



The Pit Stop



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Greetings SIRSCCA,

Welcome to an action-packed summer! Just since my last REport, several SIR members, including yours truly, have accumulated lots of automotive tales to tell. There has been a 3000+ mile round trip road rally, an autocross, and a 24-hour endurance race. And it appears that the action is not slowing yet, as July offers two more point autocrosses at Lawrenceville, and the Bowler Day at the Drags fund and fun raising event.

This Saturday July 10th yours truly will be responsible for the layout of the autocross course at Lawrenceville, Ill. I'm planning a slight variation on our typical course, I hope you like it.

Tuesday, July 12, we will have our monthly club membership meeting at Moonlite BBQ (<http://www.moonlite.com/>) in Owensboro. Please note the change from RiRa's or other venues. Moonlite is on Parrish Ave, just inside the bypass on the west side of town. They have some of the best BBQ mutton around, I am very much looking forward to it. I am sure that there will be plenty of stories to be shared including the 24-hour Nashville Chumpcar race.

The following weekend, July 15-17 the club will be conducting the autocross for the Bowler Transmission / Ridetech "Day at the Strip" event (see www.bowlertransmissions.com for additional details about the event) This will provide us with an opportunity to raise money for continuous improvement of our course at Lawrenceville, and possibly allow us the unique opportunity to get to do some fun runs on the smooth runways at Lawrenceville after setup on Friday afternoon. Helping the club conduct this event entitles you to a total of 4 competition autocross runs per heat at every SIR event for the rest of the season. There will also likely be opportunity to get plenty of fun runs as well. Please contact Ernie Roales, the event coordinator, to let him know you will be coming to help out. The more help we have, the smoother the event will be. Come to the monthly meeting at Moonlite BBQ in Owensboro, where I am sure more details will be shared. Additional details will also be going out via email shortly.

July 31st we will be returning to Lawrenceville for another point autocross, and August 5th, James Cannon will be hosting a road rally. Come to the meeting or stay tuned to the club emails for additional details on both these events.

Sincerely,

Chris Moore

Regional Executive

See SIR member BABE rally adventures at:

<http://daewhoopteedoo.blogspot.com>

<http://www.honeywagon38.com>

July Activities Update

As I write this, I'm realizing that we are getting in to a very busy portion of our year and perhaps our busiest month. We have two autocrosses (the 10th and the 31st) and sandwiched between those are a membership meeting road trip (Moonlite Bar-B-Q Inn in Owensboro!!) and the Bowler Transmission "Day at the Strip" which includes the RideTech autocross on Saturday, July 16th. Those events cover three of the five weekends in July. On one of those "free" weekends many of us will celebrate the American Independence Day.

Those at the June membership meeting learned the board would like to have the autocross workload more evenly shared among those participating in them. The board would also like to develop a better cross-trained workforce for those events. To help this happen, please consider that if you are an early arriver, you are encouraged to help with the course set-up. If you're one that's not there for the course set-up, you are encouraged to work on the packing-up (picking up the course and getting the trailer reloaded) at end of the event. The idea is to have those that do the on-site event prep be more hesitant to also help on the tear-down. Conversely, those that didn't help with much of the set-up should feel more obliged to be responsible for the tear-down portion of the day. The hope is that there will be enough help for the set-up and the tear-down that same individuals won't feel such the need to work both ends of the events.

Until our entry numbers support having it, we will all have to still work when we are not running. One way to think of this is that we would like one group of people working on getting us ready to run and a different group working after we're done running. We are striving to get a more even distribution of the work. We all like to have an opportunity socialize before and after our heats. We all would like to be able to arrive as late as possible and leave as early as possible. We will all suffer if we are unable to have our events start on time. A large part of being able to start running cars on time is getting things ready on time.

The board also feels that we need more people cross-trained in our various autocross jobs. We are already well along the path to having a larger pool of Solo Safety Stewards. On the set-up side, many of the pylon locations are painted by quite a few are not. The ones that are not painted vary from one course configuration to another. It's a pretty simple system, but there does seem to be a trick to it. Likewise, we need a larger pool of people able to get the timing equipment, computer, screen, and both printers running. Having another person or two able to handle registering entrants would be good for us all. A couple more people familiar running the timing system would be welcome as well. Finally, at the end of the day, we need more people knowing how to store our equipment for the next event.

If you're able to be on-site at 9:30 A.M. to help get us ready to run we'd love to have you help. If you're one that's not able to be that early, perhaps you'll think more about helping with the overall event workload by working the packing-up portion of our events.

Next Topic: The Bowler "Day at the Strip" autocross event is on Saturday, July 16. Ernie Roales is our event chair this year. On Saturday, we'll be providing an autocross opportunity as we have in the past. We are tweaking the staffing a bit. This year, the entrants will be asked to help work the course. We will still need our people there to man the gate, run tech & grid, register entrants, and run the timing system. We also need to be able to start running cars at 10:30 that Saturday morning. There are two blocks of autocrossing. The first is for VIP guests and goes from 10:30 through 12:30. Then, from 3:00 until dusk the autocross action continues for those having entered the RideTech autocross. There is more information available on the "Day at the Strip" at www.dayatthestrip.com.

On Friday, the runway and taxiway will be closed to get ready for the weekend. If we have enough people commit to helping on FRIDAY (I hope we do), we would like to layout a simple autocross course on the runway and taxiway for a bit of testing. Could we handle an autocross event on that nice pavement shaped as it is? We'd do that for a few hours and then shift our focus to getting our normal autocross area ready for Saturday's action. Interested? The tentative schedule is to be on-site at 12:30 Friday. Get ready quickly and about 4 o'clock switch get prepping for Saturday. All the work we do Friday, we will not have to do early Friday morning.

Please let Ernie know that you will commit to helping out on Friday and/or working on Saturday. Saturday, plan to be on-site by 9:30 A.M. You can probably expect to get in a few runs on Saturday too. Saturday is a bonus program qualifier. Those working on Saturday will qualify for an extra run in each heat of our remaining 2011 autocrosses. Contact Ernie at roales@frontier.com or 618-544-9072 to let him know you will be there.

Last Topic: Rumor has it that there is a 90 percent chance of a muscle car challenge on September 4th. This is another autocrossing as service opportunity for the club. Mark your calendars now to save the date. Hope to see lots of you three or four times this month.

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Car	Class	Driver	Car	Run 1		Run 2		Run 3		Run 4		Run 5		Run 6		Best Time	Index	Autocross	
				Adj Time	Pen	Adj Time	Pen	Adj Time	Pen	Adj Time	Pen	Adj Time	Pen	Adj Time	Pen			Time	Points
1	20	ES	Barry Beaman	48.320		47.072		47.648		47.019		46.780		46.783		46.780	.825	77.428	1000
2	22	ZCS	Brandon Warren	50.837		49.335		48.698		48.392		51.257	(1)	47.861		47.861	.833	80.434	1000
3	36	BM	Bob Sonntag	42.952		41.975		40.900		41.630		41.018		40.477		40.477	.958	77.959	993
4	43	DM	Tim Green	54.503	DNF	45.797	(1)	43.551		44.012		43.081		45.561	DNF	43.081	.905	78.402	987
5	30	ZCP	Gene Young	48.551		49.215		47.907		48.232		47.257		47.528		47.257	.860	81.841	983
6	47	ZCS	Kevin Smalley	49.421		50.017		49.281		49.285		49.563		49.248		49.248	.833	82.075	980
7	19	ZESP	Ryan Bootz	49.973		48.448		48.185		49.965	(1)	49.265	(1)	52.179		48.185	.846	82.443	975
8	12	ZGS	Bradford Bootz	88.966		52.355		75.695	(1)	53.176		51.355		61.663		51.355	.809	83.901	957
9	13	ZSS	Mario Matos	51.629	DNF	49.894		49.798		48.776		50.821	(1)	48.113		48.113	.857	83.910	957
10	6	ZSS	Ernest Roales	50.478		49.573		49.499		49.549		48.810		49.472		48.810	.857	84.251	953
11	65	ZHS	Mitchell Seeber	53.925		53.657		53.932		53.003		53.118		52.899		52.899	.791	84.286	952
12	16	ZBS	Bryan Diehl	51.743		50.566		51.305		50.709		50.629		50.571		50.566	.839	84.854	945
13	21	DP	Steve Backer	50.666	DNF	49.253		48.053		48.409		46.927		46.857		46.857	.867	82.287	937
14	35	ES	James Cannon	52.277	(1)	52.467	(1)	52.394	(1)	47.643		48.110		47.767		47.643	.825	82.434	935
15	85	CSP	Michael Buente	52.060		50.140		48.898		47.606		47.504		47.217		47.217	.858	82.467	935
16	82	ZSM	Jeremy Duke	55.669	(2)	67.613		50.619		51.686	(1)	49.097		48.882		48.882	.869	86.466	925
17	116	ZFS	Austin Diehl	56.306		53.693		52.728		53.160		52.170		51.992		51.992	.827	86.603	923
18	11	ZGS	John McCarthy	56.919		55.551		53.908		58.983	(1)	53.721		63.335		53.721	.809	87.072	917
19	23	ZCSP	Ron Jochum	52.405		51.754		51.604		51.120		51.917		50.876		50.876	.858	87.928	907
20	31	ZSM	Reginald Sandy	54.426	DNF	52.140		59.631	(3)	49.248		54.385	DNF	52.867	(1)	49.248	.869	88.106	905
21	2	STS	Tom McBride	53.117		53.111		52.806		51.342		50.458		50.411		50.411	.823	84.948	903
22	9	DSP	Pete Lee	57.078	DNF	52.132		51.335		51.973	(1)	56.925	(2)	51.112		51.112	.844	86.465	883
23	130	ZCP	Julie Young	69.224	DNF	53.168		52.903		54.323		54.568		54.459		52.903	.860	92.214	854
24	881	EM	Chris Moore	55.677	(1)	52.779		51.409		0.000	DNF	50.602		50.809		50.602	.910	92.830	801
25	182	SSM	Dennis Duke	66.103		55.022		56.144		52.688		81.375		DNS		52.688	.875	94.246	783
26	88	EM	Charlie Posey	56.315		54.913		52.673		52.481		52.125		51.270		51.270	.910	94.588	778
27	188	EM	Paul Blaylock	72.064	DNF	56.074		57.904		53.370		57.597	(1)	53.218		53.218	.910	99.456	750

Notes: The times reflect any 2 second penalty per pylon; the pylon count is shown in the penalty column.

In instances where there were no times for the second set of runs because of DNS runs, times were created by adding 2 seconds to the competitor's slowest run time.

Where possible, DNF runs show the raw time.

B: Driver in SIR/SCCA bonus program. The driver's best three of four runs of each heat are shown in these results.

Berry Points	
(as of June 28)	
Name	Points
Sonntag, Bob	38
Hutchens, Michael	33
Cannon, James	30
Roales, Ernest	26
Young, Gene	26
Moore, Chris	23
Davis, Benjamin	20
Young, Julia	20
Dornburg, Paul	18
Duke, Jeremy	17
Diehl, Bryan	16
Davis, Terry	15
Bailey, Teresa	14
Bridges, Jane	13
Moore, Carrie	13
Beaman, Barry	12
Buente, Michael	12
Cannon, Darlene	12
Duke, Duane	12
Green, Tim	12
Posey, Charles	12
Blaylock, Paul	11
Backer, Steven	10
Smith, Yancy	10
Bailey, Darrin	9
Blaylock, Lora	9
Smalley, Kevin	9
Jochum, Ron	8
Christy, Allen	6
Christy, Cathy	6
Bootz, Brad	5
Bootz, Ryan	5
Freeman, Mike	4
Mackey, Joe	3
Seeber, Mitchell	3
Acree, Amanda	2
Diehl, Austin	2
Dornburg, Carolyn	2
McCarthy, John	2
Sandy, Reginald	2
Schonberger, Barry	2
Vanhooser, Thomas	2
Keating, Terry	1
Posey, Lisa	1

Autocross Points	
(as of June 28 & 2 of 7 events)	
Name	Points
Sonntag, Bob	1981
Smalley, Kevin	1972
Roales, Ernest	1953
Beaman, Barry	1945
Diehl, Bryan	1933
Cannon, James	1884
Duke, Jeremy	1857
Buente, Michael	1816
Backer, Steven	1809
Duke, Duane	1657
Dornburg, Paul	1000
Green, Tim	987
Young, Gene	983
Bootz, Ryan	975
Vanhooser, Thomas	967
Bootz, Brad	957
Seeber, Mitchell	952
Diehl, Austin	923
McCarthy, John	917
Jochum, Ron	907
Sandy, Reginald	905
Mackey, Joe	904
Davis, Terry	880
Young, Julia	854
Moore, Chris	801
Posey, Charles	778
Blaylock, Paul	750

Rally Points	
(as of June 20 & 2 of 7 events)	
Name	Points
Cannon, Darlene	10
Cannon, James	10
Hutchens, Michael	10
Davis, Terry	7
Moore, Carrie	7
Moore, Chris	7
Sonntag, Bob	7
Davis, Benjamin	5
Blaylock, Lora	4
Blaylock, Paul	4
Bridges, Jane	4
Young, Julia	4
Duke, Duane	2
Duke, Jeremy	2
Roales, Ernest	2
Young, Gene	2

Rookie Points	
(as of June 28)	
Name	Points
Duke, Duane	.128
Mackey, Joe	.034
McCarthy, John	.031
Diehl, Austin	.026
Basham, Richard	.000
Diehl, Tristie	.000
Martens, Cory	.000
Wheeler, Ben	.000
Whitman, Thomas	.000



Date	Day	Activity/Event	Event Marshal	Location
7.00 JULY				
7.01-03	Fri-Sun	Northern States Championship National Tour	SCCA	Toledo Express Airport, Toledo, OH
7.04	Monday	Independence Day		
7.10	Sunday	Pt Autocross (3 of 7)	Chris	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
7.12?	Tuesday	Board Meeting	Chris	TBD, Evansville
7.12	Tuesday	Membership Meeting	Chris	Moonlite Bar-B-Q Inn 2804 West Parrish Ave, OWB
7.12?	Tuesday	Board Meeting	Chris	TBD, Evansville
7.15?	Friday	Bowler Play Day (runway/taxiway solo event?)	Ernie	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
7.16	Saturday	Bowler "Day At The Strip" Autocross	Ernie w/ Board	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
7.17	Sunday	"Day At The Drags" Drag Racing		Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
7.27	Wednesday	<u>Pit Stop</u> Deadline	Gene	
7.31	Sunday	Pt Autocross (4 of 7)	Ernie	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
8.00 AUGUST				
8.01	Monday	Board Meeting	Chris	Evansville
8.07	Sunday	Pt Rally (3 of 7)	Jim & Darlene	Ernie's Liquor Store, Petersburg, IN
8.09	Tuesday	Membership Meeting	Chris	Log Inn, Warrenton
8.14	Sunday	Free day		
8.21	Sunday	Pt Autocross (5 of 7)	Gene	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
8.27-28	Sat-Sun	Frog Follies Weekend	E'ville Iron	4-H Center, Vanderburgh County, IN
8.28	Sunday	Solo Nationals Travel Day	SCCA	Lincoln Air Park, Lincoln, NE
8.29	Monday	Solo Nationals -- On-site Prep	SCCA	Lincoln Air Park, Lincoln, NE
8.30-31	Tue-Wed	Solo Nationals	SCCA	Lincoln Air Park, Lincoln, NE
8.31	Wednesday	<u>Pit Stop</u> Deadline	Gene	
9.00 SEPTEMBER				
9.01-02	Thu-Fri	Solo Nationals	SCCA	Lincoln Air Park, Lincoln, NE
9.03	Saturday	Solo Nationals Travel Day		
9.04	Sunday	Muscle Car Challenge	Board Event	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
9.05	Monday	Labor Day		
9.11	Sunday	Free day (Grandparent's Day)		
9.13	Tuesday	Board Meeting	Chris	Evansville
9.13	Tuesday	Membership Meeting	Chris	Turoni's Main Street Brewery 408 North Main Street, Evansville
9.18	Sunday	Pt Autocross (6 of 7)	Ben	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
9.19-25	Mon-Sun	National Championship Runoffs	SCCA	Road America, Elkhart Lake, WI
9.25	Sunday	Pt Rally (4 of 7)	Chris & Carrie	
9.28	Wednesday	<u>Pit Stop</u> Deadline	Gene	
9.30	Friday	Tri-State Challenge National Tour	SCCA	Arkansas Aeroplex, Blytheville, AR
10.00 OCTOBER				
10.01-02	Sat-Sun	Tri-State Challenge National Tour	SCCA	Arkansas Aeroplex, Blytheville, AR
10.03	Monday	Board Meeting	Chris	
10.09	Sunday	Tiger East autocross		French Lick
10.09	Sunday	Pt Rally (5 of 7)	Terry & Bob	Hardee's, 4249 North US 41, Evansville
10.11	Tuesday	Membership Meeting	Chris	Ri Ra Irish Pub & Restaurant 701 Northwest Riverside Drive, EVV
10.16	Sunday	Pt Autocross (7 of 7) - "Closing Bookend"		Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
10.23	Sunday	Southern Illinois Autocross (2 of 2)	So Illinois Region	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
10.26	Wednesday	<u>Pit Stop</u> Deadline	Gene	
10.29	Saturday	Nashville Road Tour	SCCA	Nashville Super Speedway
10.30	Sunday	Pt Rally (6 of 7)		
11.00 NOVEMBER				
11.06?	Sunday	Fun Rally?		
11.07	Monday	Board Meeting	Chris	
11.08	Tuesday	Membership Meeting	Chris	Ri Ra Irish Pub & Restaurant 701 Northwest Riverside Drive, EVV
11.13	Sunday	Pt Rally (7 of 7)	Paul & Carolyn	DQ, US 60 East, Owensboro
11.16	Wednesday	<u>Pit Stop</u> Deadline	Gene	
11.20	Sunday	Free day		
11.24-27	Thu-Sun	Thanksgiving Weekend		
11.28	Monday	Board Meeting	Chris	
12.00 DECEMBER				
12.02	Friday	Awards Banquet & Holiday Party	Chris / Mike	Rolling Hills County Club, Newburgh, IN
12.04	Sunday	Free day		
12.11	Sunday	Free day		
12.18	Sunday	Free day		
12.28	Wednesday	<u>Pit Stop</u> Deadline	Gene	
12.23-25	Fri - Sun	Christmas Weekend		
12.26	Monday	Christmas day observance		
Notes:	Only one T/S/D rally and one autocross are still need of event marshals. Please volunteer before you've missed your chance.			
	The date of the 2011 food rally is still being worked out.			



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Lawrenceville autocrosses are at Mid-America Air Center near Lawrenceville, IL

Autocross setup at 9:30 AM, Registration 11:00 AM, First Car off at 1:00 PM

Membership Meetings

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

