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*Rain Or Shine*

**EASTER SUNDAY – APRIL 20**

## ***Easter Ducks SOLO II***

**PRICE CUTTER PARK – Ozark, MO**

(Exit U.S. Hwy 65 At Rts. CC/J. Go East To  
Stoplight At *Lambert's Restaurant* And Turn Right.  
Veer Right Onto Outer Road At Antiques Mall.)

**Entry Fee – \$20 – SCCA Members  
\$25 – Non SCCA Entrants**

**10:00 To 11:30 AM – Registration & Tech  
11:30 AM – Drivers Meeting  
12:00 Noon – Timed Runs Begin**

***Please Be On Time!***

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**Points Event No. 2  
2003 OMR-SCCA SOLO II Championship**

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**SCCA Entrants Must Show Current  
Membership Cards At Registration**

**ALL Entrants Must Show Valid  
Driver's Licenses at Registration**

**Vehicles Must Pass Pre-Event  
Safety Inspections**

**Helmets Required; Loaners Available**

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***Lots Of Trophies! Lots Of Fun!***

## **May Autocross Date Now Set**

After a good deal of toing and froing, the Region's Grand Poobahs have announced Saturday, May 24th as the date for OMR's May autocross. Our original schedule - and the calendar on the web-page - listed the event on Saturday, May 10th, but Price Cutter Park could not give us that date. When a different lot for the event could not be secured, the autocross was moved to the only May date available at our usual SOLO II venue.

Last year's May autocross was cancelled when the re-scheduling of baseball games denied us the use of the Ducks Stadium lot. Even though we will have to run on a Saturday this year, and even though it's the Saturday of a major SOLO II and racing weekend, at least OMR's autocrossers won't be denied a May event.

In related news.....**Regional Executive Dick Faxon** has had discussions with **SOLO Safety Steward Instructor Rodger Grantham** and it's hoped a SOLO II Safety Steward training session can be scheduled on Friday evening, May 23rd - the night before OMR's May autocross. Many of our Region's current SOLO Safety Stewards also are involved with SCCA road racing, and their availability must be taken into account when SOLO II events are scheduled or re-scheduled. R.E. Faxon encourages those OMR autocrossers who compete on a regular basis - i.e., attend most Regional events - to enroll for the Safety Steward training session. Details will be announced in next month's BLAT.

Almost every OMR SOLO II event requires at least two SOLO Safety Stewards. Plan now to attend the Safety Steward school and ensure the continuation of our autocross program.

## **OMR/SCCA's Next Monthly Meeting**

**TUESDAY – MAY 6 – 7:00 PM**

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### OMR/SCCA MEETINGS

General Membership Meetings are scheduled on the first Tuesday of the month. Meeting locations are always noted on the first page of *The BLAT*. Guests are welcome.

Board of Directors Meetings are scheduled on Thursday of the second full week of the month. Meeting locations are always noted on the last page of *The BLAT*.

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## Autocross Security Issues

An Ozark city police officer visited Ducks Stadium during our March 23rd autocross because unidentified children were making false 911 calls from the stadium's pay phones. Reportedly, youngsters also were seen on the baseball field during the autocross.

**We absolutely will not tolerate this behavior.** At the moment, we have no reason to suspect that the kids in question were associated with any autocross entrant or OMR member. At future SOLO II events.....if YOU see children playing with the pay phones or trespassing on the field, report this behavior immediately to the OMR autocross trailer.

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## Waiver Forms For Minors

If you are a road racer or autocrosser who takes minors (persons under 18 years of age) to SCCA events, you should be aware of the following.

SCCA has issued new minor waiver forms. These are titled "Form MS-2, dated 3/02" and take the place of any "permanent" waiver forms you may have filled out in the past. These waivers are good for one calendar year at all SCCA events but must be signed by BOTH PARENTS. Soooo.....if you are taking the kids to the races with you, but not taking she-who-must-be-obeyed, you will have to secure and fill out the new minor waiver forms before you leave home. That's assuming you see the need for an "annual waiver" for the kids. "Good for one event only" waivers, reportedly, still will be available at SCCA registration desks.

Now, autocrossers, pay attention: If you are a minor and also a SOLO II competitor, you must fill out "Form MS-2." That means you must get both parents signatures on the form before you enter an autocross. Any minor is eligible to file an "annual waiver" but minor competitors absolutely must submit one.

Road racers: if you need these new forms, contact Dick Faxon.  
Autocrossers: the new waiver forms should be available at registration on Easter Sunday.

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## But He Doesn't Drive A British Car!

E Street Prepared Camaro driver **Mark Foley** is now a Springfield businessman, having relocated here from Fayetteville and taken over "**Brookline Woodworks & Doorworks**" late last year. The "woodworks" side of the business caters to home builders and remodelers, but Mark is expanding his garage door line which might interest many OMR members. He'd like to discuss your needs, and he's offering OMR members a discount, so give Mark a call if you've been shopping for a new garage door.

## Road Racing Report

OMR's road racers seem to be off to a slow start this year with only a few entering MIDIV's early Spring events. But that should change at the Hallett races on April 12/13 where a good number of OMR drivers - Jeff Moore alone is taking down five cars in Loren Moore's new transporter - are entered.

Speak of the devil....**Loren Moore** - now a resident of both Springfield and Las Vegas - was OMR's only entrant at the mid-March Regional/National races at Memphis Motorsports Park. Because the T1 and T2 classes were split into separate groups, Loren was able to race his usual T1 Corvette Z06 and a T2 Firebird he picked up over the winter. The black Corvette won both Saturday and Sunday while the Firebird netted Loren 2nd Place finishes both days.

**R.E. Dick Faxon** got his red *Springfield Pool and Spa* Spec Miata on track at the Gateway Int'l Regional race on March 30th. Dick scored his first victory of the year and was happy to leave with an undamaged race car.

**Faxon, Forrest Tindall, and Rick Carr** competed in the Double Regional Races at Heartland Park/Topeka on April 5/6. Conditions were sunny but chilly on Saturday then cold and wet on Sunday.

Tindall's weekend went downhill fast when his E Production class Mazda RX7's clutch failed in Saturday's race. Reportedly, the white #17 also suffered some body damage somewhere along the way. Repairs could not be made in time for Sunday's race.

Dick captured the Spec Miata class victory on Saturday, but ran into trouble in Sunday's wet race when he tried to cross some damp rubber tracks left by dragsters on the main straight. The maneuver resulted in a hard brush with the outside wall and ended Dick's race. So it's back to the frame shop for the red #77.....

After a lengthy layoff from SCCA racing, Carr - assisted by Jeff Moore - got back in the seat of his GT2 Porsche 911. Rick started at the rear of the field on Saturday but set fastest lap of the race, finished 3rd overall, and won the GT2 class when the dust had finally settled. Not wanting to push their luck, Carr and Moore abandoned Topeka early Sunday due to the weather. Maybe Dick should have followed them home????!!!

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**MINUTES General Meeting 4-1-03**

R.E. Dick Faxon called the meeting to order at Classic Sports Bar and Restaurant at 7:08 P.M. A motion was made and accepted to waive the reading of the Minutes. The Treasurer's report was presented and approved.

**Old Business:**

Sam Henry gave a report on our first Autocross of the season. Noise issues did not arise at the event. The event was very well received. Reportedly, some unknown youngsters were making false 911 calls from the stadium's pay phones. Situation will be mentioned in next month's *BLAT* and referred to at April 20 Drivers Meeting. Such behavior cannot be tolerated.

Jeff Moore gave a report on the MMP regional/national races.

Dick Faxon gave a report on the Gateway Int'l double school/ regional race.

David Small gave a report on the Crash Fire Rescue (CFR) school at Hallett. Attendees tried to burn a car. The topic of race stewards surfaced.

**New Business:**

David Small offered a trivia question. There is a special Formula One car that may be of interest to OMR members. It will be elsewhere in the BLAT. The secretary was unable to properly document the technical wording of the question.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Minutes submitted by Sam Henry, Secretary

**MINUTES Board of Directors Meeting 4-10-03**

R.E. Dick Faxon called the meeting to order at Schultz & Dooley's Too at 7:07 P.M. A motion was made and accepted to waive the reading of the Minutes. The Treasurer's report was presented and approved.

**Old Business:**

The Board approved the schedule change for the solo II program. The May 10<sup>th</sup> date is changed to May 24<sup>th</sup>. Please note that this is a Saturday event.

Dick Faxon reported that Rodger Grantham had agreed to teach a solo safety steward school on May 23, 2003. Details will follow.

Dick and Jeff Moore will coordinate the charter paperwork for the National Office. They will work on this in the third week of April.

**New Business:**

There was a brief discussion about automated deposit of Regional dues reimbursements that will be instituted by the National Office in June 2003. Jeff Moore will complete the forms required.

Ted Wells gave a report about the new waiver forms for minors at races and Solo II events. Important parts: "permanent" waivers must be signed by both parents, "day of event" waivers only need one parent's signature. Minors should not sign standard waiver form. Ted's remarks led to a discussion about the minimum age to ride in a car during a Solo II. According to the 2001 and 2002 rule-book, passengers must be 12 and have proper fitting helmet. Ted will review relevant section of 2003 Solo II Rules.

Mike Eden announced our first rally will be Saturday, May 17.

There was a brief discussion about the Easter autocross.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 P.M.

Minutes submitted by Sam Henry, Secretary.

**David Small's Trivia Challenge**

In the absence of Phil Fanning at the April monthly meeting, **David Small** offered the following "trivia challenge."

**Which obscure Formula One race car shares a name with a well known OMR member?**

Name the car; when was it raced; where did it finish; who drove it?

E-mail your answers to David at **gr8\_teeth@hotmail.com** or snail mail your entry to the Region's P.O. box. David will announce the winner at OMR's May 6th monthly meeting. All decisions by the contest judge (David Small) are final. A prize may be awarded. Lengthy and rambling comments by David should be expected.

**OTC's Classic Car Show**

*Ozarks Technical Community College* in Springfield will sponsor a "classic car show" on Saturday, May 10th. Awards will be presented in 25 different classes and there will be a sports car class separate from Corvettes and Mustangs. The entry fee is \$15.00 per car.

The show will be held at the corner of Sherman Ave and Chestnut Expressway on the OTC campus. Registration is from 9:00 AM 'til Noon with Judging from Noon to 2:00 PM. The awards presentation is scheduled for 3:00 PM. In addition to the class awards, five "special" awards will be offered: President's Choice, Dean's Choice, Best Interior, Best Paint, and Best Engine.

The first 100 entrants will receive dash plaques, and there will be a "50/50" drawing.

**OMR/SCCA's Spring Autocrosses**

**EASTER SUNDAY - APRIL 20**

**SATURDAY - MAY 24**

**OMR/SCCA Solo II Schedule—2003**

MARCH 23	AUGUST 24
APRIL 20	SEPTEMBER 28
MAY ??	OCTOBER 19
JUNE 8	NOVEMBER 9
JULY 13	

**SOLOTIME-MIDIV Solo II Series—2003**

MAY 3/4	- East Crawford Recreation Area - Salina, KS
MAY 25/26	- Gateway Int'l Raceway - Madison, IL
JUNE 21/22	- K.C. Royals Stadium Lot L - Independence, MO
AUGUST 2/3	- Forbes Field - Topeka, KS

**OMR Solo II Supplemental Regulations 2003****Classes:**

Classes will be per SCCA 2003 Solo II Rulebook (kept current per *Fast Tracks*), plus any regional classes that may be implemented by the OMR board. Prepared and Modified classes may be combined if there are an inadequate number of drivers.

Drivers may not enter more than one car.

There shall be no more than two drivers per car unless approved by the event organizer.

Single car classes will be "bumped."

The best (quickest) of all runs will count for position.

Late entries may be accepted by the event organizer, however, no make up runs are allowed.

If a car is deemed too loud by 2/3rds of the following officials: Tech Inspector, Safety Steward, and Event Chair, the driver/drivers may be required to correct the noise level before being allowed to compete/drive. This enforcement is required to maintain our current sites.

If a driver bumps more than 2 classes, that class becomes a "pax" class.

Ladies class is a "pax" class, unless there are more than 7 drivers.

**Event Awards:**

1-2 entrants:	1 <sup>st</sup>
3-4 entrants:	1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup>
5-6 entrants:	1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , and 3 <sup>rd</sup> .
7+ entrants:	1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , and 4 <sup>th</sup> .

**Fastest Time of the Day (FTD) Trophies**

At each event there will be two FTD trophies in addition to the class trophies. Any driver whose car is equipped with racing compound tires or competes in the STS/STX class is eligible for FTD-R. Any driver whose car is equipped with street compound tires and not in the STS/STX class is eligible for FTD-S.

**Class Champions:**

At each event a competitor will earn class points based on finishing position in the class as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> = 15, 2<sup>nd</sup> = 12, 3<sup>rd</sup> = 10, 4<sup>th</sup> = 8, 5<sup>th</sup> = 6, 6<sup>th</sup> and lower = 5 pts.

The best 6 events for each driver will count towards class championships.

The winner must compete in at least 4 events "in that class".

Drivers must be an OMR SCCA member or join by the start of the 4<sup>th</sup> Solo II event to receive points.

A driver may win two class championships if they meet the minimum requirements in each class.

Drivers will be responsible for working their shift. Failure to work will result in disqualification and/or loss of points.

**Autocrosser of the Year award:**

This award will go to the driver receiving the most points based on adjusted PAX (RTR) times.

The best 6 events for each driver will count towards Driver of the Year.

Points awarded as follows (OMR members only):

1<sup>st</sup> = 15, 2<sup>nd</sup> = 12, 3<sup>rd</sup> = 10, 4<sup>th</sup> = 9, 5<sup>th</sup> = 8, 6<sup>th</sup> = 7, 7<sup>th</sup> and lower 6 pts.

If drivers have the same # of points at end of season, winner is the driver with most "1sts" if still tied, the most "2nds", etc.

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