

# DRIFTING



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## **Membership/Board Meeting**

**July 11<sup>th</sup>**

**Felix and Oscar's**

**Solo**

**Iowa Challenge**

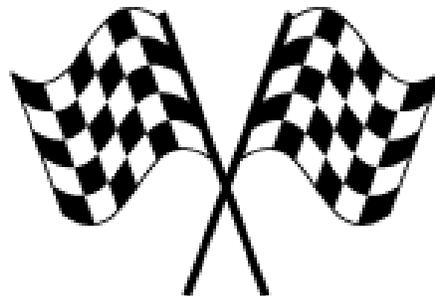
**July 8-9<sup>th</sup>**

**Oskaloosa**

## **Club Racing/PDX/Bracket Enduro**

**July 15-16<sup>th</sup>**

**Iowa Speedway**



# RE Connection



June was a tough month on the club racing side of our club. MiDiv had two races cancelled one regional and one Majors. Because of this, the Midiv Executive Committee held an emergency meeting to address the current situation and then determine a path forward. One outcome from this meeting was the formation of a committee to look at club racing in Midiv and determine how to improve in future years. The formation of an Iowa/Nebraska area race group was discussed as one possible outcome. Due to some of the prior issues, I wanted to let the club know we are exploring that option. If you have input on how you would like to see club racing change please contact me at [erichpfa@gmail.com](mailto:erichpfa@gmail.com).

After the announcement of the additional Majors Races at High Plains and Heartland Park it has become evident I am not aligned with the national vision for Club racing. I will be requesting a meeting with SCCA home office to discuss what their vision is and how we build our regional racing base. Hopefully next month I will have some feedback to report.

On the solo side, we are going strong as ever. The Iowa events center event was a great success and I must say one of the best events I have been to this year. Solo team keep up the great work. Looking forward to the Iowa Challenge in early July.

Planning is underway and looks to be on schedule for our race weekend July 15/16 @ Iowa Speedway. Driver turn out has been light so far, but we are going to have enough volunteers to make the race work. Drivers (Regional, Bracket Challenge, PDX) if you are considering going please sign up. We need to know the interest in this event. I cannot stress enough how important it is to let your voice be heard.

We still need help from the membership to make this race weekend a success and set the ground work for future races. The commitment to be a race committee member consists of 1-2 meetings a month with follow up on action items between meetings. If you have further questions please contact myself or anyone of the committee members. Please consider this as a chance to make a difference in our club.

***This is your club and YOU can help determine the direction.***

Erich

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# CALENDAR



## July

4	7 <sup>th</sup> Annual Kris Mandt Car Show	Urbandale	Jim Kirk
8-9	Solo	Iowa Challenge/Osky	Jerry/Randy
11	<b>Membership/Board</b>	Felix and Oscars's	Chris Riester
	Note: 6:30 General Meeting and 7:30 Board Meeting		
15-16	Club Racing	Iowa Speedway	Erich

## August

1	<b>Membership/Board</b>	Smokey D's	Chris Riester
	Note: 6:30 General Meeting and 7:30 Board Meeting		
9	Annual Iowa State Fair Walking Rally – Stockman Inn		See Flyer
13	Solo	Iowa Event Center	Jerry/Randy
20	PDX	Iowa Speedway	Erich

## September

5	<b>Membership/Board</b>	Smokey D's	Chris Riester
	Note: 6:30 General Meeting and 7:30 Board Meeting		
17	Solo	Iowa Speedway	Jerry/Randy

## October

3	<b>Membership/Board</b>	Smokey D's	Chris Riester
	Note: 6:30 General Meeting and 7:30 Board Meeting		
7	Street Survival	Iowa Speedway	Harlan
8	PDX	Iowa Speedway	Erich
15	Solo	Adventureland	Jerry/Randy

## November

7	<b>Membership/Board</b>	Smokey D's	Chris Riester
	Note: 6:30 General Meeting and 7:30 Board Meeting		

# BoD Minutes

DMVR Board Minutes June 4, 2017 Minute by Minute

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Combined Meetings 14 members

SOLO:

IOWA Even Center:

65 drivers

15 Non members

Very smooth runs at Iowa Event center, as many visitors as drivers.

Power tour Sunday at Iowa Speedway. Free car show and help needed at 8am.

We have some awesome volunteers and need to thank them. Our events run smoothly because of our amazing volunteers.

Next Event July 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> in Oskey with Iowa Challenge.

ASSISTANT RE:

Early Banquet before Thanksgiving approved but also need to check Bi-laws to see if we need to change some Bi-laws to accommodate with changes. Erich checking Bi-laws.

MEMBERSHIP:

Still have members

Talked about maybe contacting frequent weekend members.

RACE, PDX and Bracket:

July 15,16 and 17<sup>th</sup>

Need to get the word out, Erich making a flyer. We need to push and promote this event. Lots of small talk about when and how and how soon

we should have got the word out. Displays? Goodguys? Cars and Coffee? Word of mouth!

If we don't get enough drivers will we still PDX? Think our racing car count needs to be 14 and we might have 7 now. We don't want to have to cancel because of not enough registered cars.

FINACIAL:

Still have money

We are off with our money because of Oskey event and Iowa Event center not counted for yet and street survival money still coming in.

No one receiving emails of financial report need to fix this.

RACING:

Meeting Thursday

3 hr Enduro and PDX Sunday with Racing Saturday.

Maybe Majors next year. 60-80 cars would be expected if we hold event.

Good perk for region and track.

NEW BUSINESS:

July 4<sup>th</sup> Car Show

Street Survival Registration for kids for Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> open, staff soon. Age was a question first the kids 15-21 get an opportunity then we can make exceptions if needed.

Closed meeting 803pm

Submitted by  
Tara Walker



## Membership News Chas Beeler

### July Birthdays:

Taylor Babcock  
Stewart Black  
Jeffrey Brady  
Sarah Brady  
Austin Chadderdon  
David Davies  
Bob Eddy  
Tom Grantham  
Pamela Heinze  
Jarrod Igou  
Jared Johnson  
Alexander Karabinus  
Lyle Kreps  
Wally Miller  
Steve Myers  
Mary Patterson  
Duane Rost  
Ronald Sharp  
Dave Sly  
Jeremiah Snyder  
Jeff Trier  
Woo Voong  
Faith Wilson

### July Anniversaries:

Howard Roth - 15 Years  
Robin Roth - 15 Years

### New Members:

Jerzie Carlson  
Marte Carlson  
Elizabeth Gaul  
Michael Gaul  
Mark Germain  
Philip Germain  
Garrett Helm  
Laura Helm  
Marci Hewitt  
Thomas Hewitt  
Barb Horvath  
Matt Horvath  
Joe Klingensmith  
Wade Klingensmith  
Judy McClain  
Heath Miller  
Izaak Miller  
Catherine Sieleman  
Jack Sieleman  
David Slinker  
Lauren Slinker  
Greg Ternus  
Joshua Ternus  
Lynne Ternus

### Change of address:

Chas Beeler  
705 E 13 St N.  
Newton, IA

# 7th Annual Kris Mandt Memorial Car Show Urbandale, Iowa



4<sup>th</sup> of July, 2017

Location: Urbandale High School

Time: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, registration closes 1 pm

Participate Judging. Top 20 awards

Entry Fee: \$15 per car. ALL Proceeds donated to  
Food Pantry of Urbandale and Children's Cancer Connection

(You may leave the car show for parade and re-enter after the parade is finished. Aurora closed during parade, alternate entry from 72nd Street south of Meredith)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Year of Car: \_\_\_\_\_ Make: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_

Special notes: \_\_\_\_\_

No Pre-registration Please pay/donate at the gate when you arrive! THANK YOU! Entrants: By signing this entry you hereby release and discharge Urbandale 4th of July committee and DMVR SCCA and anyone connected with management of this event, from claims for any damage, lose, injury, or judgment, or from any other cause suffered by the entrant, or to the entrants vehicle, or to personal property of the entrant, which occurs during the course of this event being held at the Urbandale High School on July 4th, 2017

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



**Grandi Gare di Noah**  
**“Noah’s Great Races”**  
July 15-16, 2017 at Iowa Speedway, Newton IA  
Hosted by Des Moines Valley Region



**MidAm Triple Regional Runoffs Qualifier / Bracket Challenge / PDX**

**TRIPLE REGIONAL – ALL CLASSES**

- ❖ Three Regional races for Runoffs qualification for eligible
- ❖ MidAm Championship Series points



classes

**PLUS,**

**BRACKET CHALLENGE – a 3-hour Enduro PLUS Sprint Races!**

*Run under the SCCA Club Racing Experience (CRE) program.*

*Wheel-to-wheel racing in a controlled environment without having to make the full commitment to SCCA licensing and GCR compliance on car preparation.*

- ❖ 2-driver teams. Each driver earns points toward the team Bracket Challenge Cup by competing in a sprint race and a 3-hour endurance race!
- ❖ Full competition license not required. Can be run with an SCCA weekend membership.
- ❖ Closed-wheel competition vehicles; basic SCCA safety tech.

**PLUS...**



**PERFORMANCE DRIVING EXPERIENCE**

- ❖ Get the speedway experience in a constructive learning environment stressing proper driving techniques.
- ❖ In your street car or your ready-to-run racer, it doesn’t matter.
- ❖ No competition license required.
- ❖ SCCA weekend memberships available, if needed.

Club Racing Driver Profile  
Ray Yergler

Race Car: Mazda Miata

DMVR member since the 1970's

With SCCA, Ray has raced on Mid Ohio, Gratten, IRP, Road America, Road Atlanta, Blackhawk Farms, St Louis, MAM, Iowa Speedway, Hastings, Hallett, Heartland Park, Brainerd, Pueblo, Hutchison, Lake Afton (to name a few). Classes ran are H Production, ITA, and Spec Miata.

Ray has won many Divisional Championships and was H Production National Champion!





## DMVR Members Earn \$1200 at the Power Tour

**E**ight DMVR members braved a very hot day and windy day at Iowa Speedway to work at the 2017 Hot Rod Power Tour.

The day began early at 8:00 am setting up the course and ending at 6:30 pm taking down the course. In addition to setting up & taking down the course, DMVR members did visual techs, started vehicles, and worked pylons all day.

A wide range of vehicles ran the course, from a Datsun 280Z to a four wheel drive army vehicle. There was one drift car who enjoyed hitting as many as cones as possible – kept the pylon workers very busy and was hard on the pylons!

There were three cars on track at a time with approximately 900 – 1000 runs completed before the day ended. The equipment worked flawlessly even with no breaks in runs during the entire day.

A special thanks to Adam Walker for letting Jerry & Doug use his Corvette to set up the course!

At the end of the day, these eight DMVR members earned \$1200 for the DMVR treasury.

**THANKS TO ALL WHO HELPED!!**



# Iowa State Fair Walking Rally



Nothing Compares to Iowa State Fair Thrills!

If you haven't attended the Annual SCCA DMVR Iowa State Fair Walking Rally then you haven't experienced everything our fair has to offer. Meet and have dinner at Stockman's Inn (restaurant north of the Cattle Barn) before the 1-hour scavenger hunt and trivia competition begins at 7pm on Wednesday, August 9th. Because it's the evening before the first day of the fair there is no admission! Take advantage and grab a sneak peek of popular attractions like the Butter Cow. Make sure to bring your cell phones and tablets to earn extra credit with your unique and fun photos.

**Date: Wednesday, August 9, 2017**

**Time: Registration from 6-6:45pm, Rally from 7-8pm,  
Answers & Winners Announced 8:30pm**

**Location: Iowa State Fairgrounds at Stockman's Inn  
(restaurant north of the Cattle Barn)**

**Team Size: Solo or family, everyone is welcome!**

**Cost: FREE!**





## Want to Make Your Teens Safer, Smarter Drivers? *Give them Street Survival™ skills!*

- What:** Tire Rack Street Survival® teen safe driving program for drivers ages 15-21
- Who:** Presented by the SCCA Foundation, a 501(c) (3) public charity, in partnership with Iowa Chapter BMW Club and Des Moines Valley Region SCCA.
- Where:** Iowa Speedway parking lot, 3333 Rusty Wallace Drive, Newton, IA
- Why:** The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reports that approximately **80%** of all accidents among teenage drivers are caused by driver error. The Street Survival program is designed to provide teenagers with the skills needed to avoid costly mistakes.
- Street Survival takes teens well beyond basic Driver's Education classes. It teaches them driving techniques on how to avoid accidents before they happen.
- How:** Street Survival is a unique hands-on driving experience that puts each student behind the wheel of his or her own car along with a trained instructor. After classroom discussion, students go out on course with their instructors to practice the exercises. The instruction takes place on a closed, wetted-down parking lot, so students experience emergency driving situations in a controlled environment. We teach accident avoidance, skid control, emergency braking, and many other driving skills. Students get to practice maneuvers many times over to gain skills and learn from their own mistakes in this intense one day class.
- When:** Saturday October 7, 2017
- Cost:** \$75 fee – includes in-car training, lunch, and a free family membership provided by the Sports Car Club of America.



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## Have you signed the WAIVER?

Race Season has started! Did you sign the waiver?

Reminder: To be eligible for coverage under the SCCA Plan, one of requirements is a person must have signed the proper event waiver release. When arriving at the event, please remember to sign the waiver!

## Thank you!