



The *Pit Stop*



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May Report

We're just about to start our schedule of club events. First up is the Opening Bookend at Lawrenceville. Note that the event is on Saturday May 16 not Sunday the 17th. Thanks to you who answered the short survey and helped with the decision about the date.

The change will allow some of us to make 2 events that weekend because Sunday there are 2 events within a couple of hours of Evansville. One is the KY region autocross at Ft. Knox and the other is the Indianapolis Region autocross at (I'm not making this up) the "Terre Haute International" airport on the east side of town. Who's going to go where? EVV to Ft Knox 110 miles – EVV to Terre Haute International 116 miles

Next item is our Evansville Teen Driver Street Survival Event. It's going to be held at the Whirlpool parking lot on US41 just north of Evansville. The date is Saturday June 27th. We'll need volunteers for Instructors and other things. I really hope everyone will step up and help out like they did at the Lawrenceville event last fall. I'll be calling you.

By the way, Mary Raley, Injury Prevention/Outreach/Education Coordinator for St. Mary's hospital, is helping us drum up students. Mary puts on a Teen Driving Academy instructing teens in the particulars of a car but they don't do any driving. That's where we come in by supplementing her academy with the hands on experience of the Street Survival event. She'll be holding a Teen Driving Academy on May 30th. Contact her at 812-485-6827 to sign up your teen driver. (or tell a parent of a teen driver about it)

I'm also working on an Owensboro Street Survival event. If we get approval for the site it will be held in July and we also might get an autocross there.

The Board will be discussing holding an autocross at The Centre parking lot during the summer. If the turnout for the very cold Snow Buster was any indication we could have a great event there during the warm months.

I hope all you Rally Crossers aren't loosing hope. I've got a firm commitment from Tom Helfrich to hold an event at his Tri-State Speedway in the fall after his season is done. Tom runs a top notch track and I expect he'll have an excellent surface for us to run on.

And while I'm on the topic of RallyX, I'm going to hold a meeting in Evansville in the near future and I'm inviting everyone who wants to be in a RallyX to attend. The meeting will be to discuss how the region will go forward with this program. I'll need some people to step up and volunteer their time to get this program rolling. Look for an email in the future concerning the meeting.

At the club meeting this month we got to hear about our road racers adventures. Although Tom Bootz wasn't there, Barry Schonberger told us that Tom had a very good weekend at St. Louis where he lowered his 2008 DSR lap record by almost 2 seconds. He was victorious in all his races that weekend.

Barry told us he's working on his racecar but his main focus is on the Kart races for son Kent. They're going to race at New Castle this season and try to improve their finishes of last year.

Barry also told us about his great lap at the Snow Buster autocross. Seems like his Mitsubishi Evo doesn't like to be driven vigorously. On his last lap he left the starting line hard and the car reacted by slowing with whistles, bells and a message on the dash that said "Slow Down!". Barry didn't see the message but passenger John Esche saw it and then son Kent confirmed that yes indeed the car tells you that. Then Barry wanted to know how Kent knew that! Smiles abounded as Kent murmured something to his Dad.

I got to tell about my trip to Houston for the SCCA Tour event and how I managed to be 10th out of 13 in the STU class. Next time you see me ask me about setting the camber on a Subaru WRX STi and I'll tell you the story of our trials and tribulations with camber and toe-in.

The Moore's have a Rally planned for May 3rd. It starts at the Home Depot on the west side of Evansville and journeys through Vanderburgh County.

I'm sending this to Gene right after the Patch Party and I want to thank all of the workers that showed up for what was a warm, blustery and sunny day. We patched every spot we marked last month and then some. There will be a new variation of the course this year as we will extend the straight on the north side of the course where the big bump is. It may even allow us to divert the course slightly south to avoid that "kart launcher". Thanks again to the hard working crew.

That's it for this month. Check our on-line calendar at www.sirscga.org and look for events on www.motorsportreg.com and www.myautoevents.com
Racingly, Paul Dornburg *Regional Executive*

Patch Party 2009



Relaxing at lunch



More smiling faces...and aching muscles



1-2-3 HEAVE!

Team Hulman Motorsports



PD & BS

Results from the Homes Rally, 5/3/9

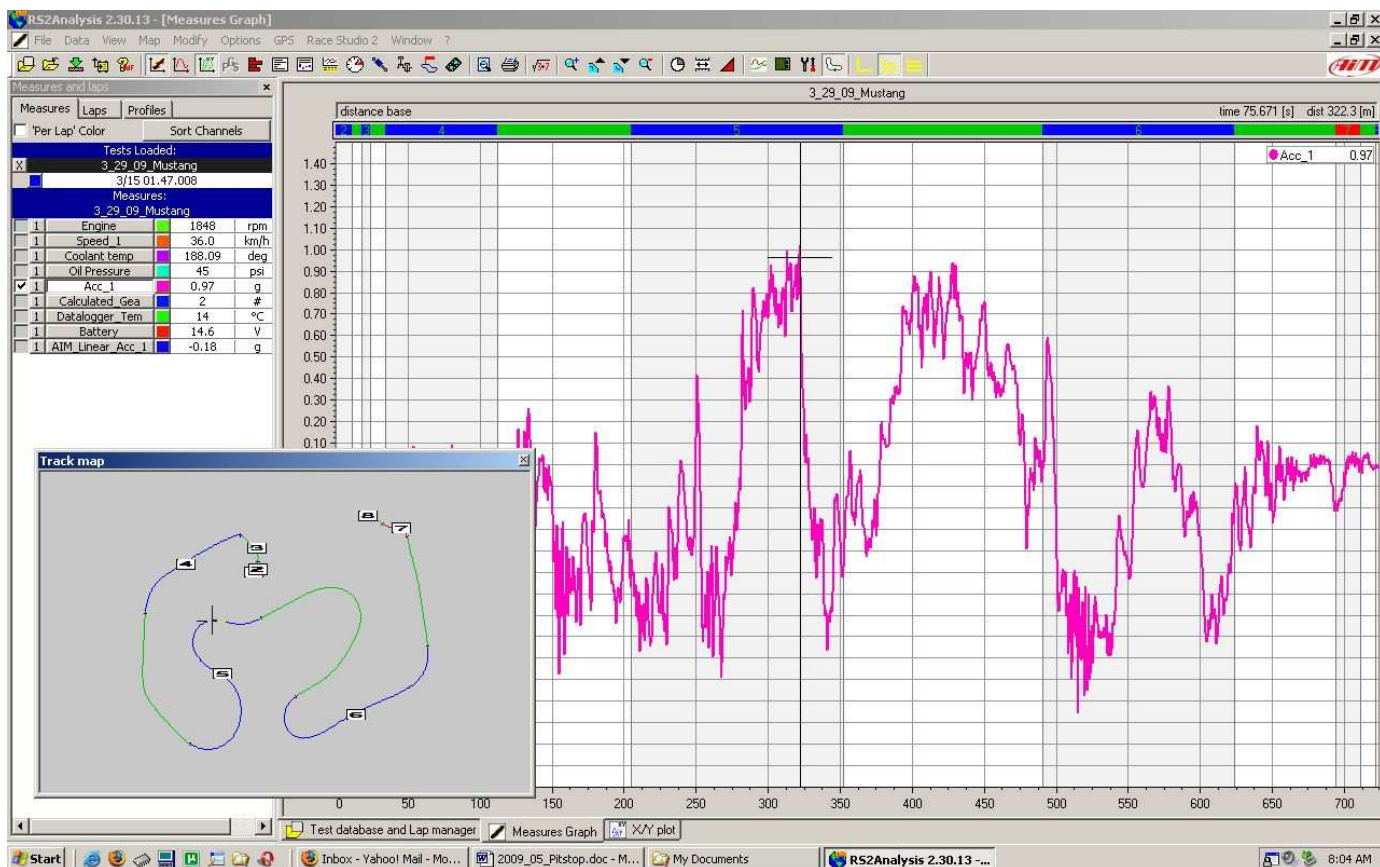
Car #	Name	Class	STAGE 1	STAGE 2	STAGE 3	TOTAL SCORE
1	Davis / Sonntag	A	-8	4	0	12
2	Blaylock / Blaylock	Guest	180	-86	-79	345
3	Dornburg / Dornburg	B	-155	123	175	453

Berry Points (as of April 21)	
Name	Points
Dornburg, Paul	10
Grundhoefer Seeber, Julia	9
Jochum, Ron	9
Young, Gene	9
Cannon, James	8
Davis, Terry	8
Dornburg, Carolyn	8
Moore, Chris	8
Sonntag, Bob	8
Keating, Terry	7
Moore, Carrie	6
Christy, Allen	5
Christy, Cathy	5
Kelley, Don	5
Bailey, Darrin	4
Bailey, Teresa	4
Freeman, Mke	4
Schonberger, Barry	4
Barrow, Jim	2
Cannon, Darlene	2
Green, Tim	2
Heck, Cathy	2
Backer, Steve	1
Beaman, Barry	1
Buente, Charline	1
Buente, Mike	1
Nichols, James	1
Strobel, Shelby	1

Rally Points (as of April 21 & 1 of 7 events)	
Name	Points
Dornburg, Carolyn	5
Dornburg, Paul	5
Grundhoefer Seeber, Julia	5
Jochum, Ron	5
Keating, Terry	5
Young, Gene	5
Cannon, Darlene	2
Cannon, James	2
Davis, Terry	2
Moore, Carrie	2
Moore, Chris	2
Sonntag, Bob	2

Rookie Points (as of April 21)	
Name	Points
Bonenberger, April	0.000
Bonenberger, Ivan	0.000
Brown, Sean	0.000
Burdine, Justin	0.000
Burris, Jonathan	0.000
Clark, Kim	0.000
Cunningham, Chris	0.000
Dixon, Brian	0.000
Huppenthal, Jeff	0.000
Marinoff, Seth	0.000
Marks, Richard	0.000
Mull, Bradley	0.000
Prather, Josh	0.000
Thompson, Dustin	0.000
Tompton, Adam	0.000

Date	Day	Activity/Event	Event Marshal	Location
5.00	MAY			
5.03	Sunday	Pt Rally (2 of 7)	Carrie	Home Depot (westside), Evansville
5.04	Monday	Board Meeting	Paul	Bob's house
5.10	Sunday	Mother's Day		
5.12	Tuesday	Membership Meeting	Paul	Lone Star Steakhouse, Evansville
5.14	Thursday	Alternate Membership Meeting	Paul	El Toribio's, Owensboro
5.16	Saturday	<u>Pit Stop</u> Deadline	Gene	
5.16	Saturday	"Opening Bookend" Pt Autocross (1 of 7)		Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
5.17	Sunday	** Event moved to Saturday, May 16th **		
5.24	Sunday	Free Weekend or 93rd Indianapolis 500		Indy Motor Speedway, Speedway
(M-day Wknd)				
5.31	Sunday	Pt Rally (3 of 7)	Mike?	
6.00	JUNE			
6.01	Monday	Board Meeting	Paul	Paul's house
6.07	Sunday	Southern Illinois Autocross (1 of 2)	So Illinois Region	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
6.09	Tuesday	Membership Meeting	Paul	Lone Star Steakhouse, Evansville
6.11	Thursday	Alternate Membership Meeting	Paul	El Toribio's, Owensboro
6.13	Sunday	Free Weekend		
6.20	Saturday	<u>Pit Stop</u> Deadline	Gene	
6.21	Sunday	Father's Day		
6.27	Saturday	Street Survival Event	Paul with ...	Whirlpool, US41N, Evansville
6.28	Sunday	Pt Autocross (2 of 7)		Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
7.00	JULY			
7.03-05	Fri - Sun	SCCA Tour Event		Grissom Aeroplex, Peru, IN
7.04	Saturday	Independence Day		
7.06	Monday	Board Meeting	Paul	Bob's House
7.12	Sunday	Pt Autocross (3 of 7)		Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
7.14	Tuesday	Membership Meeting	Paul	Lone Star Steakhouse, Evansville
7.16	Thursday	Alternate Membership Meeting	Paul	El Toribio's, Owensboro
7.18	Saturday	<u>Pit Stop</u> Deadline	Gene	
7.18	Saturday	"Day At The Drags" Pro Tour Autocross	Board Event	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
7.19	Sunday	"Day At The Drags" Pro Tour Drag Racing		Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
7.26	Sunday	Free Weekend		(Brickyard 400, IMS, Speedway)
8.00	AUGUST			
8.02	Sunday	Pt Autocross (4 of 7)		Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
8.03	Monday	Board Meeting	Paul	Paul's House
8.09	Sunday	Southern Illinois Autocross (2 of 2)	So Illinois Region	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
8.11	Tuesday	Membership Meeting	Paul	Log Inn, Warrenton
8.13	Thursday	Alternate Membership Meeting	Paul	Diamond Lake, Owensboro
8.15	Saturday	<u>Pit Stop</u> Deadline	Gene	
8.23	Sunday	Pt Autocross (5 of 7)		Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
8.30	Sunday	"Sillyness Repeated" Pt Rally (4 of 7)	Bob & Terry	Wink Construction, Evansville
8.31	Monday	Board Meeting	Paul	Bob's House
9.00	SEPTEMBER			
9.05	Saturday	Solo Nationals (Pro, Travel, Warm-up Day)	SCCA	"Lincoln Air Park," Lincoln, NE
9.06	Sunday	Solo Nationals (Pro, Travel, Warm-up Day)	SCCA	"Lincoln Air Park," Lincoln, NE
9.07	Monday	Solo Nationals - Off Day	SCCA	"Lincoln Air Park," Lincoln, NE
(Labor Day)				
9.08-11	Tue - Fri	Solo Nationals Competition	SCCA	"Lincoln Air Park," Lincoln, NE
9.12	Saturday	Solo Nationals Travel Day		
9.13	Sunday	Grandparents' Day		
9.15	Tuesday	Membership Meeting	Paul	Lone Star Steakhouse, Evansville
9.17	Thursday	Alternate Membership Meeting	Paul	El Toribio's, Owensboro
9.19	Saturday	<u>Pit Stop</u> Deadline	Gene	
9.20	Sunday	Pt Autocross (6 of 7)		
9.22-24	Tue - Thu	National Championship Runoffs - Qualifying	SCCA	Road America, Elkhart Lake, WI
9.25-27	Fri - Sun	National Championship Runoffs - Competition	SCCA	Road America, Elkhart Lake, WI
9.27	Sunday	Free-ish Weekend		
10.00	OCTOBER			
10.04	Sunday	"Sillyness Returns" Pt Rally (5 of 7)	Terry & Bob	Wink Construction, Evansville
10.05	Monday	Board Meeting	Paul	Paul's House
10.11	Sunday	"Closing Bookend" Pt Autocross (7 of 7)		Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
10.13	Tuesday	Membership Meeting	Paul	Lone Star Steakhouse, Evansville
10.15	Thursday	Alternate Membership Meeting	Paul	El Toribio's, Owensboro
10.17	Saturday	<u>Pit Stop</u> Deadline	Gene	
10.18	Sunday	Free Weekend		
10.25	Sunday	"Ice Cream Rally II" Pt Rally (6 of 7)	Carolyn & Paul	Dairy Queen, Owensboro
10.31	Saturday	Halloween -- Night Fun Rally?		
11.00	NOVEMBER			
11.01	Sunday	Halloween rally OR Free Weekend		
11.02	Monday	Board Meeting	Paul	Bob's House
11.07 or 08	Sat or Sun	Social Event ??		
11.10	Tuesday	Membership Meeting	Paul	Lone Star Steakhouse, Evansville
11.12	Thursday	Alternate Membership Meeting	Paul	El Toribio's, Owensboro
11.15	Sunday	Free Weekend		
11.21	Saturday	<u>Pit Stop</u> Deadline	Gene	
11.22	Sunday	Pt Rally (7 of 7)		
11.26-29	Thu - Sun	Thanksgiving Day Weekend		
12.00	DECEMBER			
12.04	Friday	Awards Banquet & Holiday Party	Paul/Gary/Mary	Rolling Hills County Club
12.07	Monday	Board Meeting	Paul	Paul's House
12.19	Saturday	<u>Pit Stop</u> Deadline	Gene	





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Lawrenceville Autocrosses are at Mid-American Air Park, near Lawrenceville, IL

Center Autocrosses are at the Evansville Civic Center parking lot

Autocross, Setup 9:00AM, Registration, 11:00 AM, First car off at 1:00 PM

Membership meetings, Lone Star Steakhouse, Evansville, IN

Dinner at 6:30 PM, meeting at 7:30 PM

Arriving late? Contact Paul Dornburg in advance by e-mail or phone by 6:00PM the proceeding day

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