Motion was MS&P to accept the Treasurer's Report.

**Old Business:** J. was asked to order extra SCCA helmet stickers to use for tech inspection. Reese Newman volunteered to design and prepare business cards for Region use. J. will contact SCCA to obtain official SCCA artwork. A motion was MS&P to authorize Reese to obtain and distribute copies of 2009 Region posters. J. reported that the laptop purchase was the next item on his to-do list.

**New Business:** Scott asked J. to contact the Corvette folks to determine: (1) whether the speed bumps at Skyview will be a problem; (2) whether the insurance has identified Skyview as a named insured; and (3) whether we need to prepare a tech inspection form for the event. Scott will purchase a new (weatherproof) table for the timing trailer. Everyone was reminded of the upcoming Lewistown event and a discussion regarding the Great Falls Porsche Club website (containing extensive Lewistown information) followed.

A motion was MS&P to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:10 p.m.

## Racing Lines at Lewistown- by the Rovin' Regional Reporter

Upon arriving in Lewistown on Saturday morning, I spotted Jerod Staebler with the "Stang" at the Town Pump. After buying a day's supply of beef jerky and a "skinny" Chai Tea for Scott Cranston, J-Rod headed for the carwash to rinse the bugs and road grime off the old Ford. The Newsletter Editor and I then headed to

the track. If you have never been to the Lewistown D.R.I.V.E. facility before—as I had not—it takes a little guesswork. For the uninitiated, here is the short version of how to get there: Drive west of town a mile or two past the airport turnoff. You will see signs for the Lewistown Drag Strip and the D.R.I.V.E. facility. Turn

south on the gravel road. A short ways down the road, you will see another sign for the drag strip. Turn there. (If you don't turn there, you will continue south and never see any signs for anything.) Drive east past the north end of the drag strip and then turn right and drive south through the drag strip pits. Keep driving

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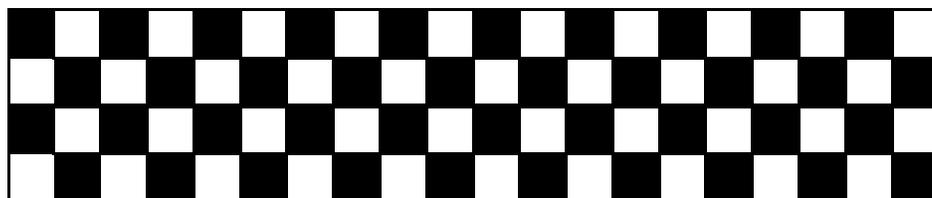
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south until you see some small brown buildings. The buildings are on the inside of the track, so if do not cross the track until you determine the drovers are between sessions. (They usually last 15 minutes, so you shouldn't have too long a wait.) Friend of the Region Jackie Bell wrote a wonderful story about her first-time participation in the event. Visit the website and give it a read. See you in Lewistown September 12th and/or 13th! J.





At Lewistown, the first run group in the morning consists of seasoned veterans in very fast cars. I think they do this intentionally to scare the hell out of the “rookie” drivers. However, after talking to several first-time drivers, I was assured that the instructors were excellent and kept their students well within their limits while still going fast.

### Cranston’s Corner — From the RE

The Region’s board made the decision on Friday morning to cancel the event at Skyview. Three Internet-based forecasts satisfied the 50-50 rule (50% or greater chance of rain and/or temperature less than 50 degrees. Both conditions were in place on Sunday morning. The advantage of canceling on Friday is that the Region can save the cost of the porta-potty. We have decided that the Mustang Convention autocross held on

September 6th will be an SCCA event. The format will be similar to the Corvette Fest—Region workers can take as many runs as they like after the Mustangs leave, and a free dinner (or gift card) will be provided to each worker. After payment of expenses, the Region made a profit of nearly \$300 from the Corvette event. Hopefully we can do the same with the Mustangs. J. allowed 4 workers to take runs with his Z06 and it



was interesting to see how those times stacked up against the “official” Corvette entrants. SC

Sent from my BlackBerry Smartphone.

### The Finish Line — From the Webmaster

John Atchison has been putting together a real nice newsletter over at the Eastern Idaho Region SCCA. If you would like to be sent a monthly copy of his newsletter, send an e-mail to John at [half.fast.racing@onewest.net](mailto:half.fast.racing@onewest.net) and he will add you to the mailing list. Astute readers will note that the date for GM Petroleum is listed as June 20-21. The reason for this is that a Saturday eve-

ning event is still being contemplated. Within a week (or so), we will put more information on the website. Among the things being considered are a driver’s school, a “ladies’ night,” and an evening autocross that would start after supper on Saturday night and end “under the lights” at 10:00 or 11:00 p.m. Also being considered is a combina-

tion of two or three of these ideas commencing Saturday afternoon and concluding Saturday night. Someone has also suggested a “team” autocross where cars would be paired or and times averaged or times for two drivers (mixed couple?) of the same vehicle would be averaged. If you have any preferences or suggestions, send an e-mail or call. J.

#### 2009 YRSCCA Solo Schedule

Date	Location
April 19th	GM Petroleum
May 3rd	FSA
May 16-17	Lewistown
June 7th	Skyview (cancelled)
<b>June 20-21st</b>	<b>GM Petroleum</b>
July 5th	Skyview
July 19th	FSA
August 9th	GM or YDS
Sept. 12-13th	Lewistown
Sept. 27th	GM Petroleum

**Monthly Region Meeting**  
**July 1, 2009**  
**GH&R Law Firm**  
 10 N. 27th St, Suite 100  
**6:30 p.m.**

#### Websites

- Yellowstone Region 108  
[yellowstonescca.com](http://yellowstonescca.com)
- Southwest Montana Region  
[swmtsscca.com](http://swmtsscca.com)
- Montana Region (Great Falls)  
[mtsscca.com](http://mtsscca.com)
- Eastern Idaho Sports Car Club  
[eisccax.com](http://eisccax.com)
- Big Sky Region (Missoula/Kalispell)  
[bigskyregion.org](http://bigskyregion.org)
- Absaroka Region Porsche Club  
[vista.pca.org/abs/index.html](http://vista.pca.org/abs/index.html)