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# MoHud archives find photos of members still very active!



Hard to know just who these members are in these photos. I'm sure they know who they are. Can you guess their identities? The answers are inside on page 6.



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#### February 2012 RE Report

Not a lot to report. We are in the planning stage of the year. We have a date for a National race at Lime Rock on June 22-23. The Solo program is working on their schedule. DJ is working on getting a date for the PDX at lime Rock. Our Street Survival guys are looking to hold 2 events this year. We are still looking for someone to head up the Rally program.

We held the first of 3 events at the Checkers Out go kart facility. The next event is on Feb 4<sup>th</sup>. The final event will be held at the end of February.

Go to <a href="http://www.mohud.motorsportreg.com/">http://www.mohud.motorsportreg.com/</a> to sign up.

# **SOLO Report**

#### Russ Burckhard

#### February 2012 Solo Report

The Solo Advisory Committee met and put together a list of possible dates for the 2012 season. We do not have any new sites so we will be using the same three that we used last year: Wilton, OGS McCarty, and Fortitech. We are also planning on doing two Street Survivals this year as well. It is also in the plans to hold an unofficial Street Survival for the parents a week or two after the second Street Survival so that they will have a better understanding of what the kids learned.

In all we are planning 7 points events, 2 test and tunes, 2 Street Survivals, 1 Parent Survival, and will continue to help the Adirondack Corvette Club with their annual charity event at the top of Prospect Mountain. This should make for a very busy year. We have chosen dates for these events and a couple of alternate weekends.

May 5-6 T&T, Event 1

June 2-3 Street Survival, Event 2

July 1 or 15 Event 3

Aug 11-12 or 25-26 T&T, Event 4

Sept 8 Adirondack Corvette Event Prospect Mountain

Sept 15,16 Street Survival, Event 5

Sept 22,23 Parent Survival, Event 6

Oct 14 Event 7

Italics are tentative dates. Bold are confirmed dates.

# COMPETITION REPORT Jack Hanifan

#### **2012 February Competition Report**

**Tech Party**- BK Karl has once again graciously offered his facility for our Annual Tech Party. It will be held starting at 12 noon on Saturday April 14, 2012 at

Bob Karl Sales and Service- 2791 Sixth Ave. Troy, NY

If you have not already done so, now is the time to start getting ready.

#### **Noteworthy Changes**

#### D. Displaying Minimum Weight

Except for classes in which there is only 1 required minimum weight (i.e., ASR, FB, FC, FE, FF, FM, FS, FST, FV, SM5, SRF), all cars shall display the correct minimum weight specified in the current GCR in a manner that is clearly legible to the scrutineers at the scales. Cars that are run in more than one class must display the correct minimum weight for each class so that it is clear which weight applies to each class.

The above rule change appears in the February GCR, it is a change from the original rule which detailed the size of the numbers and letters. Use common sense and help our tech workers. Remember, sometimes the workers read the numbers from drivers right and sometimes from drivers left. Place your weight on both sides of the race car and make it large enough to be legible.

#### **Helmet Requirements**

2 Crash helmets approved by the Snell Foundation with Snell sticker 2005 or later Special Application (SA2005) or SAH2010, or by the SFI with a SFI Sticker SFI 31.1, or by the FIA standard 8860-2004 or later, or British Standards Institute BS6658-85 type A/FR. The back of each driver's helmet shall be labeled with a minimum of the driver's name. Effective 1/1/12 the use of a head and neck restraint system that has been certified in accordance with SFI 38.1, FIA 8858-2002 or 8858-2010 is required; an SFI 38.1 or FIA 8858-2002 or 8858-2010 label must be properly affixed to the device.

Accident damaged helmets should be sent by the driver or his or her representative to the Snell Memorial Foundation, 3628 Madison Ave., North Highland, CA. 95660 (ph) 916-331-5073 (attn. Edward B. Becker). Details of the accident should be included. Freon based total loss helmet cooling systems are not allowed.

As stated above, SA2000 helmets are no longer compliant, SA2005 and SA2010 are OK.

**Head and Neck Restraint Systems** - As stated above head and neck restraint systems are mandatory as of January 1, 2012. Note that the system must also have a SFI or FIA sticker. This means if you have a HANS or other device without a sticker, you have to send it back to the manufacturer go get it re-certified.

**MoHud Race**- Our weekend at Lime Rock Park has been finalized, the dates are June 22 and 23. The event will be a National Race plus a \$212 SSM and others race and a PRO-IT race.

**NEDIV Schedule-** Here is the entire NEDIV Club Racing schedule:

## **2012 NEDIV Schedule**

DATES	NATIONALS	REGIONALS	SCHOOLS
March 1 - 3	National Convention	South Point Hotel & Casino	Las Vegas, NV
March 17 & 18	Northeast Division	Roundtable Training Meetings	The Inn @ Pocono
March 24 & 25	Northeast Division	Steward Training, Hartford, CT ?T?	WDC/Summit-D (23-25)
March 31 & April 1		•	JRB/NJMP-L-D
April 21 & 22	NER/NHMS (Rational)	NER/NHIS (Ne) (Rational)	
	, ,	WDC/Summit (M)	
April 28 & 29		JRB/NJMP-T-12 Hour Enduro (27-28)	
May 5 & 6	WDC/Summit	, ,	
May 26, 27 & 28 / Memorial Day	MVR/Nelson-D (26-27 ONLY)	GLN/Glen (Ny) (26 & 27)	
	, ,	NER/NHMS-D (Ne) (26 & 27)	NER/NHMS (25)
June 2 & 3	SJR/NJMP-T Test Day 1st	SJR/NJMP-T R Pro IT (Nj)	
	Bonus Nat'l Grp - SRF		
June 9 & 10	·	NER/LRP (8 & 9 Ne)	NER/LRP (8)
		WDC/Summit (M)	, ,
June 23 & 24	MHR/LRP (22 & 23)	MHR/LRP-R (22-23)	
	,	FLR/Nelson-D (K)	
June 30 & July 1 / Independence Day 4th		JRB/NJMP-L + Pro IT Test 29th (Nj)	
July 7 & 8	GLN/Glen Test Day 6th	, ,,	
•	Bonus Group- FF-FV-F500		
July 14 & 15	•	WDC/Summit (M)	
July 21 & 22		GLN/Glen Test 20th (Ny)	
July 28 & 29	STC/PIRC(was BeaveRun)	STC/PIRC (was BeaveRun) RReg (K)	
	Bonus - EP FP HP GTL STU		
	& SM SSB SSC T2 T3		
August 4 & 5		NER/NHMS-D (Ne)	
August 11 & 12	TRI/Pocono Test Day 10th	, ,	
	Bonus - GT1-2-3, STO AS T1		
	FA FB FC FE FM S2 CSR DSR		
August 18 & 19		JRP/NJMP-T Test 17th ( Nj)	
September 1, 2 & 3 / Labor Day		WDC/Summit-D (M)	
September 8 & 9		NER/NHMS D (Ne)	
September 15 & 16 / Rosh Hashanah 16th		FLR/Glen-D (Ny K)	
September 17 - 23	SCCA RUNOFFS	ROAD AMERICA	ELKHART LAKE, WI
September 22 & 23 / Yom Kipper 25th		NYR/LRP (21-22 NARRC Runoffs)	
September 29 & 30		MVR/Nelson-D (K)	
October 6 & 7 / Columbus Day 8th		GLN/Glen Reg 6/End 7+ Pro IT? (Ny)	GLN/Glen (4-5)
		WDC/Summit (M)	` ,
October 20 & 21		JRB/NJMP-T (Nj)	
October 27 & 28 / Halloween 31st			
November 3 & 4 / Daylight Savings			
November 9 - 11	Northeast Division	Mini-Convention	Ramada Inn
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# **News Around Our MoHud Members!**

This first photo is taken at Lime Rock, not sure of the year, but believe it is Jim Bishop, Greg Rickes and Craig Roberts conversing.

The second photo shows a young Tom Campbell also at Lime Rock with we assume is his longtime crew member Jeff Gross.



Congratulations go to Pete & Diane Smith on the arrival of their first grandchild, Chase James Robertson, 9lbs. 1oz., 21 1/2 inches on 1/20/12.

Our sincere condolences to John & Denni Sheridan and Jim & Judy Sheridan and the entire Sheridan family on the loss of their father, John F. Sheridan. Mr. Sheridan was a frequent crew member and spectator at the races of his racing family members. He will be greatly missed by all.

# Monthly Membership Report 1/17/2012 Will Schambach

# New member report 1/17/12 from: 12/17/11 to 1/17/12

Please well	come these	new mem	bers to t	the region.
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<u>Name</u>	<u>Joined</u>	City	<u>State</u>
Tyler Ruhle	1/02/12	Saratoga Springs	NY
**The following members we	ere TRSS particip	ants which generated	automatic First Gear memberships**
Alyssa Moore	12/22/11	Schenectady	NY
Rachel Moore	12/22/11	Schaghticoke	NY
Brian Oehlsen	12/22/11	Clinton	NY
Conor O'Neill	12/22/11	Hudson	NY
Sarah Pilatich	12/22/11	Catskill	NY
Ezraela Ratner-Trachtenberg	12/22/11	Schenectady	NY
Elizabeth Roberts	12/22/11	Farmington	СТ
Katy Stringer	12/22/11	Ballston Spa	NY
Aaron Thompson	12/22/11	Vestal	NY
Nicholas Turner	12/22/11	Schenectady	NY
Mackenzie Bornt	12/21/11	Johnsonville	NY
Brandon Burhardt	12/21/11	Fort Edwards	NY
Michael Clair	12/21/11	Slingerlands	NY
David Dembroski	12/21/11	Clifton Park	NY
Ashley Hable	12/21/11	Lagrangeville	NY
Colin Hughes	12/21/11	Walden	NY
Alicia Lewis	12/21/11	Johnsonville	NY
Rob Loomis	12/21/11	Wynantskill	NY
Harris Miller	12/21/11	Chappaqua	NY
Alison Minoogian	12/21/11	Ballston Lake	NY
Kaitlynn Bennett	12/16/11	Franklin Lakes	NJ

### Interests report as of 1/17/12

**SOLO CLUB RACING** Tyler Ruhle Tyler Ruhle Elizabeth Roberts **Ashley Hable** Michael Clair **RALLY** Ashley Hable Tyler Ruhle

#### **Anniversary Report as of 1/17/12**

Name	Joined on	Years	
	January		
Steven Dweck	1/6/07	5	
Ezekiel Wright	1/22/07	5	
	February		
Brian Blizzard	2/11/97	15	
Patricia Blizzard	2/11/97	15	
Bill Blizzard	2/11/97	15	
Wayne Green	2/11/97	15	
Jeff Lehner	2/20/02	10	

There are 340 members in the region.

# **MoHud Membership Meeting Minutes**

January 4th 2012

Meeting called to order at 7:40 pm.

SECRETARY – no report.

MEMBERSHIP – Will provided a summary of new members. He indicated that a Street Survival participant has recently joined Mo Hud.

STREET SURVIVAL - Michelin has contributed an additional \$500 to Street Survival.

KNOCK OFF – members were reminded to please submit articles to Lisa prior to the monthly deadline, which is the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month.

SOLO – Advisory Committee meeting will be held at Eric's house this month. Date pending. RALLY – no report.

PDX – DJ will check with Lime Rock Park on available dates for a 2012 Mo Hud PDX.

ACTIVITIES – Karting series is scheduled for January 14, Feb 4, and Feb 25, 3:00 pm. Cost will be \$24 to \$40 per person, depending on the number of participants (the greater number of participants, the lower the cost) and \$10 registration fee. Participants must bring their own helmet (DOT approved). Warm clothes is recommended (the waiting area is heated, but the track itself is open to the elements).

Please go to MoHud.Motorsportreg.com for registration.

COMPETITION — Jack Hanifan summarized awards given at the Annual Banquet. Of note - Rookie of the Year is Tom Hansen. Jack stated that the GCR is now online (hard copy is available for a fee). All changes are in Red text. Rules changes to note — head and neck restraints are now mandatory; Spec Miata must run Hoosiers; drivers must now post the legal weight on the side of their car (to make it easy for Tech when cars are placed on the scales) -this applies to all classes other than spec series (spec series have a required minimum weight). A Mo Hud national race is scheduled for Lime Rock Park on June 21/22.

OLD BUSINESS – slate of officers for the upcoming year was voted on and approved at the Annual Banquet. Chip would like to vacate his treasurer position. If anyone is interested in taking over this position, please contact Russ.

NEW BUSINESS – the new web site is operational. Site is at MoHud-SCCA.com or MoHud-SCCA.org.

MINI CON – Bruce expressed disappointment that there was very little interest/support in the Solo and PDX seminars at the MiniCon. Discussion ensued on how to attract more interest and SCCA support, e.g., guest speaker at next year's Mini Con.

Next Board Meeting will be Monday, January 23, 7:30 pm at the Orchard.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.