

Fast Times



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

The monthly membership meeting of the Yellowstone Region SCCA was called to order by Regional Executive Chris Brewer on Tuesday, August 7, 2012, at 6:05 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 July 2012 meeting as published in the August issue of Fast Times.

Treasurer's Report: Secretary/Treasurer J. Reuss reported the current checkbook balance and noted that no bills were outstanding. A motion was MS&P to accept the Treasurer's Report.

Old Business: J. reported that he was taking the trailer to his house after the FSA event for new decking; rerouting of wiring to the taillights, and repairs to the taillights. A discussion took place regarding installation of flooring in the timing trailer, but the subject was tabled. The favorable depiction of the Region's YDS event in the recent *Billings Gazette* Magazine feature was noted.

New Business: Chris decided that Dean Johnson would design the course for FSA and that he (Chris) would do the course at Skyview. J. reminded the Board that since he would not be in town for the last event of the season, someone else would need to haul the timing trailer to Rimrock. Since the previous event was Skyview, perhaps the trailer could be taken to Randy Roberts' shop after the Skyview event.

A motion was MS&P to adjourn the meeting at approximately 6:30 p.m.

Regional Officers:

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Reach for the Sky(view) - by the Roving Regional Reporter

Competition Chairman Randy Roberts' course was fun, fast, and liked by (almost) all of the 19 drivers attending the last Skyview event of the year. As usual, the mandatory 10:00 a.m. start time delayed the start of the fun, but the 8 (2-lap) runs per driver and following buck runs were soon underway. The (second) most-distance-traveled-to-attend-the-event award went to Vincent Michels who traveled all the way from the Williston, ND, area to compete in his (girlfriend's) beautiful new

Camaro. Course designer Randy Roberts won the event with Dean Johnson, James Reuss, and Chris Brewer placing second, third, and fourth respectively. No less than four lovely young women graced the event—Reese Newman, Max Dangerfield's daughter, Samantha, Chris Brewer's sister (from Springfield, IL), Tiffany Brewer, and Kaitlin Reuss (who recently changed jobs so she will no longer have to work on Sundays). Nels Jensen places sixth overall, most likely as the result of driving his dad's

car. New member Olin Harriger placed a solid 9th in his Mazda, just ahead of Reese and Tucker Stewart (fresh off his first Top Gun appearance.) Eric Mayer debuted his new ride—a Lexus IS300. Eric only needed a few runs to adjust from FWD power to RWD. The only sour note of the day was from our karting contingent. Jake Roberts was reportedly mad at his father who promised to re-chalk the course after the lunch break, but didn't do so. Other than that, Jake did a fantastic job at his third event ever!



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What's Brewin'? — From the RE



In large part due to the generous contribution received from the Billings Motorsports Park Foundation, the Region's timing trailer has undergone a major refurbishing. The entire trailer was wet-sanded, given one coat of Rust-Oleum primer and two finish coats of gloss gray Rust-Oleum enamel. The old (rotted) deck boards were removed and replaced with treated 2" x 8"s. A latch has been added to the doors of the cone "pen." The trailer wiring has been completely replaced and now runs com-

pletely within the frame rails (which reportedly were filled with water and rust!). New sealed-beam rear lights were added with solid-steel housings. Side marker lights were also replaced with sealed beam units in the frame rails. The fenders were repaired and received supporting brackets. The emergency brake system was rewired and now sports a separate battery. The course marker also received a much-needed coat of paint and the "sticker" holders were reattached. Looks great!



Randy's Ramblin's — From the Comp. Director



The Yellowstone Region was well represented at Top Gun this year. Seven members from our Region participated out of a total of 94 timed entries on Sunday. The members and their finishing positions were as follows: Brent Hergenraeder-3rd BS; Tucker Stewart -3rd DS; R.J. Matthews-2nd ASP; Dean Johnson-2nd CSP; Jim Arnett-4th CP; Max Dangerfield-1st SMF; and Randy Roberts-3rd SMF. SW Montana (Bozeman) Region took the "Top Gun" trophy, but if we increase our participation numbers, the trophy may

come to Billings sometime in the near future. For those who have not been to the Emergency Services Facility in Helena yet, make plans to do so. You will not be disappointed. There are typically 3 or 4 2-day events held there each summer. The layout is huge, partially over an area referred to as the "road course," and the runs average over a minute and a half. Typically, three cars are on the course at a time. Free camping is available on site and there are locker rooms and showers available, also for no extra charge.



The Finish Line — From the Webmaster



The Region has been receiving some favorable "ink" this season. In addition to the huge pictorial layout in the *Billings Gazette*, the Region's recent event at Skyview was noted in an article in the August 28th issue of the *Laurel Outlook* and Dave Muramoto's "Pony Express" column mentioned our first event of the season in the September issue of *SportsCar*. Many acquaintances have commented favorably about the articles in the *Gazette* and *Outlook*. I have received multiple requests for a search feature on the Region's website. Most often, visitors will recall

a bit of information they noticed while browsing the site, but cannot find the information on a later visit. There are a number of free site search engines available for download, but I felt comfortable using a stalwart—Google. Next time you are at the site, type a few keywords in the "Google Custom Search" box just below the masthead and see how it works. I would appreciate any feedback you might have. Last, I will miss seeing y'all at the last event of the season on September 23rd, but the "Team" and I will be at the Barrett-Jackson in LV. I promise a full report in the next issue.



2012 YRSCCA Solo Schedule	
Date	Location
May 6	Rimrock Auto
May 27	S.V.H.S. (cancelled)
June 3	Food Service
June 17	Yellowstone Drag
July 1	Skyview H.S.
July 15	Yellowstone Drag
August 12	Food Service
Sept. 2	Skyview H.S.
Sept. 23	Rimrock Auto

Monthly Region Meeting
October 2, 2012
GH&R Law Firm
 175 N. 27th Street
 Suite 903
6:00 p.m.

- Websites**
- Yellowstone Region 108 (Billings)**
yellowstonescca.com
 - Southwest Montana Region (Bozeman)**
swmmtscca.com
 - Montana Region (Great Falls)**
mtssca.com
 - Eastern Idaho Sports Car Club**
eirscca.com
 - Big Sky Region (Missoula/Kalispell)**
bigskyregion.org
 - Absaroka Region Porsche Club**
vista.pca.org/abs/index.html