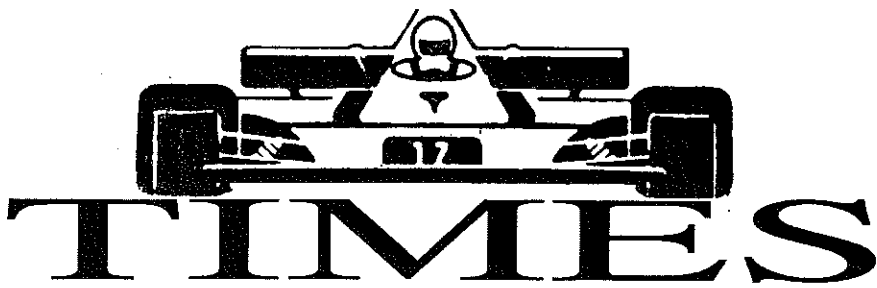


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September 1994

Skyview Autocross

The sun gods provided a fitting day for the end of the autocross season. Beautiful weather, a gentle breeze and dry pavement.

Jay Korb set up an open course with horsepower in mind and after sign-ups and a safety check, we started running at 10:15.

After the first set of runs by both groups, everyone had established their own times to beat.

Dean Johnson was testing a new suspension setup, softer, which proved to be a step in the right direction. Bill Schaff was running his first autocross in the home built Formula car created by himself and Dwight Gilliland. The car proved to be very competitive in its class, however the old engine suffered a bout of rapid internal disassembly during the second session of the day. Obviously caused by mishap at Black Otter hillclimb. No remorse however, the plan was to blow it up to he would have a good reason to put in a bigger engine. Problem solved.

Kurt Schulz also experimented with a bigger engine, the horsepower increased provided some unbelievable acceleration.

Rookie driver Kristi Mathson tested tire types in Dwight's 260Z and happily settled for the racing slicks rather than the no grip garden variety street tires.

Although the course was easy to read, Marty Westland just couldn't get a handle on the right way to go. We threatened to place workers on all the turns with large red arrows pointing the way. This seemed to do the trick, as all his runs after the threat were clean.

The afternoon sessions started to get hot with all the participants chewing on each other tails. Top time of day came down to two of the old dogs, Kurt Schulz and Dave Eberts. Kurt finally took the honors by a small fraction of a second. Congratulations Kurt.

The day was not over however, all participants picked a time to match for a session of bracket racing. Rookie Kristi Mathson took top honors by running within a third of a second to her chosen time. Prizes were awarded compliments of Valley Motor Supply and various local restaurants.

Proceeds from this autocross are to be donated to the Motor Sport Complex Legal Fund.

My thanks to all the participants for making this a fun event. Also thanks to all our sponsors for the generous prizes they donated to this worthy cause and to Kurt and Char Schulz for providing concessions for the noon hour break. A truly superior batch of chili Kurt! Bill Schaff

A Stock		
Marty Westland	RX-7	41.06
Roy Tunby	RX-7	41.67

Super Stock		
Bob Grummett	Corvette	38.56
Brian Grummett	Corvette	39.31

A Street Prepared		
James Arnette	Trans Am	40.12

C Street Prepared		
Jay Korb	RX-7	42.43

D Street Prepared		
Ron Baker	Rabbit	38.23

A Modified		
Kurt Schulz	HKS	35.03
Dave Eberts	Lil Jug	35.35
Dean Johnson	RX4-7	35.71
Bill Schaff	The Big T	38.25

D Modified		
Dale Dinsmore	Datsun 510	37.34
Brain Burich	Datsun 510	39.43

E Modified		
Dennis McCollough	Datsun 510	37.83
Dwight Gilliland	260Z	38.83
Kristi Mathson	260Z	40.80
Randy Devitt	Scirocco	41.06
Cary Devitt	Scirocco	41.72

Dial-in bracket race winner-Kristi Mathson

September Meeting

The August meeting was called to order by RE Dennis McCollough

September minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer reported a previous balance of \$2,941.44 Expenses of Kinko's \$32.80, Billings Metra \$800.00, Kinko's 54.81, Billings Construction \$70.00, Metra audit fee \$67.20

Deposits of \$889.00 Metra autocross, \$58.00 SCCA renewals.

Balance \$2,825.83

Treasurer reported outstanding bills of \$23.60 for stamps, September newsletter and SCCA audit fee for Skyview. Bill moved we pay the bills, passed.

Minutes were approved as written in the newsletter.

Treasurer report was passed.

Old Business

Condition of the Metra parking lot was discussed. Dave will try various products to clean rubber off stripes and will contact Bill Ciasa to see how he feels about the stripes. If a positive response is received, a cleaning party will be organized by phone tree.

New Business

Skyview auto cross is schedule for September 25. Bill Schaff is to chair the event and Jay Korb to co-chair.

Timer Discussion: All members were asked what they would like to see as far as improvements to the system. Scott Naylor will be contacted to see if these options can be implemented into the system he built for us. Dale and Dwight will head the committee to improve the timer.

Next month is nominations for club offices-please attend October 5, 7:30 Doc & Eddy's

the by laws will be explored to include an elected position. Media Chairperson. The board will explore the possibilities to include this position for the coming year.

Upcoming scheduled of events:

October Meeting Doc & Eddy's 7:30
Dale moved to adjourn, Mark seconded-passed.

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Tis' Not The Time For Hibernation

Ok, so the, apparently, last auto cross of the season is over. Throw that damn race car that has been giving you fits all year in the corner of the garage or better yet, the backyard so you don't have to look at it till spring when it's time to run again, right? Wrong! How many little projects do you have plans for that car of yours that you want to race in the spring? Planning modifications, ordering parts, going over the suspension, freshening the drive train, tidying things up so you can be proud of it at the starting line, perhaps your thinking of building an entire new car for next season. How much time is all this going to take? How much spare time do you have to do it? Surprise! The time to start is now! When I was in California I would start getting plans for new cars and used chassis to rebuild from the well organized pro-teams within days after the last race of the season. Then they could have a complete car, pay attention to details and be ready when it was time to drop the clutch. We should all take a hint from them. Lets all have nice, fast cars ready for the first event in the spring.

Happy Wrenching Dwight

