

YELLOWSTONE REGION SCCA FAST TIMES

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August 1998

AUGUST MINUTES

The August meeting was called to order by Assistant RE: Jim Arnett

Minutes were approved as printed in last newsletter.

Old Business:

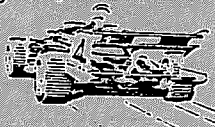
Dave Eberts moved we send profits over the expenses back to the Corvette club in Bozeman so that they could donate those funds to the DARE program, the amount is \$261.00. Discussion raised the amount to \$300.00. The new motion was seconded and approved.

New Business:

Future autocrosses were discussed concerning chairpersons. Dennis McCollough will chair the Skyview & Lewistown events. Jim Arnett will chair Walmart September 27.

Dave Eberts read a letter he wrote in protest of kart program. Discussion between Pat Polk and Dave Eberts brought out many points, especially concerning discount memberships and registration problems. Dave Eberts moved that we separate the kart program from the autocross program. After the discussion it was proposed that a questionnaire be sent out concerning the kart program to get a feel of the members opinions, too many members cannot get to the meetings due to millage. Dave Eberts will assist Kristi Gilliland in the questionnaire.

Bill Schaff moved we adjourn, Alan Walker seconded, passed.



A BIG TURN-OUT FOR A NIGHT AUTOCROSS

The night autocross at Costco always attracts a lot of people because it is an evening event and doesn't waste a whole day. We had 35 entrants, so it was a rather large event. We not only had our usual racers but we had them bring out their whole family for the evening. What a way to get father, sons and daughters too out for an eventful evening of competition! One of the reasons we had such a big turn out was because Pat Polk had his go-karts were out in force. This let whole families come out and compete for an evening. We not only had to hold a drivers school for the karts on course while we waited for cars to clear out so we could set up the rest of the course, but there were so many people to get registered it caused a lot of confusion! Everyone hung in there and when it was time to race we shot them off the starting line one after another. Between getting the parking lot cleared off and the automatic timers on the parking lot lights we had a short event, three runs for everyone. It's hard to get a lot of seat time with so many drivers. Everyone enjoyed themselves and all had a good time. I think though that the region needs to get a little more organized for these events as far as registration and setting up the timing, there just seems to be a lot of confusion in getting money and all the forms filled out and then entering the driver in the computer. The karts also held things up a bit, but I think we can work through that too. We have discussed holding kart registration and school before an event, therefore Pat can have the kart ready for you and he would preregister you so there wouldn't be any hold up for registration. Other than that we all had a good time and we hope to have the night event again, it seems to be our Regions most popular in town event.

MODIFIED

Dave Eberts	TJII	34.29
Kurt Schulz	Formula Kurt	35.67
Paul Schulz	Formula Kurt	36.62

D STREET PREPARED

Dennis Hoeger	MGB	34.62
Cory Hoeger	MGB	36.32

D STOCK

Tim Fountain	BMW	36.17
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OSPO

David Venema	BMW	35.99
Geoffrey Barrow	BMW	39.69

OSPU

Dennis McCollough	Civic	37.00
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James Crawford	Mustang	37.98
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CLASS STOCK

Marty Westland	RX7	36.14
Ryan Crumenacker	CRX	36.57
Justin Hartman	300ZX	36.81
Joe Bonini	Mustang	37.40
Mark Alzheimer	Mazda	37.67
Roy Tunby	Mini	39.61
Todd Hewett	Porsche	41.35

SHIFTER KARTS

Tom Byrd	Shifter Kart	31.08
Westen Burr	Shifter Kart	31.17
Jim Arnett	Shifter Kart	32.78
Steve Byrd	Shifter Kart	32.81
Craig Norwood	Shifter Kart	33.01
Bobby Arnett	Shifter Kart	33.15
Norm Williams	Shifter Kart	33.69
Gordon Gollehon	Shifter Kart	33.85
Wes Nelson	Shifter Kart	34.30

FIVE HORSE POWER KARTS

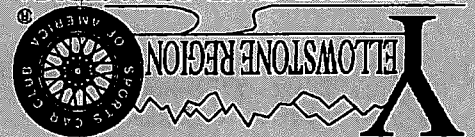
Andy Stromberg	SHPK	37.79
Michael Williams	SHPK	37.87
Mark Venema	SHPK	40.23
David Anton	SHPK	41.13
Amy Gullett	SHPK	43.06
Zachary Fountain	SHPK	44.75
Trent Bandyken	SHPK	48.68
Caitlin Gollehon	SHPK	48.82
Barry Arnett	SHPK	49.54
Sam Fountain	SHPK	1:01.85



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

- Sept 2 Monthly Meeting • 7:30pm
Bruno's on 1st Avenue
- Sept 13 Lewistown
6miles west of town (west of airport)
look for sign: Montana Driver
Education Facility
- 27 Walmart
King Ave Exit-24th & King

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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

This member has been with the Yellowstone Region since March of 1986. He started racing in his big yellow Dodge van and soon there after built the original Thunder Jug, a Toronado powered formula car that struck terror into the hearts of most racers. After a few years of competing with it he produced TJ II, a more nimble and subtle version of the original and has spent the last few years refining it. He is a very valuable person to club for he not only an avid race driver and fan but really supports the Yellowstone Region. He has gone out and gotten permission to run at all the sites we race on. He has looked into and helped the club obtain a new timing system. As competition Chairman he has coordinated and put together the race schedule for the Yellowstone Region. If you guessed the member as Dave Eberts, you are correct, please be sure to thank him for his hard work and remember it takes all the members to work together to put on a race.

SKYVIEW HIGH SCHOOL PARKING LOT

The Skyview High School parking lot is one large piece of asphalt we have raced on for a long time. However with all the new housing development going up near the school our favorite lot may soon be lost. Could you imagine that some realtors were showing a house on a sunny Sunday afternoon trying to sell it with the squeal of tires racing at the school parking lot. We did have a police officer stop by just to make sure that it wasn't some kids goofing off. We explained that this is a sanctioned organization and we are members of the Sports Car Club of America, Yellowstone Region. We offered the officer a timed run but he passed, must of known Dennis in his Civic would have beat him. The turn out at this event was only 8 people, so we ran in two run groups of four and we got a total seat time of 15 runs each! The course utilized the lot with a wide chicane that you could really pick up speed before a sharp turn down and around to the bottom of the course. The hardest part of the course was this lonely cone on the top that you could choose to turn left around it or right around it, or just stop right dead in front of it like Kristi Gilliland did not knowing which way to go. All in all we had a good time and I hope we'll be able to keep this lot in the future.

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Dave Eberts	TJII	42.63
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G STOCK

Dale Brelje	Mustang	48.11
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OSPO

Kristi Gilliland	260Z	50.96
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Dennis McCollough	Civic	45.83
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PREPARED

John Small	Porsche	43.58
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Jim Arnett	Trans-Am	44.34
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STOCK

Ryan Krumenacker	CRX	47.69
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Joe Bonini	Mustang	50.23
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