

DRIPTING



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Crash-Fire-Rescue School 2005

photos by Steve Fairhurst

It was a full house for the Crash-Fire-Rescue (CFR) school on March 5 at West Des Moines Fire Station #17. There was a great turnout of workers and Solo and road racing drivers, along with some of the corner staff from Mid-America Motorplex.

The morning was a little brisk as Kris Mandt and the West Des Moines firemen started the day with fire extinguishing demonstration and practice. Attendees were able to get hands-on practice popping a fire bottle on a pan fire. Some of us weren't sure how quickly we wanted them to put the fire out, or if we'd prefer the added warmth.

Training followed in the station bay on safety response, vehicle pick-up and towing, driver stabilization and extrication, under the direction of Dick Struve. And Frank Safranek from Nebraska Region gave the group a demonstration on helmet removal and the HANS and other neck restraint devices. A number of our DMVR drivers brought out their race cars, allowing students to see the cars close up and assist with demonstrations. Thank you to Jarrod Igou and Doug Walker for bringing their Spec Miatas, and Tony Siembieda his Formula 440.

Robert Thompson from Kansas City Region provided an excellent presentation on medical issues and response. Divisional Administrator Ron Shaw provided insight on witness statement preparation and other procedural issues, and Jack Kish spoke from the Steward standpoint.

Jarrod Igou teamed up with Dale Smith from Kansas City Region to speak to the group from the drivers' side. In-car video was shown, giving an insightful look from the driver's perspective, and other tidbits were provided on preparation, training, expenses and more. Additional classroom training included SCCA flags and procedures, and radio communications, lead by Monica Shaw and Neava Ford from Kansas City Region.

A great barbecue lunch was provided. Our thanks to Doug Walker for arranging for the barbecue from Daddy O's; and to Jennifer and Jarrod Igou and Adam Walker for helping with set-up and serving.

It was great to again have use of the Station 17 and the assistance of the West Des Moines firefighters. It's a great facility and we thank Sam Kranovich (also a DMVR member) and West Des Moines Fire for hosting us again this year. An appreciation plaque was presented to the fire station along with our thanks.



REport

by Jennifer Igou, RE

In this issue of Drifting, I want to share a story that can teach all of us a lesson on life. I don't know how many times I've heard from someone in the club, "We've always done it this way". There is nothing I hate more than someone who doesn't open up his mind for change.

Many of you have heard the saying, "If you always do what you've always done, you'll always get what you've always got". Just so you understand it better, let me tell you about a behavioral experiment that was conducted by a group of scientists.

They put eight monkeys in a room. In the middle of the room was a ladder, leading to a bunch of bananas hanging from a hook on the ceiling. Each time a monkey tried to climb the ladder, all the monkeys were sprayed with ice water. This naturally made them miserable. Soon enough, whenever a monkey attempted to climb the ladder, all of the other monkeys, not wanting to be sprayed, set upon him and beat him up. Soon, none of the eight monkeys ever attempted to climb the ladder.

After a period, one of the original monkeys was then removed, and a new monkey was put in the room. Seeing the bananas and the ladder, he wonders why none of the other monkeys are doing the obvious; but undaunted, he immediately begins to climb the ladder. Immediately, the other monkeys fall upon him and beat him up. He has no idea why. After this has happened a few times, he no longer attempts to climb the ladder.

A second original monkey is removed and replaced. The newcomer again attempts to climb the ladder, but all the other monkeys beat him up. This includes the previous new monkey, who, grateful that he's not on the receiving end this time, participates in the beating because all the other monkeys are doing it. However, he has no idea why he's attacking the new monkey.

One by one, all the original monkeys are replaced. Eight new monkeys are now in the room. None of them have ever been sprayed by ice water - BUT NONE OF THEM ATTEMPT TO CLIMB THE LADDER. All of them will enthusiastically beat up any new monkey who tries, without having any idea why.

Very often when we are faced with a problem, we tend to take the path of least resistance and go with our "preconceived notions" or what are called "we have always done it this way" approach. Given that the above experiment explains how these things happen, I encourage all of you to try something new – you will be amazed by the results.

MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

First Tuesday of the month, 7:30 p.m.
at Noah's Ark Restaurant,
2400 Ingersoll Ave, Des Moines

BOARD MEETINGS

Third Tuesday of the month, 7:30 p.m.
Contact any Board member for location.

ALL MEMBERS WELCOME!

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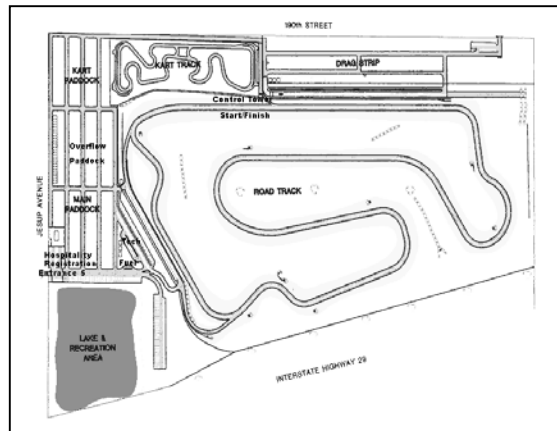
**April 23-24, 2005
Mid-America Motorplex**

See event schedule and details on next page.
Entry forms available on DMVR Web site at www.dmvrscca.org.

Workers – Register now with Worker Coordinator, Monica Shaw
at mjrjshaw@aol.com, 515-277-4047

Mid-America Motorplex
2.23 Miles - 40 feet wide
15 Turns - 10 Corner Stations

Directions: 12 miles south of Council Bluffs.
Exit I-29 at exit 35; turn west. Turn left at the
T intersection (190th St). Turn left on Jesup
Avenue and enter the facility at Entrance 5.
Registration is just inside the gate.



Alternate routes if paving on 190th St is still in progress:

- If you take the Glenwood Exit #35, turn east onto Ingrahm Ave, right on 195th (L31), right at Jinkins Ave (the road turns left after the railroad tracks), right on Gleason Ave, continue out of town and under I-29 to the track.
- If you are trailering your race car, the best route to take is the Pacific Junction Exit #32 on I-29, drive east on 978, left on 195th St (L31), right on Mills Ave (385), left on Depot St, left at Gleason Ave, continue out of town and under I-29 to the track.

Routes are marked with detour and MAM track signs.

NEW for 2005!

Mid-America Motorplex has installed and has operating a radio frequency for you to capture all of the PA announcements. Just tune in to FM frequency 105.1 and you won't miss a thing! Hear all of the PA announcements within a 2-mile radius of the track. NEVER miss your call to grid again.

This event will be held under the current SCCA General Competition Rules and amendments, except as modified by the Supplementary Regulations for this racing event.

RACE GROUPS

* Denotes Regional Only Class

1. AS, T1, T2, T3*, SSA*, SSB, SSC

2. GT1, GT2, GT3, SP*, EP

3. FF, CFF*, FV, F5, DSR

4. GTL, FP, GP, HP, SRF, Legends*

5. FA, FC, FS*, FM, S2000, ASR*, CSR, CC*, FSCCA, SRSCCA

6. ITS*, ITA*, ITB*, ITC*, ITE*, IT7*, SM*

SCHEDULE**Friday, April 22, 2005**

5:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Registration Open

5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Tech Open (tech located on north side of concession bldg)

Saturday, April 23, 2005

7:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Registration Open

7:00 a.m. – Tech Opens

7:15 a.m. – Race Officials Meeting at Concession Area

8:00 a.m. – 25-minute Regional qualifying / National practice sessions for Groups 1 thru 6, followed by a 15-lap race for Group 1. Lunch break will be at approximately noon, followed by 15-lap races for Groups 2 thru 6.

Worker/Participant Party approximately 30 minutes after the conclusion of competition.

Sunday, April 24, 2005

7:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Registration Open

7:00 a.m. – Tech Opens

7:30 a.m. – Race Officials Meeting at Concession Area

8:00 a.m. – 20-minute qualifying sessions for Groups 1 thru 6, followed by a 21-lap race for Group 1. Lunch break will be at approximately noon, followed by 21-lap races for Group 2 thru 5, followed by a 15-lap race for Group 6.

Entries

The Entry Fees are:

Saturday (only) Regional*:	\$210
Sunday (only) National*:	\$245
Sunday (only) IT Tour:	\$210
Sat/Sun Regional/National*:	\$285
Sat/Sun Regional/IT Tour:	\$275
Each Co-driver:	\$60
Late Fee (walkins):	\$20

Make checks payable to Missouri Valley Race Group.

*SRF, FSCCA and SRSCCA send an additional check made out to SCCA for \$10.00 (compliance fee) for each event entered. The deadline for permanent numbers is April 13th at 10:00 p.m.

Send entries to: Kelley Huxtable
5136 SW 110th Street
Augusta, KS 67010-8485
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Email: kellyhux@yahoo.com

A separate entry form and fee is required for each automobile/driver entered.

RACE OFFICIALS

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Chief of Grid	Rick Talbot
Chief Sound Control	Mike Ashbaugh
Chief Hospitality/Entrant Services	Judy Eddy
Chief of Flagging & Communication	Ron Shaw
Chief of Emergency Services	Kris Mandt
Chief Radio Tech	Dick Struve
Worker Coordinator	Monica Shaw (515) 277-4047

Any car that never enters the course may receive a refund. Requests for a refund must be submitted in writing to Hospitality or Registration before the completion of competition Sunday.

Each driver shall have at least one crewmember. Paid entries include three free crew passes. Passes for additional crew shall be available through Registration for \$5.00 each. **No crew passes will be handed out unless the person's name appears on the entrant's crew list.** All drivers, crew, and additional personnel **MUST** sign in at Registration personally. Crewmembers who arrive after Registration closes must make prior arrangements with driver to obtain passes.

All drivers must be SCCA members. Proof of membership, as well as Competition License or Novice Permit must be presented at Registration. Confirmation from the Club Racing Licensing Department will be required for those whose license is pending and is the responsibility of the Entrant. Confirmation by the Registrar must be requested by 12:00 Noon, Thursday April 21, 2005 and incurs a \$5.00 charge.

The general public will be admitted to all non-hazardous areas, including our paddock area. Please keep safety and security in mind.

Mid-America Motorplex offers tuning and testing on Friday before the event. This Friday event is not an SCCA nor MVRG sanctioned activity. Call 712-622-8122 for more information and reservations.

Des Moines Valley Region COMPETITION CORNER



by Dave Volante, DMVR Competition Director

Well, it's official – the MiDiv season has begun. And the story from St.Louis March 11-13 at the Double Drivers School / Regional was ... COLD!

Two new DMVR drivers completed their school requirements that weekend – brothers Michael Castellano and David Schroeder. Busy weekend for the family.

Michael rented an American Sedan Camaro ...



And David an ITA RX7...

David had a clean weekend, and finished 4th in class in Sunday's Regional race. Michael shortened his race day on Sunday at the hands of the turn 1 tire wall and did not finish. They're undecided yet on final plans for what to build / buy, but I understand we may see them again at MAM later this month.

I also made the trek to St Louis that weekend, accompanied by Dale Lallier as my crew. Our weekend was fine. The new motor and tranny worked fine. Qualified well in 3rd place and finished so-so in 5th place. Was racing in 1-2-3rd until lap 5-6 and the other cars just managed to pull away on the oval one by one, until I found myself in 5th place. I tried like crazy to hang on their back bumpers, but the motor in the car is still quite fresh and needs to loosen up (I am told). So I guess I'm sorta happy with the weekend. .

Did I mention it was cold – 27 degrees at qualifying and about 29 or 30 degrees at race time. We are nuts.

Next on the schedule – Topeka, April 2-3rd ...

I'll be there, as will a lot of DMVR members, so I am looking forward to that. We're going to run two race groups – ITA and Spec Miata. Need loosen that motor up, you know. More on results from Topeka next issue.

Coming up – our Regional/National/IT event at Mid-America Motorplex on April 23-24 ...

I'm sure we'll have a lot more drivers out as we kick off our MVRG season. Looking forward to seeing you all there.

We'll be doing food on Friday night in the paddock again. Menu is sloppy joes. Not sure what else will be on the list, but that's the primary menu.

APRIL SOLO WEEKEND!

April 16-17, 2005

Sandpiper Recreation Area – Saylorville

(Located between the marina and Caseys outside Polk City.
See map / directions on DMVR Web site.)

PRE-REGISTRATION RECOMMENDED!



DMVR Test & Tune Saturday – April 16, 2005

Registration: 10:00 a.m.
Mandatory Drivers Meeting: 11:30 a.m.
1st Car: Noon

Entry: \$20
25 Entry Maximum – SCCA Members Only

Event Chairs: Jon Payne, Mike Slater

This is not an autocross and will not count toward DMVR year-end points. A simple course will be set up for practice and car set-up. Timer will be set up.

Subject to cancellation or postponement due to inclement weather. Check the registration page at www.slateracing.com for any notice of change.

DMVR Regional Points Solo II Sunday – April 17, 2005

Registration: 8:00–10:30 a.m.
Mandatory Drivers Meeting: 10:30 a.m.
1st Car Off: 11:00 a.m.

Entry: Members – \$20.00 Non Members – \$25.00

Event Chairs: Mike Slater, Nathan Ong

Season Passes

- 9 Events, Locks in Vehicle Number, and Trophy Plaque - \$120.00
- 8 Events, Locks in Vehicle Number, and Trophy Plaque - \$110.00
- 7 Events, Locks in Vehicle Number - \$100.00
- 6 Events, Locks in Vehicle Number - \$ 90.00

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The Solo Slide

from Mike Slater
photos by Jon Payne

The 2005 Solo Season got off to a great start with a combo weekend of slip sliding autocross fun on March 19th and 20th at Sandpiper Recreation Area – a Test N Tune on Saturday for final shakedown, and our first DMVR Regional Solo II points event on Sunday.

Test N Tune –

We had 8 drivers, the co-chairs, Solo Safety Steward and myself. It was very cold and damp, but everyone had a great time, despite the weather. Everyone got between 30 and 40 runs. And we signed up a number of new members for DMVR and SCCA.

Regional Solo II –

The weather cooperated a lot better on Sunday, and we had 41 members and 17 guests for the Solo event. A number of people came down from Minnesota, as ours was the first event of the season.

We were able to get started on time and things went smoothly, so we all got 6 runs instead of the usual 3 or 4.

The new canopy for Registration helped out quite a bit. We had to move it from its original location... The ground was frozen and the canopy worked so well that as things started melting I started to swim.

If you couldn't make the March event, you'll have another chance coming up in April. See event details on page 6.

Next events –

April 16-17 – Test N Tune Saturday /
Regional Solo II Sunday – Sandpiper
Recreation Area

May 14-15 – Test N Tune Saturday /
Regional Solo II Sunday – Sandpiper
Recreation Area

**WE NEED CO-CHAIRS FOR APRIL
AND MAY!** Contact us to sign up.

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NOTICE TO ALL: Pre-registration worked great! Those who pre-registered were in line less than 3 minutes. Pre-register and get in and out quickly.

Our thanks to Jon Payne for the great photos...



DMVR Solo II Championship Series
Sandpiper Recreation Area -- March 20, 2005
 Co-Chairs Chris Paris, Jon Payne, Mike Slater (10 SOTY & 15 Class Points)

Name	Class	Region	SOTY	Class Pts	Vehicle	Pax Time	C 1	CT 1	C 2	CT 2	C 3	CT 3	C 4	CT 4	C 5	CT 5	QT 1	Trophy	
A Stock																			
Neal Tovsen	AS	LOL	2	15	Subaru	0.828		39.462		38.867		38.812		38.577		37.901	37.901	1st	
Ivan T Austin	AS	LOL	2	12	Mitsubishi	0.828		40.946		40.078		39.224		40.183		39.135	39.135	2nd	
Katie Lacey	AS	LOL	2	10	Subaru	0.828		42.959		42.150		39.982		40.101		39.688	39.688		
David Pinero	AS	Guest			Audi	0.828		DNF		DNF		56.477		DNF		53.288	53.288		
A Street Prepared																			
Paul B Weidner	ASP	LOL	2	15	Marcos	0.848		45.946		44.299		42.799	1	54.778		42.479	42.479	1st	
Alex J Lowe	ASP	Guest			Marcos	0.848		48.890		DNF		44.525		44.190		42.651	42.651		
B Modified																			
Dan Slater	FM	DMVR	2	15	Dodge	0.889	1	DNF		41.818		42.537		41.427		41.282	41.282	1st	
Gary Foster	SS	DMVR	2	15	Chev	0.836		55.675		41.862		41.949		42.028		DNF	41.862	2nd	
Bob Maurer	BM	DMVR	2	15	Dodge	0.945		44.538		43.213	1	46.838	1	42.594		43.448	42.594		
Robbie Gallinger	BS	Guest			Porsche	0.826		DNF		DNF		47.315		46.915	1	48.266	46.915		
C Stock																			
Brian C Foster	FS	DMVR	2	15	Pontiac	0.803		42.209		41.622		DNF	1	43.662		DNF	41.622	1st	
Jeff Daly	CS	DMVR	2	15	Mazda	0.811		44.262		43.989		42.389		DNF		43.665	42.389	2nd	
Cameron Daly	CS	DMVR	2	12	Mazda	0.811		DNF		46.780		45.531		46.583		44.753	44.753		
Robert Meehan	CS	DMVR	2	10	Mazda	0.811		DNF	1	45.355		DNF		DNF		DNF	45.355		
C Street Prepared																			
Mike R Kerechek	DSP	DMVR	2	15	Nissan	0.819		DNF		42.132		DNF		41.149		39.409	39.409	1st	
Chad Wallace	CSP	Guest			Toyota	0.837		42.996		41.458		41.023		41.375		40.920	40.920		
Tim R Callahan	CSP	DMVR	2	10	Acura	0.837	1	48.145		41.942		42.229		41.605		41.610	41.605		
D Stock																			
Gary Heck	DS	DMVR	2	15	BMW	0.794		39.774	1	43.158	1	42.037	1	44.984		38.674	38.674	1st	
Dan A Levin	DS	Guest			Toyota	0.794		DNF		44.466		43.482		42.783		41.816	41.816	2nd	
Eric Hulser	DS	Guest			Subaru	0.794		45.652	1	45.821	1	46.040		43.996	1	45.158	43.996		
Karin LaCanne	DS-L	DMVR	2	9	BMW	0.794		49.331		45.329		46.656		DNF		44.256	44.256		
E Street Prepared																			
Jim A Touet	ESP	DMVR	2	15	Ford	0.824	1	56.237		43.396		42.422		41.369		41.193	41.193	1st	
Doyle B Ellis	ESP	DMVR	2	12	Ford	0.824		42.483		42.219	1	43.950		41.994		43.434	41.994	2nd	
Marc Mattis	ESP	DMVR	2	10	Ford	0.824		45.079		42.954		43.770		43.713		0.000	42.952	3rd	
Ian F Osborn	ESP	Guest			BMW	0.824		45.745	1	46.241	1	45.494		44.189		0.000	44.189		
Nick Samson	ESP	Guest			Ford	0.824		DNF		45.915		45.092		45.602		0.000	45.092		
Rich Howe	ESP	DMVR	2	7	Ford	0.824		45.239		45.820		46.603		0.000		0.000	45.239		

Solo II Results – March 20, 2005, Sandpiper Recreation Area (continued)

Name	Class	Region	SOTY	Class Pts	Vehicle	Pax Time	C 1	CT 1	C 2	CT 2	C 3	CT 3	C 4	CT 4	C 5	CT 5	QT 1	Trophy	
F Street Prepared																			
Josh B Angus	FSP	DMVR	2	15	VW	0.813		46.477		45.528		43.473		45.499		44.298	43.473	1st	
Ian Mostrom (Vintage)	FSP	Guest			Triumph	0.813		46.097		50.211		44.257	1	47.143		43.308	43.308		
G Stock																			
Adam Ansoerge	GS	DMVR	2	15	Dodge	0.781		41.350		41.009	1	43.574		41.901		40.969	40.969	1st	
David J Champion	GS	DMVR	2	12	Acura	0.781		43.707		42.373		41.182		41.191		47.792	41.182	2nd	
Adam L Quinby	GS	Guest			Dodge	0.781	1	DNF	2	48.886		41.954		41.982		41.696	41.696	3rd	
Ajdin Hedzic	GS	DMVR	2	9	Ford	0.781	2	47.048	1	DNF		42.413		DNF	1	45.661	42.413	4th	
Robert A Taha	GS	DMVR	2	8	Mini	0.781		45.355		42.928		43.004		44.115		43.373	42.928	5th	
Aaron G Lehmer	GS	DMVR	2	7	VW	0.781		DNF		DNF		47.317		45.719		44.104	44.104		
David Funk	GS	Guest			Honda	0.781		47.627		45.503		47.009	1	46.986		44.552	44.552		
Blake Lewis	GS	DMVR	2	5	Acura	0.781		DNF		DNF		DNF		DNF		44.797	44.797		
Adam Little	GS	Guest			Honda	0.781		47.952		45.884	1	48.489		45.524		45.036	45.036		
Evan McKnight	GS	Guest			Saab	0.781		49.653		47.799		DNF		48.048		46.234	46.234		
David Lewis	GS	DMVR	2	3	Acura	0.781		DNF		49.222		47.709		47.684		47.692	47.684		
H Stock																			
Adam Ansoerge	HS	DMVR	2	15	VW	0.776		42.082	2	45.780		41.692	1	43.420		41.352	41.352	1st	
Adam L Quinby	HS	Guest			VW	0.776		46.771		42.573		43.173	1	44.835		43.163	42.573		
Dave Walker	HS	DMVR	2	10	Saab	0.776		47.799		47.217		46.542		46.265		48.984	46.265		
Street Mod 2																			
Steven Downing	SM2	DMVR	2	15	Triumph	0.849		42.967		41.085		40.085		39.620		38.985	38.985	1st	
Jason D Luhmann	SM	LOL	2	15	Honda	0.838		58.632		42.580		41.116		39.999	1	53.571	39.999	2nd	
Chris Bienert	SM2	DMVR	2	12	Mazda	0.849		40.781		40.847	1	42.716	1	42.721		40.634	40.634		
Steve L Garnjobst	SM2	DMVR	2	10	Mazda	0.849	3	48.678	1	45.968		DNF	2	45.327		40.934	40.934		
Morgan L Petty	SM2	DMVR	2	9	Toyota	0.849		44.958		42.836		42.343	1	45.421		41.968	41.968		
Street Tire Sedan																			
Ryan Hoffman	STS	DMVR	2	15	Honda	0.791		42.847		42.587		41.064	1	43.928	1	44.197	41.064	1st	
David Henson	STS	DMVR	2	12	Dodge	0.791		45.442		43.633		44.613		44.163		43.065	43.065	2nd	
Matt Rittman	STS	Guest			Honda	0.791		50.461		45.107		44.030		45.919		43.973	43.973	3rd	
Jason Reese	STS	Guest			Accura	0.791		45.690		43.144		DNF		DNS		DNS	43.144		
Matt Kleinmeyer	STS	Guest			Acura	0.791		51.042		45.084		51.505		DNS		DNS	45.084		
Michael J Chaffin	STS	Guest			Honda	0.791		DNF	1	56.150		48.972		47.809		49.268	47.809		
Street Tire Pax																			
Mike Bronson (Pro Pax)	GS	DMVR	2	15	Ford	0.781		49.922		42.017	1	44.894		42.397		41.143	41.143	32.133	1st
Jeff Daly (ST Pax)	BS	DMVR	2	15	BMW	0.826		42.783		42.114		41.328		DNS		DNS	41.328	34.137	2nd
Nathan J Ong (Street Tire Pax)	ES	DMVR	2	12	Mazda	0.804		51.056		47.259		43.907		45.621		45.720	43.907	35.301	
Cameron Daly (Street Tire Pax)	BS	DMVR	2	10	BMW	0.826		47.717		59.678		44.536		44.984		DNS	44.536	36.787	

BoD Minutes

by Rick Talbot

DMVR Board of Directors Meeting
February 15, 2005 Autographs, Urbandale

The February BOD meeting was called to order at 7:42pm by R.E. Jennifer Igou.

BOD Members Attending: Jennifer Igou, Talbot, Bell, Johnson, K. Mandt, Volante, Payne and M. Slater and Bennett. Guests: MVRG Committee Member Jarrod Igou, Webmaster Ric Johnson, DRIFTING Editor Monica Shaw. Several other guests were in attendance. Any DMVR member is welcome at any BOD meeting.

OFFICER REPORTS:

Secretary – Rick Talbot read the minutes from the previous Board meeting January 18. Several corrections were pointed out and revised meeting minutes were approved as corrected.

Treasurer – Fred Bell distributed club financial reports. Any DMVR member may receive a copy of the report by contacting Fred. DMVR's financial books are now being maintained using QuickBooks software. Fred discussed amount of DMVR's reported MVRG equity amount. He has contacted MVRG Treasurer Greg Scharnberg and verified the correct amount. There was much discussion concerning DMVR's notional reserve accounts for Solo Equipment and Worker Fund. The Treasurer's report was unanimously approved as submitted. Ric Johnson raised a question concerning possible MVRG cash distributions given the amount of MVRG funds. Jarrod Igou led a discussion and conclusion was that MVRG requires a significant amount of working capital to pay the up-front costs of putting on races. MVRG board will review finances at the end of the 2005 to determine if cash distributions are appropriate.

Membership – Ralph Johnson reported a total of 299 members including 278 active, 9 charter and 12 duals.

Racing Competition – Dave Volante announced that the annual pre-season driver's meeting will be held February 20th at 11am at his residence. Solo drivers are also invited. Food and beverages will be provided.

Solo – Mike Slater and Jon Payne discussed several equipment needs for the Solo program including new public address system, FM transmitter capability and speakers and an "easy – up" style 10' x 10' canopy. Ric Johnson offered to assist Mike and Jon evaluate possible P/A systems for club's use. Mike moved and Fred seconded a motion to pre-approve up to \$250 to purchase a P/A amplifier and FM transmitter. The motion passed unanimously. Jon moved and Mike seconded a motion to approve up to \$250 to purchase a 10' by 10' canopy. The motion passed unanimously.

Jon reported that the Solo Ice Event scheduled for Sunday, February 20th has been cancelled as Iowa DNR reported the ice was only 10" thick and honeycombed due to recent warm weather and not safe to use. Jon will be looking into possible dates for a Sprockets event.

Jon reported he has spoken with the MIDIV Solo Safety Steward Rob Pickerell concerning this year's Solo operations. Because of safety concerns and our previous experiences, DMVR will not utilize the Marshalltown Go Kart Track. Jennifer added that she had also discussed Solo operations with Rob Pickerell and agreed that she will approve all Solo event sanctions prior to submission to SCCA. Previously, this responsibility had been delegated to the Solo Events Director. Jennifer added that our Solo Safety Stewards need to be extra vigilant to ensure that events are conducted safely and all solo safety regulations are followed to the letter. There was much discussion. Jennifer directed that she be copied in any communications to Rob Pickerell concerning DMVR's Solo events in order to remain informed and improve overall level of communication.

Solo events for 2005 were reviewed and a tentative September 11th date has been added at Waterloo's former dog track facility.

Jon and Mike reviewed the Solo annual pass program as described in the last edition of DRIFTING which provides for pre-assigned car number, overall cost discount, and event annual plaque for full subscriptions.

Mike has ordered 5 copies of the 2005 Solo II Rule Book. One will be provided for Solo Event Director' use, another for Solo Technical Inspector's reference at events, and 3 copies available for purchase for \$20 each.

Race Officials – Kris Mandt reported that he has over 40 pre-registrations for DMVR's Crash, Fire and Rescue school to be held March 5 at the West Des Moines Fire Dept on Railroad Avenue, West Des Moines. Board had approved via e-mail a \$300 budget for this event and together with donations from Tony/Carol Siembieda and Dave Volante, along with MIDIV's post event reimbursement of \$250 will cover event costs. Lunches will be provided. Kris is working on final coordination with WDM Fire Department and various instructors. Event registration will begin at 7am with the program commencing at 8am.

Kris also discussed the very positive decision to hold the 2006-2008 SCCA Runoffs at Heartland Park Topeka.

Asst R.E. – Dick Bennett presented his ideas for the 2005 DMVR Annual Meeting. Being considered is having the event December 10th at the State Historical Building of Iowa and to again having Baratta's cater the event. There was considerable discussion of sites and this past year's annual meeting. Dick moved and Kris seconded a motion to approve \$200 for a deposit for the State Historical Building of Iowa. The motion passed unanimously. Dick will report to the Board in March concerning choice of caterer and menu.

OLD BUSINESS:

Jon reported that he was unable to contact the organizers for the Relay For Life event. That organization had approached DMVR with a request to assist with organizing a car rally type event. Jennifer added that due to DMVR's heavy July schedule, we would not be pursuing this opportunity.

Kris informed the Board of his discussions with Ray Irwin, new owner of Heartland Park Topeka concerning preparations for the 2006 Runoffs and plans for various site improvements. DMVR has offered its assistance with event and site preparations.

NEW BUSINESS:

Monica discussed recent MIDIV Solo event changes and expiration of Solotime's sponsorship of the series. All were reminded to remove any reference to "Solotime" in future discussions of this MIDIV Solo series as a new series sponsor is being sought.

Jarrod presented MVRG's proposed budget for the 2005 racing season. The budget included some capital item purchases, 2004 income taxes and the three events and projects a small operating profit. Board members were reminded that financial outcome of any race is highly dependant on number of entries and could therefore vary from

projected budget. Kris moved and Mike seconded a motion to accept MVRG's 2005 race season budget as submitted. The motion passed unanimously. This same budget will be presented to Nebraska Region's Board of Governor's later in the week for their review.

With regards to MVRG operations; Dick led a discussion of requesting the re-marking the grid at Mid-America Motorplex to better align with MVRG's race grid order (2 lines nose to tail, 1-20 on driver's right; 21-40 on driver's left with an open lane up the middle).

While the decision to re-mark the grid is that of the track owner and it is understood must align with their needs,

Jarrod agreed to discuss issue with the track owner.

Monica Shaw discussed need for DRIFTING articles for recently completed DMVR Annual Meeting and awards. The issue of potential advertising in DRIFTING was discussed and decision made that potential revenue was not sufficient to defray cost and effort of organizing and page layout of the ads.

Next board meeting is Tuesday, March 15, 7:30pm, at Autographs in Urbandale.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:23pm by R.E. Jennifer Igou.

*Shared by Peter Hylton at the 2005 National Convention ...
from the SCCA archives – a poem found in a 1969 publication of SportsCar.*

Ten little pylons, all in a row,
I sneezed on a shift, nine more to go.

Nine little pylons, lined up so neat,
I braked kinda late, eight more to meet.

Eight little pylons, both staggered and straight,
Caught my sleeve on a hand brake, seven now wait.

Seven little pylons now stand in my path,
I glance at the tach, now five share my wrath.

Five little pylons to be penalized for,
I waved to a friend, and now there are four.

Four little pylons, as faster I dare,
As I speed by, there's three standing there.

Three little pylons, all shiny yellow,
The last one I hit looks like lemon jello.

Two little pylons in the noonday sun,
Forgot my sunglasses, and now there is one.

One little pylon, the last of its kind,
I hit the damn thing, have I lost my mind?

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

2005 DMVR Annual Meeting and Banquet

December 10, 2005

Get in touch with your past!

CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE: MG1100 engine and transmission. Free to good (or bad) home. Engine was last in a Mini, but failing rings forced a change. The engine is partially disassembled, but has all parts. This is taking up too much room in the garage, and most likely will never go into the Mini again. You come over, and I will help you load it up! Scott Bowman, 515.334.9906 wk, 515.334.5183 hm.

FOR SALE: Mazda Spec Miata #54. Prepared by Marvin Zach. Passed 2005 inspection. Over \$22,000 invested in parts and sweat. Must sell. Make offer. Ask for Mike – 515-988-3646

FOR SALE: Shifter Kart 125. Perfect for Solo events. The kart frame prepared by Scott Evans; engine built by Hickman Racing. This kart is ready to race and is very fast. Many extras. Must sell. Make offer. 515-988-3646 – ask for Mike.

FOR SALE: 1995 Corvette Cont. Red/Black/Black. 38,500 miles. One owner. Newer tires, brakes, battery. Always stored in heated garage. Like new. Contact Dave – 515-202-7490, MVola@aol.com.

WANTED: Trailer for golf cart, capable of highway speed. Doesn't need to be pretty. We're willing to do repairs. Dick & Diane Struve, hobbit1@attglobal.net, 515-233-5504.

Have an ad you'd like to run? Send info to Monica Shaw at mjrjshaw@aol.com. No charge. Classifieds for members only please; no commercial advertisements. Ads will be run based on information received as of print date.



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

	EVENT	REGION/SPONSOR	LOCATION
APRIL			
9-10	Regional/National/IT	Ark Valley Race Group	Hallett Motor Racing Circuit, Hallett OK
10	IA Region Solo Tune Up	Iowa Region	Waterloo Greyhound Park, Waterloo IA
16	Test N Tune	Des Moines Valley Region	Sandpiper Recreation Area
17	Regional Solo II	Des Moines Valley Region	Sandpiper Recreation Area
19	BoD Meeting	Des Moines Valley Region	Autographs, Urbandale IA
23-24	Regional/National/IT	Missouri Valley Race Group	Mid-America Motorplex, Glenwood IA
MAY			
3	Membership Meeting	Des Moines Valley Region	Noah's Ark Restaurant
7-8	Regional/National/IT	St Louis Region	Gateway Intl Raceway, St Louis MO
17	BoD Meeting	Des Moines Valley Region	Autographs, Urbandale IA
21-22	Drivers School/Regional	Ark Valley Race Group	Hallett Motor Racing Circuit, Hallett OK
28-29	Regional/National/IT	Mid-South Region	Memphis Motor Sports Park, Memphis TN
29-30	MIDIV Solo II Series	St Louis Region	Gateway Intl Raceway, St Louis, MO

DMVR Test N Tune / Solo II: April 16-17 at Sandpiper Recreation Area.

MVRG Season Opener Coming Up April 23-24, 2005 at Mid-America Motorplex: Details inside, pages 3-4. Workers – sign up now with Worker Coordinator, Monica Shaw. See contact info on page 3.

Join DMVR in the paddock at MAM Friday night (4/22) to kick off the race weekend. DMVR drivers will be serving sloppy joes.