



The PitStop!



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April REport

So much to report, so little memory left to remember. Thank goodness for notepads.

Gene Young put on our first points Rally on Sunday March 18th the "Tail O Saint Patty" Rally. Five teams showed up to tour the west side of Daviess County Kentucky. John Coen and Frank Totten got the long haul award. They drove 2 and a half hours to get to Owensboro from Olney Illinois. Their efforts got them second in the A Class behind Terry Davis and Bob Sonntag. Terry and Bob took the win and at the third checkpoint they were perfect, right on time! Gene had created an "ACE" award for the team that could zero a check point and he gave it away to the Davis/Sonntag team. The dynamic husband and wife team of Gary and Cathy Heck took B Class over Paul Dornburg and his new navigator Mitchell Seeber. The Guest class was taken by first time rallyists Bill and Joy Timbrook in their Silver Boxster. The event ended at the Dairy Queen in front of Towne Square Mall where all participants were treated to an excellent ice cream cake. Thanks to Gene, Julie, Tim Green and Bill Young for putting on an excellent event on a beautiful Sunday afternoon.

Joy Campbell, from the Owensboro Messenger-Inquirer newspaper, was at the event and did a very nice piece that ran on the front page of the paper Monday morning. She told me that some of the best information she got came from 12 year old Mitchell Seeber. I don't know what he told her but she was impressed with his knowledge of what was going on. His information must have been good because the article was spot on describing our event.

Our first autocross event will be over by the time you get this. The Snow Buster will have run under warm and friendly skies on Sunday the 25th of March. We'll have a full report in the next PitStop. Look for mentions of new faces and new rides for old faces.

The Patch Parties are coming up in April on Saturday the 21st and if needed Saturday the 28th. For those of you who don't know the Patch Parties are our event at our home autocross site at the Mid-American Air Center in Lawrenceville Illinois. Every year we patch the course by cutting and jack-hammering out the old concrete and pouring new concrete. It's a tough, long day of work but it pays off when your car drives smoothly over the patches as opposed to hopping over them or tearing up the old concrete. We need volunteers to work that day to cut, dig, shovel and mix. The club will rent electric jack hammers, concrete cutting saws and a cement mixer. Wink Construction donates the use of their 1-ton flatbed so we can haul the heavy bags of mix. We'll all meet at around 9:00 AM at the site and commence work shortly thereafter. An exploratory trip is planned for April 31st to map out the work needed and mark the areas to be worked on. If you're an autocrosser you should be planning on helping out. We'll use this course 8 times in 2007, including Southern Illinois events, so the more we patch the less wear and tear on your machine.

Speaking of machines, Gene Young has sold his Lo-Cost and now plans on driving a shifter kart. Tim Green is getting close to having his Miata powered Lo-Cost completed and hopes to have it done for the first point event. Myles Grant has a new Mini Cooper and will have it at our autocrosses. Jeff Jackson told me he is thinking about sitting out 2007, taking the performance equipment off the Boxster and perhaps just driving it on the street. Terry Davis is looking for a ride. Bob Sonntag is going to run the LeGrand as he has done in years past. Jim Cannon has his Talon ready and it looks like his daughter Lorelei now has her license and will be competing.

If you are on our email list you saw my email about the Hot Rod Power Tour event coming up on Wednesday June 6th at Roberts Stadium. Here's what my email said.

Bob, Terry and I met with the organizers for the HotRod Tour event yesterday at Roberts Stadium.

We spent an hour discussing the event and our part in it. Bottom line is they want us to setup and run a safe event for them. We said we'll provide workers, setup the course and run the event Wednesday afternoon June 6th.

We'll be making a list of volunteers. We figure we need 25 volunteers to allow everyone some time off while keeping the event running smoothly. We will need to have all your names by mid-May so they can be put on their insurance. If you are a volunteer you can bring your autocross car, BUT, your primary job will be to work the event. We'll have more details at the club meetings in April and May. My biggest concern is getting enough workers to run the event. If you work you get free admission to the event.

They are expecting 2000 hot rods. They are guessing 150 hot rodders will want to try the autocross. We will be recording their times for trophies or awards. We want to do whatever we can to make the hot rodders experience as good as we can. Evansville will be the 5th stop on the Hot Rod Power Tour and I would expect some of them to be a bit tired after driving this schedule.

2007 HOT ROD Power Tour Schedule

Saturday, June 2: Cleveland, Ohio

Sunday, June 3: Kalamazoo, Michigan

Monday, June 4: Racine, Wisconsin

Tuesday, June 5: Springfield, Illinois

Wednesday, June 6: Evansville, Indiana

Thursday, June 7: Memphis, Tennessee

Friday, June 8: Little Rock, Arkansas

Check the power tour web page here.

http://www.hotrod.com/upcomingevents/hdrp_2007_power_tour/

This will be a chance for the club to get some press both printed and TV in the southern Indiana region. We'll be getting paid for putting on the event which will bolster our financial position. We can show off a little with our race cars, if time permits. We're

planning an after event meal for all workers. We've begun collecting names so let us know if you can be there. If you've got any questions contact me or Bob or any Board member. We'll get you an answer.

Upcoming events, Heck Rally April 15, Patch Party Lawrenceville April 21, Young/Seeber Rally Owensboro May 6, Autocross Test & Tune Lawrenceville May 12, 1st points autocross Lawrenceville May 20. Check the calendar on www.sirscca.org for changes and updates.

Lastly, I have some sad news. Vi Sutton, wife of longtime club member Jim Sutton died Sunday March 18th. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Jim, a member of our club since 1959.

See you at the next event.

Racingly, Paul Dornburg *Regional Executive*

Berry Points	
(as of March 18)	
Name	Pts
Terry Davis	10
Bob Sonntag	10
Gene Young	9
John Coen	8
Gary Heck	7
Julie Seeber	7
Mimsie Coen	6
Cathy Heck	5
Teresa Bailey	4
Darrin Bailey	3
Jim Cannon	3
Paul Dornburg	3
Tim Green	2
Eric Provost	2
Frank Totten	2
Steve Backer	1
Jan Bootz	1
Tom Bootz	1
Carolyn Dornburg	1
Mike Freeman	1
Matt Guzowski	1

Rally Points	
(as of March 18)	
Name	Pts
Terry Davis	5
Cathy Heck	5
Gary Heck	5
Julie Seeber	5
Bob Sonntag	5
Gene Young	5
John Coen	2
Paul Dornburg	2
Frank Totten	2

Just thought I'd mention that Ryan Bootz has completed his driver's school requirements and is now a Novice road racing license holder. He also competed in his first Regional race at Gateway International Raceway finishing 1st in the combined Formula car / Sports Racer run group.

Although race attendance was light, Ryan's run group included, among other cars, 2 Formula C cars which can provide quite a challenge. At the green flag Ryan's Rilltech, Suzuki powered Speads was first into turn 1 and never looked back. Aside from a brief grass clipping moment, Ryan held on for the class and group win.

In order to get to that point, Ryan and crew (dad) had to prepare for and complete a total of 10 track session beginning with a wet Friday afternoon and ending with a practice race Saturday evening, followed by 3 sessions on Sunday.

Commentary to follow at the next club meeting. Stories such as:
 What to do when your throttle sticks wide open at the end of the front straight.
 Why your right arm is longer than your left after running GIR.

(Or does it just seem that way because you can't hold your head up straight afterwards ?)

The grass really doesn't need to be trimmed at turn 3.

Why some race sessions are cancelled.

What does it really mean when you hear over your race scanner that security is needed to help remove an unruly patient?

Proud Crew (dad)

Tom Bootz

PS: yes he was faster than dad.

Gene's Rally 3/18/7

Scoring

driver/navigator	Class	Car #	Start Time	Mosleyville FDP		Cowboys		Mosleyville FDP		Cowboys	
				Correct	Actual	Correct	Actual	Correct	Actual	Correct	Actual
Davis/Sonntag	A	1	1:45:00 PM	#1 2:10:38 PM	#1 2:11:20 PM	#2 2:13:44 PM	#2 2:13:54 PM	#3 2:15:14 PM	#3 2:15:14 PM	#4 2:18:09 PM	#4 2:18:17 PM
Dornburg/Seeber	B	2	1:47:00 PM	2:12:38 PM	2:12:35 PM	2:14:59 PM	2:15:16 PM	2:16:36 PM	2:16:28 PM	2:19:23 PM	2:19:15 PM
Totten/Coen	A	3	1:49:00 PM	2:14:38 PM	2:15:21 PM	2:17:45 PM	2:18:25 PM	2:19:45 PM	2:19:48 PM	2:22:43 PM	2:22:47 PM
Bill/Joy Timbrook	G	4	1:51:00 PM	2:16:38 PM	2:18:00 PM	2:20:24 PM	2:21:40 PM	2:23:00 PM	2:23:10 PM	2:26:05 PM	2:26:29 PM
Gary/ Cathy Heck	B	5	1:53:00 PM	2:18:38 PM	2:19:08 PM	2:21:32 PM	2:21:46 PM	2:23:06 PM	2:23:15 PM	2:26:10 PM	2:26:31 PM

HAYDEN
BRIDGE
ROAD

Utica
School

Pump
Station

Correct	Actual	Correct	Actual	Correct	Actual
#5 2:49:33 PM	#5 2:51:30 PM	#6 3:28:58 PM	#6 3:29:07 PM	#7 3:37:38 PM	#7 14:37:15
2:50:31 PM	3:16:55 PM	3:54:23 PM	3:57:30 PM	4:06:01 PM	15:05:35
2:54:03 PM	2:54:20 PM	3:31:48 PM	3:36:48 PM	3:45:19 PM	15:45:15
2:57:45 PM	2:57:45 PM	3:35:13 PM	3:37:37 PM	3:46:08 PM	15:46:10
2:57:47 PM	2:58:32 PM	3:36:00 PM	3:40:02 PM	3:48:33 PM	15:48:47

driver/navigator	Class	Car #	Early/Late	Error	Early/Late	Error	Early/Late	Error	Early/Late	Error
Davis/Sonntag	A	1	Late	00:41.6	Late	00:10.0	Early	00:00.0	Late	00:07.9
Dornburg/Seeber	B	2	Early	00:03.4	Late	00:17.0	Early	00:08.0	Early	00:08.1
Totten/Coen	A	3	late	00:42.6	Late	00:40.0	Late	00:03.0	Late	00:03.9
Bill/Joy Timbrook	G	4	late	01:21.6	Late	01:16.0	Late	00:10.0	Late	00:23.9
Gary/ Cathy Heck	B	5	late	00:29.6	Late	00:14.0	Late	00:09.0	Late	00:20.9

Leg info

distance	4.7	1.8	0.8	1.8
CAST Correct time	50	45	36	37
Free zone	05:38.4	02:24.0	01:20.0	02:55.1
Total time	0:25:38			

Early/Late	Error	Early/Late	Error	Early/Late	Error	Total Error	Error plus bought time
Late	01:57.0	Late	00:08.8	Early	00:22.5	03:27.8	
Late	26:24.0	Late	03:06.8	Early	00:25.5	30:32.9	12:32.9
Late	00:17.0	Late	04:59.8	Early	00:03.5	06:49.8	04:49.8
Late	30:00.0	Late	02:23.8	Late	00:02.5	35:37.8	
Late	00:45.0	Late	04:01.8	Late	00:14.5	06:14.8	

12.2	30.6	7.8	
45	49	55	Total Time
16:16.0	37:28.2	08:30.5	1:48:12

Davis/Sonntag	A	1st
Dornburg/Seeber	B	2nd
Totten/Coen	A	2nd
Bill/Joy Timbrook	G	1st
Gary/ Cathy Heck	B	1st

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2007 Schedule

April 07			April 07			May 07		
4.02	Monday	Board Meeting	4.02	Board Meeting	Paul's House	5.06	Sunday	Pt Rally (3 of 7) Julie & Gene
4.1	Tuesday	Membership Meeting	4.10	Membership Meeting	Lone Star Steakhouse, Evansville	5.07	Monday	Hawes State Park, Owensboro
4.15	Sunday	Pt Rally (2 of 7)	4.14	KYR Test-N-Tune	Ft Knox, KY	5.08	Tuesday	Membership Meeting
4.21	Saturday	Pit Stop Deadline	4.15	Pt Rally (2 of 7)				Lone Star Steakhouse, Evansville
4.21	Saturday	Patch Party #1	4.21	Pit Stop Deadline		5.12	Saturday	Test-N-Tune (Entry level permitting)
4.22	Sunday	Patch Party #1 -- Rain date	4.21	Patch Party #1	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville			Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
4.27	Friday	SCCA Tour Event	4.22	Patch Party #1 -- Rain date	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville	5.19	Saturday	Pit Stop Deadline
4.28	Saturday	Patch Party #2	4.27	SCCA Tour Event	Walnut Ridge, AR	5.20	Sunday	"Opening Bookend"
4.28	Saturday	SCCA Tour Event	4.28	Patch Party #2	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville			Pt Autocross (1 of 7) Mid-American Air Center
4.29	Sunday	Patch Party #2 -- Rain date	4.28	SCCA Tour Event	Walnut Ridge, AR			Lawrenceville
4.29	Sunday	SCCA Tour Event	4.29	Patch Party #2 -- Rain date	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville	5.27	Sunday	Indianapolis 500
4.30	Monday	Board Meeting	4.29	SCCA Tour Event	Walnut Ridge, AR			Indy Motor Speedway, Speedway
			4.30	Board Meeting	Bob's House			
Rally Events:			Membership Meetings:			Autocross Events:		
12:30 P.M. -- Registration and Tech open			6:30 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. -- Socializing			9:30 A.M. - Course set-up begins		
1:00 P.M. -- Registration and Tech close			7:00 P.M. -- Dinner			11:00 A.M. - Registration and Tech open		
1:15 P.M. -- Driver's meeting			8:00 P.M. -- Business meeting			12:30 P.M. - Registration and Tech close!!!		
1:30 P.M. -- First car off						12:45 P.M. - Driver's meeting		
						1:00 P.M. -- First car off		

Arriving late? Contact Paul Dornburg in advance by E-mail or phone by 6:00 PM the preceding day or register at myautoevents.com
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 Lawrenceville Autocrosses are at Mid-American Air Park near Lawrenceville, IL
 Centre Autocrosses are held at the Evansville Civic Center parking lot
 Owensboro Autocrosses are at Owensboro/Daviess County Airport, Owensboro, KY