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### **2008 Kentucky Region Schedule**

- June 22 Points Event #4 at Ft. Knox
- July 20 Points Event #5 at PJCS
- August 10 Points Event #6 at PJCS
- September 7 Points Event #7 at PJCS
- October 5 Points Event #8 at UPS
- October 19 Fun Event at UPS

Online pre-registration is available on:  
[www.MyAutoEvents.com](http://www.MyAutoEvents.com)

### **Karts run 1-2 for FTD at June 1 event..**

The karts of Chris Evans & Adam Norton, respectively, had the top times of the day at the June 1 Points Event #3 at Papa John's Cardinal Stadium. This was the first 2008 event for which the karts were eligible as only the PJCS & Ft. Knox sites are approved for kart use. Chris clocked a 38.911 second fastest run & Adam's best was about 1/2 a second behind at 39.376 seconds. The only other vehicle under 40 seconds was Jamey Aebersold in his '97 Toyota Supra Turbo with a 39.851 second run. On the right, Jamey discusses his run with Mike Spence. There were 130 timed entries in the inaugural 2008 event at PJCS. Kyle Brewer was the top driver in the 10-car STO field as the "street tire" classes are becoming more & more popular. STS had 16 entries with Eric McHatton



taking the win in that class and STS2 had 5 entries with Tim Thompson leading the way there. STX had 7 entries with Justin Thompson taking the 1<sup>st</sup> place trophy and STU had an additional 5 entries with Jason Odle picking up the win in that class.

Highlighting some of the entries in SS, George Frazier took the top spot in that class as he posted a best time of 41.359 seconds.



George cools down his tires between runs en route to a Super Stock win.

Joe Galownia has made the change from a CP Pontiac Trans Am to a Corvette this past year and he drove his Z06 to a 3<sup>rd</sup> place trophy in SS.

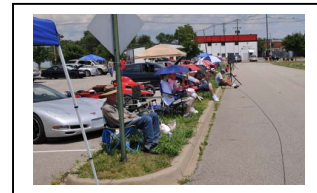


After joining the club last year, Salem, Indiana's David Allen has become a regular in SS as he pilots his bright yellow 'Vette in events.

Gary Niles is also a regular in his white Corvette. He finished just out of the trophies in this event, however, a scant 0.133 seconds behind Galownia, which shows just how close the competition may be.



Umbrellas were the order of the day as the temperature was in the mid 80's.



Here, left to right, Geoff Hale, John Hicks, Bruce Domeck, and Dean Smith take a break to relax and enjoy

the shade provided by an E-Z-Up.

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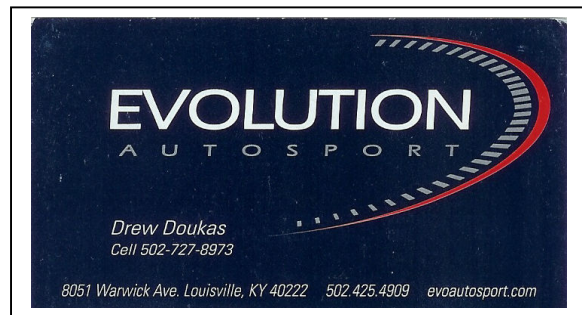
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***Welcome to new DownShift Editor....***

After serving as editor/publisher for DownShift for the past two and a half years, it's time to hand the reins over to someone else. Rhonda Hall has graciously volunteered to serve in that capacity, starting with the next issue. Writing, compiling, editing, and publishing a newsletter has certainly been a learning experience for me and I've enjoyed the opportunity to do so for Kentucky Region but it's also time for someone else to bring in new ideas to freshen up our official publication. I certainly wish Rhonda the best of luck and I will probably contribute an article or two every so often. I encourage the administration and membership to provide her with the information needed to make her job easier as she produces this valuable form of communication for the region.

**The next general membership meeting will be on Thursday, July 3 at 7 PM at the Lotsa Pasta Café on Lexington Road in St. Matthews.**

<p><b><u>2008 Event Schedule</u></b>  <b>Great American Solo Series (GASS)</b></p> <p>July 12-13 Wurtsmith Airport Oscoda, MI          (hosted by Detroit Region)</p> <p><b>Great Lakes Divisional Championship</b></p> <p>Aug. 9-10 Grissom Aeroplex Peru, IN</p> <p><b>Great Lakes Division ProSolo Event</b></p> <p>July 5-6 Toledo Airport Toledo, OH</p> <p><b>CenDiv/Great Lakes Area National Tour</b></p> <p>June 28-29 Grissom Aeroplex Peru, IN          July 19-20 Miller Park Milwaukee, WI</p> <p><b>Solo National Championships</b></p> <p>Sept. 16-19 Heartland Park, Topeka, KS</p>
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*The Minutes for the KyR general membership meeting April 3, 2008.*

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM at the Lotsa Pasta Café. The following were in attendance:

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| Geoff Hale          | Phil Wells             | John Hicks  |
| Bruce Domeck        | Chris Granger          | Mike Spence |
| Jamey McDaniel      | Andrew Armstrong       |             |
| Brian Morales       | Ken Daugherty          | Lou Savino  |
| Julia Aebersold     | Andrew Scott           | James Lee   |
| James Duncan        | Cindy Duncan           | Jim Moore   |
| Marc Pfannenschmidt | Jerusha Pfannenschmidt |             |
| David Baughman      |                        |             |

The minutes of the March meeting were read by Secretary Phil Wells. The motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Jamey McDaniel and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chris Granger. The motion carried.

A financial report was made by Treasurer Mike Spence.

Old Business: There was a discussion about the Board's decision to cede a number of counties in Western Kentucky to the Southern Indiana Region of SCCA for the purpose of formation of a Western Kentucky Chapter of SIR. KyR felt that a new chapter in the Paducah area was too far to service and that SIR would be better prepared to do so as their territory extends into the Kentucky counties of Daviess & Henderson anyway. If members wish to appeal this decision, they have 92 hours to file an appeal.

There was a report on the "Cobweb Shaker" event. Set-up for Points Event #1 will be at 10 AM Saturday at UPS Grade Lane.

There was a discussion about a new regional-only street tire class, previously referred to as "STFU". The motion was made by Brian Morales and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Andrew Scott for the class to continue on a trial basis throughout the 2008 season under the following rules:

- The class will be named Street Tire Open (STO).*
  - There will be no year-end points given for STO but trophies will be awarded at events. The PAX used for the class will be that of A-Mod.*
  - The class will be restricted to cars which, in their original production form, were eligible for a stock class.*
  - Tires must have a minimum 140 tread wear index.*
  - Cars must have fenders.*
  - All superceding SCCA safety rules apply (ie—no nitrous, etc).*
- The motion carried.

New Business: There was an announcement of future noise standards that will be enforced for events run at Papa John's Cardinal Stadium. A sound meter will be purchased (as approved by the Board) and will be set up at the April 20 event at UPS. The maximum sound level that will be acceptable is yet to be determined.

The motion to adjourn was made by Jim Moore and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jamey McDaniel. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted this April 3, 2008 by Secretary Phil Wells.

*The Minutes for the KyR general membership meeting May 1, 2008.*

The meeting was called to order at 7 PM at the Lotsa Pasta Caf .

The following were in attendance:

Geoff Hale      Chris Granger      Mike Spence  
Jamey McDaniel      Brian Morales      Jason Hatton  
Andrew Armstrong      John Gottbrath      Jim Moore  
Jamey, Julia, & Alex Aebersold      Scott Saylor

The minutes of the April meeting were read by acting secretary Mike Spence. Motion to accept was made by Chris Granger and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jamey McDaniel. Motion carried.

Discussed purchase of OTC car dollies (like Go-Jaks). Board approved spending up to \$600 for 4 units but needed membership approval. The membership approved.

Before the meeting Scott Saylor (Delta Services) donated approximately 15 fire extinguishers to the club. Thanks to Scott & Delta Services.

Julia discussed looking into buying 2 more sets of timing cables. Julia will look into costs. Scott Saylor offered to have his shop, Delta Services, fabricate the sets for us, maybe saving us some money.

Ken Towery is to be running a Hankook tire-testing event. They have requested to use our timing equipment. It would be good PR but their date would conflict with our June 22 Ft. Knox event. Maybe we could let them use our back-up timer for Saturday only. Possibly they could use CKR's timer, or we could use CKR's timer for a back-up for our event that Sunday.

The Western Kentucky Chapter, which is now part of Southern Indiana Region, was mentioned on SCCA's *Solo Inside Track*, citing good cooperation between regions.

Geoff asked for any comments on events to date.

Sound limits were discussed for Papa John's Cardinal Stadium and set at a maximum of 95dB at 100 feet since metro Louisville has no set dBA. Also, "annoying" sounds may be restricted. Geoff will take the sound meter to the UK Lexington event and do sound readings on the karts.

There was a discussion of the KyR Drivers' School---set-up, instructors, etc. It was noted that there is a problem with the back-up timer box---one display shows only "8" in tenths bracket. Jamey McDaniel will look at it and see if it can be fixed.

Drew Armstrong expressed interest in Safety Steward training and asked when another school would be offered. Jamey McDaniel completed his training in Lexington (CKR).

A motion was made by Jim Moore and discussion ensued concerning recognizing STO for a year-end trophy. Drew Armstrong 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. A vote was taken of Board members present representing a quorum and the motion passed.

A motion to adjourn at 8 PM was made by Mike Spence and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jamey McDaniel. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by acting secretary Mike Spence on May 1, 2008.

*SCCA introduces new volunteer incentive program.....*

In order to encourage members to serve in the various worker capacities needed at national and regional races and drivers' schools, the SCCA has introduced a volunteer incentive program. THE NATIONAL VOLUNTEER INCENTIVE PROGRAM was initiated to reward members who volunteer for specific club activities for their participation by reducing the cost of national dues for the member. Members receive \$15.00 off their national dues for volunteering to work 4 days per year, \$22.00 for working 6 days and \$30.00 for working 8 or more days. The funding for this program is derived from a fee,

charged to the regions, that is based on the participating car count at amateur events. The only events that count toward this incentive, therefore, are regional and national races and driver schools.

If you are interested in this program, go to the SCCA website ([www.scca.org](http://www.scca.org)) or contact Verne Wandell, DA, Flagging & Communications, Great Lakes Division at ([verne@valleyedit.com](mailto:verne@valleyedit.com)).

#### RE-laps

After last weekends Papa Johns event, I received a phone call from a long time club member. At first I thought Oh \*&#@\*. I was pleasantly surprised when the message was one complimenting on how well the season is going.

The reason for this is all of the wonderful support from so many of our members. I point out one member, Jamey McDaniel. Jamey's car was injured just before our season started, and not yet running. He also has undergone several eye surgeries, and yet still has been the first one on site to unload trailer, help set up, then do a work assignment. All this without being able to compete! A big thanks Jamey! Also thanks to new members Sam Moore, James Lee, and Anthony Crain for staying until the bitter end of clean up (along with the usual faithful)

Chris Granger did an outstanding job planning and conducting the KYR drivers school, and serving as chairman of the Sunday Points event. The school was attended by 45 students. I was delighted to see so many new folks having a fun day. I hope to see all these new friends at future events!

I am looking forward to a large turnout at Ft. Knox on the 22nd. I am sure Jim Moore will provide us with another of his well designed, fun courses.

Once again, thanks to all of you folks for helping make this a fun autocrossing summer for all of us!

Geoff Hale  
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