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Gruppe SVO ready for take-off. From left to right Tim Thompson, Dave Schmitt, Alex Lustenberg, Stacey Schmitt

What is an SVO & why do we see so many at Kentucky Region Autocross events?

by Dave Schmitt
photo by Joe Thompson
with Alex Lustenberg's camera

The Mustang SVO was a limited-production version of the Ford Mustang sold from 1984 to 1986, during which time it was the fastest, most expensive version of the Mustang available. Its history is rooted in SCCA showroom stock racing. Fewer than 10,000 were produced during this time and even fewer exist today. The SVO Club of America (SVOCA) continues with the mind-set that these cars are to be driven and encourages driving and/or racing the SVO. Every year the SVOCA hosts a reunion where members are able to put their cars on a dyno (dyno day),

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Schedule of Events

11/04/2010 Member/Board Meeting Shoneys Restaurant Eastern Parkway 7:30 PM

12/03/2010 Member/Board Meeting Shoneys Restaurant Eastern Parkway 7:30 PM

Information for the 2010 Awards Banquet to be announced in next month's issue.

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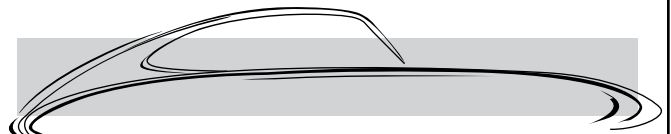
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KY SCCA Membership Meeting September

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 PM by RE Chris Schork.

Attendees: Chris Schork, Brian Schork, Jamey McDaniel, Al Murrell, Mike Spence, Chris Granger, Richard Sinnock, Bruce Domeck, Phil Wells, Ken Daugherty, Julia Aebersold, Jamey Aebersold, Alex Aebersold, Jim Moore, Patty Sinnock, and Ocie Booker.

The minutes from the August meeting were read. RE Chris Schork made the motion, which was seconded by Brian Schork, to approve the minutes as read. The motion passed.

Mike Spence gave a Treasurer's report and stated that the club is stable at this time.

Old Business

Papa John's Cardinal Stadium Lot C has been striped successfully by the club, fulfilling our agreement with stadium management.

New Business

Phil Wells reported that the club pylons are in ragged condition and need to be replaced. After some discussion, the purchase of new pylons was tabled until a later date—probably pre-season next year.

Points Event #8 is at UPS this Sunday, Sept. 5, 2010. RE Chris Schork will take care of set-up on Saturday— not at a specific time. The RE will also notify TARC about adjusting their route on Saturday & Sunday and he will also contact Robert March regarding the Portalets for Sunday. Jim Moore will design the course.

There was a motion by RE Chris Schork to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Jamey McDaniel. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned. Respectfully submitted this September 2, 2010 by Secretary Phil Wells.

SVO? *(Continued from page 1)*

show their SVO (show and shine), drag race their SVO and finally run in an autocross (hosted by the Central Kentucky Region SCCA for the past few years). As early as the 1998 reunion, the SVOCA paired up with the SAAC and SCCA club for a solo II day and awarded the group, with four (4) Fast Four awards (a creative award name—four trophies, four cylinder cars). The autocross, and the awards, have become a standard and highly anticipated part of the reunion ever since.



All SVOs that have been to KYR SCCA events belong to members of the SVOCA. Our interest in autocross began by autocrossing at the SVOCA reunions. At the reunions, the autocross events are relaxed, much like the KYR Fun Runs at the beginning and end of the season, and make it easier for novices to become involved. After several years autocrossing at the SVOCA reunions, most members get hooked; some even venture out

and compete at local SCCA events in their home regions.

Stacey and I have encouraged involvement with the SCCA and hosted several SVO owners at KY region events (some travel from as far as Toronto Canada).

Since our cars aren't the typical ones found at

SCCA events, having other SVO owners at

the events make the transition to

SCCA points events easier for

those just getting started. Our

guests enjoy the KYR southern

hospitality, the fewer number of

entrants than autocross events

in their home region, and the

efficient manner in which we

run our events (most of the time). It makes all the

4 SVO owners who are members of the KYR (that

has to be a record) proud to encourage participation

in SCCA events among fellow SVO owners.

For more information about SVO's go to: svoca.com

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KY SCCA Final Results of Fun Event No. 3

UPS Sunday October 17, 2010 31 Registered Entries / 31 Times Recorded

Position	Car No.	Driver	Car Make	Car Color	Best Time
Super Stock Total Entries: 2 Trophies: 1					
1Tm	99	Jim Moore	02 Corvette Z06	Red	44.724
2	10	Kyle Hoekn			49.452
A Stock Total Entries: 1 Trophies: 1					
1Tm	9	Joseph Galownia	08 Porsche Cay	White	48.434
C Stock Total Entries: 3 Trophies: 1					
1Tm	24	Cindy Duncan			49.723
2 m	142	Quentin Hale	Mazda Miata	Black	52.031
3 m	2	John Hale	Mazda Miata	Black	52.166
E Stock Total Entries: 1 Trophies: 1					
1T	95	Andres Barrero			50.384
F Stock Total Entries: 2 Trophies: 1					
1T	1	501	Casey Riley		53.071
2	501	Ronald Wise			55.516
G Stock Total Entries: 1 Trophies: 1					
1T	504	Charles Carriss			58.142
H Stock Total Entries: 2 Trophies: 1					
1Tm	72	Jeffrey Coulter	06 Scion tC	Black	49.955
2	172	Chris Allen			51.796
C Street Prepared Total Entries: 1 Trophies: 1					
1Tm	27	Jeremy Hess	96 Mazda Miata	Montego Blue	47.917
E Street Prepared' Total Entries: 1 Trophies: 1					
1T	517	Charles Hugltes			53.732
C Prepared Total Entries: 1 Trophies: 1					
1T	1	Chris Towery			47.857
C Modified Total Entries: 1 Trophies: 1					
1Tm	27	Geoff Hale	86 Van Diemen	Red	43.539
E Modified Total Entries: 2 Trophies: 1					
1Tm	17	Davin Melton			48.080
2 m	7	Todd Cambron			49.861
Street Touring Total Entries: 1 Trophies: 1					
1Tm	17	Jason Northcut	05 Acura RSX T	Blue	49.262
Street Touring S Total Entries: 1 Trophies: 1					
1Tm	91	Laura Harbour	91 Mazda Miata	Red	47.184
Street Touring R Total Entries: 2 Trophies: 1					
1Tm	04	Chris Schork	S2000		46.656
2 m	104	Brian Schork			47.218
Street Touring X Total Entries: 1 Trophies: 1					
1Tm	36	Jamey "Sleepy" McDaniel	02 Subaru WRX	Red	50.117
STO Total Entries: 8 Trophies: 3					
1Tm	7	Sam Moore	03 Chevrolet C	Red	47.605
2T	23	Derek Robinson			50.355
3T	146	Zack Keting			50.572
4	34	Justin Bennett			50.788
6	74	Barry Clase			53.318
7	507S	Stephen Anderson			53.420
8	31	Steve Gammons			54.089

KY SCCA 2010 Trophy List

Only Trophy Winners are listed. go to kyscca.com to see the entire list.

Position	Driver	Total Points	Points W/Drops	E-1	E-2	E-3	E-4	E-5	E-6	E-7	E-8
'Super Stock'											
1Tm	Jim Moore	700.00	500.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	
'A Stock'											
1Tm	Gary Niles	492.82	492.82	100.00	92.82	100.00		100.00	100.00		
'B Stock'											
1Tm	Dean Smith	400.00	400.00		100.00				100.00	100.00	100.00
2 m	Ann Klem	335.05	335.05		68.32				81.90	92.25	92.58
'C Stock'											
1Tm	Lou Savino	668.79	500.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	68.79	100.00	100.00	
'G Stock'											
1Tm	William Dolan	591.85	496.36	100.00	100.00		95.49	100.00	96.36	100.00	
'H Stock'											
1Tm	Richard Sinnock Jr	624.06	500.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00		100.00	47.58	76.48
2Tm	Stephen McCormick	341.67	341.67		69.83	72.97	77.11	78.73	43.03		
'A Street Prepared'											
1Tm	George Frazier, Jr.	400.00	400.00				100.00	100.00		100.00	100.00
'B Street Prepared'											
1Tm	Kenny Runyon	500.00	500.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00			100.00	
'D Street Prepared'											
1Tm	Andrew Buck	500.00	500.00	100.00	100.00	100.00		100.00		100.00	
'E Street Prepared'											
1Tm	Jim Clarke	600.00	500.00		100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	
'X Prepared'											
1Tm	Matt Coleman	400.00	400.00		100.00		100.00			100.00	100.00
'C Prepared'											
1Tm	Gary Crowe	447.90	447.90	100.00	100.00	100.00	47.90				100.00
'E Prepared'											
1Tm	John Hicks	568.88	500.00	68.88	100.00	100.00			100.00	100.00	100.00
'G Prepared'											
1Tm	Douglas Conway	320.00	320.00		100.00	100.00	20.00				100.00
'C Modified'											
1Tm	Michael Spence	692.63	500.00	100.00	100.00	92.63	100.00	100.00	100.00		100.00
'E Modified'											
1Tm	Brian Schork	500.00	500.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00				100.00
'Street Touring'											
1Tm	Jason Northcut	371.06	371.06		71.06	100.00	100.00	100.00			
'Street Touring S'											
1Tm	Justin Harbour	585.86	495.87	100.00	89.99	100.00		95.87	100.00	100.00	
2Tm	Laura Harbour	553.89	471.54	93.93	82.35	96.41		100.00	84.35	96.85	
'Street Touring R'											
1Tm	Chris Schork	702.77	483.23	83.23	69.43	100.00	100.00	100.00	76.13	73.98	100.00
'Street Touring X'											
1Tm	Ryan Zupancic	500.00	500.00			100.00	100.00	100.00		100.00	100.00
'Street Modified II'											
1Tm	Andrew Scott	320.00	320.00			100.00	100.00			100.00	20.00
'F125 Shifter Kart'											
1Tm	Adam Blake	496.34	496.34		96.34		100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	

Position	Driver	E-1	E-2	E-3	E-4	E-5	E-6	E-7	E-8		
1Tm	Alexander Aebersold	500.00	500.00		100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00		
'STO'											
1Tm	Stephen lee	719.81	500.00	100.00	99.81	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	20.00
2Tm	Sam Moore	750.86	480.37	91.33	100.00	93.89	87.65	91.79	94.69	91.51	100.00
'FJK'											
1Tm	Olivia Blake	500.00	500.00		100.00	100.00	100.00		100.00	100.0	

Tire Rack® National Solo® Topics

October 1, 2010 Howard Duncan, SCCA VP, Rally/Solo

- Solo Matters will be returning soon and this report is merely a gap filler to keep information flowing. Launching SoloMatters in the middle of the Tire Rack National Solo season was a bit aggressive and optimistic. A combination of the intrusion of personal life issues and the crunch of the championship season (Race, Rally, Solo) overtaxed our limited resources and we needed to take a brief break while we reconfigure our approach. So again, this report is a brief replacement.

- The dates for the 2011 Tire Rack National Championships have been determined. Due to an air show that the Lincoln area gets about once every five years or so, "Nationals" will be one week earlier than has been traditional. The ProSolo Finale will be on August 26-28 and the Solo National Championship will be on August 30th through September 2nd.

- Now that we have been at the Lincoln Airpark for a couple of years we have largely worked out the "bugs" of using the site thanks to the efforts of our staff event manager, Nancy Downing, her assistant Deena Rowland, the Tech team of Doug Gill and Brian Harmer, and the volunteer team that the event chairmen, Mari and Eric Clements, have put together. Therefore, we will be promoting the 2011 event more aggressively with a target of 1300 Solo fanatics. So we hope that you come and join the party where an autocross usually breaks out!!

- While we would welcome you at any and all 2011 Tire Rack National Solo events (Tours and Divisionals), you can get a jump on being eligible to enter the 2011 "Nationals" before this month is up by entering the final Tour event of the year.

- The Tire Rack Tri-State Challenge National Tour at Blytheville is not only the first qualifying event for the 2011 "Nationals", but it gives you one more chance to play before putting your toys away for the winter. Since this event happens after Nationals, it gives us the opportunity to try new approaches and ideas, such as the Champions Challenge that we first ran last year at the Tri-State.

- After competition is completed on Sunday, we have a single elimination challenge competition patterned roughly after a ProSolo Challenge, where all the winners of the Tri-State, along with any National, Divisional, or States Champions that are entered are matched up to see who can become The Tri-State Champion. This Champion will win a special

trophy AND a free entry to the 2011 "Nationals". Top finishers in the Champions Challenge will win other prizes including memberships, free entry to selected National Solo events, and other prizes. In addition to the Champions Challenge, there will also be a Bonus Challenge where the participants' names will be drawn from a hat.

- The Arkansas Aeroplex at Blytheville is one of the best sites in the country with acres of smooth concrete, that the Arkansas and Mid-South Regions have put to very good use over the last couple of years. In addition, the local hospitality is second to none. So come join us by going to <http://www.scca.com/event.aspx?hub=3&event=16532> to enter. We hope to see you there!!

- We are vigorously working on the 2011 Tire Rack National Solo schedule and hope to have it announced before the end of October (at least areas and dates) so that folks can begin to make their plans. However, more importantly we want to get the schedule set as early as possible so Regions and Divisions can complete their scheduling. We were able to do announce the 2010 schedule earlier than usual and it was much appreciated by event organizers across the country. The 2011 National schedule is shaping up to be one of our strongest yet.

- One thing to consider putting on your schedule is the 2011 SCCA National Convention, which is once again in Las Vegas on February 10th through the 12th. While there will be many sessions designed to meet the core objectives of the Convention (club business, education, information sharing, heritage celebration, social), the bonus value to members and event organizers are the informal interactions with your SCCA compatriots from around the country before/after the formal sessions. So look for more info on the SCCA web site soon and encourage your Region to send a Solo representative. By the way, some of the Solo sessions already planned include the topics of safety awareness, Formula Junior, site acquisition, customer service, and the always popular Town Hall meeting with the SEB and staff.

- I want to take this opportunity to congratulate our 2010 Solo Triad Award winners. To win a "Triad" a competitor must win in the same class a Divisional Championship, a States Championship (selected National Tour events), and a National Championship (minimum class size apply at all levels). Triad winners receive a very special trophy, an embroidered

fleece vest, and a free entry to the 2011 National Championship. Additionally, one name from the Triad winners will be drawn at the National Convention for a free SCCA Lifetime National Membership. Here are this year's winners:

- Jeff Cashmore (repeating), DM, Central Division
- Clemens Burger (repeating), BM, Great Lakes Division
- Matthew Braun, SS, Great Lakes Division
- John Ma, DS, Central Division
- Bartek Borowski, ES, Central Division
- San Strano, FS, Northeast Division
- Craig Wilcox, ESP, Midwest Division
- Brian Peters, DSP, Southern Pacific Division
- Dan Wasdahl, AM, Great Lakes Division

- One bit of ProSolo news; while completing the 2011 schedule is our first priority, we have been giving thought to the 2011 PS Rules. Although I do not have all the details worked out, we will be dividing the R1 class into two classes due to the improved turnouts, especially from the Prepared Category cars.

- As always, thanks for your support of the Tire Rack SCCA National Solo program and your local Regional/Divisional programs.

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halloween Tales from Road Atlanta

5 lads from Kentucky find trouble and mayhem in the land of Castrol® & rubber

Phil Wells returned from Road Atlanta with news of strange occurrences. One which Mike Spence will never forget!

Things didn't go quite so well at Road Atlanta. Mike Spence had the only car that finished all of the events but he had a close call as he spun in the oil dumped by my car (with Bruce driving as he was sorting out some severe handling problems with the Lola) when, of all things, an oil filter blew a gasket! Mike spun about 4 times down the main straight and stopped about 6 inches from the wall! He somewhat calmly restarted the car and then continued until the race was red-flagged. (This was in the qualifying race on Saturday—we cleaned up the car, got a new oil filter, added new oil and Bruce started the main race on Sunday but pulled in after about 3 laps as oil pressure started to go down—the bearings will probably need to be replaced)

Dave took Bruce's Lola out on one of the Thursday practice sessions but blew an oil line. Unfortunately, he drove it until the engine seized so that will require

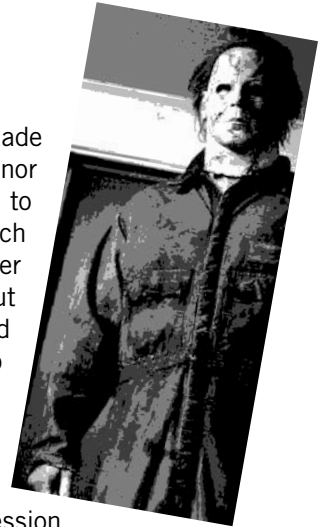
considerably more repair. The Argo has had an overheating problem all season but they thought it could possibly get through the enduro this one last time—not so—temperatures started rising after only about 3 laps so Bruce brought it in to save the engine. By the way, Bruce was clocked (via trackmate) on the front straight at 155 mph and 175 on the longer back straight! Dave reached 172 on the back straight.

Mike Spence & Geoff Hale win the "bravery award" for the weekend as they co-drove in the open wheel enduro, driving the only formula ford amidst a plethora of Indy Lights, Formula 2's, and Formula B's. Although, Mike ran out of gas on the final lap, they were credited with a finish as they completed over half the laps. However, they were lapped 16 times by the winner in the 75 minute event!

I drove the Lola during the 3 track sessions of the driver orientation program on Thursday but felt very uncomfortable with the car's handling. I spun once in turn 3 but was fighting it all the way

around. I made some minor adjustments to the car which helped ever so slightly but then asked Bruce to drive it to see if it was me or the car. After his first session, he came in and said, "Phil, it's not you—that's the scariest drive I've ever taken—it even wanted to spin on the straights!" He realigned the car and then adjusted the toe, went out for a practice session, came in, made more adjustments and repeated the procedure. He was making real progress when the oil filter blew. At least now we know which direction to go in prepping the car for next year.

— Phil Wells



David Baughman's Argo rounding the "keyhole" at Mid-Ohio earlier this past Summer.

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