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Official Gulf Coast Region SCCA Newsletter

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News

Solo Nationals are over and some of our members came home with trophies. Congratulations to Roberta Wetzel who drove the Black Honda S2000 CR to a 2nd place finish in B Stock Ladies winning the Hoosier tire Contingence. Eric Trigg also won a New Hoosier with his 3rd place finish in A Stock driving Mickey Rushing's Black Porsche Boxster S. Other GCR Drivers competing were Joe Ricard in a borrowed F125 Kart with a 26th place finish, Mickey Rushing 3rd in A Stock Ladies Boxster S, Jeff Wetzel 42nd in B Stock Honda S2000 CR, Paul Neal 16th in E Prepared Datsun 510, Ed Rushing 8th in Mickey's A Stock Boxster S.

R. E. Corner

Dear Fellow Gulf Coast Region (GCR) Members,

We still need a volunteer for webmaster. The website is the official source of information for current members, new members and SCCA National office to communicate with Gulf Coast Region.

We need an election committee to locate and nominate 2011 club officers per By Laws.

I towed to the Saturday evening event 28 August 2010 with 12 entrants total. Erin and her mother split sessions. Rain would not abate. What a soggy way to celebrate the fifth anniversary of Katrina. I left my trailer at Sunny South and came back Sunday morning for same puddles. Ed said the soggy twelve had fun in the rain. Sunday entrants totaled 9 timed entries, 8 two day entries, 1 new entry for Sunday and no weekend memberships.

Solo Nationals scheduled for 7-10 September 2010 on the vast Lincoln NE airport concrete pad. I signed up for Test N Tune on 6 September and compete Tuesday/Wednesday Heat 5. Mickie and Ed Rushing, Eric Trigg, Joe Ricard,

Robert and Jeff Wetzel and I will represent GCR. I think all of us are competing Tuesday/Wednesday.

Please remember monthly meetings are scheduled the Thursday before the solo event. Three members called in to 605-715-4920, code 5447649.

Sunny South event scheduled for 26 September. There is a vote on website to have/not have event.

Jason is working with Air National Guard at Mobile Airport with 300' by 1200' concrete surface. When the blimp leaves Brookley, we should have access again.

I am still looking for members to share their knowledge and information with fellow club members and businesses during each monthly meeting. August meeting is your next opportunity.

Regards,

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Paul Neal

Technical

New Helmets will be required Next month. Anyone still using a SA 95, M95 or K95 Helmet will need to replace it. The new 2010 Helmets will be on the street in October which means the old standard is not legal for use. If you have an Snell rating of 2000 or 2005 you can still use those. All of the loaner helmets GCR provides are 2005 rated.

As a side note it is probably a good idea to give you helmet a good once over inspection. Check the sticker inside, check for and signs of it being dropped (cracks scratches dents). Make sure the chin strap is not frayed if you have a visor ensure it is clear and not cracked, foggy or scratched in a way to impair your vision.

Upcoming GCR Events

No September Event.

Stay tuned to the Forum for October Brookley Autocross.

<http://gulfcoastregion.proboards.com/index.cgi?>

Recent Solo event

Last event results:

It was a good event in Spite of the torrential rainfall during the afternoon. About five o'clock the rain subsided just long enough to have the Saturday night event. With only nine drivers showing up to run, it made for a quick event but fun as always. Ben Barrett and Benson Young battled it out for FTD and Ben ended up winning the trifecta (open tire, Top Pax, and FTD) with a raw time of 49.953 and a pax time of 41.161. Second place in open tire went to Benson Young with a pax time of 42.082, and Dan Brown locked up third with a pax time of 42.671. New members Romesh and Mark Canekeratne made an impressive showing in street tire with Romesh winning with a pax time of 42.817 and Mark placing second with a pax time of 44.127 and Erin Bauer followed in third with a pax time of 45.521. Mickey Rushing dominated ladies class with pax time of 48.683.

Sunday's event started to follow the same pattern with the torrential rainfall right up to the drivers meeting and then the skies let up just as the first car lined up at start. Ben Barrett, for the second day in a row, won the trifecta (open tire, Top Pax, and FTD), with a top raw time of 35.567 and a top pax time of 29.304. Dan Brown finished in second in open tire with a pax time of 30.450 and Jesse Sage came in third place with a pax time of 31.483. Street tire went to Romesh Canekeratne with a pax time of 30.161. Nathan sparks finished in second with a pax time of 30.672, and Erin Bauer finished in third place with a pax time of 30.895. Mickey Rushing put the smack down winning ladies class for the second day in a row with pax time of 34.658.

Gulf Coast monthly meetings

Monthly meeting will be the Thursday before the autocross event, unless stated otherwise.

Meetings are held at Ryans in Pensacola on 29 (the usual place)

Dinner starts at 6:30

Meeting starts at 7:00

Meeting's will be at Ryans restaurant located on Hwy 29 N in Pensacola. It is located in the NW corner of the WalMart Shopping Center parking lot. It is between I 10 and 9 Mile Rd. (Hwy 90) just south of 9 Mile Rd on the E side of the road.

August Meeting minutes

26 August 2010 recorded by Wally started at 7 PM

Treasurer reported \$8,166.32 emailed by Walt.

Solo report: 14 cars on Saturday and 19 cars on Sunday at 24-25 July event. Brookley site back when site clears. Jason is working on site at Mobile airport, Air National Guard site, 1200' by 300'. Pensacola school system driver training and Street Survival training could gain GCR access to school sites. Ed, Mickey, Joe, Paul, Eric, Jeff and Roberta are going to Nationals.

Treasurers' report

7/14/2010 Solo Expense Generator	(355.32)
7/15/2010 Kimbely Brown Pylon Publication	
printings/postage	(14.59)
7/16/2010 Kimbely Brown Pylon Publication	
printings/postage	(10.82)
7/16/2010 Kimbely Brown Pylon Publication	
printings/postage	(15.18)
7/16/2010 Kimbely Brown Pylon Publication	
printings/postage	(15.18)
7/16/2010 Team SSR LLC Solo track rental	(350.00)
8/14/2010 Team SSR LLC Solo track rental	350.000
8/16/2010 Solo sanction/insurance	220.000
8/18/2010 Solo 2 Entrance Fees Entry Fees	547.00
Grand Total	8166.3200

Event Pictures Paul Neal Driving his Prepared Datsun 510 at the 2010 Solo Nationals.

