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The KYSCCA Monthly Newsletter

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What happened?

We had our regional drivers school and it was a sell out with a waitlist. We had two test and tunes, one during the daytime and one at night. The night time event is still a very popular item drawing a larger crowd than the daytime. Those seeking seat time certainly got more bang for their buck at the daytime event. We had a points event.. and we wet ourselves.

What's next?

We are now preparing for our Tire Rack Street Survival School in Jasper, IN on June 15. We are actively seeking coaches and still have plenty of spaces available for students. Points event #3 will be at KFEC on June 16, followed by Points event #4 on June 30.

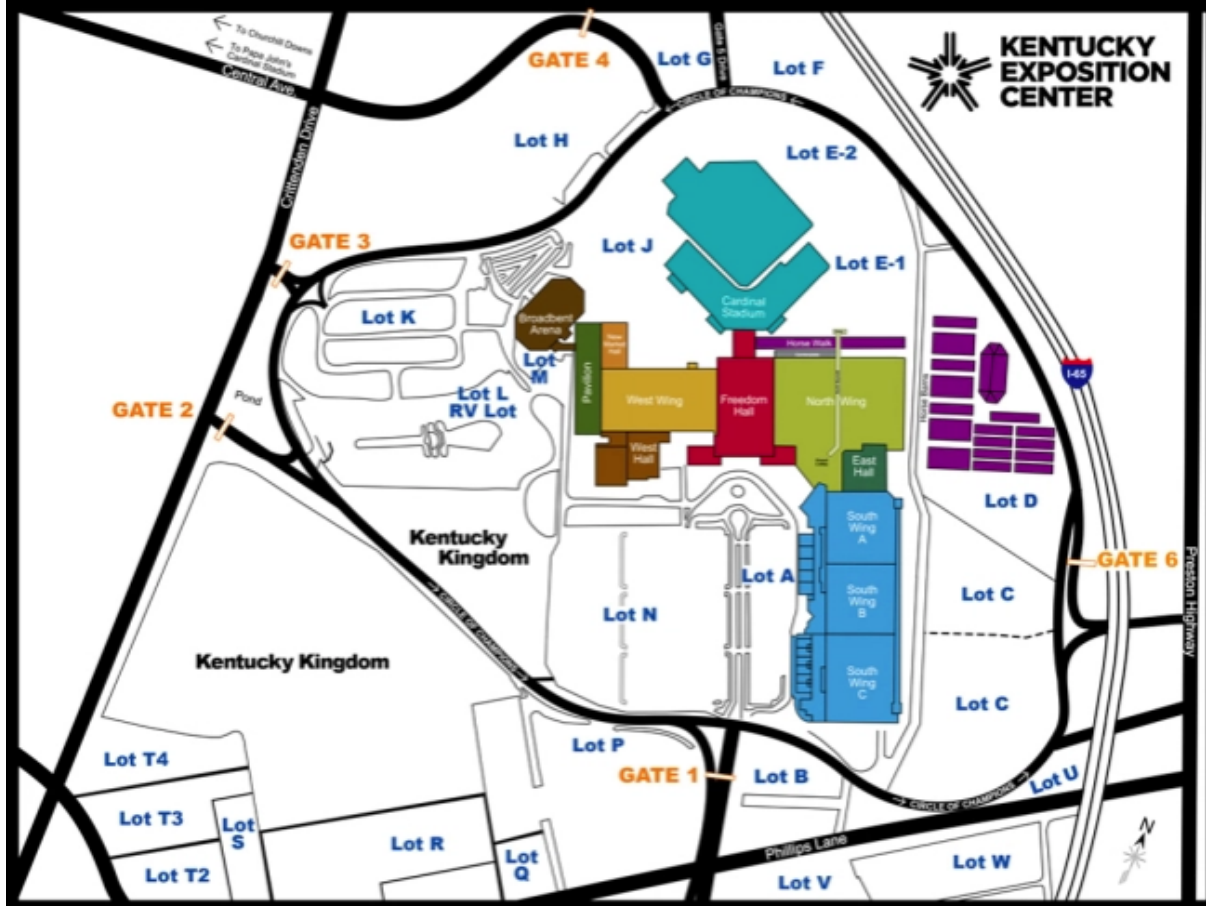
Here we go again!

Our four event Memorial Day weekend was LONG but successful and now in the past. Points event #3, at KFEC Lot H on Sunday June 16th is rapidly approaching. Once again, help us help you expedite the registration process by pre registering. It also assures you'll get your desired number as our new software now tracks the driver and class, not the number. Not to mention you get a discount. Remember to arrive early and enter gate 6 on Preston Hwy next to Thornton's for a free parking pass.

Passes are first come first serve; supply is limited. Click below to register.

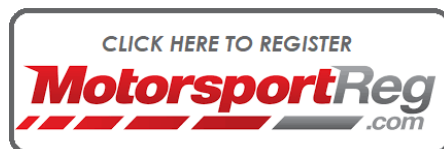


PLEASE NOTE THIS EVENT IS ON LOT H



Points Event #4

PE4 registration is now open, 6/30 @ KFEC. Click below to register.

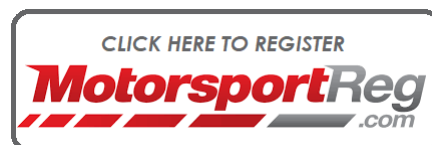


TireRack Street Survival School

We have a Tire Rack Street Survival School (TRSS) booked at Jasper, IN on June 15.

This is a fantastic program where we get to take these young drivers and teach them lifesaving skills. Please share this with any parents you know with driving age children.

This is open to all young drivers with state permit or license up to 21 years old.



**STUDENT
DRIVER**

HEROES WANTED!

We are seeking in car coaches as well as helpers to run our forthcoming Street Survival School June 15th in Jasper, IN. Click here to help save lives:

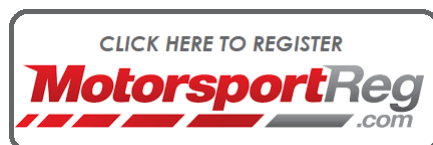
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Time Trials are Coming!

Registration is open for KYSCCA's second annual Time Trials regional event. Nearly every autocross car can compete on track. You will be grouped by experience so don't be shy if you've never run on track before. There are classes and trophies but the emphasis is on fun, safe track time. Register early to be sure you get your desired number. We are upping our game and this time we have booked the Grand Full course at NCM on August 4th register by clicking the MSR icon below.



If you need help classing your car please click [HERE](#)



Three's Company

I had forgotten just how much having three (or more) heats changes an event. It adds a social element to the events. It means that everyone has an off heat. Meaning they can have extra time to sort their car, grab a bite to eat, ride with friends or just hang out study the course and shoot the breeze with fellow participants and spectators. You might ask yourself why we don't do three heats more often and it comes down to a matter of numbers. I hope to see continued numbers that support three or more heats. The reality is when you account for the lost time of taking a lunch break, we can run more cars in the same amount of time when running three heats. Let's hope this trend continues.

What Happened?

Our region's drivers school was once again a sell out. Not only did it sell out, we had folks waiting to fill any vacated spots on site (and as it just so happened.. we had four no-shows and four people on site ready to fill those coveted spots).

We split our pool of students in two, with one group being led on a course walk before taking to their morning session while the other group got some course work instruction (in a more intimate and detailed way than is normally possible). They then reported to work the morning session. We rotated through this pattern and by the end of the day each student had two driving sessions with a different instructor and had driven at least 18 laps (and rode along for an additional six); That's about four events worth of seat time in one day for the cost of two events, with the added bonus of one on one instruction.. and lunch thrown in to boot!



Jacob Zimmerlee and Zac Yurt provide early morning worker instruction

The daytime test and tune did not have a lot of participants. Those who came out got their fill and they had simply stopped running by about 3:00; The course was still open to the drivers, but they had just all got their fill of seat time.

The nighttime test and tune did not initially sell out but we sold the last remaining spots to walk ups. We were able to go course hot just before dusk. We generally see people get their fill of seat time and head out before we shut down, maybe it was the perfect weather but we still had a line of cars at 10:00 pm when we shut down the staging lane. I think our drivers were able to get a dozen or so runs in so it was a great value for seat time.



Our points events continue to have strong attendance this year. Points Event #1 had 94 and Points Event #2 had 88 entries. This is especially impressive as some of our members were out in Lincoln, NE for Spring Nationals. Also we tend to have soft attendance after a night time event, and as my Aunt Millie used to say, "It's hard to sing with the birds in the morning if you're out hooting with the owls all night".

We had a slightly different site usage plan due in part to the demolition of the stadium and also to the divided nature of running the school and the test and tune in parallel (We did have an abundance of DNF's and penalties). I take the blame for this. After turning the bones of the night time course into a "real" course I neglected to think about the visual cues we typically add to make the course easier to read at speed. To those who had a hard time learning this course, I apologize. We were up and running in a timely fashion with enough entries to run three heats again, although that meant extra work for a lot of our folks who had already completed their required work assignments. I think it's a small price to pay for the overall ease three heats brings to an event.



Unfortunately, about halfway through our third heat lightning rolled in and we had to go into a lightning hold. At this time many who had only had three of their allotted runs simply left. We also lost a lot of workers. But we did have a handful of drivers and workers stick it out. Once the weather had cleared and we found we could drain a rather large pond that had appeared on course we were able to go hot once again. We delivered those who stayed their remaining three runs, and as we began clearing course the rain came back in but to a much lesser degree. We were still able to have the

Colin Johnstone shows off his earned 1st place novice trophy. Truth: boxes are the best umbrellas.

trailer packed, awards handed out and heading off site before 4:00 pm.



Our new software again worked flawlessly throughout the day.. not just keeping time but also our live results. If you haven't seen our live results, I invite and encourage you to do so at our next event, simply head to our website and click on "Live results" and you will see an array of unaudited results as they happen. You can also see the post audit changes as they are made as well. While these aren't official until our post event audit ,you'll have nearly as much information as we do in the trailer.

If you have a question, problem or concern you can shoot me an email at the above address or you can now reach me on Facebook ([RE KYSCCA](#)) or give me a call; most of you already have my phone number, if you don't, ask around. I'm happy to address any topic as it relates to the club with any member.

Meet our new Social Media Chief

KYSCCA would like to welcome our new Social Media Chief, Michael Barnes. Michael will be focusing on communicating and adding events and pictures to both our Facebook and Instagram accounts. Michael is fantastic photographer and we're sure you've seen him both before and after events as well as wandering the course with his camera in tow. Check out his instagram [@OfficialGingerBeard](#) (or by clicking [here](#)). Michael also offers photography services outside of shooting for KYSCCA. You can contact him via email by clicking [here](#).



Grinding Gears

We tried to have FM broadcast at this past event, we had a couple of snafus and hope to have it worked out for our next event

Results

How did you do? Our full results can always be found online here: <https://kyscca.com/autocross-results/2019-autocross-results/>





One of the benefits of being a KYSCCA member is that you qualify to annual tech. If you haven't already gotten yours be sure to ask for an annual tech form at the trailer at the next event. You'll get a short form to fill out and take to tech with you. Once your car is teched you'll get a tech sticker good for all 2019 KYR events.

Annual Tech Form

Tires

Our national program is supported by Tire Rack and the majority of the tires we use for competition are exclusively sold by them. If you buy a set of tires using the link from our website (or by clicking the logo below) our club receives a small kickback from Tire Rack. This applies to all tires not just the competition ones.. so If that beater needs new shoes, please help support our sponsor and our club!



Numbers

Large viewable and heavily contrasted numbers make events go smoother and faster. Timing can see your numbers better as can grid and course workers which helps us keep things moving. We are fortunate to have a member of our club who sells numbers in both magnetic or adhesive forms at a very reasonable rate. Ask just about anyone in the club with good looking numbers and chances are they got them from Scott. Support your fellow members and help keep events running smoothly while making your car look race car fresh. Also it's easier than chasing down the blue tape. Click the icon below to get your order started.



Scott Wright

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Magnets starting at \$35 for a set!

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2019 Novice Program

After an extremely successful first year, KYSCCA will be bringing back the Novice program for 2019 with the start of the official season @ NCM on 5-5-19!

Brand new autocrossers (or newer drivers that have not completed a full season previously) will be eligible to take part in this class.

Novice class drivers will be competing against other novice drivers in a PAX based point system. PAX is an index system designed to equalize participants running cars from different SCCA Solo classes. The PAX value is a multiplier used on the entrant's time, and then compared directly with other class competitors and their PAX multiplied time.

This class will have its own awards for each event and will have its own year-end points. Once a novice driver wins the novice class at a points event, they will no longer be eligible to receive individual event awards for the novice class **but are still eligible for regular class trophies.**

Please note that even after you win a novice event trophy you are not kicked out of the class!

You will still be competing and accumulating novice year end points.

When you arrive, please inform the trailer during registration that you are a novice driver. This will ensure you are placed in the correct class (and if you are a two-driver car this will help in trying to get you and your co-driver scheduled in the same heat). You will get special instruction as well as some swag for this new class.

The novice chiefs will meet and greet first-time drivers when they arrive. This allows a good opportunity to go over what to expect/the flow of the day, how to grid, safety and individual car tech and they can answer any questions. The novice chiefs are there to get your day started on the right foot. Your current 2019 Novice Chiefs are Zachary Yurt and Jacob Zimmerlee. Feel free at any time to approach either of them or message them on Facebook.

Novice walk – At the start of every event the novice chiefs will have a novice walk (open to all, even the pros) that will offer general direction on how to attack the course of the day and also offer opportunity for open questions.

Personal course walk – If you need additional instruction, have questions about a specific element or need additional navigation help one of the novice chiefs will walk the course with you after the novice walk.

Worker instruction – the chiefs will show you what constitutes as a +1 (or more), the criteria for DNF, how to use the radio to call in cones, what to do if you have the red flag and open floor for general questions.

When it is your turn to drive the novice chiefs will be available to offer both instruction and guidance; their only job is to help you go faster. When it comes time for you to pull to the line, don't worry. We've got you!

Coached runs – Have an instructor ride with you and offer feedback both during and after your run

Instructor runs – Have an instructor drive your car once during your heat with you observing. This is specifically helpful if you are having issues navigating the course or need help negotiating a particular course element

Ride Alongs – (If run/work permissible) hop in the passenger seat with an instructor or another experienced driver if you are having issues navigating the course

At the end of the day, during the recap and awards, the Novice class will have its own trophy session. After the awards, the novice chiefs will hold a post-event Q&A session.

We look forward to meeting you!



2019 SCHEDULE

4/13	KFEC	STARTING LINE SCHOOL
4/14	KFEC	COBWEB SHAKER
5/5	NCM	POINTS EVENT #1
5/25	KFEC	REGIONAL DRIVING SCHOOL
5/25	KFEC	DAY AND NIGHT TNT'S
5/26	KFEC	POINTS EVENT #2
6/15	JASPER	TRSS SCHOOL
6/16	KFEC	POINTS EVENT #3
6/29	KFEC	HORSEPOWER FOR HEROES
6/30	KFEC	POINTS EVENT #4
7/20	JASPER	TRSS SCHOOL
7/21	KFEC	POINTS EVENT #5
8/4	NCM	REGIONAL TIME TRIALS
8/11	NCM	POINTS EVENT #6
8/25	NCM	POINTS EVENT #7
9/15	NCM	POINTS EVENT #8
10/20	KFEC	FUN EVENT

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Thank you to our Title Sponsor!

Bluegrass Motorsports has returned as the title sponsor of the KYSCCA 2019 Solo Series. If you're in the market for a fine automobile, please support our sponsor. [Contact Chris Evans for further details.](#)



Beyond providing monetary consideration, Bluegrass Motorsports also donated a 2 day PCA Drivers Experience at Putnam Park. We would like to Congratulate Andrew Scott for winning this awesome prize at our 2017 Awards Banquet.

This prize is awarded to a solo class winner at the year-end banquet by way of a random drawing, must be present to win. 2018 is a new season and another chance to win this awesome prize.

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Private, Long-Term Lease Garages coming to NCM



**** COMING SOON - SUMMER 2018!! ****

Private, long-term lease garages will be available for rent at the NCM Motorsports Park in Bowling Green, KY. Limited space available.

To secure your garage, or for more details and pricing, contact Mitch Wright at (270) 777-4508 mitch@motorsportspark.org

Layout not yet finalized. Floor plan is modular, and square footage can be determined based on renters' needs.

Perfect for the track day customers looking for a place to keep their track car and supplies; the Corvette owner wishing to leave their car in Bowling Green for use at Corvette events; the customer looking for a secure facility to keep their prized possessions; and the business looking to monetize the space by providing services.

Pricing:

- 390 sq. ft. \$488/month
- 595 sq. ft. \$745/month
- 1,198 sq. ft. \$1490 / month

Lease Terms:

- Starting with a 3-year lease commitment but terms are negotiable. Payment plans available.



MEMBER MEETINGS

JULY 11TH • 7:00PM

3rd Turn Brewery Jtown

AUGUST 1ST • 7:00PM

TBD

SEPTEMBER 5TH • 7:00PM

TBD

BOARD MEETINGS

JUNE 26TH • 7:00PM

Jacob Zimmerelee's

JULY 31ST • 7:00PM

Stephen Lee's

AUGUST 28TH • 7:00PM

Shawn Lambert's



Current membership is **225**

KYSCCA would like to wish a Happy Birthday to our members celebrating **June Birthdays!**

Evan Brown
Kimberly Coleman
Vance Coleman
Chris Dukes
Joey Gumer
Kaitlyn Lambert
Barry Melhorn
Nikita Nemchuk
Liam Parkes
Roman Popeluk
Justin Vatter
Clay Webb
Mitchell Wright
Scott Wright

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