

## MoHud season underway!



NASCAR Sprint



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Artwork found on Jack Hanifan's race car front windshield believed to be done by one of Bob Karl Jr's children, Cassidy or Evan.

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# RE REPORT

Russ Burckhard

## August 2011 RE Report

The race was held on July 2<sup>nd</sup> at Lime Rock Park. It was a beautiful day, Sunny, high in the eighties with a slight breeze. For those that were at the race and don't know me, I was the one that kept the workers and drivers stocked with nice cold water. I brought help with me to do this. My son Johnathon helped to carry the water and keep the buckets stocked. I received many thanks throughout the day, but it is I that want to thank all of the workers, drivers, and crews that allowed the 23<sup>rd</sup> annual John Stim Memorial and Dave Riggi Vee Fest to be such a great event. The combined efforts from the Northern New Jersey and the Mohawk Hudson Regions again made for another successful event. There were many other regions that had helped with the various chief and worker positions and I wish to thank them as well.

The day was filled with 9 races with a total of close to 40 classes. The races were all named in the memory of past members from both the NNJ and Mohawk Hudson Regions. The information below was taken from the entry list.

Race 1 was dedicated to Gene Birdsey. Gene was a pioneer for Mohud and as RE was responsible for getting our first race at Lime Rock.

Race 2 was dedicated to Paul Tariello. Paul was as good a mechanic as he was a driver. He would lend his help to his fellow competitors asking only for them to pay it forward. Paul served Mohud as Activities Director and Assistant RE.

Race 3 was dedicated to David Riggi. Dave was a mechanic by trade and a very competent driver with many wins and almost always at the top of his class. Dave never hesitated to help a fellow competitor in need. He served Mohud in several capacities including Assistant RE. Our region also gives an annual award in Dave's Memory to a competitor that reflects his passion for racing and their willingness to help fellow competitors. His family continues to be a part of the MoHud family.

Race 4 was dedicated to William G Glitzow. Bill was an accomplished worker and driver. He served as Chief of Tech, Pit and Paddock, and as a Flagger. Bill served the NNJ Region by serving four terms as a Trustee, three terms as Membership Chair, Rallymaster, and Social Chair. He held most of these positions while also competing as a driver.

Race 5 was dedicated to Paul Hacker. Paul started off in autocross, moved to ice racing and then to SCCA Showroom Stock. He drove his car to the track, won, and then drove it home. Paul moved up to the Firestone Firehawk series in IMSA and kept his successes by winning many titles. Paul also hosted the annual go-kart outing for Mohud for a few years at his track.

Race 6 was dedicated to Vinny Blancuzzi. Vinny came into SCCA as a NNJR member and quickly earned his Flagging and Communication license as well as his Emergency Services license. In 2002 he was awarded the NESCCA Worker of the Year award. Workers like Vinny are the life line for all the clubs.

Race 7 was dedicated to Joe Deluca and Linda Gronlund. Joe and Linda were traveling to San Francisco on September 11<sup>th</sup> 2001 when their plane was high jacked by terrorists. Due to the heroism of all the passengers aboard, the plane did not make it to Washington DC. It crashed in Somerset County Pennsylvania killing everyone aboard. Linda was NNJR's Flag Marshal. Joe was most recently NNJR's Board Secretary. He had also been a Trustee, Assistant RE, RE, and newsletter editor.

Race 8 was dedicated to the Camerons. Harold and Mary Cameron who were long time Mohud members. Harold was a successful racer, winning several Regional Championships. His final years were devoted to the stewards program. Mary supported Harold and his racing career and she later became the Chief Registrar for Mohud and NYSIRA as well.

Race 9 was dedicated to Team McClumpha. Francis "Mac" and his wife Irma helped to form the Mohawk Hudson Region. Mac was a RE and Assistant RE and Irma was the Treasurer for a while back in the late 50's and early 60's. Their children, Dave and Diane, grew up in the sport and later made many contributions. Dave just missed becoming a 50 year member. He served Mohud as an Assistant RE and RE as well as Club Historian. He had a great love of the sport and kept that spirit throughout his years as a member. Diane was a gifted artist with a special affection for Grand Prix racing. She also designed the Mohud logo.

I did not get a chance to watch as much of the racing as I would have liked because I was going to each station to drop off water. I did though get to see competition on the whole track. One of my highlights of the day was after dropping off some workers after lunch. I drove the van at a blistering 30 mph down the hill, through the final turn and onto pit lane.

Pete Smith and Dick Stewart have made arrangements with the Fun-Plex in East Greenbush for a fun filled night of go-kart racing on August 3<sup>rd</sup>. This will take place of our normal monthly meeting. Keep an eye on the website for more information.

Russ

## **AUGUST COMPETITION REPORT** Jack Hanifan

### **John Stim Memorial and David Riggi Vee Fest**

*Thanks to all the MoHud members who entered.*

SM-Dylan Murcott, Ken Lendrum, BK Karl, Jared Lendrum, Nick Karl, Adam Figarsky, Walt Ryan, Bob Karl Jr, and David Lendrum.

FC- Hilton Tallman, FF- Chip VanSlyke

FV-**Dick Stewart 1<sup>st</sup>**, Tyler Reynolds, Ron Bass, and Brian Baringer

ITE-**Tom Hansen 2<sup>nd</sup>**

ITA- **Brian Blizzard 2<sup>nd</sup>**, Tom McDermott

ITB-Leonard Clickman

SRF-Doug Garrison, HP- Jonathan Waterhouse 1<sup>st</sup>

SM2-**David Lendrum 1<sup>st</sup>**, BK Karl, Nick Karl, Tom McDermott, Les Apple, Bob Karl Jr.

STL- **Ken Lendrum 3<sup>rd</sup>**, Jared Lendrum,

SSM- **Pete Smith 1<sup>st</sup>**, James Sheridan

HRG1-**Dave Dartt 1<sup>st</sup>**.

I hope I didn't miss anyone, if I did please let me know. I have to thank the Karl and Lendrum families who provided 14 entries.

**Credit for licensing-** The GCR says that to maintain a Regional License you must finish 2 Regional Race in a year, A National License Requires 4 Regional Races or Two Nationals and a Regional. Some drivers seem to be confused about this. If you are a Novice Permit you can only get credit for one race per sanction number, regardless of the number of races you finish. If you have a license you can get credit for each race you finish in a different race group. Part of the confusion is caused by Regions that advertise doubles and triples with only one sanction number. If you compete in one of these races you will only get credit for one race, unless you have a license and compete in more than one race group.

Drivers who do not meet their minimum requirements for licensing can apply to their **Divisional Licensing Chairman- Pete Smith**

**July Sprints at the Glen-** hot off the press – more next month but congratulations to David Lendrum, Alan Lendrum, TJ Hanifan and Jon Waterhouse who were all double winners.

## Monthly Membership Report 07/05/2011

Dave Wachtel

### New member report 07/05/11.

From: 06/20/11 to: 07/05/11.

*Please welcome these new members to the region.*

Name	Joined	City	State	Communications
Margaret "Peggy" Becker	06/23/11	Delmar	NY	(518)475-9099(H)
Denver Tucker	06/21/11	Rensselaer	NY	(518)821-2331(H) denver.tucker@gmail.com

There were 2 records printed.

### Interests report generated on: 07/05/11.

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There was 1 record printed.

### Anniversary Report generated on: 07/05/11

For the year 2011

Name	Joined on	Years
Lester Figarsky	June 06/16/86	25
Steve W. Stockman	July 07/10/01	10
Stephen Crowley	07/25/06	5
Beverly Stowell	07/12/06	5
Scott Joseph Stowell	07/12/06	5

There were 5 records printed.#

There are 323 members in the region.

# Everyone wave and say "Quack!"





# SOLO Report

Russ Burckhard

## August 2011 Solo Report

At the last minute, we were approved by the Town of Wilton to hold our June 26<sup>th</sup> event at Wilton Mall. With only a few days before the event, I was nervous about the possibility that no one would show up. Fortunately it was our most attended event of the year to date. 54 entries showed up. For a small site, people seem to like it. If anyone wants to let me know why, I would like to know. It is not that I do not like going there, I am just curious as to what people want. As far as the competition, it was my kind of course. I was able to get the fastest time and the fastest Pax.

Just about all year I was waiting for July 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> to get here. That was the Fortitech weekend. We held a test and tune / school on Saturday and event 4 on Sunday. I was a little disappointed at the turn out on Saturday, but the AMEC people had a solo event at Malta that day. Bert had split the course in 2. There was a standalone skid pad and a regular course. Those who tried the skid pad had an advantage over those who did not for Sunday as the same circle was used. On Sunday there was a pretty good battle for the top spot. Jim Garry set the top time on his first run. Bert, Will, Eric, and I were pushing each other to get better times. At the end of the day Will came out on top of the Pax list closely followed by Bert. 55 people suffered through the heat so that they could drive on another of Bert's great courses. We kept it to 7 runs each just so that we could get some relief from the sun.

One of my highlights of Sunday was that I rode with a driver that only has a few events under her belt. With a goal of getting a run of less than 60 seconds, we took to the course to see what she could do. She did not just meet that goal, but she flew by it. She was a quick study and was able to get below 55 seconds. It is great to see the excitement in someone that has achieved something that they did not think was possible. I have a standing offer to anyone at the events. If you would like some help, all you need to do is ask. If I can't help you, I will find someone that can.

Next on my schedule is the NE Divisional out at the Seneca Army Depot. That should be 2 fun filled days of competition. I am looking forward to the challenges of a large fast course. I have been getting more experience with these types of events and am hoping I can apply that knowledge and wind up high on the Pax sheet. There are about a half dozen MoHuders signed up for it as of my writing. Hopefully we can all finish at the top of our classes.

### Upcoming events:

**July 30-31** NE Divisional. Seneca Army Depot

**August 7** OGS McCarty Ave lot Event 5

**September 10** Adirondack Corvette Club Charity event. Prospect Mountain

**September 18** Street Survival at Fortitech

**September 19** Fortitech Event 6

*October 9* Event 7 TBD

The *italicized* dates have not been confirmed. The regular font dates have been.

Other dates to consider;

**August 3** Go-kart night at the Funplex in East Greenbush

**August 18** Golf Outing Burden Lake Country Club

**October 22** PDX at Lime Rock Park

**November 4-6** Mini Con at the Holiday Inn in Saratoga

**December 3** Annual Awards Banquet at the Troy Elks Club

# Go Kart Night

## Aug 3rd 6:30 PM

### Fun-plex Park

### East Greenbush

Price should be around \$2 per ride  
*Thanks Dick!*

## GOLF OUTING

Burden Lake Country Club

Aug 18th  
*Be there @ 2pm*

*Thanks Dick again!*



FYI: Divots won't be counted!  
A divot is the scar left behind when turf is "dug up" by a golf club.