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Hello to all.

Before all the rumors get started, here are the facts.

The Ky. Region SCCA will not be returning to Papa Johns Cardinal Stadium for any future autocross events.

As we all know, there has been a noise issue there from the time we first used the lots for autocrossing. We were advised by the stadium management that if the complaints got out of hand, and were going "above" the managers head, that we would be asked not to have future events at this site. This has occurred. The manager has shielded us many times, including all events this year.

I spoke with folks from Wilder Park yesterday. They have put up with the annoying noise for years, and were going to do something about it. They were very cordial to me, and made perfect sense with their issue with the club.

Be clear, it was not a small number of cars with noise issues, it was ALL of us! They complained of the "starts" every 30 seconds. So this is not directed at any group at all, it is a general noise issue.

We are already at work trying to secure a place in September for Points event #7

This is not the end of the world, we will find places to autocross in the future

Anyone with questions or ideas, feel free to contact me or any other KY Region Boardmember.

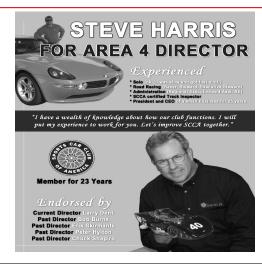
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Calendar

October 5, 2008 Points Event #7

October 19, 2008 Points Event #8

Will be held at UPS Grade Lane Lot



October Membership Meeting will take place as scheduled this Thursday October 2nd, 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 4th, 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 christophergranger@hotmail.com.
Thanks in advance

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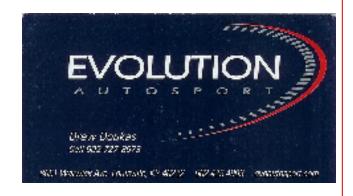
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Minutes for the July 3, 2008 KyR General Membership Meeting

The meeting was called to order by RE Geoff Hale at 7 PM at the Lotsa Pasta Café.

The following were in attendance: Geoff Hale, Chris Granger, Mike Spence, Phil Wells, Ken Daugherty, Bruce Domeck, Jamey McDaniel, John Hicks, Rhonda Hall, David Baughman, and Andrew Scott.

The minutes from the June meeting were read by Secretary Phil Wells and a motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Chris Granger and 2nd by Jamey McDaniel. The motion carried.

A financial report was presented by Treasurer Mike Spence and indicated that the club is in good financial condition. There are no outstanding debts at this time.

Ft. Knox wrap-up—Trophies will be presented at the drivers' meeting at the next event (July 20). Refunds are available for those who entered but didn't get to run.

There was a discussion at the Board meeting about the costs involved in transporting the club equipment trailer to and from the Ft. Knox site. The previous club policy was to pay someone \$100 for the round trip transport. However, since that may not be adequate in this era of rising fuel costs, the Board approved a motion to increase the amount to \$100 plus fuel costs.

The Board also approved a motion to include military personnel entered in Ft. Knox events at member cost + the \$5 weekend membership fee which must go to SCCA, making the total cost \$30 for those military personnel who are not SCCA members.

For the July 20th event at PJCS, KC Scull wants us to <u>only</u> use Lot C for our course. Lot B may be used for paddock & grid, however.

RE Geoff Hale informed the Board that at the previous event at PJCS the sound meter was inadvertently moved to a different location which was closer than specified in our Board-approved rules and therefore, all sound measurements were invalid.

There was a discussion regarding Area 4 Director candidate Steve Harris, who aspires to the position that will be vacated by Larry Dent.

RE Geoff Hale appointed Chris Granger to the nomination committee and will appoint 2 others at a future date.

There has been no response from BlueGrass Motorsports Park regarding the autocross dates requested by KyR for 2009.

A request was submitted to Ft. Knox officials for the following 2009 event dates: 5-17, 6-7, 7-19, & 9-13.

A motion to adjourn was made by Chris Granger and 2nd by Jamey McDaniel. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.

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

Minutes for the August 7, 2008 KyR SCCA General Membership Meeting

The meeting was called to order by RE Geoff Hale at 7 PM at Lotsa Pasta Café.

Others in attendance were: Chris Granger, Mike Spence, John Hicks, Brian Morales, Adam Blake, Jim Moore, Phil Wells, Shannon Wells, Jamey McDaniel, Jamey Aebersold, Julia Aebersold, Drew Armstrong, and Steve Singer.

The minutes from the July meeting were read by Secretary Phil Wells. A motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Chris Granger and 2^{nd} by Jamey McDaniel. The motion carried.

Treasurer Mike Spence gave a financial report. He reported that the Board had approved that some money be transferred from the club checking account into the club's money market account. He also reported that the club is in good financial condition.

There was a discussion about upcoming Points Event #6. Julia Aebersold is the chairwoman and she will also be responsible for transporting the club trailer to & from the site. The Floyd Street entrance will again be used to enter the site as the motorcycle school will be using Lot A. There was a long discussion about adhering to the time schedule so as to permit 6 runs.

There were questions regarding the Year-End Points & Driver of the Year Points status. Chris Granger stated that he was having problems with AxWare in these areas and that he would have to calculate the results by hand.

The 2009 Nomination Committee, consisting of Chris Granger, Jamey McDaniel, and Adam Blake, reported that at this time there are no nominations for RE, Treasurer, Secretary, and Activities Director but that there are 3 candidates for the Board of Trustees positions: Adam Blake, Drew Armstrong, and Chris Granger.

RE Geoff Hale asked Phil Wells to give a report on SCCA national items. Phil presented the following 3 items: (1) "Street Survival", the joint venture of BMWCCA & SCCA, is on the list of American Express projects, and if, due to popular vote, it becomes on their list of special projects, American Express will help support it. (2) Registration for the 2009 SCCA National Convention is open. It will take place from February 19-21 in LasVegas with headquarters at the South Point Hotel, Casino, and Spa. (3) There are now 3 candidates for the Area 4 Director position that will be vacated by current Director Larry Dent. Those candidates are: Steve Harris, Marcus Meredith, and John LaRue. Harris is currently Chief Steward for racing in GLD, Meredith is strongly involved in Solo but has past ties to road racing, and LaRue is a lawyer from Muncie, Indiana, who is a current road racer of formula cars.

New Business:

Julia Aebersold suggested that for next year we should have more appropriate trophies for the jr. karters, instead of the "pub" glasses.

Drew Armstrong stated that he may have a rallycross site available if the club wishes to host those events in the future.

Geoff Hale made the motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Chris Granger. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Phil Wells on this August 7, 2008.

Joining Kentucky Region and the SCCA

There are three different types of membership that can be used to participate in our events. They break down as follows:

Full Kentucky Region and National Member:

We encourage all of our participants to become full members of the SCCA National Organization and KYR Members. It allows you to compete for year end awards/trophies, provides competitors with the highest level of liability coverage at our events, includes a subscription to the SCCA's magazine *SportsCar*, and best of all, it pays for itself quickly. In order to become a full member of both the National SCCA and Kentucky Region, you will need to apply for membership (online at scca.com or using a membership packet available at our meetings and events), indicate Kentucky Region - Region 17 - as your home region, and pay the membership fee + local dues of \$10. Once you have joined, be sure to carry your membership card, as it is required at many regions' events for member entry fees.

Associate Member:

If you are already a member of another SCCA Region, and can present a valid membership card to verify your membership, you will be able to sign up for an associate membership. An associate membership allows any currently valid member of an SCCA region to participate in our year end Solo2 Points Series. Without an associate membership, points accrued while running at KYR events will not count toward a year end trophy, so if you think you might want to compete, sign up early in the season. Cost for this membership is \$10 and you can sign up at registration of any of our events or by contacting our membership chair.

Weekend Member:

New for 2008 is the creation of the 'Weekend Membership' program. This is a program that was rolled out by the National Office in order to encourage growth of regions and market to our guests and casual participants. Previously, competitors that were not SCCA members were considered guests of the region, and required to pay an additional \$5 over the member cost at our events in order to cover increased insurance costs. Starting with the 2008 season, the extra cost for competitors that are not full SCCA National members will be \$10 per event over our normal member fee. This money is directed to the National Office to provide the membership office with a means for contacting casual participants and providing them with membership packets, complimentary issues of *SportsCar*, and a coupon good for a discount on their National Membership. If you plan to run with us for more than just one or two events, please consider becoming a full member, as it pays for itself in a just a handful of events. Also, points earned by 'Weekend Members' will not count toward year end awards.

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