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## RE-laps

Over half of our autocross season has gone by. I hope all that have participated are having a good time and looking forward to our next event on August 10th at Papa Johns.

Thanks to all the folks that came out at 0 dark thirty to get things started. Special efforts by Jamey McDaniel, Jim Moore, Mike Spence, Adam Blake and Bruce Domeck are greatly appreciated! For anyone wishing to be more involved in our club, now is your opportunity. A nominating committee has been formed to seek folks that would like to run for an official position in our club for 2009. Please contact any member of this committee to nominate yourself, or someone you would like to see in a club position.

Thanks to our new Dowshift editor, Rhonda Hall. By now Rhonda has figured out that what a tough job she has volunteered for! Next time you see Rhonda at an autocross, please give her your thanks.

I look forward to seeing everybody at Papa Johns on the 10th.

Geoff Hale R.E. KY SCCA

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## Lot Entry and a Request for Help for 8/10 Autocross

All participants for Papa Johns on the 10th, please enter the lot from Floyd Street entrance, rather than from under the Central Avenue underpass. The motorcycle classes will be in the first lot, and do not want us to cross their training area. Also, we are looking for person to tow trailer from Unique Automotive (off Bardstown Road in Buechel) on Saturday the 9th, and return after event on 10th. The club pays \$50.00 to cover fuel and we recommend that a 1/2 ton pickup or better is best suited for the task.

August Membership Meeting will take place as scheduled this Thursday August 7th, at 7pm at Lotsa Pasta on Lexington Ave in Louisville.

The 2009 Kentucky Region nominating committee is seeking candidates to serve as Officers & Directors. The nominations for club officers will be held at the regular club meeting on September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2008. The positions available include: Regional Executive, Secretary, Treasurer, and 3 spots for the Board of Directors. Anyone who wishes to be considered for any of the positions should contact Chris Granger or any of the other members of the nomination committee.

At the September meeting, you will be given five minutes to state your platform. Ballots will be sent out after the September membership meeting and will need to be submitted in time to be counted at the October membership meeting. The outgoing officers will take the time over the winter to help train the new officers in their new positions. We encourage anyone who is interested to throw their hat in the ring so our club can continue to grow and flourish.

Nominations can also be e-mailed to <u>christophergranger@hotmail.com</u>.

Thanks in advance

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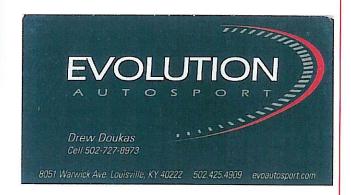
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# Minutes for the June 5, 2008 KyR General Membership Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7 PM at the Lotsa Pasta Café with the following in attendance: Geoff Hale, Mike Spence, Phil Wells, Ken Daugherty, Jamey McDaniel, Jamey Aebersold, Julia Aebersold, Jim Moore, and James Lee.

The minutes of the May meeting were read by Secretary Phil Wells and a motion to accept them as read was made by Ken Daugherty and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim Moore. The motion carried.

A financial report was given by Treasurer Mike Spence. It also included the expected profit from the KyR Drivers' School, which is approximately \$2800.

There was a review of the PJCS site and information regarding the sound limit.

Ft. Knox event---Paul Monday has accepted the chairmanship. There was discussion about the cost of towing the equipment trailer to Ft. Knox and that an adjustment may be necessary. Adjustment of the towing allowance was tabled until the next Board meeting, where it will be discussed. There was also discussion about procuring another spare tire for the equipment trailer.

Discussion of Fairgrounds site----the kart's season was cancelled by site managers due to tire marks on the parking stripes.

Discussion of BlueGrass Motorsports Park site--they are building a pad for autocross. It is currently planned to be 800' x 800' but may be expanded to 1200' x 1200'. KyR requested 4 dates for 2009 and included 3 alternate dates. The dates requested for 2009 are: 5-17, 6-14, 7-12, and 8-16 with alternate dates 6-7, 7-19, and 9-13.

#### New Business:

There was a discussion about timing equipment problems.

There was also a discussion about site prep at Ft. Knox.

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

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Phil Wells this June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

# Important info about June 22<sup>nd</sup> Ft. Knox Autocross

As many of you are painfully aware, the points event on June 22<sup>nd</sup> was called short due to inclement weather.

First, I want to thank the many folks who stuck out the rain and helped with the massive clean up. A special thanks to Paul Monday and Jason Marsh for making it happen at Ft. Knox. The good news is that we might have continued access to the site, hopefully up to 3 times next year!

Now, details of how the directors of our club have decided to resolve the issues from this last weekend after much discussion and many years of experience.

Heats #1 #2 #3..... Points stand as earned.

Heat #4......You may apply entry fee to any of the remaining 5 2008 KY Region events, or you may get a full refund.

To get a refund, please send mailing information to <a href="Down2L@aol.com">Down2L@aol.com</a> or you may contact me (days) at 502-494-5329.

Driver of Year Award..... N/A at this event (i.e. PAX results from this event will not be factored into Driver of the Year award)

I am sorry for the way things turned out last weekend, but just have not figured out how to keep the storms away. Maybe I need a better "Chair of Weather" person.

Geoff Hale

Regional Executive

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## Kentucky Region SCCA Members at Mid-Ohio SVRA Races

pictures and article by Phil Wells

A number of KyR members attended the Sportscar Vintage Racing Association's races at Mid-Ohio on the weekend of June 26-28.



Mike Spence debuted his "new" 1969 Crossle 20 Formula Ford that he "rescued" as it was a virtual "basket case" prior to the restoration performed by Mike with assistance from Bruce Domeck.

Aside from a few minor glitches, the Crossle ran well all weekend as Mike

took advantage of the multiple practice & qualifying sessions to get used to the car and gradually work up to speed.



Mike Winebrenner had his pristine Merlyn Formula Ford in good form through the practice & qualifying sessions but opted not to start the race on Sunday when the rains came down.

Ardie Greenamyer didn't let the rain stop him as he drove his Reynard to a 4<sup>th</sup> place finish in Sunday's race. It was a "photo finish" to the line as he nearly caught the much more powerful McKee of Paul Dudiak for 3<sup>rd</sup> place. While the

first three placing cars were on intermediate rain tires, Ardie braved the track on slicks and as the rain stopped and the track dried out, he began to close rapidly and only missed the podium by a car length. Ardie put on one of the best shows of the weekend.



While David Baughman's TVR suffered mechanical



woes again and failed to survive the qualifying sessions, his Swift DB-5 Sports 2000 ran like the proverbial Timex. In the 75 minute Enduro, Bruce Domeck and Dave drove to a brilliant 3<sup>rd</sup> place finish (out of 42

entries) despite losing the clutch as Bruce left the starting grid. After the mandatory 5 minute pit stop

for refueling & a change in drivers, crew members Bruce Faucett & Mike Spence push-started the Swift back into action with only the loss of a few seconds. Sue Faucett & Phil Wells also assisted with crew d uties.



The collaboration of Bruce & Dave in the "David Baughman Team" has vaulted them to a current first place in SVRA Enduro standings as they prepare for the next event at New Jersey.



TOPEKA, Kan. (May 8, 2008) - Sports Car Club of America is revitalizing its Divisional Solo program with the launch of The Tire Rack® SCCA Divisional Championships and Division Cup Challenge.

Currently an optional program for all of SCCA's nine Divisions, The Tire Rack® SCCA Divisional Championships have been developed to create a clear ladder to National Solo competition. Participating Divisions will crown class champions in whichever manner they chose, whether it be through a point series or one winner-takes-all event.

Beyond the experience and confidence gained by taking part in events at the Divisional level, Soloists competing in the Tire Rack SCCA Divisional Championships will benefit via contingency programs and National Championship eligibility. Divisions enrolled in the new program can expect increased support from the National office in the way of fees and promotional items.

Additionally, Divisions will compete against each other in the Tire Rack SCCA Division Cup Challenge at the 2008 Tire Rack Solo National Championships. Each participating Division will earn points based on their total entries, number of rookie drivers and number of trophies earned. The Division accumulating the most points will earn the "2008 Tire Rack Division Cup."

"We put this package together with the hope of growing the Divisional Solo program," SCCA VP of Rally/Solo Program Development Howard Duncan said. "We want to give regional Solo participants a fun way to transition to National competition, while providing the Divisions with a package that's easy to establish and won't put a hole in their budget. This will certainly be a test year for the program, but it has great potential to enhance SCCA Solo as a whole."

Bridgestone has already signed on as a contingency sponsor for the Tire Rack SCCA Divisional Championships. Soloists competing on Bridgestone tires in select classes will be eligible for cash awards if they finish in the top three of their Division's Championship standings. Drivers must register for the program before competing and run with the required decals.

Currently the Northern Pacific, Southern Pacific, Southwest, Northeast and Southeast Divisions have elected to participate in the Tire Rack SCCA Divisional Championships.

For more information on the new Tire Rack SCCA Divisional Championships, including contingency registration forms, and the Tire Rack SCCA Division Cup Challenge, click the orange Solo tab at the top of the page.

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