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Event 7 - June 7
Event 8 - June 25
Event 9 - Aug 20

Event 10 - Sept 10
Event 11 - Sept 11
Event 12 - Nov 12
Event 13 - Nov 13

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Rounds 9 \& 10-August 20-21

Rounds 11 \& 12 - October 8-9
Rounds 13 \& 14 - November 12-13

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*3 Mile East Course, Friday

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Rounds 9 \& 10 - July 30-31

Rounds 11 \& 12 - August 27-28
Rounds 13-14-September 24-25

Enduro Practice - October 8
Enduro - October 9
Events held at Thunderhill Raceway Park


## 2022

## 2022 SFR/SCCA RACE SCHEDULE AND PRO SUPPORT SCHEDULE

## JUNE 17

TEST DAY (RUN BY THUNDERHILL) THUNDERHILL RACEWAY
JUNE 18-19
REGIONAL 7\&8-THUNDERHILL RACEWAY JULY 1-3
REGIONAL 9\&10-WEATHERTECH
RACEWAY LAGUNA SECA
JULY 22-24
REGIONAL 11\&12-WEATHERTECH
RACEWAY LAGUNA SECA
august 13-14*
PRE REUNION - WEATHERTECH RACEWAY LAGUNA SECA

AUGUST 17-20*
REUNION - WEATHERTECH RACEWAY
LAGUNA SECA
SEPTEMBER 2
TEST DAY (RUN BY HOOKED ON DRIVING) -
SONOMA RACEWAY
SEPTEMBER 3-4
REGIONAL 13\&14-SONOMA RACEWAY

SEPTEMBER 9-11*
INDY CAR - WEATHERTECH RACEWAY LAGUNA SECA

остOBER 13-16*
VELOCITY INVITATIONAL - WEATHERTECH RACEWAY LAGUNA SECA

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REGIONAL 15,16,17-THUNDERHILL RACEWAY

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# Confessions of a Cone Slayer 



This Old Truck
For towing to the track, runs to Pick-andPull for racecar parts, or back and forth from Home Depot to deliver landscaping bricks, I drive a Dodge Ram 1500 twowheel drive P.O.S. pickup truck. There's nothing fancy or racy about it. I don't have it jacked up on big tires, it doesn't have cool custom wheels or desert racing lights. The truck is essentially bone stock, which means essentially it hasn't been modified. Well, it hasn't been modified by me, but the sun has modified the truck quite a bit. Especially the paint, which at one time was red, but is now oxidized, orange and in some places just bare metal.

I'm not going to lie, the truck has certainly seen better days. My neighbor, who probably doesn't appreciate it in my driveway next to "his" house, said the truck looks like it lost a demolition derby. Honestly, I don't really care what it looks like. The truck exists for only three reasons. One: To haul crap to the dump, Two: To tow crap to the races, and Three: To embarrass my kids.

Part of my job as a parent of two teenagers is to embarrass them. It is actually in the parenting handbook, Chapter 10, section 2, third paragraph, "In any given opportunity, it the sole responsibility of a parent or guardian to embarrass the living hell out his or her teenage child, especially at school and in front of their friends." Apparently, based on the handbook, I am a very good parent, because every time I drop my kids off in my beat up old pickup truck, I am embarrassing them at school and directly in front of the their friends.

I will admit there are a few things about the truck that could be fixed; but the reality is race car maintenance takes precedence in both time and money. Therefore, the truck just gets rougher as the years go on. The heater in the truck doesn't work, so wintertime can get a bit chilly. I priced out how much it would cost to fix the heater core $(\$ 1,500)$ and decided to fix the issue by purchasing a thicker jacket for only sixty bucks. Without a heater, I also don't have a defroster. I have replaced the defrost feature with an old Krider Racing t-shirt that I keep on the dashboard. It is the right front passenger's job to keep the windshield clean. "C'mon, keep wiping, I can't see a thing!" The plastic dashboard of the truck has begun to deteriorate from sun damage and is caving in on itself. When I run the air conditioning, broken pieces of the dashboard regurgitate through the air vents and pelt the passengers. That is always a fun conversation.
"Ouch, what was that?"
"That was the dashboard."
"Why is it attacking me?"
"The truck heard what you said about it when you got in. Don't insult the truck and you won't get hurt."

The windshield is cracked in about six different places. This crack began as a very small, innocent windshield chip from a rock while towing to Thunderhill. Then the crack got much worse when one day my wife, whom I love, put her feet against the windshield and decided to stretch her legs.
This caused the crack to enlarge itself from a little
chip into an all-encompassing, across the entire span of the windshield, "thank you very much, Honey" super crack. Now the windshield is like a pair of bifocals, I need to decide if I'm going to drive looking above the crack, or lean down and look below the crack.

The truck's engine sounds like it is trying to destroy itself each time it starts up. The fact that it keeps running is really the eighth wonder of the world. Every time I start the truck I think, "Today could be its last day." Miraculously it keeps on truckin', regardless of the fact that I haven't changed the oil in it since... "Um, let's see, we took that trip to Portland, and I remember thinking I should change it before we leave, but, of course, I never did. I think that was in the winter, yes it was winter because we froze without the heater, yes it was winter, winter of 2015." It is true, I haven't really taken very good care of maintaining the truck. Regardless, somehow the truck still takes care of me.

Because the junky old truck keeps on running, I don't see any reason to replace it. Sure, a nice new Ford F-150 Raptor would look cool in the driveway (and make my neighbor and my kids very happy) but I can't justify spending $\$ 80,000$ to run to Home Depot to pick up four dollars worth of an eight foot piece of plastic sprinkler pipe. Plus, if I had a brand new Raptor that comes with brand new paint, the last thing I would want to do is put stuff in the new truck bed and possibly scratch my new baby.

The old truck in my driveway is paid for so, I don't blink an eye if we drop a half ton of rocks in the back of it or ram the trailer hitch into the rear bumper while trying to hook up the race car. That is the truck's job - to be used as a tool for hauling. Yes, the motor is tired, so it certainly no longer hauls ass. My daughter says all it really knows how to haul is "ugly."

My kids plead with me not to take them to school in the truck. They try to get me to drop them off a block from the campus so they can walk in. I love them, so I do what they ask. But then I sneakily follow them, wait for them to be right in front of the campus near their friends and then honk the horn. "Goodbye!" Waving from the cab of the junky truck I yell, "Have a great day at school today!" Yup, I'm parent of the year.

Rob Krider is a national champion racer and author of the novel Cadet Blues.

## RE Report



Hello Everyone,
We are now about halfway through the season, with Regional 7 \& 8 just around the corner in June.

This has been an interesting year and we are seeing more people bringing cars out. At the last Regional (5 \& 6) we had over 204 unique race entries. That is one of the biggest weekends we have seen in a while, excluding the Majors. We also had a stellar Volunteer staff show up filling almost all positions (We did have to hire 3 flaggers.)
"Our busiest time of the year will be coming up starting In July. We have two Regionals at Laguna Seca, then in August we have Pre Reunion and Reunion weekends. We then have IndyCar in September, as well as our second Sonoma Regional. In October we have Velocity, followed by our Road Racing three-day finale over Halloween weekend. These are a lot of support races, and we can use any and all help for them. I hope to see some Drivers volunteer for these pro events. They are fun, you get to see some great cars, and you earn VIP Points. These events also lower the cost of racing at Laguna Seca, which is the most expensive track at which to run.
IndyCar in September will also feature a great support race - SCCA Spec Racer Ford Gen 3 (SRF3.) It will be the support race at IndyCar race weekend this year, which will be the season finale race for IndyCar. The SRF Race will be limited to 35 Drivers, and they will be from our ranks. This is a very good event, and I am glad that Indy chose us this year. We will be communicating with all the Drivers in the class (like they don't know already) regarding the entry details and criteria.

For Drivers, we have had some questions on how we grid the qualifying races. There have been many suggestions on how to do this. This is specifically for Groups 6 and 7. Qualifying has always been "first come, first gridded." Group 7 had a meeting and tried to get it based on the last race performance. While it seemed an easier way to do it, not all drivers voted. At the last race a protest was made over it, and we went back to our model we have used since Day One. At our last Board Meeting this was discussed at length. Even after the meeting, we are still discussing this. For the time being, meaning Regional 7 \& 8, we will not have a planned grid for qualifying. There has now been talk of other groups wanting to do this. As a Club, we need to make it fair for "everyone." We have reached out to other parts of the country as well. Right now, we want to look at this option in more detail. Another option floated was to be gridded in order of "registration time and date." This is used at the Runoffs, but not at the Regional level. For the time being, I would suggest Drivers know their competition and plan accordingly.


At the start of qualifying, perhaps pull over to the left side of pit road and wait, to create some open space. There are all kinds of strategies for this. Remember, there must be buy-in by ALL, not just a few. More on this will follow. Please remember, we really don't want to put more items on the plate of our paid staff or our grid workers. That is also part of the equation.

Talks are still underway with the SFR Solo folks and Sonoma regarding the possibility of having a permanent location there. These will resume after NASCAR is there. They are also finishing the Turn 11 "Hospitality Building," which looks awesome, and very expensive. If you are local, go check it out. It is impressive!

Plans at Thunderhill are to have the new Gift Shop up by our Season Finale. We already have the North end bathrooms completed, as well as the paddock resealed and striped. It looks really good! Thanks to Thunderhill management and staff for pulling this off. When the new Gift shop is complete, the old one will be razed. The plan is to clear and then pave, and get another canopy built there for extra paddock space. Thunderhill Properties is really doing a great job making sure our facility is in great shape and up to date in every way. Plans also include building an extra 12 garages, as well as acquiring more land in the future.

I hope to see everyone at Thunderhill in June. Bring your sunscreen and hats!

Until next month, Tim

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## REGIONAL 5 AND 6

After taking the month of April off to staff Pro Events the San Francisco Region got back to the 2022 Regional Road program. WeatherTech Raceway at Laguna Seca was the venue. With the limited track time and the large number of run groups, we had to start the day off with qualifying. If you needed practice time, you had to sign up for the SFR Friday test day.
180 cars (for 200+ entries) made it into the paddock by Saturday morning, which was a great turnout considering the Oregon Region was hosting a Super Tour this same weekend. The weather was great with near ideal track conditions. The Friday test session was busy and Saturday morning qualifying was problematic; but they must have helped remove any cobwebs out that the driver's may have had, as every race on Saturday was run without a full course caution.

Friday's test day was run by the region, and had over 100 cars, a nice turnout for a test day. The weather was mild, with clear blue skies all day, and an afternoon marine breeze which turned chilly.

Saturday's weather was warm and sunny all day.
Sunday's weather was erratic, alternating sunny, overcast, foggy, and windy all day. It was cold and inhospitable much of the time.

Last August Bruce Semler, a SFR racer from Montana who traveled to race with us, had a severe accident at Laguna during his race, and was seriously injured. Sunday, just before the lunch break, he drove his Formula Mazda around the course on a Victory Lap, while the corner workers saluted him with International Flag waving and emergency workers lined their corners.

Group 1 (FA, FA2, FA3, FX, FM, F4)

\#31 Jay Henry Horak, \#22 Sean Prewitt, and \#16 Edd Ozard in the braking zone for turn 7. photo by Chris Poncin

For those of you who have not seen Rod Rice's Stohr F1000 car, the best visual I can give you is that it looks like bright red Batmobile. When he has his bright red Batmobile running properly, it does some amazing things just like you would expect from the Batmobile. Rod qualified on the pole four seconds quicker than the second place qualifier, John Purcell in his FA2 Ligier F3.
When the green flagged dropped, Rice was gone. His 1000cc machine sounded like a mini F1 car, with the high revving motor and the no-lift shifting. After the first two laps, there were two questions yet to be answered as far as overall winner was concerned. First question was the car going to stay together, because that has been the Achilles Heel of Rod's car; and the second question was how many cars could Rice lap before the end of the 20 minute session. Answer to the first question was the car performed flawlessly and nary a wheel was placed wrong. The second question was Rice lapped all the way up to sixth place.

The lack of excitement at the head of the pack was replaced by the race for second overall and first place in FA2. The FA2 cars are all Liger JS F3 cars and quite impressive in their own right. The tussle for first place in this class was down to Purcell and Jay Henry Horak. Purcell got the jump at the start of the race and held station for the 14-lap race; but Horak was so close he could see the wear indicators on Purcell's tires. Speaking of tires, they are an important factor when driving the F3 cars, as they have a tendency to eat tires up pretty fast. The driver who maintains the perfect balance of wear and speed usually comes out on top.

For this race, it was Purcell. He was able to hold off Horak by 0.2 of a second.

FM had a really healthy field with nine cars competing. Predictably, Bill Weaver was the class of the field and was able to hold off Derry O'Donovan by about 15 car lengths. Weaver and Doron Dreksler kept each other entertained for the first half of the race, with Weaver keeping the faster Dreksler behind him for several laps.
Dreksler was missing his counterpart, Tao Takaoka, as Takaoka was trying his hand in a SFR3 this weekend. Dreksler's other FX racing buddy, Frank Russell, was busy keeping O'Donovan behind him.

F4 looked as though it was going to be John Holmes' race. At the midway point, Holmes had good size lead over Carson Etter. But on laps 12 and 13 , Holmes lost about 14 seconds in lap time erasing his advantage. Etter was able to get by Holmes and take the F4 victory.

Stew Tabak was involved in a great race with Brad Drew, Randy Sturgeon, and Lars Jenson; but on the last lap Tabak ran out of gas. He made it to within 50 feet of the start finish, before he coasted to a halt. I talked to Tabak afterwards. He said he had plenty of gas for a 20-minute race but the race went long. Tabak was not the only one to calculate his fuel allotment to the very minimum. Lars Jenson also ran out of gas, but he did so after the checkered flag.
Only two FA3 cars (Pro Formula Mazdas) were in attendance with Edd Ozard taking the class win. Ozard was seriously hitting above his pay level as he hounded the FA2 car of Sean Prewett the entire race.

\#28 Stew Tabak and \#46 Frank Russell raced hard in Sunday's race. Russell ended up the hard charger of the race. photo by Chris Poncin

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| 3 | 2 | 37 | Jay Henry Horak | FA2 | 15 | 21 | 1:27.188 | Ligier JS F3 | Mesa AZ | SFR | 450049 | AutoEnginuity |
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| 5 | 1 | 16 | Edd Ozard | FA3 | 15 | 25 | 1:28.840 | Mazda Pro Mazda | Auburn CA | SFR | 20453-1 | PacWest Solutions |
| 6 | 2 | 35 | Greg Labadie | FA | 14 | 0 | 1:29.023 | Pro Formula Mazda | Redondo Beach CA | CSCC | 552325 | HM Racing/ VIX 0 |
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\#57 Carson Etter has the inside line on \#46 Frank Russell. photo by Dominic Cariaso

This group is known as the big bore formula car group. But the pole sitter's car had an engine in it that is only 1000 cc . That is 200 cc smaller than a Formula Vee engine. But the total package of the pole sitting car include full ground effects, very light weight, and several thousands of dollars worth of modifications to the 1000 cc motorcycle motor. When you add everything up it is one of the fastest cars in SCCA racing.

The pole sitter again was Rod Rice with a time of 1:24.182 seconds. This time was a little over a second faster than his front row partner, John Purcell. When the group came by for the pace lap Graham Rankin was playing shotgun on the field and I was excited to see him carve his way through the field. But whatever issue plaguing his car this weekend were not cured and he went back paddock before taking the green. Rankin had just finished completing the restoration of the car's former livery, when it was a Lynx Racing Formula Atlantic car raced by Bryan Sellars.

The Saturday race was a Rod Rice demonstration run. For Sunday, by the time they came into my view at Turn 2, I was expecting more of the same. However that was not the case. Rice had some sort of issue on Grid, and then at the start and was eaten up by half the field by the time Turn 2 had arrived. That left the door open for John Purcell to grab the lead and attempt to put the rest of the field in the distance. Unfortunately for John, Jay Henry Horak had other intentions. Horak chased Purcell around for 20 minutes on Saturday so he had 20 minutes worth of studying time on Purcell's rear wing. Thirteen laps into the race, Horak finally got by Purcell for the class victory. Notice I said class victory because even though Rice was down he was not out.

With whatever caused the poor start cleared up Rice mounted a serious comeback. Every lap he gobbled up more cars. He went from 12th position to the lead by Lap 6. In the Saturday story I referred to Rice's car as the Batmobile. Watching him take Turn Four convinced me that there is some sort of superpowers holding that car to the ground. The speed on which he approaches the turn visually has you convinced he will not make it through; but every time he did and every time he did I became more impressed.
With Rice in the lead and Horak finally getting around Purcell, the next race to focus on were the FA3 cars. But since there was only one FA3 car, Edd Ozard had to keep himself entertained by trying to run down the FA2 car of Sean Prewett. That never quite happened, but Ozard did record a faster lap by a little more than 0.5 seconds.
Doran Dreksler had an interesting race with the FM of Bill Weaver. Dreksler found himself behind Weaver for several laps, but on Lap Ten he made it by and then stretched out the lead over Weaver.

Weaver won the Saturday FM race with no one challenging him. But the Sunday race Christian Okpysh looked as though he was going to run Weaver down. His charge fizzled when the FX car of Frank Russell got by him.

Further back in the FM race Randy Sturgeon and Lars Jensen were having a great race. The last five laps they were so close, they looked like synchronized swimmers.


Rod Rice had a good weekend. Two poles, Two fastest laps, and two wins. photo by Chris Poncin

\#70 Doron Dreksler uses all of the track at the exit of turn 3. Dreksler took home two wins n FX. photo by Dominic Cariaso

\#19 Graham Rankin made a brief appearance on Sunday but had to retire the car with a Mechanical issue. photo by Chris Poncin

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| 1 | 1 | 33 | Rod Rice | FA | 18 | 25 | 1:22.245 | Stohr F1000 | Austin TX | SFR | 339064 |  |
| 2 | 1 | 37 | Jay Henry Horak | FA2 | 18 | 25 | 1:26.359 | Ligier JS F3 | Mesa AZ | SFR | 450049 | AutoEnginuity |
| 3 | 2 | 14 | John Purcell | FA2 | 18 | 0 | 1:26.550 | Ligier JS F3 | Vancouver BC | Nwst | 519838 | World Speed / |
| 4 | 3 | 22 | Sean Prewett | FA2 | 17 | 18 | 1:29.466 | Ligier JS F3 | Clovis CA | SFR | 375663 | Graham Prewe |
| 5 | 1 | 16 | Edd Ozard | FA3 | 17 | 25 | 1:28.888 | Mazda Pro Mazda | Auburn CA | SFR | 20453-1 | PacWest Soluti |
| 6 | 4 | 1 | Dan Decker | FA2 | 17 | 17 | 1:29.431 | Ligier JS F3 | Sonoma CA | SFR | 653277 | DeckerApartm |
| 7 | 1 | 70 | Doron Dreksler | FX | 17 | 25 | 1:31.352 | form ula speed formula | Mill Valley CA | SFR | 313137 | spire motorspo |
| 8 | 1 | 67 | Bill Weaver | FM | 17 | 25 | 1:31.809 | Star Mazda Formula Ma | Fresno CA | SFR | 272665_1 | James G. Parke |
| 9 | 2 | 46 | Frank Russell | FX | 17 | 21 | 1:31.035 | Formula Speed 2.0 Forr | Hollister CA | SFR | 466034 | KT Machine Wt |
| 10 | 2 | 29 | Christian Okpysh | FM | 17 | 21 | 1:32.527 | Mazda Formula Mazda | Santa Barbara CA | SFR | 656519 | Avionics and M |
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| 12 | 4 | 75 | C.J. Ray | FM | 17 | 17 | 1:32.547 | Mazda Star Formula | Huntington Beach CA | SFR | 616127 |  |
| 13 | 5 | 63 | Lars Jensen | FM | 17 | 16 | 1:32.727 | Star Formula Mazda | San Ramon CA | SFR | 424700 | Dig This Inc. |
| 14 | 6 | 88 | Randy Sturgeon | FM | 17 | 0 | 1:32.096 | Mazda Star Formula Ma | Ridgecrest CA | CSCC | 486093 |  |
| 15 | 7 | 77 | Derry O'Donovan | FM | 17 | 14 | 1:32.712 | Formula Ma FM | Napa CA | SFR | 229422 |  |
| 16 | 1 | 17 | John Holmes | F4 | 17 | 0 | 1:34.083 | Ligier JS F4 | Novato CA | Ore | 624987 | THEOREM/ ON |
| 17 | 2 | 57 | Carson Etter | F4 | 17 | 0 | 1:33.498 | Ligier JS F4 | VILLA PARK/ CA 928t | CSCC | 673149 | Directedge/Rt |
| 18 | 8 | 11 | Lisa Devlin | FM | 15 | 13 | 1:44.262 | Star Formula Mazda | Campbell CA | SFR | 239966 | $2 \times 4$ Chiropract |
| DNF | JNF | 35 | Greg Labadie | FA | 3 | 0 | 1:34.463 | Pro Formula Mazda | Redondo Beach CA | CSCC | 552325 | HM Racing/ Vİ |
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| DNF | JNF | 78 | Brad Drew | FM | 6 | 0 | 1:32.889 | Mazda Formula | Camas WA | Ore | 221118 | Coast Lighting |
| DNS | JNS | 19 | Graham Rankin | FA |  | 0 |  | Swift 014 | Livermore CA | SFR | 251383 |  |


\#49 Chris Vian pours on the throttle at the exit of turn 11. photo by Dominic Cariaso

The Super Tour event did not help this group at all. Group 2 already has a hard time attracting racers, but when a Super Tour is held in the Western Conference we lose four to five racers that would normally run with us. With that being said, this group only had six cars - four entries and two add-ons. But the six cars that did show up are really cool.

Joe Viso brought out his Elan DP02 to work on getting his lap times within range of his main P1 competitor Jim Devenport. Devenport has the all-time SCCA track record at Laguna Seca with a 1:21.367. Joe is relatively new to the P1 class and has been working real hard at making his car fast. This weekend in the Saturday Qualifying he posted a time of 1:22.540, which is pretty damn fast. It is always hard to compare laps times, as track conditions change so much weekend
to weekend. Nevertheless, I am sure Viso is happy with his progress. Let's see what happens the next time both of these guys are on the track together. We just might have ourselves a race.

As far as the race is concerned, Viso took his fast time and ran away from the field. John Manfroy finished second; and he was doing all he could to keep Viso in sight, but at the end he finished 56 seconds behind.

Chris Vian took home third in P1 and had a great race with Jaime Gonzalez.

The other good race was between John Howarth and Eddy Chan. Both of these racers were posting similar lap times, which made for a fun race between the two of them.


Joe Viso at speed at the exit of turn 6. photo by Stave Bohac

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| 1 | 1 | 52 | Joe Viso | P1 | 15 | 25 | 1:23.028 | Elan / Mazda DP02 | San Jose CA | SFR | 527352 | Go Dog Go Motor |
| 2 | 2 | 08 | John Manfroy | P1 | 15 | 21 | 1:26.637 | Dauntless-Stohr P07d | San Jose CA | SFR | 388822 | Kerin Mitz Motors |
| 3 | 3 | 49 | Chris Vian | P1 | 14 | 18 | 1:33.390 | Elan DP02 | Auburn CA | SFR | 624382 | Vian Enterprises. |
| 4 | 1 | 55 | Jaime González | P2 | 14 | 25 | 1:33.418 | Radical SR 8 | Santa Cruz CA | SFR | 674519 | Na |
| 5 | 2 | 79 | John Howarth | P2 | 14 | 21 | 1:34.545 | Carbir Carbir P2 | Roseville CA | SFR | 3055055_1 | Stephanie |
| 6 | 3 | 3 | Eddy Chan | P2 | 13 | 18 | 1:34.079 | Radical SR3 RS | Millbrae CA | SFR | 670996 |  |

Group 2 was the last race of the day with only six cars in the group and with a large speed differential among the cars. You knew it was not going to be a chance to send the flaggers home with a warm and fuzzy feeling about standing out in the elements all day. But as true professionals they performed their duties and made it through the day.
Joe Viso was able to use the weekend as an extended test session. He was really able to concentrate on getting all the speed out of car that he could. Needless to say he won the race without an issue, lapping the entire field.

John Manfroy, on the other hand, had to deal with some mechanical issues and spent some time at the back of the pack figuring out the problem. But once he got everything figured out, he came back and finished third.

Chris Vian took second. He continues to improve with his Elan DP02 and it will not be long before he is fighting at the front of the pack.
Six cars took the green and six cars finished, which was in doubt when I heard the 79 car of John Howarth go by. He was off-song and his engine sounded as though it was several thousand RPMs short of its potential. But he soldiered on and finished.

\#55 Jaime Gonzalez works his way around turn nine. Jaime won the Saturday race. Photo by Sierra Lacey

\#08 John Manfroy had some mechanical issue during Sunday's race, but got them rectified and was able to finish the race. photo by Dominic Cariaso

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| 1 | 1 | 52 | Joe Viso | P1 | 17 | 25 | 1:24.261 | Elan / Mazda DP02 | San Jose CA | SFR | 527352 | Go Dog Gomo |
| 2 | 2 | 49 | Chris Vian | P1 | 16 | 21 | 1:32.871 | Elan DP02 | Auburn CA | SFR | 624382 | Vian Enterprise |
| 3 | 3 | 08 | John Manfroy | P1 | 15 | 18 | 1:24.886 | Dauntless-Stohr P07d | San Jose CA | SFR | 388822 | Kerin $\begin{aligned} & \text { ita } 110\end{aligned}$ |
| 4 | 1 | 3 | Eddy Chan | P2 | 15 | 25 | 1:36.151 | Radical SR3 RS | Millbrae CA | SFR | 670996 |  |
| 5 | 2 | 55 | Jaime González | P2 | 15 | 21 | 1:33.034 | Radical SR 8 | Santa Cruz CA | SFR | 674519 | Na |
| 6 | 3 | 79 | John Howarth | P2 | 14 | 18 | 1:42.145 | Carbir Carbir P2 | Roseville CA | SFR | 3055055_1 | Stephanie |

## Group 3 (T1, GT2, ITE, EP, SP,AS MC, AS, T2, VTA, T3, GT3)


\#9 Tony Colicchio leads \#08 Christian Littlehale into turn 3. photo Chris Poncin

Group 3 has affectionately earned the name ground pounders. That is because this is the group of cars that are made up of big engine American V8s. When they go by, you feel the ground vibrate at your feet due to the massive amounts of horsepower the cars have. But this weekend was missing any of the GT1 cars that make the ground shake. Instead we were treated to a display of high revving BMW M3 occupying the first three positions.

Tristan Littlehale qualified on the pole by 0.005 over Tony Colicchio. Both drivers were racing BMW M3, but they entered in separate classes. Littlehale was racing in T1, while Colicchio was running in GT2.

When the green flag dropped, Littlehale got the better start and went into Turn 2 with the lead. Colicchio was right on his bumper with lan Barberi close behind.

As the laps ticked off, Littlehale and Colicchio built up a gap over Barberi. Once the gap was established, the two drivers only needed to concentrate on their laps; because it really did not matter who got the overall win, since they were both leading their respective class.
For the better part of this 20 minute race, these two drivers drove as one. They were so close, the exhaust of Littlehale's car had to have exited out the rear of Colicchio's car. Even though the racing was close, Littlehale was able to maintain the lead for the entire race. He ended up winning by 0.252 , and set a new T1 track record. Third was Barberi, whose cause was not helped when he took to the dirt in Turn 11. Luckily,

\#69 Lenny Celiberti flying down the corkscrew. photo by Sierra Lacey

\#4 Glen McCready blasts through turn 5. photo by Dominic Cariaso

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| 1 | 1 | 08 | Tristan Littlehale | T1 | 13 | 25 | 1:32.963 | BMW M3 | San Jose CA | SFR | 420532 | TC Design Motors |
| 2 | 1 | 9 | Tony Colicchio | GT2 | 13 | 25 | 1:33.234 | BMW M3 | Campbell Ca | SFR | 410828 | TC Design Motors |
| 3 | 2 | 74 | Ian Barberi | T1 | 13 | 21 | 1:34.645 | BMW M3 | Pleasanton CA | SFR | 315698 | TC Design |
| 4 | 3 | 79 | Clark Nunes | T1 | 13 | 18 | 1:35.460 | Chevrolet Camaro | San Jose CA | SFR | 496417 | Premiertomes/ |
| 5 | 2 | 69 | Galen Bieker | GT2 | 13 | 0 | 1:36.532 | Porsche GT3 | Burbank CA | CsCC | 306455 |  |
| 6 | 1 | 50 | Andy Kwitowski | ITE | 13 | 25 | 1:37.930 | BMW M3 | Morgan Hill CA | SFR | 655371 | AK Development |
| 7 | 2 | 83 | Jason Beacham | ITE | 13 | 21 | 1:39.022 | BMW M3 | Santa Clara CA | SFR | 680654 |  |
| 8 | 3 | 18 | Gustavo Greco | ITE | 13 | 18 | 1:38.081 | BMW M3 | San Mateo CA | SFR | 638584 | 6180 changlit |
| 9 | 4 | 44 | Scott Smith | ITE | 13 | 17 | 1:38.663 | BMW M3 | San Mateo CA | SFR | 301736 |  |
| 0 | 1 | 4 | Glen McCready | EP | 13 | 25 | 1:38.680 | Mazda MX-5 | Redwood City CA | SFR | 307039 | TC Design |
| 1 | 1 | 17 | Jeff Francis | SP | 13 | 25 | 1:39.631 | Ferrari 488 Challenge | Fresno CA | SFR | 212000 | Finishmaster, Tea |
| 2 | 5 | 35 | Randall Mackintosh | ITE | 13 | 16 | 1:39.939 | Chevrolet Corvette ZM1 | Danville CA | SFR | 217450-1 | Main Street Techr |
| 3 | 2 | 22 | Casey McLoed | SP | 13 | 21 | 1:39.473 | Ford Mustang | Placerville CA | SFR | 625502 | CORE Realty Grol |
| 4 | 6 | 82 | Bob Murillo | ITE | 12 | 15 | 1:41.427 | Porsche 911 Carrera | Santa Cruz CA | SFR | 283058 | Rothsport |
| 5 | 7 | 122 | Svilen Kanev | ITE | 12 | 14 | 1:41.410 | BMW m240i | San Francisco CA | SFR | 678839 |  |
| 6 | 8 | 7 | Wilson Powell | ITE | 12 | 13 | 1:40.537 | BMW M3 | Danville CA | SFR | 338274 |  |
| 7 | 1 | 56 | Jeff Sutton | AS | 12 | 25 | 1:42.081 | Ford Mustang Gt | Foresthill CA | SFR | 548901 |  |
| 8 | 4 | 15 | Igor Gandzjuk | T1 | 12 | 17 | 1:41.748 | Ford Mustang Boss 302 | Prunedale CA | SFR | 521765 | AV8 Super Cars |
| 9 | 9 | 13 | Adrian Mulhall | ITE | 12 | 0 | 1:41.732 | BMW M3 | Novato CA |  |  | Mulhall Construct |
| 0 | 1 | 36 | Charles Laster | MC | 12 | 25 | 1:44.771 | Chevrolet Camaro | Gridley CA | SFR | 546543 | Trish James/Four |
| 1 | 2 | 73 | Bill Pryor | MC | 12 | 21 | 1:45.932 | Chevrolet CAMARO $22 \varepsilon$ | Phoenix AZ | SFR | 639975 | maxis thesins |
| 2 | 2 | 06 | Anthony Bonino | AS | 12 | 21 | 1:46.697 | Ford Mustang | Novato CA | SFR | 427325 |  |
| 3 | 1 | 54 | Van Hunter | T2 | 12 | 25 | 1:45.811 | Chevrolet Camaro SS | Shadow Hills CA | Cscc | 521948 |  |
| 4 | 3 | 64 | Robert Roumimper | GT2 | 12 | 18 | 1:47.804 | Datsun 2402 | Scotts Valley CA | SFR | 97315 | Rusty's Repair/ Si |
| 5 | 3 | 27 | Michael Lowe | MC | 12 | 18 | 1:49.710 | Chevrolet Camero | Hayward CA | SFR | 497261 | Richard Pryor |
| 6 | 1 | 75 | Cory Newlon | VTA | 12 | 25 | 1:49.591 | Chevrolet z\|28 | Turlock CA | SFR | 547428 | lintay limatat |
| 7 | 10 | 42 | Justin Sprugasci | ITE | 11 | 11 | 1:38.811 | BMW BMW M3 | Morgan Hill CA | CSCC |  | Scriett vision 4 a |
| 8 | 1 | 19 | Kris Foster | T3 | 11 | 25 | 1:50.412 | Porsche Boxster | San Francisco CA | SFR | 672633 |  |
| 9 | 11 | 68 | Lenny Celiberti | ITE | 11 | 10 | 1:50.102 | Maserati Biturbo | Windsor CA | SFR | 660738 | Auto Italia |
| 0 | 4 | 48 | Joe Montana | MC | 11 | 17 | 1:50.850 | Pontiac Firebird | Grass Valley CA | SFR | 494434 |  |
| 1 | 1 | 77 | David Witkowski | GT3 | 11 | 25 | 1:51.090 | Porsche 911 | Cupertino CA | SFR | 340340 |  |
| 2 | 5 | 86 | Robert Luster | MC | 11 | 16 | 1:58.705 | Chevrolet camaro | Carmel CA | SFR | 324482_1 |  |
| 3 | 12 | 158 | martin tagliavini | ITE | 8 | 9 | 1:39.972 | Honda S2000 | San Jose CA | SFR | 681012 | Supertech Perforr |
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| ; | NS | 94 | Lawrence Murdter | SMX |  | 0 |  | Mazda MX-5 | Sunnyvale CA | SFR | 436659 | Hag Periormanct |
| ; | NS | 58 | Tim Sullivan | T1 |  | 0 |  | Chevrolet Corvette | Danville CA | SFR | 478946 | TS Classics \& Aut |
| i | NS | 14 | Chad Ryker | VTA |  | 0 |  | Ford Mustang | Ekk Grove CA | SFR | 489877 | AutoXandTrack |


\#17 Jeff Francis running a Ferrari in Super Production. photo by Chris Poncin

Saturday's Race saw a reversal of fortunes. Saturday Littlehale took charge of the group and lead flag to flag with Tony Colicchio following closely behind. Sunday Colicchio took the pole and lead flag to flag, with Tristian Littlehale finishing second.
This race was interrupted by a three laps of full course caution. The caution was for the beached car of Michael Lowe, who found out that a Muscle Car with very little ground clearance will not make it out of the gravel on the exit of Turn 11. When the green flag flew again, Colicchio maintained his lead, but third place Ian Barberi lost out to the high revving Porsche GT3 car of Galen Bieker.

The ITE race was interesting because Gustavo Greco took the initial lead and once the caution period was over, he fell victim to Andy Kwitowski getting a better start out dragging him into Turn Two.
The Muscle car field was severely depleted, especially once Michael Lowe got stuck in the kitty litter outside of Turn 11. Once he was out, the only two Muscle Cars left in the race were Bill Pryor and Robert Luster. Pryor easily took the class victory.

Once the race settled in there was very few changes for position and it became a matter of reliability.


\#50 ITE winner Andy Kwitowski raced hard with Gustavo Greco (seen in the background). photo by Dominic Gariaso

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| 1 | 1 | 9 | Tony Colicchio | GT2 | 14 | 25 | 1:33.900 | BMW M3 | Campbell Ca | SFR | 410828 | TC Design Mot |
| 2 | 1 | 08 | Tristan Littlehale | T1 | 14 | 25 | 1:33.979 | BMW M3 | San Jose CA | SFR | 420532 | TC Design Mot |
| 3 | 2 | 69 | Galen Bieker | GT2 | 14 | 0 | 1:35.661 | Porsche GT3 | Burbank CA | CSCC | 306455 |  |
| 4 | 2 | 74 | Ian Barberi | T1 | 14 | 21 | 1:35.615 | BMW M3 | Pleasanton CA | SFR | 315698 | TC Design |
| 5 | 3 | 79 | Clark Nunes | T1 | 14 | 18 | 1:36.198 | Chevrolet Camaro | San Jose CA | SFR | 496417 | Premier Homes |
| 6 | 1 | 50 | Andy Kwitowski | ITE | 14 | 25 | 1:37.260 | BMW M3 | Morgan Hill CA | SFR | 655371 | AK Developmer |
| 7 | 2 | 18 | Gustavo Greco | ITE | 14 | 21 | 1:37.656 | BMW M3 | San Mateo CA | SFR | 638584 | 6/tol laingl |
| 8 | 3 | 83 | Jason Beacham | ITE | 14 | 18 | 1:39.162 | BMW M3 | Santa Clara CA | SFR | 680654 |  |
| 9 | 1 | 17 | Jeff Francis | SP | 14 | 25 | 1:38.684 | Ferrari 488 Challenge | Fresno CA | SFR | 212000 | Finishmaster, T |
| 10 | 4 | 13 | Adrian Mulhall | ITE | 14 | 0 | 1:38.600 | BMW M3 | Novato CA |  |  | Mulhall Constrı |
| 11 | 5 | 44 | Scott Smith | ITE | 14 | 16 | 1:39.154 | BMW M3 | San Mateo CA | SFR | 301736 |  |
| 12 | 1 | 4 | Glen McCready | EP | 14 | 25 | 1:40.121 | Mazda MX-5 | Redwood City CA | SFR | 307039 | TC Design |
| 13 | 6 | 122 | Svilen Kanev | ITE | 14 | 15 | 1:40.846 | BMW M240i | San Francisco CA | SFR | 678839 |  |
| 14 | 7 | 82 | Bob Murillo | ITE | 14 | 14 | 1:41.116 | Porsche 911 Carrera | Santa Cruz CA | SFR | 283058 | Rothsport |
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| 19 | 1 | 19 | Kris Foster | T3 | 14 | 25 | 1:49.893 | Porsche Boxster | San Francisco CA | SFR | 672633 |  |
| 20 | 1 | 77 | David Witkowski | GT3 | 13 | 25 | 1:51.095 | Porsche 911 | Cupertino CA | SFR | 340340 |  |
| 21 | 2 | 86 | Robert Luster | MC | 12 | 21 | 1:58.211 | Chevrolet camaro | Carmel CA | SFR | 324482_1 |  |
| DNF | JNF | 22 | Casey McLoed | SP | 5 | 0 | 1:40.329 | Ford Mustang | Placerville CA | SFR | 625502 | CORE Realty G |
| DNF | JNF | 27 | Michael Lowe | MC | 2 | 0 | 1:50.851 | Chevrolet Camero | Hayward CA | SFR | 497261 | Richard Pryor |
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| DNS | JNS | 15 | Igor Gandzjuk | T1 |  | 0 |  | Ford Mustang Boss 302 | Prunedale CA | SFR | 521765 | AV8 Super Car: |
| DNS | JNS | 58 | Tim Sullivan | T1 |  | 0 |  | Chevrolet Corvette | Danville CA | SFR | 478946 | TS Classics \& A |
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| DNS | JNS | 54 | Van Hunter | T2 |  | 0 |  | Chevrolet Camaro SS | Shadow Hills CA | SFR | 521948 |  |
| DNS | JNS | 158 | martin tagliavini | ITE |  | 0 |  | Honda S2000 | San Jose CA | SFR | 681012 | Supertech Perf |
| DNS | JNS | 7 | Wilson Powell | ITE |  | 0 |  | BMW M3 | Danville CA | SFR | 338274 |  |
| DNS | JNS | 14 | Chad Ryker | VTA |  | 0 |  | Ford Mustang | Elk Grove CA | SFR | 489877 | AutoXandTrack |
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| DNS | JNS | 56 | Jeff Sutton | AS |  | 0 |  | Ford Mustang Gt | Foresthill CA | SFR | 548901 |  |
| DNS | JNS | 35 | Randall Mackintosh | ITE |  | 0 |  | Chevrolet Corvette ZM1 | Danville CA | SFR | 217450-1 | Main Street Ter |
| DNS | JNS | 36 | Charles Laster | MC |  | 0 |  | Chevrolet Camaro | Gridley CA | SFR | 546543 | Trish James/Fo |
| DNS | JNS | 48 | Joe Montana | MC |  | 0 |  | Pontiac Firebird | Grass Valley CA | SFR | 494434 |  |

## Group 4 ( $\mathrm{FC}, \mathrm{FFT}, \mathrm{FF}, \mathrm{FV}, \mathrm{CF}$ )

Group Four had 28 cars entered for the weekend with a healthy mix of FC cars and FF cars. Because each group wanted to race amongst themselves, they petitioned for a split start. The stewards told them they could not have a split start; but they could line up the cars based on class and allow the slower class to lay back thereby creating a gap between the two main classes ... a gap start.
Needless to say, it really did not work out. First off, pole sitter Troy Shooter led the group in pretty fast and got a big jump over outside front row starter Rick Payne, from Northwest Region. Then, when the FF cars rounded Turn 11, they were already on the throttle because they saw the green flag waving. Because of the relatively small gap between the front of the FF cars and the rear of the FC cars, there were intermingled within a couple of laps. Precisely what the FF guys were trying to avoid.
With Shooter taking the lead into Turn 2, it is was up to Payne to see if the start was going to play a role in the outcome of the race. As it turned out, that question was answered on Lap 2 when Payne made it past Shooter. From there, it was about putting the laps in for Payne. He put his head down and drove away from Shooter. Shooter finished eight seconds behind Payne, but he did salvage second place. The guy on the move in the FC class was James Hackwell, a veteran of formula car racing. He had some stiff competition in front of him with the likes of Daniel Swanbeck, Tom Hope, and Mark Peller starting in front of him. Hope and Peller ended up with DNFs; and Hackwell was able to get past on Lap 7, when Swanbeck fell two positions.
The FF group was comprised of three versions of the class. FF which is the national class that runs on the Hoosier radial tire; FFT which runs on the Hoosier Bias ply tire; and CF which is older cars that run on American racer tires. The speed difference between the FFT and the FF is nil.

Kinnon Marshall, from Laguna Beach took the FFT pole ahead of all the FF cars, with fellow Southern Californian Stewart Patterson second. When the race started Kinnon got a great jump out of Turn 11 and led the second pack of cars into Turn 2. But upon the exit we found Denny Renfrow in the lead. Denny held on to the lead until the fourth lap when Marshall made it by him. From there the two drivers were locked in an intense battle for the FF honors with Marshall holding off Renfrow.

\#27 Stewart Patterson and \#28 Andy Patterson coming down the hill through turn 10. photo by Dominic Cariaso

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| 1 | 1 | 75 | Rick Payne | FC | 14 | 0 | 1:28.831 | Van Diemen RF99 | Mission BC | Nwst | 387076 | Payton Pools |
| 2 | 2 | 87 | Troy Shooter | FC | 14 | 0 | 1:29.457 | Van Diemen Rf99 | Mission Viejo CA | CSCC | 622367 |  |
| 3 | 3 | 2 | James Hakewill | FC | 14 | 18 | 1:29.609 | Van Diemen RF03 | Los Gatos CA | SFR | 292799 |  |
| 4 | 4 | 7 | Daniel Swanbeck | FC | 14 | 17 | 1:29.712 | Van Diemen RF01 | San Jose CA | SFR | 475264 | Dill fhelastlo |
| 5 | 5 | 21 | Peter West | FC | 14 | 0 | 1:32.120 | Van Diemen RF05 | Malibu CA | CSCC | 166282 | Racing 0 ptics/alp |
| 6 | 6 | 68 | Paul Rodler | FC | 14 | 15 | 1:33.979 | Van Diemen RF 00 | San Rafael CA | SFR | 229162 | Porter Racing |
| 7 | 7 | 81 | Henry Kenneth Rozebol | FC | 14 | 14 | 1:34.459 | Van Diemen DP08 | Crockett CA | SFR | 22056 | Porter Racing |
| 8 | 1 | 19 | Kinnon Marshall | FFT | 14 | 0 | 1:34.451 | Swift DB1 | Laguna Beach CA | CSCC | 547188 | Fast Orange Hanc |
| 9 | 1 | 11 | Denny Renfrow | FF | 14 | 12 | 1:34.953 | Swift DB6 | Kelseyville CA | SFR | 203432_1 | Chuckwagon Rac |
| 0 | 2 | 54 | Charles Horn | FF | 13 | 11 | 1:35.221 | Swift/Honda DB6 | Los Gatos CA | SFR | 229541 | Porter Racing/tyl |
| 1 | 8 | 57 | Nicholas Coe | FC | 13 | 0 | 1:34.528 | Van Diemen RF02 | Sylmar CA | CSCC | 492483 | Molonay Ketchup |
| 2 | 2 | 27 | Stewart Paterson | FFT | 13 | 0 | 1:34.988 | Swift DB6 | Fallbrook CA | CSCC | 311666_0 |  |
| 3 | 9 | 46 | John Fabijanic | FC | 13 | 0 | 1:36.480 | Piper DF5 | San Luis Obispo CA | CSCC | 459116 | Fast forward Com |
| 4 | 3 | 17 | Doug Learned Jr. | FF | 13 | 7 | 1:36.575 | Piper DL7 FF | Marina CA | SFR | 392361 | Fast forward Com |
| 5 | 10 | 80 | Jeffrey Pietz | FC | 13 | 6 | 1:34.696 | Van Dieman DP 08 | Fresno CA | SFR | 378566 | Cleveland Infant |
| 6 | 3 | 28 | Andy Paterson | FFT | 13 | 0 | 1:36.677 | Swift | Fallbrook CA | CSCC | 351062 | Picks Racing Engi |
| 7 | 4 | 1 | Mikhail Kalugin | FF | 13 | 4 | 1:37.544 | Swift DB6 | Mountain View CA | SFR | 524855 | Porter Racing |
| 8 | 5 | 50 | David Jalen | FF | 13 | 3 | 1:37.977 | Mygale SJ-09 | Alameda CA | SFR | 58335 | OverBudgetRacin |
| 9 | 11 | 59 | William Jordanov | FC | 13 | 2 | 1:37.593 | Van Diemen F2000 | Heritage Pointe $A B$ | SFR | 483023 |  |
| 0 | 6 | 12 | Michael Bernstein | FF | 13 | 1 | 1:38.101 | Piper DF5 | San Ramon CA | SFR | 100211 | Karen Bernstein |
| 1 | 7 | 10 | Dalmo de Vasconcelos | FF | 13 | 0 | 1:39.236 | Van Diemen Formula Fı | Rio de Janeiro RJ | SFR | 512869 |  |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | Brent J. Milner | FV | 11 | 0 | 1:51.514 | M4 Mysterian | Salinas CA | SFR | 191431 | none |
| 3 | 1 | 94 | Michael Malone | CF | 11 | 0 | 1:52.579 | Van Diemen RF79 Club | Oakland CA | SFR | 377009 | Margo Malone/OV |
| 4 | 2 | 32 | Chris Poncin | FV | 11 | 0 | 1:56.729 | Volkswagen Campbell J | Penryn CA | SFR | 543366 | CSI |
| 5 | 12 | 18 | Tom Hope | FC | 9 | 0 | 1:29.735 | RFR FC | Downey CA | CSCC | 433767 | HMRacing |
|  | NF | 03 | Mark Peller | FC | 3 | 0 | 1:31.008 | Van Diemen RF01 | Lone Tree CO | CSCC | 177348 |  |
| : | NF | 5 | Eric Little | FFT |  | 0 |  | Swift DB-1 | Placentia CA | CSCC | 511202 | Pick's Racing Eng |

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NS 88 Lyn Greenhill FC

\#2 James Hackwell and \#21 Peter West involved in a fierce battle. photo by Dominic Cariaso

After the disastrous start to the Saturday race, the pseudo split start was abandoned. The entire field lined up as they qualified with a mix of FF cars scattered in the FC cars. The front row saw Rick Payne continue his domination over the FC field by taking the pole. The outside front row starter was Mark Peller. Chuck Horn qualified first in FF, faster than seven of the FCs cars.
When the race started, predictably Payne took the lead, but Daniel Swanbeck slipped into second place. The FFs saw Horn take the lead but Kinnon Marshall was glued to his transmission.
As the laps ticked by Payne kept pulling out a bigger and bigger lead and by the mid point of the race the only thing that would threaten his lead would be a full course caution.
On Lap Three Troy Shooter had a mechanical issue and pulled his car over in the dirt between Turns Four and Five. He was well off the track and did not pose an apparent safety threat. So the race continued under green. I am sure Rick breathed a sigh of relief seeing the green flag still displayed. But five laps later, the FF car of Dalmo De Vasconcelos stopped right in front of the emergency crew exit at Turn Five. However this was not the reason for the full course caution.

Unfortunately for Mikhail Kalugin and William Jordan, they touched at the corkscrew and the tangled cars necessitated the need for the Emergency crew to get them untangled. This allowed the field to bunch up, and now Payne was going to have to work for the victory. The only thing working in Payne's favor was the clock. As the field came around for the second lap under caution, the Operating Steward decided that there was not enough time left to get the race going again and ordered the checkered flag to be displayed.

Payne earned the victory cruising by the starter stand in second gear. In the FF race, it looked like it was going to be a four-car race. Horn was showing the way with Marshall, Doug Learned Jr., and Stewart Patterson all in tow. As the race went on, Horn and Marshall created a gap between Patterson and Learned Jr. But the two pairs of cars were really racing hard. The race for the FF podium was shaping up for an exciting finish. Patterson was able to get past Learned, but that was all we had for position changes. The caution ruined any chances for last lap heroics. FV Brent Milner kept himself entertained with the CF of Michael Malone. They raced close for a while, but eventually Malone was able to drive away.

\#7 Daniel Swanbeck had a solid race on Sunday coming home second. photo by Sierra Lacey


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| 1 | 1 | 75 | Rick Payne | FC | 12 | 25 | 1:28.781 | Van Diemen RF99 | Mission BC | Nwst | 387076 | Payton Pools |
| 2 | 2 | 7 | Daniel Swanbeck | FC | 12 | 21 | 1:29.521 | Van Diemen RF01 | San Jose CA | SFR | 475264 |  |
| 3 | 3 | 03 | Mark Peller | FC | 12 | 18 | 1:30.049 | Van Diemen RF01 | Lone Tree CO | CSCC | 177348 |  |
| 4 | 4 | 18 | Tom Hope | FC | 12 | 0 | 1:29.970 | RFR FC | Downey CA | CSCC | 433767 | HMRacing |
| 5 | 5 | 2 | James Hakewill | FC | 12 | 16 | 1:30.390 | Van Diemen RF03 | Los Gatos CA | SFR | 292799 |  |
| 6 | 6 | 21 | Peter West | FC | 12 | 0 | 1:33.096 | Van Diemen RF05 | Malibu CA | CSCC | 166282 | Racing Optics/t |
| 7 | 7 | 68 | Paul Rodler | FC | 12 | 14 | 1:34.224 | Van Diemen RF 00 | San Rafael CA | SFR | 229162 | Porter Racing |
| 8 | 1 | 54 | Charles Horn | FF | 12 | 25 | 1:34.601 | Swift/Honda DB6 | Los Gatos CA | SFR | 229541 | Porter Racing/H |
| 9 | 1 | 19 | Kinnon Marshall | FFT | 12 | 0 | 1:34.707 | Swift DB1 | Laguna Beach CA | CSCC | 547188 | Fast Orange Hi |
| 10 | 8 | 81 | Henry Kenneth Rozeboo | FC | 12 | 13 | 1:34.391 | Van Diemen DP08 | Crockett CA | SFR | 22056 | Porter Racing |
| 11 | 2 | 27 | Stewart Paterson | FFT | 12 | 0 | 1:35.557 | Swift DB6 | Fallbrook CA | CSCC | 311666_0 |  |
| 12 | 2 | 17 | Doug Learned Jr. | FF | 12 | 21 | 1:35.812 | Piper DL7 FF | Marina CA | SFR | 392361 | Fast forward C |
| 13 | 9 | 57 | Nicholas Coe | FC | 12 | 0 | 1:35.326 | Van Diemen RF02 | Sylmar CA | CSCC | 492483 | Molonay Ketchı |
| 14 | 10 | 46 | John Fabijanic | FC | 11 | 0 | 1:38.062 | Piper DF5 | San Luis Obispo CA | CSCC | 459116 | Fast Forimaid C |
| 15 | 3 | 28 | Andy Paterson | FFT | 11 | 0 | 1:38.054 | Swift | Fallbrook CA | CSCC | 351062 | Picks Racing Er |
| 16 | 3 | 50 | David Jalen | FF | 11 | 18 | 1:38.479 | Mygale SJ-09 | Alameda CA | SFR | 58335 | OverBudgetRaı |
| 17 | 11 | 80 | Jeffrey Pietz | FC | 12 | 10 | 1:35.415 | Van Dieman DP 08 | Fresno CA | SFR | 378566 | Cleveland Infar |
| 18 | 4 | 12 | Michael Bernstein | FF | 11 | 17 | 1:39.059 | Piper DF5 | San Ramon CA | SFR | 100211 | Karen Bernstei |
| 19 | 1 | 94 | Michael Malone | CF | 10 | 25 | 1:50.183 | Van Diemen RF79 Club | Oakland CA | SFR | 377009 | Margo Malone |
| 20 | 1 | 0 | Brent J. Milner | FV | 10 | 25 | 1:52.093 | M4 Mysterian | Salinas CA | SFR | 191431 | none |
| 21 | 2 | 32 | Chris Poncin | FV | 10 | 21 | 1:59.870 | Volkswagen Campbell J | Penryn CA | SFR | 543366 | CSI |
| 22 | 12 | 59 | William Jordanov | FC | 8 | 9 | 1:37.386 | Van Diemen F2000 | Heritage Pointe $A B$ | SFR | 483023 |  |
| 23 | 5 | 1 | Mikhail Kalugin | FF | 8 | 16 | 1:37.804 | Swift DB6 | Mountain View CA | SFR | 524855 | Porter Racing |
| 24 | 6 | 10 | Dalmo de Vasconcelos | FF | 8 | 15 | 1:39.088 | Van Diemen Formula Fs | Rio de Janeiro RJ | SFR | 512869 |  |
| 25 | 13 | 88 | Lyn Greenhill | FC | 6 | 8 | 1:35.628 | Van Diemen RF02 | Rocklin CA | SFR | 454636 | Dynatechengil |
| DNF | JNF | 87 | Troy Shooter | FC | 3 | 0 | 1:30.831 | Van Diemen Rf99 | Mission Viejo CA | CSCC | 622367 |  |
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| DNS | JNS | 11 | Denny Renfrow | FF |  | 0 |  | Swift DB6 | Kelseyville CA | SFR | 203432_1 | Chuckwagon R |
| DNS | JNS | 5 | Eric Little | FFT |  | 0 |  | Swift DB-1 | Placentia CA | CSCC | 511202 | Pick's Racing E |

## Group 5 (SMG, ITA, ITX, HP, E3O)

Group Five is usually the playground for Spec Mustangs. At times there would be ten Mustangs running at the front of the pack. For this weekend, only two showed up, and I suspect the reason was because of the Super Tour in Portland.

Anthony Bonino started on the pole and was hoping to convert the position to an overall Group Five victory. Jeff Sutton, who qualified second, had other ideas. Sutton took the lead from the start and just drove away from Bonino. Sutton finished with a margin of victory of $42+$ seconds. The good thing for Bonino was that he could get a rematch on Sunday.

There were 27 cars entered for the group this weekend. Twenty-two of them were Mazda Miatas. The Miatas run in either ITA or ITX. I am not sure what is the difference. It seems some of the front-runners in SMT are not running in ITA as they did last year. The field was missing the likes of Joe Kou and Wa Huong. Who was entered was not a concern for Scott Smith. He is another one of those people that race
with NASA and SCCA. Smith is not afraid to travel, as he has raced at places like Pocono and Watkins Glen. Smith took the lead from the first lap and then had to spend 19 long minutes keeping Christopher LaBouff and Rob Fuller behind him. LaBouff and Fuller changed positions once during the race, but the lack of position changes does not tell the story about the intensity of the racing.

ITX saw David Covin hold off Derek Stewart for the class victory. Covin finished sixth overall and at one point was up to his elbows in the Fuller and LaBouff race.

The only other cars in the field that were not Miatas were John Faull in his Sprite and Charles Dehoney in his BMW 325i. Faull and Dehoney raced each other pretty close, with Faull beating out Dehoney. Faull has spent a lot of time improving his car and his lap times are showing it. He has shaved five seconds from the previous time his was at Laguna Seca. Faull has own and been racing his Sprite on and off for the past 63 years.


\#1 John Faull taking turn 10. photo by Dominic Cariaso

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| 1 | 1 | 56 | Jeff Sutton | SMG | 12 | 25 | 1:42.476 | Ford Mustang Gt | Foresthill CA | SFR | 548901 |  |
| 2 | 2 | 06 | Anthony Bonino | SMG | 12 | 21 | 1:46.563 | Ford Mustang | Novato CA | SFR | 427325 |  |
| 3 | 1 | 40 | Scott Smith | ITA | 12 | 25 | 1:48.122 | Mazda Spec Miata | San Jose CA | SFR | 437643 | G-loc Brakes/Ava |
| 4 | 2 | 04 | Christopher LaBouff | ITA | 12 | 21 | 1:47.695 | Mazda Miata | Los Gatos CA | SFR | 428325 | RA Motorsports |
| 5 | 3 | 49 | Rob Fuller | ITA | 12 | 18 | 1:48.099 | Mazda Miata | San Jose CA | SFR | 496932 | l 60610 lag 1 la |
| 6 | 1 | 154 | David Covin | ITX | 12 | 25 | 1:49.043 | Mazda NB Miata | Piedmont CA | SFR | 649280 |  |
| 7 | 2 | 77 | Derek Stewart | ITX | 12 | 21 | 1:49.058 | Mazda Miata | Colfax CA | SFR | 496733 | Brake late racing |
| 8 | 4 | 24 | Jayceton laped | ITA | 12 | 17 | 1:48.731 | Mazda Miata | Daly City CA | SFR | 355498 |  |
| 9 | 3 | 27 | Jared Korth | ITX | 12 | 18 | 1:49.070 | Mazda Miata | Clovis CA | SFR | 675789 |  |
| 0 | 5 | 26 | Scott Story | ITA | 12 | 16 | 1:49.005 | Mazda Miata | El Dorado Hills CA | SFR | 624903 | Story Design and |
| 1 | 6 | 99 | Frank Zucchi | ITA | 12 | 15 | 1:50.131 | Mazda Miata | Oakdale CA | SFR | 335337 | FZ Vapor Honing |
| 2 | 7 | 121 | Chris Lee | ITA | 12 | 14 | 1:49.344 | Mazda miata | Pleasanton CA | SFR | 533831 |  |
| 3 | 4 | 142 | John Paul Jose | ITX | 12 | 17 | 1:50.775 | Mazda Miata | Soquel CA | SFR | 644692 | Lesher Motorspor |
| 4 | 5 | 155 | Matthew Wyatt | ITX | 12 | 16 | 1:50.298 | Mazda Miata | San Francisco CA | SFR | 647230 | Yang chencomm |
| 5 | 8 | 144 | Phillip Holifield | ITA | 12 | 13 | 1:50.411 | Mazda Miata | Manteca CA | SFR | 376090 | hagoperformanci |
| 6 | 9 | 32 | Fabrice Gallez | ITA | 11 | 12 | 1:51.673 | Mazda Spec Miata | Campbell CA | SFR | 624531 |  |
| 7 | 6 | 81 | Terrance Underwood Jr | ITX | 11 | 15 | 1:52.122 | Mazda Miata | Wildomar CA | SFR | 673864 |  |
| 8 | 10 | 02 | Suzanne Cobos | ITA | 11 | 11 | 1:52.993 | Mazda Miata NB (spec) | REDWOOD CITY CA | SFR | 616979 | Slant I Motorspor |
| 9 | 11 | 42 | Daniel Deluna | ITA | 11 | 10 | 1:52.904 | Mazda Miata | San Mateo CA | SFR | 511594 |  |
| 0 | 7 | 44 | Joshua Schachter | ITX | 11 | 14 | 1:54.403 | Mazda Miata | Los Altos CA | SFR | 480106 | Lesher Motorspor |
| 1 | 12 | 68 | John Stuart | ITA | 11 | 9 | 1:54.165 | Mazda Miata | San Carlos CA | SFR | 650334 | All Reasons Movil |
| 2 | 8 | 76 | Nuno Goncalves Pedro | ITX | 11 | 13 | 1:55.210 | Mazda Spec Miata | Half Moon Bay CA | SFR | 478234 | Larry Oka Racing |
| 3 | 1 | 1 | John Faull | HP | 11 | 25 | 1:56.836 | Austin Healey Sprite | San Jose CA | SFR | 4995 | Goodyear |
| 4 | 1 | 161 | Charles Dehoney | E30 | 11 | 25 | 1:57.273 | BMW 325i | Dixon CA | SFR | 673795 | McGee Motorspor |
| 5 | 13 | 168 | Peter Phung | ITA | 11 | 8 | 1:50.313 | Mazda Miata | Daly City CA | SFR | 545337 | PHUNG Incorpora |
| 6 | 14 | 114 | David Humphreys | ITA | 10 | 0 | 1:52.620 | Mazda Miatta | Buellton CA | CSCC | 647252 | A R Racing + Hum |
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| i | NS | 7 | Wilson Powell | ITE |  | 0 |  | BMW M3 | Danville CA | SFR | 338274 |  |



As the Group Five cars went by on the pace lap, I had to pinch myself. It looked almost exactly like the Group Seven race. Miatas everywhere, I knew I was not dreaming, because I distinctly remembered watching the Group 7 race. What was really going on was the Two Mustangs that were at the front of the pack on Saturday were no shows for the Sunday race. It was not until the last few rows went by that I saw something other then a Miata when I saw John Faull's Sprite and Charles DeHoney's BMW go by.
The pack of almost all Miatas came around Turn 11 for the start and Christopher LaBouff must have had a nitrous button because he shot down into Turn Two and took the lead with authority. His front row compatriot, Rob Fuller, must have had an anchor attached to his car as he fell back to fourth place.

ITX front runner David Covin took second, but he held the position for only one lap as fellow ITX racer Jared Korth unceremoniously wrestled the position away from Covin. Korth's 15 minutes of fame really lasted a little over three minutes, as he became a victim to a ravenous group of drivers. He eventually fell back to seventh overall and third in ITX.

Up at the front of the field, LaBouff was enjoying the view, actually enjoying the rearview. No one was close to him and he just kept
putting in the laps eventually setting the fast lap of the race and winning by 13 seconds.
Fuller was quite busy. He was trying to get back to his qualifying position, to at least get second. On Lap Three, Fuller had seen enough of the rear end of Covin's car and was able to slip by. On the next lap Fuller disposed of Korth and set his sights on LaBouff. But at this point it was too late, and Fuller had to be happy with the number two spot.
Covin was hell bent of repeating his Saturday results, so he too got busy. He accomplished his goal on Lap Five when he made it by Korth for third overall, but more importantly first in ITX. Covin is among the crop of young drivers making their presence known.
Fourth overall and third in ITA was Scott Smith. Smith earned Hard Charger of the race by virtue of making up ten positions. Smith did not post a qualifying time and had to start in the back of the pack. By the end of the first lap, he laid claim on fourteenth, by then end of Lap Ten, he was staking his claim to tenth. For the next five laps he picked off another competitor until he made it up to fourth. Great drive!

The race between the two non-Miatas, went DeHoney's way when Faull spun on the exit of Turn Three. But it was a case of no harm, no foul, as Faull continued on and finished the race.

\#168 Peter Phung puts his head down exiting turn 11. photo by Randy Jones

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| 1 | 1 | 04 | Christopher LaBouff | ITA | 14 | 25 | 1:47.226 | Mazda Miata | Los Gatos CA | SFR | 428325 | RA Motorsports |
| 2 | 2 | 49 | Rob Fuller | ITA | 14 | 21 | 1:48.281 | Mazda Miata | San Jose CA | SFR | 496932 | ? 606alagl |
| 3 | 1 | 154 | David Covin | ITX | 14 | 25 | 1:48.745 | Mazda NB Miata | Piedmont CA | SFR | 649280 |  |
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| 19 | 1 | 161 | Charles Dehoney | E30 | 13 | 25 | 1:57.699 | BMW 325i | Dixon CA | SFR | 673795 | McGee MotorsF |
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## Group 6 (SRF3, SRF)


\#13 Tao Takaoka and \#67 Sean O'Boyle kicking up some dirt out of turn 3. Photo by Chris Poncin

\#82 James Chartres had \#6 Craig Reeder looking for a way around. James started last on Sunday and moved all the way to seventh by the end of the race. photo by Dominic Cariaso

The Spec Racer Fords were first up after lunch. Greg Hoff, having recently installed a Sadev transmission on his SFR3, took advantage of the lower gearing and the quicker shifting to take the pole. Bill Booth, already a veteran with the Sadev took the second starting position.
Hoff got a great start and uncharacteristically for SFR, opened a pretty sizable lead. Booth and Robert Sachs stayed glued together and began what turned out to be 20 minutes of very intense racing.
What the lap charts do not show was two fantastic passes that both drivers pulled off.

The initial part of the race Booth had the advantage over Sachs. But you could tell that Sachs was sizing Booth up by pulling alongside of him on the entrance to Turn 5. On two occasions, Sachs got his car about one-third of the way alongside of Booth into the braking point of Turn 5. On the third occasion, Sachs broke just a little later and got even, as both drivers arrived at the turn-in point. Booth knew Sachs was there, so he had to take a tighter line through the tricky corner. Sachs hoping that booth would give him room stayed along the outside of Booth through the turn. Both drivers were within inches of each other as they made their way through the turn at about 70 mph .

Neither driver touched, but Sachs had just a slightly better exit speed and was able to take the preferred line into the next turn.
Unfortunately for Sachs, Booth took notes and on the next circuit Booth pulled off the same pass.

Booth was able to keep Sachs at bay until the very last lap, when Sachs got a great exit off of Turn 11 and nipped Booth at the Start/Finish.
Michael Woolley had a solid race and had Lee Douglas as company most of the race. Woolley was able to pull out about a two second advantage at the end of the race and took home a well earned fourth place. Douglas was Hard Charger.
A new face to the Spec Racer Ford scene was Tao Takaoka. He was making his SRF debut and came home with a very respectable eighth place. His lap times are already making the other SFR3 drivers take notice.
The SRF race was not much of a race. Erich Woolley finished 15th overall and several car lengths ahead of the second place SRF of Dylan Arthaud. It probably will not be long until Erich converts his car over to SFR3 specs.

\#55 Tom Fisher has \#33 Erich Woolley breathing down his tailpipe. photo by Sierra Lacey

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| 1 | 1 | 14 | Greg Hoff | SRF3 | 11 | 25 | 1:39.494 | SCCA Enterprises SRF3 | Oakland CA | SFR | 437964 | John Cerini/ Corr |
| 2 | 2 | 35 | Robert Sachs | SRF3 | 11 | 21 | 1:39.767 | 2018 SCCA Enterprises | Napa CA | SFR | 378223 | Robert R. Sachs F |
| 3 | 3 | 57 | Bill Booth | SRF3 | 11 | 18 | 1:39.892 | SCCA Enterprises SRF3 | Cupertino CA | SFR | 336219 | Bulldog Motorspo |
| 4 | 4 | 8 | Michael Woolley | SRF3 | 11 | 17 | 1:40.139 | SCCA Enterprises Spec | Newcastle CA | SFR | 497355 | Woolley Brothers |
| 5 | 5 | 2 | Lee Douglas | SRF3 | 11 | 0 | 1:39.260 | SRF Gen3 | Portland OR | Ore | 370148 | LADCO Pipe \& Pil |
| 6 | 6 | 64 | Haydn Fischer | SRF3 | 11 | 15 | 1:40.119 | SCCA Enterprises SRF3 | Mill Valley CA | SFR | 671493 | Cerini Motorsport |
| 7 | 7 | 82 | James Chartres | SRF3 | 11 | 14 | 1:41.307 | SCCA Enterprises Spec | Goleta CA | SFR | 464441 |  |
| 8 | 8 | 13 | Tao Takaoka | SRF3 | 11 | 13 | 1:41.135 | SCCA Enterprises | Richmond CA | SFR | 437817 |  |
| 9 | 9 | 67 | Sean O'Boyle | SRF3 | 11 | 12 | 1:41.018 | SCCA Enterprises Spec | San Francisco CA | SFR | 276755 |  |
| 0 | 10 | 83 | Paul Luca | SRF3 | 11 | 11 | 1:42.115 | SCCA Enterprises Spec | Sonoma CA | SFR | 193814 |  |
| 1 | 11 | 71 | Jerry Aplass | SRF3 | 11 | 10 | 1:41.217 | SRF | Newcastle CA | SFR | 404463 | Burrell Consulting |
| 2 | 12 | 6 | Craig Reeder | SRF3 | 11 | 0 | 1:42.430 | SCCA Enterprises Gen : | Scottsdale AZ | AZ | 190819 |  |
| 3 | 13 | 76 | Eric Hand | SRF3 | 11 | 8 | 1:42.761 | Ford Spec Racer Ford | San Jose CA | SFR | 545935 |  |
| 4 | 14 | 18 | John Sollner | SRF3 | 11 | 7 | 1:42.588 | SCCA Enterprises spec | Sonoma CA | SFR | 648504 | Sollner and Sons |
| 5 | 1 | 33 | Erich Woolley | SRF | 11 | 6 | 1:45.508 | SCCA Enterprises Spec | Newcastle CA | SFR | 547685 | Woolley Brothers |
| 6 | 2 | 80 | Dylan Arthaud | SRF | 11 | 5 | 1:45.641 | SCCA Enterprises Spec | Pacific Grove CA | SFR | 667627 |  |
| 7 | 15 | 05 | Todd Johnson | SRF3 | 11 | 0 | 1:43.721 | SCCA Enterprises Gen2 | Los Angeles CA | WDC | 670315 |  |
| 8 | 16 | 86 | Jesse Babbitz | SRF3 | 11 | 3 | 1:45.739 | SRF3 Spec Racer Gen 3 | Sacramento CA | SFR | 488354 | John Cerinillator |
| 9 | 17 | 37 | Dean Crowe | SRF3 | 11 | 2 | 1:44.857 | SCCA Enterprises SRF ( | Los Gatos CA | SFR | 639565 | Accelracetek |
| 0 | 3 | 5 | Bruce Richardson | SRF | 11 | 1 | 1:45.435 | SCCA Enterprises Gen2 | Los Gatos CA | SFR | 340127 |  |
| 1 | 18 | 55 | Tom Fischer | SRF3 | 11 | 0 | 1:45.652 | SCCA Enterprises SRF3 | Mill Valley CA | SFR | 671494 |  |
| 2 | 4 | 03 | Bert Aramburu | SRF | 11 | 0 | 1:47.887 | Ford SRF Gen 2 | Santa Cruz CA | SFR | 512289 | AccelRaceTek |
| 3 | 19 | 39 | Kevin OConnor | SRF3 | 10 | 0 | 1:46.167 | Ford SRF Gen3 | San Francisco CA | SFR | 526779 | Cerini Motorsport |
| 4 | 20 | 50 | Steven Angus | SRF3 | 10 | 0 | 1:47.612 | SCCA Enterprises Speck | San Jose CA | SFR | 647459 |  |
| 5 | 5 | 42 | Ed Coyne | SRF | 10 | 0 | 1:48.946 | SCCA Enterprises SRF ( | San Bruno CA | SFR | 618101 |  |
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| i | NS | 84 | James Schubert | SRF3 |  | 0 |  | SRF3 |  |  |  |  |
| i | NS | 41 | Ken Woolley | SRF3 |  | 0 |  | SCCA SRF Spec Racer F | Newcastle CA | SFR | 150687 | Woolley Brothers |
| i | NS | 3 | Jim Ricketts | SRF3 |  | 0 |  | SCCA Enterprises SRF3 | Battleground WA | SFR | 646662 |  |


\#33 Erich Woolley won saturdays SRF race but was elminated on the first lap on Sunday. photo by Dominic Cariaso

Greg Hoff was looking to make it a two-race sweep for the weekend. Qualifying on the pole by 0.5 seconds over Bill Booth, the prospect the sweep looked good. Bill Booth, on the other hand, was getting tired of seeing the rear end of Hoff's white Spec Racer Ford and he wanted to do something about it. When the green flag flew like always, it was a drag race down into Turn Two. Hoff had the inside preferred line and held it nicely. Booth was stuck on the outside; but instead of trying to slot in behind Hoff, he stayed even with him as they exited the turn. Lucky for Booth, this set him up for the preferred line into the next turn. The race to the Turn Three apex saw Booth and Hoff side by side, with Booth holding about a half car lengths lead when it came time to turn in. Knowing that Hoff was still alongside of him, Booth kept his line nice and tight ;but unfortunately for Hoff, the grip on the outside of the very flat Turn Three just was not there. Hoff spun around and Booth took the lead. Robert Sachs seized the opportunity and took over second.

Hoff's woes did not end, as the rest of the 25 car field was headed his way. Much to his dismay and the dismay of Erich Woolley, the two collided, ending the day for both drivers. So with less than a lap completed, the two winners from Saturday were both out of the race.

Three laps under a full course caution ensued, and once the racing resumed, we had a sequel to the Saturday battle for second place, only this time they were gunning for the win.
Booth kept the lead for the first seven laps; but just like the previous day he was vulnerable under braking at Turn Five. Sachs, who has never won a Spec Racer Ford, race saw this as his opportunity to get off the snide. On the seventh lap of the race, Booth guarded the inside line to Turn Five and Sachs took a position to the outside. The outside allowed Sachs to brake a little later then Booth, which also allowed
him to carry more momentum through the corner. As they turned in they were side by side. As they exited they continued side by side, but Sachs was pulling slightly ahead. The next obstacle was the left hand Turn Six, which is nearly impossible to take side by side. Sachs had the better run and was able to pull slightly ahead and control the pace going up the steep hill toward the corkscrew.
With Sachs now in the lead, it was up to Booth to mount a counter attack. Booth seemed to have superior speed going into Turn Two, but Sachs had the advantage through Turn Four. Booth tried over the six laps to get around Sachs, but he also had to deal with Michael Woolley. Woolley managed to pass Booth; but Booth got the position back after one lap. Tried as he may, Booth had to be happy with finishing 0.5 second behind Sachs. Woolley finished an impressive third.

All around racer Tao Takaoka moved up four positions in the highly competitive class to take fifth. Great run on his part.
James Chartres had an even better run. Having missed out on qualifying due to a broken half shaft, he started at the rear of the field. By the time the first lap was over he found himself in 13th position.
Once the caution period ended, Chartres moved up six more spots to finish seventh. Pretty impressive!
SFR was a chance for someone other than Erich Woolley to win, since he went out on the first lap. Dylan Arthaud took advantage of the situation and won the class. He did have a very close race with Bruce Richardson, until Richardson spun on Lap Nine. Luckily for him, he was able to continue and still finished second in SRF.

The race produced two first time winners, Robert Sachs in SRF3 and Dylan Arthaud in SRF.

\#35 Robert Sachs, \#57 Bill Booth, and \#8 Michael Woolley. Stayed this close the entire race. photo Chris Poncin

\#35 Robert Sachs on his way to his first SRF3 win. photo by Randy Jones.

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| 2 | 2 | 57 | Bill Booth | SRF3 | 13 | 21 | 1:40.073 | SCCA Enterprises SRF3 | Cupertino CA | SFR | 336219 | Bulldog Motors |
| 3 | 3 | 8 | Michael Woolley | SRF3 | 13 | 18 | 1:39.974 | SCCA Enterprises Spec | Newcastle CA | SFR | 497355 | Woolley Brothe |
| 4 | 4 | 2 | Lee Douglas | SRF3 | 13 | 0 | 1:39.679 | SRF Gen3 | Portland OR | Ore | 370148 |  |
| 5 | 5 | 13 | Tao Takaoka | SRF3 | 13 | 16 | 1:41.613 | SCCA Enterprises | Richmond CA | SFR | 437817 |  |
| 6 | 6 | 67 | Sean O'Boyle | SRF3 | 13 | 15 | 1:41.919 | SCCA Enterprises Spec | San Francisco CA | SFR | 276755 |  |
| 7 | 7 | 82 | James Chartres | SRF3 | 13 | 14 | 1:41.748 | SCCA Enterprises Spec | Goleta CA | SFR | 464441 | 111010 0101511 |
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| 9 | 9 | 64 | Haydn Fischer | SRF3 | 13 | 12 | 1:41.561 | SCCA Enterprises SRF3 | Mill Valley CA | SFR | 671493 | Cerini Motorspi |
| 10 | 10 | 6 | Craig Reeder | SRF3 | 13 | 0 | 1:42.414 | SCCA Enterprises Gen : | Scottsdale AZ | AZ | 190819 |  |
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| 13 | 13 | 05 | Todd Johnson | SRF3 | 13 | 0 | 1:42.311 | SCCA Enterprises Gen2 | Los Angeles CA | WDC | 670315 |  |
| 14 | 14 | 18 | John Sollner | SRF3 | 13 | 7 | 1:42.061 | SCCA Enterprises spec | Sonoma CA | SFR | 648504 | Sollner and Sol |
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| 19 | 17 | 50 | Steven Angus | SRF3 | 13 | 4 | 1:46.697 | SCCA Enterprises SpecF | San Jose CA | SFR | 647459 |  |
| 20 | 18 | 55 | Tom Fischer | SRF3 | 13 | 3 | 1:47.229 | SCCA Enterprises SRF3 | Mill Valley CA | SFR | 671494 |  |
| 21 | 19 | 3 | Jim Ricketts | SRF3 | 13 | 2 | 1:46.796 | SCCA Enterprises SRF3 | Battleground WA | SFR | 646662 |  |
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| 23 | 4 | 42 | Ed Coyne | SRF | 13 | 17 | 1:47.969 | SCCA Enterprises SRF ( | San Bruno CA | SFR | 618101 |  |
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Group 7 (Sm, SMt, ssm)

\#22 Gregory Smoot and \#89 Kevin Carter lead a large group of Miatas out of the corkscrew. photo by Dominic Cariaso

Tommy McCarthy, in his SM, took the pole in the Miata race by 0.5 seconds over Tim Weaver's SM. Lined up on the second row in the third spot was Jared Higham in his SMT. Weaver and McCarthy are SCCA veterans, Higham on the other hand cut his teeth running in NASA. Of the 29 events he has entered, 22 of them have been NASA events. Wa Huong grabbed the fourth position in his SMT. With the cars going by on the pace lap, I was curious to see if the two leading SM cars could keep the SMT cars of Higham and Huong at bay.

McCarthy got a great start and lead into the hairpin at Turn 2. Higham jumped Weaver for second with Huong holding down fourth. After two laps, Weaver did not like the view and passed Higham. Weaver then set his sights on McCarthy. For the next five laps Weaver stalked McCarthy and studied where he was going to make his move. On the eighth lap of the race, the study session was over and Weaver got around McCarthy into Turn 2. From there, Weaver was able to hold onto the lead.

But the book was not closed on McCarthy. He had a new threat to worry about as Higham must have taken a page out of Weaver's book,
and he too made it past McCarthy, for second place overall. In the meantime, Huong was an interested observer but was not able to take part in the position swapping, settling for fourth overall, behind McCarthy, who turned the fastest race lap.

Greg Hoff, who had already won the SRF race, had a nice run, finishing fifth. Rob Fuller and Joe Kou had twenty minutes of close contact to finish seventh and eighth overall.
SSM had Matthew Wyatt making a shambles of the competition. He finished 11 spots ahead of second place Steve Whitaker.

After the Race I met Max Fletcher. Fletcher finished 38th overall; but more importantly, he finished and was able to get his Novice Permit signed off. Welcome to the club, Max!

In this group, one Miata, No.56, was shared by teen-age twins, Catherine and Christian Mali. She raced Saturday and he raced Sunday. The twins went through SFR's School in February and this was their first race. And something not many other drivers could say - the twins went to their high school Prom Friday night.

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| 2 | 1 | 35 | Jared Higham | SMT | 10 | 25 | 1:47.114 | Mazda Miata | Danville CA | SFR | 494437 |  |
| 3 | 2 | 23 | Tommy McCarthy | SM | 10 | 21 | 1:46.700 | Mazda Miata | Mountain View CA | SFR | 10581_3 |  |
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| 5 | 3 | 7 | Greg Hoff | SMT | 10 | 18 | 1:47.737 | Mazda Miata | Oakland CA | SFR | 437964 | Larry Oka Raci |
| 6 | 4 | 2 | Andres Prieto | SMT | 10 | 17 | 1:48.028 | Mazda Miata | Burlingame CA | SFR | 549961 |  |
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| 9 | 7 | 51 | Eric Fulkerson | SMT | 10 | 14 | 1:48.190 | Mazda Miata | Walnut Creek CA | SFR | 528732 | Wuir Oithopedi |
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| 11 | 9 | 77 | Derek Stewart | SMT | 10 | 12 | 1:48.374 | Mazda Miata | Colfax CA | SFR | 496733 | Brake late racir |
| 12 | 10 | 154 | David Covin | SMT | 10 | 11 | 1:48.498 | Mazda Miata |  | SFR | 649280 |  |
| 13 | 11 | 199 | Juan Graziosi | SMT | 10 | 10 | 1:48.553 | Mazda Miata | San Jose CA | SFR | 520832 |  |
| 14 | 12 | 89 | kevin Carter | SMT | 10 | 9 | 1:48.851 | Mazda Miata | Elk Grove CA | SFR | 437616 | Imports Unlimi |
| 15 | 13 | 04 | Mike LaBouff | SMT | 10 | 8 | 1:49.193 | Mazda Miata | Los Gatos CA | SFR | 428323 | RA Motorsports |
| 16 | 14 | 36 | Joseph Carl | SMT | 10 | 7 | 1:48.526 | Mazda Miata | Santa Cruz CA | SFR | 402223 | Rusty's Repair |
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| 20 | 18 | 168 | Peter Phung | SMT | 10 | 3 | 1:50.166 | Mazda Miata | Daly City CA | SFR | 545337 | PHUNG Incorpo |
| 21 | 19 | 99 | Frank Zucchi | SMT | 10 | 2 | 1:50.128 | Mazda Miata | Oakdale CA | SFR | 335337 | FZ Vapor Honir |
| 22 | 20 | 144 | Phillip Holifield | SMT | 10 | 1 | 1:50.539 | Mazda Miata | Manteca CA | SFR | 376090 |  |
| 23 | 21 | 26 | Scott Story | SMT | 10 | 0 | 1:49.806 | Mazda Miata | El Dorado Hills CA | SFR | 624903 | Story Design a |
| 24 | 22 | 27 | Jared Korth | SMT | 10 | 0 | 1:49.373 | Mazda Miata | Clovis CA | SFR | 675789 |  |
| 25 | 23 | 85 | Scott Carter | SMT | 10 | 0 | 1:50.572 | Mazda Miata | Suisun City CA | SFR | 177333 | Imports Unlimi |
| 26 | 1 | 155 | Matthew Wyatt | SSM | 10 | 25 | 1:50.157 | Mazda Miata | San Francisco CA | SFR | 647230 | Yanachencomb |
| 27 | 24 | 142 | John Paul Jose | SMT | 10 | 0 | 1:51.061 | Mazda Miata | Soquel CA | SFR | 644692 | Lesher MotorsF |
| 28 | 25 | 121 | Chris Lee | SMT | 10 | 0 | 1:50.188 | Mazda miata | Pleasanton CA | SFR | 533831 |  |
| 29 | 26 | 11 | Tim Wright | SMT | 10 | 0 | 1:48.762 | Mazda Miata | Piedmont CA | SFR | 278776 | Larry Oka Raci |
| 30 | 27 | 5 | Brian Cross | SMT | 10 | 0 | 1:50.057 | Mazda Miata | San Francisco CA | SFR | 438200 |  |
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| 32 | 29 | 32 | Fabrice Gallez | SMT | 10 | 0 | 1:51.932 | Mazda Spec Miata | Campbell CA | SFR | 624531 |  |
| 33 | 30 | 20 | Kirk Williams | SMT | 10 | 0 | 1:52.416 | Mazda Miata | Palo Alto CA | SFR | 673105 |  |
| 34 | 2 | 33 | Douglas Alvis | SSM | 10 | 21 | 1:51.822 | Mazda Miata | Roseville CA | SFR | 194182 | Cut 20 Creativ, |
| 35 | 31 | 02 | Suzanne Cobos | SMT | 10 | 0 | 1:52.838 | Mazda Miata NB (spec) | REDWOOD CITY CA | SFR | 616979 | Slant I MotorsF |
| 36 | 32 | 114 | David Humphreys | SMT | 10 | 0 | 1:53.279 | Mazda Miatta | Buellton CA | CSCC | 647252 | A Racing + Hu |
| 37 | 3 | 16 | Steve Whitaker | SSM | 10 | 18 | 1:53.813 | Mazda Miata | Loomis CA | SFR | 500463 | Larry Oka Raci |
| 38 | 33 | 17 | Max Fletcher | SMT | 10 | 0 | 1:54.480 | Mazda Miata | Los Gatos CA | SFR | 667778 |  |


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| 40 | 35 | 3 | Ronald Bond | SMT | 10 | 0 | 1:55.656 | Mazda Miata | San Francisco CA | SFR | 387295 |  |
| 41 | 36 | 44 | Joshua Schachter | SMT | 10 | 0 | 1:55.397 | Mazda Miata | Los Altos CA | SFR | 480106 | Lesher Motorsf |
| 42 | 37 | 42 | Daniel Deluna | SMT | 10 | 0 | 1:55.141 | Mazda Miata | San Mateo CA | SFR | 511594 |  |
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| 44 | 4 | 76 | Nuno Goncalves Pedro | SSM | 10 | 17 | 1:55.131 | Mazda Spec Miata | Half Moon Bay CA | SFR | 478234 | Larry Oka Raci |
| 45 | 38 | 185 | Justin Casey | SMT | 8 | 0 | 1:47.730 | Mazda Miata | Santa Clara CA | SFR | 526839 | X Factor lacing |
| 46 | 4 | 56 | Christian Mali | SM | 8 | 17 | 2:10.771 | Mazda Miata | Morgan Hill CA | SFR | 457302 | Bojali Consultir |
| 47 | 39 | 68 | Tom Brown | SMT | 8 | 0 | 2:15.653 | Mazda Miata | San Jose CA | SFR | 674040 | All Reasons mc |
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| DNS | JNS | 64 | Taylor Vance | SMT |  | 0 |  | Mazda Miata | Shingle Springs CA | SFR | 400227 |  |


\#20 Kirk Williams kicks up some dirt out of turn 11. photo by Sierra Lacey

Tommy McCarthy was hoping for a reversal of fortunes in the Sunday version of Group 7. Saturday he qualified on the pole and Tim Weaver qualified second and Tim Weaver won the race. Sunday McCarthy qualified second and was hoping to won the race. Saturday's SMT race winner Jared Higham qualified third overall and first in SMT. Higham had Justin Casey Eric Fulkerson and Wa Huong breathing down his neck.
With a field of 48 cars half of the pack was still worried about getting through Turn 11 when the green flag flew. McCarthy sprinted towards Turn 2 and was able to carry a higher exit speed over Weaver, therefore taking the top spot. Justin Casey made a fantastic start getting around Higham for third overall and more importantly first in SMT.

The front of the field held station for two laps; but Casey liked the way second looked and got around Weaver. This view only lasted two laps, as Weaver was now on a charge. He re-passed Casey for second place. By now McCarthy had several car lengths lead. Weaver had to really put his head down and click off some really fast laps. By Lap Ten

Weaver was within spitting distance. When the two came upon lapped traffic, McCarthy got held up. Weaver was able to get a better jump out of Turn 11 and passed McCarthy before the two reached Turn 2. With only three laps left in the race McCarthy was unable to mount a counterattack. Weaver came in first followed by McCarthy in second. The three raced clean and well, and afterwards congratulating each other on a fun race.

The SMT race started out as a five-car train fighting for the lead. But as the race settled in, Casey stretched out his lead over Wa Huong. You could hardly blame Huong for losing contact with Casey, as he had a very eventful race keeping Eric Fulkerson, Jared Higham, and Michael LaBouff at bay.

The SSM race was all about Mathew Wyatt and Douglas Alvis. During most of the race Wyatt had four cars between him and Alvis, and it looked like another victory for Wyatt. But on the last lap he spun and Alvis slipped by. Wyatt recovered, but had to settle for second place in SSM.

\#168 Peter Phung tested the gravel trap at turn 11. photo by Sierra Lacey

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| 3 | 1 | 185 | Justin Casey | SMT | 14 | 25 | 1:46.918 | Mazda Miata | Santa Clara CA | SFR | 526839 | X-Factocracing |
| 4 | 2 | 169 | Wa Huong | SMT | 14 | 21 | 1:47.467 | Mazda Miata | Union city ca | SFR | 528626 | MFA |
| 5 | 3 | 51 | Eric Fulkerson | SMT | 14 | 18 | 1:47.269 | Mazda Miata | Walnut Creek CA | SFR | 528732 | Muir Orthopedi |
| 6 | 4 | 35 | Jared Higham | SMT | 14 | 17 | 1:47.259 | Mazda Miata | Danville CA | SFR | 494437 |  |
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| 22 | 20 | 99 | Frank Zucchi | SMT | 14 | 1 | 1:49.113 | Mazda Miata | Oakdale CA | SFR | 335337 | FZ Vapor Honir |
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| 25 | 23 | 85 | Scott Carter | SMT | 14 | 0 | 1:49.982 | Mazda Miata | Suisun City CA | SFR | 177333 | Imports Unlimi |
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| 31 | 29 | 10 | Joseph Ysais | SMT | 14 | 0 | 1:50.961 | Mazda Miata | Sparks NV | SFR | 379602 | BEST PLUMBIN |
| 32 | 30 | 121 | Chris Lee | SMT | 14 | 0 | 1:50.526 | Mazda miata | Pleasanton CA | SFR | 533831 |  |
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| 36 | 33 | 15 | Eddie Dupee | SMT | 14 | 0 | 1:53.241 | Mazda Miata | SANTA CLARA CA | SFR | 648509 |  |
| 37 | 2 | 155 | Matthew Wyatt | SSM | 13 | 21 | 1:49.823 | Mazda Miata | San Francisco CA | SFR | 647230 | Yong Chencomb |
| 38 | 34 | 17 | Max Fletcher | SMT | 13 | 0 | 1:54.362 | Mazda Miata | Los Gatos CA | SFR | 667778 |  |


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## Bruce Semler's Final Lap



# Sacramento Autocross Round 3 <br> Photos by Paul Tibbals <br> By Davey Drouin 



Thunderhill is basically the motorsport playground of Northern California. The three- mile course was running a NASA event, the twomile course was overrun by Superbikes; but by far the most heated competition was on the autocross pad. The Sacramento region was hosting its third round of a fourteen round season - basically points are being tallied and old rivalries are being inflamed. All joking aside, a good time was had by all and the rest of the season should be very interesting. The PAX winner for the day was Rory Marin in his AS Corvette with a run of 52.632 . The top time of day went to Doug Hargrove in his R and D (Ruth and Doug) Special with a run of 50.529 .

Super Street had six drivers all driving the high-end kinds of cars that are printed on posters hung up in auto shops all across America. Third place went to Jeff Eikenberry in a Stingray Corvette with a run of 54.308. Second place went to Bob Weisickle in a white Corvette with a run of 53.125. The winner for the day was Lanny Bowden in a Corvette with a time of 52.951 .

A Street was populated by two Corvettes and a Viper. Robert Ghiselli was able to get his RT/10 Viper to lay down a 56.097 . Vernon Head in a Z06 Corvette finished with a 54.193. Rory Marin rounded the course with a 52.632 for the win. This run also, as stated above, gave him the PAX win for the day.
C Street definitely had an interesting mix of cars. With only four drivers, the class consisted of a BMW Z4, Miata, Subaru BRZ and a Corvette. Edward Pelker was able to beat the field in his BMW Z4 with a run of 58.521. Second place went to Mike Beech in his Miata with a 59.258. Joseph Bottarini in a BRZ took third place with a 63.630.

D Street had Taylor Felts chasing Bill Tubbs for the win. Run by run, Bill was able to stay ahead of Taylor and his WRX. Taylor's best run was a 62.337. Bill's Mini was able to break the lights with a 61.854 for the win.

F Street, better known as the pony car class, had a BMW M3 slip into their ranks. Third place went to Josh Collins in a Dodge Charger with a run of 66.680 . Second place went to Rafa Soto in his M3 with a 58.937 . The champion for the day was Andrew Barrious in his cyclone metallic gray GTO with a 58.735 .
Street Touring U was full of German and Japanese made cars: Bimmers, Nissans and one lone VW. Third place went to Mike Agraan in an Interlagos blue BMW M3 with a 56.362 . Second went to Bill Richter in a white BMW M3. First place went to Kris Bruington in a VW Golf R with a

as close as you can get.

Classic American T class, otherwise known as the oldie ponies, which just by chance was won by a truck. Third place went to Kyle Corbett with 58.266 in a Mustang. Second went to Randy Gronosky with a run of 57.449. The winner of the day was Robert Tyler in a Chevy C10 pick up truck. He broke the lights with a 57.105.

Classic American S was an all-Corvette affair, two red and one yellow. Mike Ansell took third for the day with a 54.957. Sean Breese ran a 54.127 which was good for second. Ken Yeo, the man that can find time in every corner of the course, ran a 52.217 for the win.

Street Mod had Dan Gallmeister and Michael Ansell racing under the Datsun banner. Between the two, Michael's best run was a 57.086, but Dan was able to nail a 55.271 .

A-Mod had the father son duo of Dave and Phillip Green. What might the color of the car be might you ask? It's green of course. Dave ran a 56.739 , but
Phillip was able to crack off a 54.871 run for the win.
E-Mod had Neil Hodgson in a VW buggy with a run of 54.529. Gary Ratliff won the class with a VW as well, with a 51.759

The following ran unopposed and won their classes: Trish Berlant (SSML,) Korynne Smith (XPL,) Ingrid Ansell (CAMSL,) Michael Huber (SSP,) Tina Mckay (STUL,) Penny Hubbard (BSL,) Nathaniel Berlant (SSM.) Josh Garcia (DP,) Carl Graf (XP.) Narayan Hammari (STH,) Troy Dowell (STR,) Curtis Yamanaka (STS,) Zachary Fleckner (HS,) Chris Estrada (GS,) Doug Hubbard (BS) and Demetrius Javier (XSA.)

It's always a good time and I hope to see you at the next event.


Penny Hubbard

## Fresno Chapter Event 4 \& 5



Cars on grid getting ready for their run

Ojeda, Keith Bullock, Dan Correll and Leon Weinroth rounded out the top ten

In A Stock, Chris Rodriguez had two early DNFs, but was able to pull off a blazing final run to take the win over Matt Britter in his Porsche Cayman S. Keith Bullock and Jay Srivatsan came in third and fourth respectively. Gary Fazekas led F Stock over Quinn Ringgold, Corky Schroeder and Richard Jensen. Kyle Matsumura took the win in G Stock over Al Andersen. Christopher Sochan led Christopher Godwin in HS. Kevin Slater (BS,) Richard Cadiente (CS,) Brad Dawson (DS) and Steve Carlson (ES) all ran uncontested

In Street Touring competition, Josh Pinckney took the win over co-driver Madison Pinckney in STS. Alex Neufeld was the faster BMW driver in STU - his M235i led Dan Plinski in his M240i. Able Ojeda in his 2004 Mazda RX8 was able to hold on to the win in STX over Dan Correll and David Ruby. Gary Emenhiser ran STR uncontested.

In BSP, Erick Castro took the win over Hesam Bobab.

In Street Mod action, Phil Castro powered his 2015 Mitsubishi Lancer Evo X to victory over Rufus Connell, Michael Bringetto, Ahla Yang and Jerry Kell. Yang Moua in his 1989 Honda Civic took the win over Mas Vang, Kutter Morrison and Leng Vang in SMF.

Bill Martin (BM) and Jorge Diaz (EVX) both ran uncontested.

Michael Gardner led CAMC in his 2016 Mustang GT 350 over Leon Weinroth. Gary McDaniel in his 2001 Chevy Corvette Z06 took the win over Roger Oaks in CAMS. James West led the group in CAMT over Greg Gesterling, Devin Lay and Greg Austin.

Sandra Hermans took the win in the Ladies

Taking bragging rights for the fastest time of the day went to Bill Martin and his AMOD 1978 Lola Ford T580 with a 37.775. Second was Paul Newton in his 2005 Lotus Elise with a 39.511 , third was Michael Gardner in his 2016 Ford Mustang GT 350 with a 39.714 , followed by Chris Rodriguez in his 2004 Corvette and Matt Britter in his 2015 Porsche Cayman S. Jorge Diaz, Gary Emenhiser, Phil Castro, Keith Bullock and Yang Moua rounded out the top ten.

Paul Newton in his 2005 Lotus Elise took the win in PAX followed by Kyle Matsumura in his 2018 Honda Civic Si and Michael Gardner in his Ford Mustang GT 350. Chris Rodriguez, Matt Britter, Al Andersen, Abel


Tripod mode for Mas Vang in his 1994 Nissan Sentra SER


Class over Rebecca West, Pamela Schroeder, Julie Gesterling and Kelsey Stoltenberg.

Bryon Calderon in his 2018 Audi RS5 led the Novice Class of fourteen drivers. Dexter Jones, James Franks, Trevor Fechner, Collins James, Bert Schneider, Steve Berry, Harjan Thind, Roderidt Rodriguez, Brandon Xiong, Alexander Wood, Sergio Llic, Paul Kayasone and Kelvin Cha rounded out the rest of the field.

Paul Newton took the win over co-driver Audrey Tan in Index.

In Street Touring competition, Gary Emenhiser led STR in his 2022 Subaru BRZ over Kevin Pena and Harjan Thind. Josh Pinckney took the win again in STS over co-driver Madison Pinckney. Abel Ojeda led STX over Dan Correll and David Ruby. Alex Neufeld ran STU uncontested.

Bill Martin (BM), Erick Castro (BSP), Jorge Diaz (EVX), and Jose Lopez (XSB) all ran uncontested.

In a competitive Street Mod Class, first through third were separated by less than three-tenths of a second. Jerry Kell in his Subaru WRX Wagon took the win on an amazing run followed by Phil Castro, Rufus Connell, Michael Bringetto and Ahla Yang. In SMF, Yang Moua took the win over Mas Vang.

In CAMC action, Michael Gardner once again took the win over Leon Weinroth. Gary McDaniel had the quicker Corvette in CAMS over Roger Oaks. James West led Greg Gesterling in CAMT.
In the Ladies Class competition, Sandra Hermans took the win over Rebecca West, Julie The following day on Sunday April 24th was another beautiful day for Event 5. The course was run backward for the 67 drivers. Once again, the TTOD went to Bill Martin in his AMOD 1978 Lola Ford T580. Michael Gardner's Mustang GT 350 edged out Paul Newton's Lotus Elise for second, followed by Keith Bullock, Matt Britter, Chris Rodriguez, David Jackson, Yang Moua, Abel Ojeda and Leon Weinroth.

Michael Gardner took TTOD in PAX followed by Paul Newton, Kyle Matsumura, Keith Bullock, Matt Britter, Chris Rodriguez, Abel Ojeda, David Jackson, Leon Weinroth and James West.

In Street action, Keith Bullock in his 2002 Corvette edged out Matt Britter in his Porsche Cayman S for the win. Chris Rodriguez, David Jackson and Jay Srivatsan rounded out the field in A Stock. Dave Warner led Kevin Slater in BS Brad Dawson had the faster WRX in D Stock and took the win over Christopher Colwell. Gary Fazekas was faster than Quinn Ringgold in F Stock. Kyle Matsumura led G Stock over Al Andersen. Christopher Sochan again took the win again in H Stock over Frachiseur Shelton and Christopher Godwin. Steve Carlson in ES ran uncontested.


Gary Fazekas taking the win in FS in his 2019 Mustang

## SFR Solo II

## Round 3, March 5, Crows Landing

Co chairs: Praneil Prasad and Connie Lu • Design: Eric Martin • Drivers: 106


Steve Hobaugh CAM-T 321973 Chevrolet Camaro
Round 3 of the SF Region's Solo Il championship was held on March 5, 2022, at Crows Landing. The event was co-chaired by Praneil Prasad and Connie Lu, with the course designed by Eric Martin. One-hundred and six drivers competed in the event.
Chris Rodriguez took the top spot in AS in a 2004 Chevrolet Corvette. He was followed by Keith Bullock in a '02 Corvette, with Pushkar Shirali coming in third in a '15 Porsche Boxster GTS. Darren Shortes and AI Anderson rounded out the rest of AS.

Alex Muresan, in a '19 Honda Civic Type R, took first place in DS. John Rowe, also in a '19 Civic Type R, came in second, while Tiberiu Muresan finished third, also in a '19 Civic Type R. The rest of DS included Lloyd Feaver, Ed Runnion, Alex Ottoboni, Jose Fait and Hunter Scott.
Solo Spec Coupe was led by Glenn Austin in a ' 14 Subaru BRZ. He was followed by Lawrence Dantno in a '13 BRZ, with Dhiraj Jadhav rounding out third in a BRZ. Bill Charron, Dave Dunwoodie and Eric Martin rounded out the rest of SSC.

Praneil Prasad led the STR class in a '97 BMW M3. Arvind Govindaraj, in a '20 Mazda MX5, came in second, while Glen Anderson took third in a' 22 Subaru BRZ. The rest of STR included Skyler Burton, Khoa Cao, Mark Lewis, Eric Lam, Brant Ballantyne, Ed Burghardt, Matt Francavilla, Megan Anderson and Steve Endo. Connie Lu ran uncontested in STR-L in a '97 BMW M3.

Brothers Justin and Mack Tsang took first and second respectively in STU in a '06 Subaru STI. Steve McLaughlin rounded out third in a '07 Nissan 350Z. The rest of STU included Kris Bruington, Ghaith Abu Suleiman and Paul Tibbals.


Erik Acks CAM-C 42017 Ford Mustang

Matt Falcone ran uncontested in STX in a '05 BMW 330.
Classic American Muscle was led by Michael Gardner in a '16 Mustang GT350 (-C.) He was followed by Bryan Stewart in a '04 Corvette Z06 (-S), with Erik Acks in third in a '17 Mustang (-C.) Richard Lee, Hal Dorton, Rob Luis, Mick Maier, Curt Hill, Patrick Drudge, Greg Matthews, Akash Mohanan, Samuel Ruiz, David Whisnant, Randy Grohosky, Leon Weinroth, Matt Roberts, Greg Back, Jose Fait and Brian Scott rounded out the rest of CAM. Tay Thomas ran uncontested in CAM-L in a '03 Chevrolet.

Ben Martinez took first place in Modifieds in a ' 84 Van Diemen (CM.)
Douglas Hargrove finished second in a '83 F500 R\&D Special (FM,) while Samuel Dastrup took third in a '20 DF Goblin (DM.) The rest of Mods included Sy Danton and Dennis Losher.

The N-class was led by Andrew Mathers in a '22 Toyota GR86 (DS.) Frederick Ernest came in second in a '06 Mazda RX8 (CS, ) while Jihui Shentu took the last podium spot in a ' 20 BMW M340i (FS). Varun Tamilselvan and Siobhan Hill rounded out the rest of the class.

John Thomas bested co-driver Howard Wolf in the Prepared class in a ' 82 Toyota Starlet (DP.) Robert Marcy finished third in a ' 73 Datsun 1200 (DP.) The rest of the class included Richard Rossmassler and Dwayne Komush.


The S1 class was led by Monty Pack in a '18 Porsche GT3. Derek Hui, in a '17 Corvette Grand Sport, took second, while Donald Lew rounded out third in a '21 Porsche 718 Cayman GT4. Jason Trantham, Brian Jacobson, Attalha Hadad and Sumit Saini rounded out the rest of S1.

Gary Fazekas ran uncontested in S2 in a '19 Mustang.
Craig Boyle took first place in S3 in a '94 Miata. Eric Nielsen came in second in a '99 Miata.

Eileen Blando led the S4 class in a '20 Civic Sport (HS.) She was followed by Artem Rakhov in a '13 Focus ST (GS,) while Kyle Matsumura finished third in a ' 18 Civic Si (GS.) The rest of S 4 included Glenn Tozier, John Subosits and James Rowney.

Jeff and Nicole Wong took first and second, respectively, in SMP. They were co-driving a '19 Corvette (SSP.) Isaac Acks finished third in a '06 Lancer Evolution (SM.) Eric Gnesa, Carl Winkler and Lisa Gnesa rounded out the rest of SMP.

Cody Mountjoy led the ST2 class in a '18 Fiesta ST. He was followed by Efrain Alers-Zambrana in a '99 Impreza wagon, while Josh Pinckney rounded third in a '94 Miata.

Larry Sharp, in a ' 16 Focus RS, took first place in STM. Cheng Li took second in a '18 BRZ, while Jeremy Levy took the last podium spot in a '19 VW Golf GTI. Kristian Hoffman rounded out the rest of STM.

Scott Sandowski took first place over co-driver Alden Rush in the XS class. They were co-driving a '97 Civic.

## Round 4, March 6, Crows Landing

One-hundred twelve drivers descended at Crows Landing on March 6, 2022, for Round 4 of the SFR Solo II championship series. The event was co-chaired by Praneil Prasad and Connie Lu, and the course was designed by Eric Martin.

Steven Lau led the S1 class in a 2011 Porsche GT3 RS. He was closely followed by Karlton Lew in a '21 Porsche Cayman GT4. Tara Shapowal rounded out third in a '11 GT3 RS. The rest of S1 included Derek Hui, Brian Jacobson, Donald Lew and Alex Ottoboni.

The S2 class saw Steven Goldine take first place in a '20 Supra (BS.) Rich Bishop took second in a '17 BMW M240 (FS,) while Gary Fazekas finished third in a '19 Ford Mustang (FS.)

Maurice Velandia, in a ' 93 Toyota MR2 (CS,) led the S3 group. Craig Boyle took second in a '94 Mazda Miata (ES), with Mark Kallos taking the third podium spot in a '06 Mazda RX8 (ES).
John Subosits took first place in S 4 in a '08 Honda Fit (HS.) He was followed by Kevin Chauvin in a' 15 Ford Focus ST (GS,) while Conor Botkin took third in a '00 Acura Integra LS (HS.) Ian Moore rounded out the rest of S4.


Jeff and Nicole Wong took first and second, respectively, in SMP. They co-drove a '19 Corvette. Isaac Acks finished in third place in a '06 Lancer Evolution. The rest of SMP included Lisa Gnesa, Eric Gnesa, Jim Barnes and Manny Pretti.

Cody Mountjoy ran uncontested in ST2 in a '18 Ford Fiesta ST.
Mike McCrory took first place in STM in a '95 Honda Civic (FSP,) He was followed by Barry Goldine in a ' 73 Datsun 240 Z (OSP.)

Justin Bowen led the AS class in a '14 Cayman S. Juven Lat took second in a '14 Cayman S, while Rory Marin finished third in a '08 Corvette Z06. The rest of AS included Jesus Villarreal, Keith Bullock, Darren Shortes and AI Anderson.

Alex Muresan, in a '19 Civic Type R, took the top spot in DS. He was followed by John Rowe, also in a '19 Civic Type R, with Tiberiu Muresan taking third in a '19 Civic Type R. Lloyd Feaver, Ed Runnion, Fred Campbell, Dennis Quilantang, Kevin Bui, Jose Fait, Rebecca West and Hunter Scott rounded out the rest of DS.

Solo Spec Coupe was led by Glenn Austin in a '14 Subaru BRZ. Lawrence Danton took second in a '13 BRZ, while Bill Charron finished third in a'15 BRZ. Eric Martin finished fourth in the class.

Aleksander Ignashev ran uncontested in SST in a '00 Honda S2000.
Mark Lewis took the top spot in STR in a ' 16 Mazda MX5. Nipping at his heels was Praneil Prasad in a ' 97 BMW M3, while Eileen Blando took third in a ' 16 MX5. The rest of STR included


Eric Lam, Glen Anderson, Ed Burghardt, Alden Rush, Scott Sandowski, Matt Francavilla, Joseph Macy and Megan Anderson. Connie Lu ran uncontested in STR-Ladies in a '97 M3.
Mack and Justin Tsang finished one-two in STU. The Tsangs co-drove a '06 Subaru STI. Steve McLaughlin rounded out third in a '07 Nissan 350Z. Kris Bruington, Ghaith Abu Suleiman, Paul Tibbals, Artem Rakhov, Dustin Hatcher, Boris Lerner and Jaanisar Khan rounded out the rest of STU.
Dan Correll took the top spot in STX over Matt Falcone. Correll was in a '04 BMW 330Ci, while Falcone was in a '05 BMW 330. Sandra Hermans ran uncontested in STX-Ladies in a '04 BMW 330Ci.
Brian Hobaugh led the Classic American Muscle class in a '73 Chevrolet Camaro (-T.) Michael Gardner finished second in a '16 Mustang GT350 (-C,) while Rob Luis rounded out third in a '19 Camaro turbo (-C.) The rest of CAM included Patrick Drudge, Richard Lee, Erik Acks, Hal Dorton, Greg Matthews, Steve Hobaugh, Leon Wienroth, Greg Back, Randy Grohosky, Jose Fait and Brian Scott.
The Mods class saw Ben Martinez take the top spot in a ' 84 Van Diemen (CM.) Ric Quinonez came in second in a ' 83 Kart (FM,) with Douglas Hargrove in third place in a '83 F500 R\&D Special (FM.) Gary Ratliff, Sy Danton, Greg McNair, Dennis Losher, Neil Hodgson and Michael Lella rounded out the rest of the class.

Michael Thompson led the Novice class in a '21 Toyota Supra (BS.) He was followed by Andre Mathers in a '22 Toyota GR86 (DS,) while Jaanisar Khan took third in a '13 $370 Z$ (STU.) The rest of the class included Stefan Glembocki, Tyler Gross, Mitchell Wood, Lev Corne, Ibrahim Yasin, Jeanette Gross, Michael Ishaq and Chase Rubin.

The Prepared class was led by John Thomas in a '82 Toyota Starlet (DP.) He was followed by co-driver Dwayne Komush, while Richard Rossmassler took the last podium spot in a '76 Ford Capri II (XP). Deanne Caraballo ran uncontested in Prepared-Ladies in a ' 82 Starlet (DP.)

Rounds 5 and 6 will be held on June 18 and 19, 2022.


## JUST AROUND THE CORNER

A former Hooked On Driving student of mine recently decided to try his hand at competing at the SCCA Runoffs on the Indy road course, and I thought that I would contribute to the cause with a bit more coaching. I wanted to share a few pointers that I picked up from hours of watching AIM Data seminars, from hanging out with the fast racers in our region (getting tips where I can), from all the coaching and seminars that Ross Bentley has given us, and from the techniques that we teach at Hooked On Driving track days.

So, I started him with first things first: "You must learn a new track (Indy). I strongly advise that you first watch the Virtual Track Walk that Ross Bentley and Peter Krause produced to familiarize yourself with the view of lines and landmarks and special subtleties unique to that track. I also hope you will be able to walk it several times, or better yet, borrow a bike and do three or more laps. Track familiarization is much more efficient on a bike.

When you're studying a turn or a series of turns, the tendency is naturally to look down course at the entry of each turn and try to determine the braking point, the turn in point, the apex, and the track out point, and applicable landmarks.... all obvious. But what I wound up doing when I studied a new track, such as the West course at Thunderhill or any autocross course, was to study it backwards: Start at the turn exit with Three Questions: where do I want to be at the exit, where do I want the car to finish the rotation (on what arc?) to get there, and where can I get on the power? Also, what gear will I be in? (The higher the gear without bogging the engine, the better).

Track maps are fine, but better yet, study a Google Maps satellite view of the course. This will give you an accurate idea of the dimensions of the track and radii of the turns. You may also be able to pick out key on-track and off-track landmarks, such as trees, fences, painted curbs, brake markers, apex points, and flag stations.

Looking backwards from the track-out point to the apex will give you an idea of the arc to the exit. Walk or ride your bike back to the apex. Look at the brake zone, where the brakes will be applied (BoB, or beginning of braking) and where the braking will end (EoB, or end of braking). What line will you choose for executing the BoB, EoB, apex, and track-out with the least amount of steering input, and at the same time sufficiently rotating the car?
Do you have to sacrifice the track-out point to set up for a turn going in the opposite direction that immediately follows? Maybe yes, maybe no. For instance, I used to pinch the exit of left-hand Turn 11 at Thunderhill to set up for right-hand Turn 12, until I realized that I could enter 12, driver's right, still hard on the power, and easily hit the apex of Turns 12 and 13 . This allowed me to carry more mid-corner speed in 11.

You pick up a lot of these points by looking backwards and putting the pieces of the turn (or turns) together. Another advantage of biking the course is that you can do a detailed study of the landscape just off track. What are the curbs like, where can I drop a wheel inside; or if I'm forced off on the outside or run wide, what's that going to be like? More later....
The next key point is Rotation: You cannot get on the throttle, even if you are on the correct line, unless you have successfully rotated the car to point to the next straight. That seems obvious, but I see a LOT of drivers on the gas too soon with not enough rotation. Then they must breathe the gas to get back on line in order to continue the rotation.

Where did I really start to appreciate rotation? Well, lately I've been in karts at an indoor karting facility, where you drive gas-powered karts with hard, slick tires on a polished concrete track. You have to pitch, slide and rotate the kart on entry at just the right place at just the right time with just the right amount of rotation, like a sprint car on dirt. This lets you slide past the apex while pointing down track to the next turn. It's a blast when you get it just right and get back on the gas early, but miserable if the timing is off or if you're way offline. Worse, if you don't get the rotation that you need to finish the turn, you plow into the barriers. If you over rotate (easy to do on a cold track, ) you spin.
But of course, we don't drive our cars on pavement like a we drive a slick-track kart. However, the ideas are the same. What helps us with the Rotation is to be aware of the forward weight transfer from BoB to turn in and then rearward weight transfer at EoB. Obviously, you want to get on the brakes as late as possible to carry straight line speed as long as possible, without upsetting the car at turn in. Move your BoB as late as comfortable without brake lockup or excessive ABS coming into play. But the MAIN concern with braking is EoB. (We're talking about slow to mid-speed corners here. High speed corners are mostly momentum, arc, and line. Throttle helps to stabilize the car.)
Usually on a data trace, the good brakers will hit the brakes relatively hard and quickly, then gently and progressively trail off to EoB. Where that EoB point is depends on your car and type of turn, pavement, banking, etc. Let's assume that your car has some basic understeer, and the turn has a very small amount of banking. Taking the EoB slightly into the corner, just past turn in, will keep some weight on the front tires to help the initial grip for turn in. Too much braking or an EoB that goes too deep into the turn may either overload the front tires while turning in and cause more understeer (thus missing the apex;) or it may still help front grip, but severely unload the rear tires, causing a spin. Conversely, too little weight on the front or too early EoB (before turning in) may cause a push going into the turn because of too little load on the front tires. The trick is to get a Goldilocks "Just Right" EoB!
But if the car tends to oversteer, it may be a good idea to get all your braking done in a straight line, then turn in. EoB will be completed right at turn in with some throttle to shift the weight rearward for rear end grip. Stay on line, unless it's raining - then look for grip wherever you can find it. (Ross has an excellent webinar on driving in the wet.) Each car has its own requirements. A good place to test for the characteristics of transition at turn-in would be either on a skid pad or a Figure 8.

Actually, on a tight turn, a little rear end step-out could be good for rotation. You stop the OVER rotation by applying some throttle to get weight onto the back tires. Hopefully this is timed right before the apex, so that you can keep the rotation going while starting to feed more throttle. (Karts on a slick track!) No matter what, always keep the car balanced, meaning no excessive push and no tail-out incipient spin requiring lots of opposite lock. However, "balanced" can also incorporate a controlled drift. Don't lose the front to understeer (like our students sometimes do in our Figure 8 exercises.) And don't lose the rear to over rotation.
However, there may be a particular turn that you just can't seem to get the perfect line and rhythm...the car just doesn't feel planted or responsive the way you like. Keeping the car balanced, especially at turn in, may require you to back off the entry speed in order to gather it up so you hit the apex. For instance, you might be earlier on

BoB and EoB, or a take longer brake zone, maybe with lighter brake pressure, or a line modification. The goal is always to maximize the exit of the turn by setting up the entry for success, i.e., keep the balance.

While doing all the above, keep telling yourself, "Roll in more midcorner speed." Set your line and EoB so that you can get off the brakes and maintain as high a mid-corner speed as you can while still hitting the apex and rotating the car. Therefore: The old line of "slow in, fast out" should now be seen as pure nonsense!!! You'll never see a pro racer in a hotly contested battle drive that way. Rather, it's "Balance in, Rotate, Fast out". That will be your new mantra. And yes, you want to roll in as much mid-corner speed as possible, but sometimes a very slight pause going to full throttle during maximum rotation is necessary to keep the car balanced.

On every point on track, don't forget to keep your vision focus well ahead of your car. Coaches are always going on about looking ahead, taking in the turn, etc. I try to add that if you are going to practice looking ahead, pick out specific items to focus on, and keep your focus shifting down track to the next specific landmarks. Also, be aware of your peripheral lines of sight. Ross did a thorough webinar on just this subject.

Finally, time is very precious at Indy or at any racing venue. Learn the
line, get your speed up as quickly as you can, because I have another task for you. Find some time, maybe in the last practice session, that you can devote at least five laps to PURPOSELY driving OFFLINE. Why? Well, you QUALIFY ON line, but you RACE OFF line, where you will be attacking or defending or trying an outside pass, or hitting an early apex with a tight entry, or dropping a wheel in the grass at the apex, etc. You literally need to know the track conditions offline and what the oncoming corner looks like going in tight or what the exit looks like on a wide arc. How will offline change your BoB and EoB, and how will offline modify your turn in? What is the condition of the pavement and how much banking is there off line? Knowledge here is king. The corner workers will think you're nuts, but so what? It's probably best to practice this with very little traffic around for obvious safety reasons AND so you don't play your strategic hand in front of your competitors!
Is all this easy? Do I successfully do this myself all the time? Absolutely not! But I try, and one must start with a game plan. This is mine.

I hope this all helps. You obviously know this stuff, but I wanted to contribute to the cause. Keep or discard whatever you like. You know your car better than anyone. Good luck and let me know how you do!"

## As I Recollect

I had many dealings with members of the press over the years, but here is one from the early 1970's:

The San Francisco Chronicle ran a column at the very bottom of its Sports Page on Thursdays. It was limited to about 500/600 words devoted mostly to SFR/SCCA racing, along with occasional circle track happenings, and news of what's happening. Well, the first time I ever wrote a "Letter to the Editor" involved the (then) writer of that column, one Dell Owens, who was also one of the Regions Starters, and a really nice guy. He reported that SFR/SCCA had just elected a new Regional Executive by the name of TED JACKSON. And that Ted was the first person of color to serve as an RE anywhere in ALL of SCCA's Divisions. Now I knew Ted when he raced a Lotus Elite and aspired to the Region's Board. Ted was a very likable person and worked with Tech and myself

throughout his leadership period. He was special! His full-time day job was for HUD - WOW! I liked him as a person! Now - When I read Del Owen's Column, and he pointed out that Ted Jackson was an African American, it bothered me in several ways! And I shot off that "Letter to the Editor" stating that "I always knew that there was something different about Ted Jackson, and it took your Column to point it out to me." My letter was never published, but Del Owens did tell me in person, that he appreciated my sentiments and feelings.
The Column was passed along to one Gordon Martin, who for many years wrote of the local racing scene. He and I did not get along! I barely tolerated him. He appeared uneasy around me, and gave Tech and I "a wide berth". There will be more stories involving members of the press in my future remembrance's


## NOTES from the ARCHIVE

I reckoned it would happen at some point. Well, thanks to friends Curt \& Cindy, I finally viewed "Ford versus Ferrari" on a big, flat screen TV, while being "forced" to eat fresh cooked BBQ chicken to go with it! I was a bit apprehensive because these kinds of Hollywood flix are usually poor or inaccurate. However, while a couple of spots could be improved, this one's a lot better than expected. Yes, it was a good view.

Having met Carroll Shelby and Ken Miles a few times in their lives it obviously brought back memories. I can say they were both pretty gruff but to the point like the movie portrays them. And both lead actors are pretty close in their mannerisms like I remember the famous duo. Obviously someone doing the actor selection or coaching must have known this.

When he was young Carroll Shelby was hacking out a modest living as a chicken farmer in east Texas. In 1952 he drove a venerable MG-TC to win the very first race he entered. That day he also first time wore what would become his trademark bib overalls. Though his driving career only lasted 10 years he was a hard charger who quickly went to the top in many different makes, events \& places. That includes driving Jaguars, Ferraris \& Maseratis to 12 SFR race wins in two years time. Because he had been an Air Corp pilot in world war two, private light planes helped him make more races and spread out nationwide.

There is an excellent DVD collection called "A Gentleman's Racing Diary". It's the annals of an upper class British Sportsman who, with 16 mm movie camera in hand, spent the better part of a decade filming motor racing across England, Europe, even visiting the U.S. Because there is heavy focus on Aston Martin in it's Glory Days, it includes footage of the first-time Shelby drove for them at the Sebring 12 Hours. After he first-time got behind the wheel during a mid-race driver change, he accelerated only the length of the pit lane before the gear shift lever pulled out of its mount. It was one angry Texan who stomped back to their pit, waving the shifter in the air, threatening to use it on everyone. Marque owner David Brown, in total amazement, told his people to sign him immediately, stating this hard charger was his kind of driver!

Shelby repaid that confidence by giving them the Crown Jewel of international sports car racing, anchoring their 1959 Le Mans 24 Hour-winning team. It was actually an Aston Martin 1-2 sweep, 25 laps ahead of third place in still their only ever Victory there.

There is video out there of David Brown savoring a sip of the Victor's Champagne from the winner's silver bowl. While he is being the proper, conservative British Gentlemen, in his eyes you can see a little kid jumping up \& down.
Shelby was also a winning team driver in the season finale Nine Hours of Goodwood. With their having won the last three of the five race series, it gave Aston Martin their only World Sports Car Championship as well.
Years later, in 1989, Carroll Shelby \& his Le Mans co-driver, British racing great Roy Salvadori, reunited to drive the very same race-winning Aston Martin DBR1 on a special Lap of Honor around Laguna Seca during the Monterey Historics.

The roaring throngs lining the circuit included many with tears in their eyes. They knew they were experiencing one of those magical moments that never come again. Being there that day, I can assure you it was a spell-binding experience!

Though Shelby, because of his worsening heart, had to retire from driving at the end of the 1960 season, he went out as Champion of USAC's Pro Road Racing Series. It was the first of its kind in this country and pre-cursor to today's professional road racing. But even after hanging up the steering wheel he remained a man of vision with an entrepreneurial spirit.

All of his racing years he was bothered by the fact that, while many of the great cars he raced were really fast, they were also expensive, unreliable, complicated \& complex -particularly the engines. Never mind parts. And then he one day heard "thru the grapevine" that British sports car maker AC was losing their long-running engine supplier Bristol. A quick phone call to the heads of $A C$, where he placed on the table the idea of using a much simpler American V-8, was enthusiastically received. He followed with a phone call to Ford Motor Company who had just announced a huge dollar performance \& sales marketing campaign. The idea for a much cheaper sports car that could be worked on at pretty much any mechanical outlet -- and in particular beat rival Chevrolet's Corvette -- was the winning combination in the deal. In short order Ford delivered Shelby two of their new 260 cube engines, AC put an engine-less car on a plane from the UK to LAX, and after a few hours working in the back of legendery hot rodder Dean Moon's shop they were already "zooming" around the streets. As they say, the rest is history!

After they over the next two years literally "cleaned up" American Club \& USRRC Racing with Cobra roadsters, Shelby hired Pete Brock (who was one of the designers of the first Stingray) to develop a streamlined Cobra body that became "dubbed" the Daytona Coupe. In only it's first year of competition they "loudly"won the World Manufacturers' GT Championship over Ferrari. It made Shelby American the only U.S. vehicle manufacturer before or since to win that prestigious title.
And San Francisco Region became a part of it! Young Allen Grant from Modesto drove a 289 Cobra roadster in SCCA Club Racing (his crew chief was an unknown teenaged high school buddy named George Lucas) to Victories up \& down the west coast. Being hired by Shelby, Grant started out in the work shops, was elevated to a desk position as a company department head, and finally became a team driver. Joining another SFR driver, Ed Leslie, they debuted a Daytona Coupe in that year's first Daytona 24 Hours. They started 11th, finished sixth overall, and we're third in the GT class. They quickly proved it a Ferrari 250 GTO beater. Again, the rest is history!

About that same time Ford brought out their instantly successful Mustang. Believe it or not, it was originally a rebodied Ford Falcon offered with a straight six and threespeed manual transmission. Their sales target was single business secretaries needing reliable work transportation. It was only natural that Lee lacocca, at the time head of Ford's new Total Performance marketing program, called Shelby
and told him they needed to do something to make the Mustang into a real sports car. Though initially a bit skeptical, Shelby American pressed on and presented Ford with the GT-350, a high performance 289 street model that was definitely a sports car. And they topped that with a limited edition GT-350R racing version. it gave Ford a complete line up that covered all their bases and sold a lot more Mustangs than envisioned.
The GT-350R was classified into the Sports Car Club of America's B/Production Class. There it raced against Corvette Stingrays, Jaguar XKEs, Sunbeam Tigers and various Ferrari models. I saw the GT-350R make it's west coast debut at the Pomona Fairgrounds road course. Though it was only their second race, drivers Ken Miles \& Jerry Titus had the crowd on their feet, screaming their lungs out, in support of their favorite in the torrid, wheel-to-wheel Mustang versus Corvette battle. After Miles won that day, we all agreed the game had changed big time. By the end of the season the GT-350R had dominated competition nation-wide and won the B/ Production National Championship -- A third rest is history! Henry Ford bit off a mighty big piece of pasta when they took on Enzo Ferrari. The original idea of a Ford-powered mid-engine coupe actually began in the early 1960s with Lola Cars in England. Lola was a small, growing (eventually championship) concern, but at that time they didn't have the kind of resources something of that magnitude would require. Ford started getting more involved but finally made the decision to take it over and bring it "in house". That's when ego \& arrogance started getting in the way.
Ford first wanted to power the redesigned car that would become the GT-40 with their four-cam Indy 500 engine. However, it was so specifically designed \& engineered for the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, the power band was too narrow for road racing. The 289 Cobra engine was tried but because of car weight it wasn't powerful enough. They finally stuffed a re-cammed 427 NASCAR engine into it. Now they started breaking transmissions. At one point even an exotic, special design automatic was tried. And as speeds got faster the new grey area of aerodynamics came more into play.

After a couple of seasons of this it had become such a befuddled mess that Ford handed the struggling program over to Shelby and his merry band of "hot rodders" who had a reputation for getting things done. And in only a few short months they did, transforming a loser into an instant winner. Ken Miles \& Texas Indy Car driver Lloyd Ruby, who was also a winning road racer (including at Laguna Seca), were given the drive. They promptly won the Daytona 2000 Kilometers. The following year they won the first running of the Daytona 24 Hours, followed a month later by topping Sebring.
This was before the controversial 1-2-3 finish at Le Mans robbed Miles of a deserved victory. Overlooked in that photo of infamy is SFR's Ronnie Bucknum driving the third place GT-40. The following year Shelby \& Ford did it legitamately with their new Mark IV winning the race again. Sadly, Ken Miles wasn't alive to see it. More about him coming.

Carroll Shelby came a long way from his days as a dirt farmer to record a unique Triple Crown. He became the only person to win the 24 Hours of Le Mans as a driver, as a manufacturer with the Cobra Daytona Coupe, and as team manager for the Ford GT program. Along the way he went bust several times but always regrouped. At the time of his death a few years ago he was worth millions, yet he didn't hesitate to give back. Following his transplant he started a foundation to help children who had heart trouble like he'd lived with most of his life. When I last saw him he had a group of kids along at the Monterey Historics who were obviously enjoying the day out with their new "Uncle Shel". And so was he. What a memory to keep forever!
Carroll Shelby will always be an American Icon: one hell of a racing driver, car maker, a bigger than life individual, all mixed with a slice of old west charma. The rich legacy he left will always be a part of history. Racing \& performance cars never the same.


## Concours Update



The 2021 concours season was a shadow of the "days of milk and honey" of SCCA sanctioned concours, when we oversaw as many as six-shows in a year. But the damndemic (sic) not only canceled some shows, but put an end to two-concours altogether. Coyote Creek Concours succumbed after only one-year, but a fine show it was. Danville "pulled-theplug" on its concours after 15 -successful years, having earned over \$7-million during its tenure for its most worthy charity, Parkinson's research! Danville's Tour d'Elegance is still scheduled for September 17th.
That leaves us with three-shows in 2022. Hillsborough, the oldest of the SCCA sanctioned concours, is changing its month of hosting from July to June, specifically to June 26th. This will be the 66th(!) Hillsborough Concours.
Next on the schedule is the Ferndale Concours on Main. Held on Main Street of the Victorian Village of Ferndale (Humboldt County) on September 11th, this year's featured marque will be Jaguar.

As has been the case since its inception, the final show of the season will be the Niello Concours at Serrano, held in the Sierra Foothills town of El Dorado Hills on October 2nd, featuring the British marques.

Expect large fields at each of these shows, as Concours automobile owners and spectators, alike, are anxious to break loose, rekindling their love of these spectacular vehicles. Won't you join us?

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Celebrating British Marques
Registration cut-off date: August 28th


Over the thirty-four years I have been at the helm of Thunderhill there have been many colorful stories and critical decision points. Here are some. It is 1991 and the track project has been on the table for just over four years. Nothing is happening. It feels and looks like another paper track story. What to do? Find Glenn County and Dick Mudd. One year later we are in the midst of building the track at 5250 Hwy 162 in Glenn County when it appears that we can only complete a 1.3-mile course with a dirt entry road and dirt paddock. What to do? Reach out to friends with resources and borrow $\$ 300,000$ using napkins for IOU's. We get a 1.9-mile track and a paved entry road and narrow paved paddock and pre-grid. It is 1993 and we are weary of having no power at the site and the closest PG\&E pole is over a mile away. What to do? Make a deal with PG\&E to extend that line to us. It is still 1993 and we have no food service at the track or buildings on site. What to do? Find a nice old couple with a small food trailer. Ed and Anna Dearing sign up. Best breakfasts ever! As to the building the first one ever built at the track was the bathroom. Next came the shop. It is 1995 and the 1.9 -mile track needs to be finished. There are drawings from the initial construction of what the second half of the now famous 3 -mile track should look like. The job has been bid and the equipment mobilized. A board meeting just days before the work was to start on the rest of the track results in changes to the design. Concerns about too many turns straightens out the back half from turn 9 to turn 10. What to do with the bid already in place? Convert to time and materials and get the job done. That same year there is plan to build ten garages in the 3 -mile pit area. A dispute erupts over the decision to do this. The opposition feels that the garages will create a two-class system at the track, those with garages and those without. What to do? Put it to a vote. With a fifteenmember board at that time the garages are approved 8 to 7 . Despite the fact that the argument against the garages lacked merit the energy for not doing them based on no-quantifiable data almost stopped the pattern of adding to the tracks value through garages before the first one was built. Jump ahead to 2005. The Club house is being proposed and once again there is resistance to the idea. A minority voice wants the Club house one way while the drawings call for a multi-purpose building that serves more than what the race officials espouse. What to do? Enter Roger Eandi who uses his magic negotiation skills and the project moves forward as planned. The windows in the lobby are a remnant of that debate. We need a food service capability at the track that is more than a snack bar. What to do? Enter Steven Archer, owner of several major brand fast food stores. We end up with a state of the are Wendy's clone that serves us very well then and now. Sears Point Raceway is in the midst of a remodel and my scavenger mentality inspires me to call Jere Starks there and ask him to think of Thunderhill as his dumpster for unwanted stuff. He tells me he has three bridges he wants to get rid of and asks if I want them. What to do? Get the biggest bridge and put it across the 3 -mile back straight away and sell the other two bridges for scrap steel at the height of the market for such things.
Since we opened, I had been getting K-wall from Sacramento based, CC Meyers, the builders of the track In Colorado. They had extra walls. I also got walls from the Reno area that were used for the races in the parking lot at one of the casinos. K-wall is not ideal crash wall because of the angle at the bottom. Enter

Facebook. The walls, all of them, from the San Jose street races are advertised for sale. I offer $\$ 25 \mathrm{k}$ for the whole batch and the City of San Jose says "yes, come pick them up". I arrange for this to be done. All of the wall you now see at the track and all of the two-mile wall came from San Jose. In addition, the excess of this wall was sold at a profit to Sonoma, Kansas, and Oregon Raceway Park. That small investment saved thousands of dollars and made the track significant revenue when sold. It also gave us the best walls we could have. At the direction of the county officials when we built the track, we remained in the Williamson Act. This caused concern among local farmers and we elect to withdraw from the Act using the ten-year withdrawal plan. This is interrupted by a change in the law that limits the number of buildings that can be placed on Williamson Act land. What to do? Enter Vince Minto, County Assessor. With his help we buy out of the rest of the deal at a price that is favorable to us.
With the 3-mile booking well and customers being turned away because of strong demand we appear to be at our maximum business level with price increases our only tool for more income. What to do? Build another track. Enter Steven Crawford the man who designed all of our tracks and many more in other locations. The idea of building a second track resurfaces and Richard Siri does it again. Now we can rent up to 730 days a year. We target 600 on the tracks. We have this area that was a motocross track on two separate occasions and is now a weed patch near our entry. What to do? The vision is to build a pad that will serve as an incentive for cottage industries to become part of the business. The pads turn out to be ideal for autocross and drifting and a good spot for research and development for car manufacturers. These pads add dramatically to the bottom line and cost almost nothing to maintain. The cottage industry idea goes on the back burner.
The reality of the PG\&E bills at the track and the tax benefits for installing solar panels looms large as an opportunity to work on the expense side of the business, something we do not often do preferring to work on the revenue side. What to do? Over 700 solar panels later and three infamous wind generators our electric cost savings will accrue to the benefit of the track for years to come.

These stories go on and on and describe the decision points that had the most impact on the success of Thunderhill Park. My goal now is to make Thunderhill bullet proof from failure in the years that follow my departure from the leadership role. Much of what is needed is already in place. Working on zoning, land expansion for buffer, new revenue streams and capturing more and more ongoing testing and other uses, remains a work in progress. For the record, Thunderhill is positioned for the long term and should always be protected from short term activities that may feel good at the time but which detract from the core strength of the track. The mission of Thunderhill is to be there in 2030 and every decade that follows. The mission of Thunderhill Park is to survive by being vibrant, open to change and willing to seek revenues sufficient to ensure that what we built will be the headline story about recreational motorsports in the future.

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