

The Mo-Hud

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NEWSLETTER OF THE MOHAWK-HUDSON REGION SPORTS CAR CLUB OF AMERICA (Mo-Hud)

August 2016

The REport

The Mohawk-Hudson region's 60th anniversary was celebrated at the Saratoga Auto Museum on a warm Saturday night, July 16th.

Special thanks go out to Jack Hanifan and Tom Campbell for organizing the event. And an extra special thank you to Greg Rickes for not only being our emcee for the evening but also for coordinating our guest speaker, Bob Bailey. Bob gave a very interesting talk on his involvement in motorsports and his development of driving suits utilizing Nomex.

Eleanor Morris and Karl Danneil gave us some insight on what it's been like being members of Mohud and the SCCA for 50 years. Also attending was Area 10 director and chairman of the SCCA board of directors, John Walsh. Thank you to all who attended.

- Jim Bucci -



Attendees listen intently to guest speaker, Bob Bailey

Note presence of The Stig

Coming Events

- **July 24:** Sunday, 8:00 – 5:00. MoHud Solo Points Event #3. OGS McCarty lot, Thruway exit 23
Contact: Russ Burckhard russtduck@gmail.com
- **August 3:** Wednesday, 6:00pm. MoHud's Fun Night Out. FunPlex Park, 589 Columbia Turnpike, East Greenbush.
Contact: Pete Smith 518-339-5744
- **August 11:** Thursday, 2:00pm. Annual MoHud Golf Outing. Burden Lake Country Club. \$34 for golf and food.
Contact: Pete Smith 518-339-5744
- **August 21:** Sunday, 8:00 – 5:00. MoHud Solo Points Event #4. OGS McCarty lot, Thruway exit 23.
Contact: Russ Burckhard russtduck@gmail.com
- **September 7:** Wednesday, 7:30pm. MoHud Membership Meeting. Orchard Tavern, 68 North Manning Boulevard, Albany.
Contact: Jim Bucci hdjimbu@gmail.com
- **October 7 - 8:** Friday - Saturday. MoHud John Stim Memorial Races in cooperation with New England Region regional races at Thompson Speedway Motorsports Park, Thompson Connecticut. More details to follow.

The 60th Anniversary Party



RE Jim Bucci opened the evening with a toast to all past and present members



Some of the more senior MoHud members lined up for mementoes



**Eleanor –
Always Ebullient**



**Karl –
Always Thoughtful**



**Long-time, active, members
Todd and Nancy Boice enjoy the party**

SOLO Report

We held our second test and tune / school on Saturday June 25th and continued to have an average amount of attendees (20's) again. This time the course (designed by myself) was a little longer than the first *test and tune* but it had a good mix of technical areas and speed, keeping the times in the low-to-upper 30 second range for the majority of the participants. The weather was a bright sunny day that climbed up near 90°. Later in the day some scattered clouds rolled in to give a slight relief from the sun. We started the day with 6 runs and then took a lunch break midafternoon. After the break we had another 4 runs apiece to try to make everyone's times drop. The day ran a little longer than expected and even though we were hot and tired at the end of the day. I believe all of the students learned something and had a good time.

Sunday's weather turned out to be about the same as Saturday. Another bright, sunny, and hot day. The only thing that saved us was a nice breeze as the temperatures had climbed up into the 90°s. 55 competitors came out to run the second point's event of the season. We picked up 1 more novice compared to the first event as 11 were listed as novices. Jon Kirschman upgraded a couple of logistic issues on his course design compared to his first event. What he didn't change was the ability to make a great course. Times ran from the mid 20's to the upper 30's. For the second event in a row all I heard were positive remarks from many of the competitors. The FTD was set by the same two as last event. The 89 Raptor F Mod car with Saul Morse ran a 26.36. The fastest fendered car was Andy Furlong's Atomic Rabbit, running a 27.81. There is a new sheriff in town on the top of the Pax list. Russ Gorman ran in his 09 Mini Cooper followed closely by Ian Wallace, Phil Reddington, Andy Furlong, with Scot Monti rounding out the top 5. Top class winners were Phil Reddington in the Pro class, Russ Gorman in Street, Charles Dickenson in CAMS, Saul Morse in Prepared/Modified, Adam Torrey in Touring/Modified, David Peters in Street Prepared, and Johnathon Burckhard in Kart. Full results can be found at <http://www.mohud-scca.org/solo/schedule-results/>

Update on the bus. I brought it down to see Mike from [Squire Designs](#) to get a better idea on what graphic design would look the best. He came up with a few ideas and hopefully I will post some pictures of the finished product soon.

- Russ Burckhard -

Upcoming Solo Schedule

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| Jul-24 | MoHud Points Event 3 | McCarty Ave |
| Aug-21 | MoHud Points event 4 | McCarty Ave |
| Sep-25 | MoHud Points event 5 | McCarty Ave |
| Oct-09 | MoHud Points event 6 | McCarty Ave |

Other area solo and autocross events

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| Aug-20 | Jaguar Association of Central New York | http://jagcny.com | Dewitt |
| Sept 17-18 | Tri Vettes | http://clubs.hemmings.com/trivettes/events.htm | Edinburg NY |
| Sep-18 | Poughkeepsie Sports Car Club | http://www.pscny.com/schedule/ | Hudson Valley Mall |
| Oct-16 | Poughkeepsie Sports Car Club | http://www.pscny.com/schedule/ | Lake Taghkanic |

PDX events (track events)

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| Sep-10 | Patroon BMW | https://www.motorsportreg.com/orgs/bmwcca/patroon | Lime Rock |
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Come have some Family Fun!
MoHud's
FUN NIGHT OUT!

Go-Karts plus Activities Galore!!

Wed., Aug. 3rd 6pm – \$22

FunPlex Fun Park

589 Columbia Turnpike, East Greenbush NY 518-477-2651

FREE PIZZA & DRINKS

Questions? Call Pete Smith 518-339-5744

Annual Golf Outing

Aug. 11th at 2pm

Burden Lake Country Club

Cost: \$34 Includes Golf and Food



Questions? Call Pete Smith @ 518-339-5744

Solo Scenes

Photos by James M. Ver Kamp and others, June 26th



“And then he claimed...”



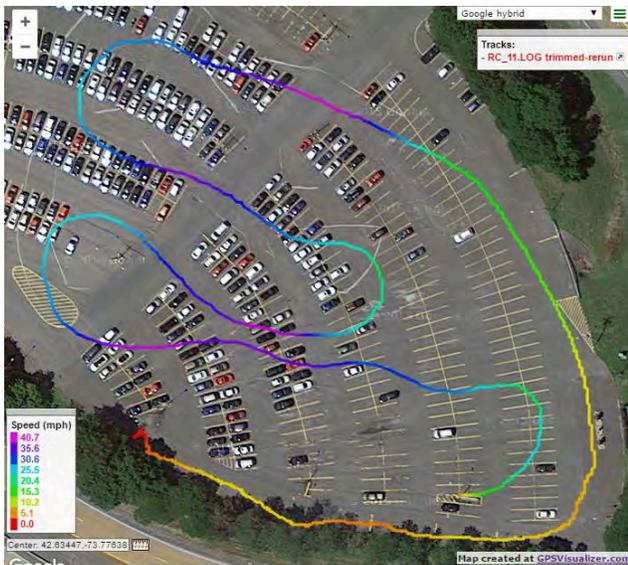
Formula E comes to MoHud
Timothy Matthey in his BMW i3



Karl Danneil shows the young'uns classic technique



Russ Gorman becomes the new PAX man



Tom Moeller's app shot worth 1,000 words



How sweet the sound!
Charles Dickinson's '01 Vette

Competition Report: August 2016

New England Road Racing Championship Paddock Crawl- Actually it was called the NERRC Race at Lime Rock Park, but it will be remembered as the Paddock Crawl Race.

The plan was not to have a worker party and save \$5000 by asking race teams to have beverages and snacks for the workers and participants. It was a tremendous success. Food included hotdogs and hamburgers, fried chicken, Italian meatballs, cold cuts, beer, salads... and spareribs which were falling off the bone. The MoHud station featured Margaritas, and Mexican meatballs with salsa verde. Each visitor to the MoHud station was presented with a (traditional Mexican?) lei. Hats off to Trish and Jim Bucci who prepared the food and set it up. (Observations of the Chairman of the Race Stewards follow).



Peter Kroth, Chip van Slyke and Kathy Barnes enjoy Jim and Trish Bucci's makin's

If you are not a Race Steward you might not be aware of some of the various duties of Stewards at a race. The two most important Stewards at a race are the *Chief Steward* and the *Chairman of the Stewards*. The *Chief Steward* is responsible for the operation of the race. The *Chairman of the Stewards* is responsible for a hearing court which settles any protests, and handles any Requests for Action, which could be a simple schedule change or an investigation of an on-track issue. The *Chairman* is also responsible for the instruction of *Stewards in Training* at the event. The final responsibility the *Chairman* is to make a written report on the event: *The Observers Report*. This report indicates the duties of each Steward and Chief of specialty and includes their license grade and number. The final item on the report is a brief evaluation of the event noting any deficiencies, and noteworthy items.

The following is a paraphrase from the Observers Report for the event: "The Paddock Crawl was an outstanding success with various racing teams providing beverages and food of all kinds. One of the local Regions, Mohawk Hudson, a region famous for their parties, served margaritas and Mexican food."

Editor's note: Presumably this report wends its way up the organization chain and is eventually filed in the FIA archives. Next time you are in Paris, stop by FIA hq and ask. FIA is on the northeast corner of the Place de la Concorde; look for the ferris wheel, then head for the building with the covered portico.

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New England Region/ North East Division Road Racing Championship, Lime Rock Park, June 17, 18

MoHud was well represented in this NeDiv Divisional Championship race.

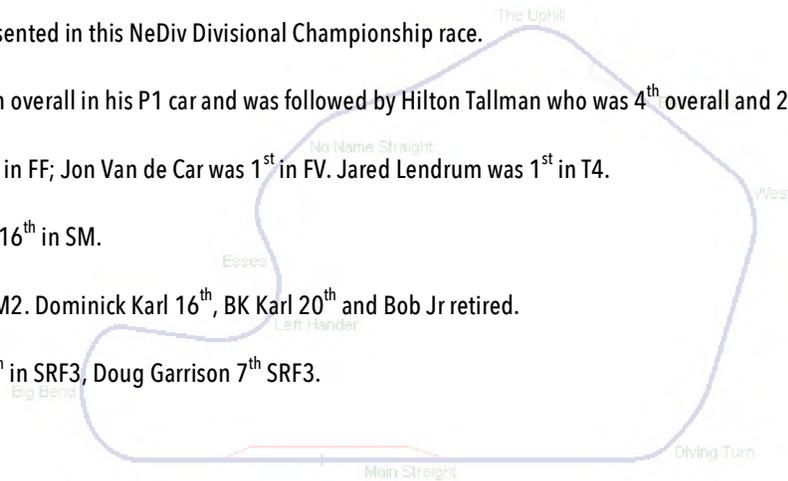
Jonathan Eriksen won overall in his P1 car and was followed by Hilton Tallman who was 4th overall and 2nd in FC.

Chip VanSlyke was 4th in FF; Jon Van de Car was 1st in FV. Jared Lendrum was 1st in T4.

Austen Levesque was 16th in SM.

Evan Karl was 3rd in SM2. Dominick Karl 16th, BK Karl 20th and Bob Jr retired.

Dave Ferguson was 6th in SRF3, Doug Garrison 7th SRF3.



Glen Region/ North East Division Road Racing Championship, Watkins Glen, June 17, 18

Once again MoHud was once again well represented at the Glen Region's traditional July Sprints especially in the *Group 3-Small IT and T* race where five of the 29 finishers were MoHud-ers.

Jared Lendrum was 2nd overall and collected his 4th divisional win of the year to claim his invitation to the National Runoffs. Michael Lo was 6th in STL, Jim Bucci 2nd in T4, Greg Pecora was 1st in T3 and Jonathan Eriksen was 7th in STL.

In other races, Jonathan Eriksen and Hilton Tallman both won in P1 and FC respectively.

Walt Ryan has a 6th in SM2 and Pete Smith and Jack Hanifan finished 2nd and 3rd in FP.

Dave Dartt made the trip up from Lake Wales to win GTL.

Tyler Reynolds finished 4th in FV and Jon Van de Car retired but had the fastest lap in FV.

Doug Garrison had a 3rd in SRF3, Dave Ferguson was 5th in SRF3

Fred Fox was 2nd in ITR; Michael Lo was 4th in STL

Scott Stickle was 5th in HRG 5

MoHud at the Watkins Glen July Sprints



Garage? Concrete floors? In my day we worked on the cars in a field behind the pits.
Pete Smith Jack Hanifan Jim Bucci Thom O'Connor



Dave Darrt squeezes in



"The track runs clockwise?
Geez, that explains why the marshals were so upset with me."

<< Trish Bucci takes a few minutes out



Hot dogs at the track!
(Sure, it's a groaner; but it made you think!)

Medals and Local Bubbly at July Sprints



Jack Hanifan "Paul?" Pete Smith



Dave Dart



Greg Pecora



Jim Bucci Jared Lendrum



Hilton Tallman



Joanathan Eriksen



Doug Garrison

Toast Your Favorite Driver with Finger Lakes Bubbly

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| Chateau Frank | 2008 Blanc de Noirs |
| Hector Wine Company | 2009 Brut |
| Lamoreaux Landing | 2007 Blanc de Blanc |
| Damiani Wine Cellars | 2010 Sparkling Brut |
| Lucas Vineyards | NV Extra Dry Sparkling Wine |
| Atwater Estate | 2010 Cuvee Brut |
| Lakewood Vineyards | 2011 Blanc de Noir |
| Wagner Vineyards | 2012 Sparkling Riesling |
| Glenora Wine Cellars | 2003 Brut |
| Swedish Hill | NV Blanc de Blanc |
| Hazlitt 1852 Vineyards | 2012 Gruveé |
| Idol Ridge Winery | 2013 Sparkling Rosé |

Meeting Minutes, June 27, 2016 Board of Directors

Orchard Tavern: Call to order 7:00 pm

Mo Hud 60th anniversary celebration will be at the Saratoga Auto Museum July 16th - catering prices discussed. Head count will be needed about one week before the event date.

Publicizing Mo Hud - suggested that we consider posting an SCCA banner at our autocross events. Doing so will help to provide public exposure for the Region. Board (Eric and Russ) will research cost of a new banner.

Treasurer - Todd reported that the new spreadsheet used to report and track event expenses/income is working well.

Proposed graphics for the Mo Hud vehicle discussed. It was suggested that we permit advertisers to put their decals on the bus. However, removing the decals each year would be a problem.

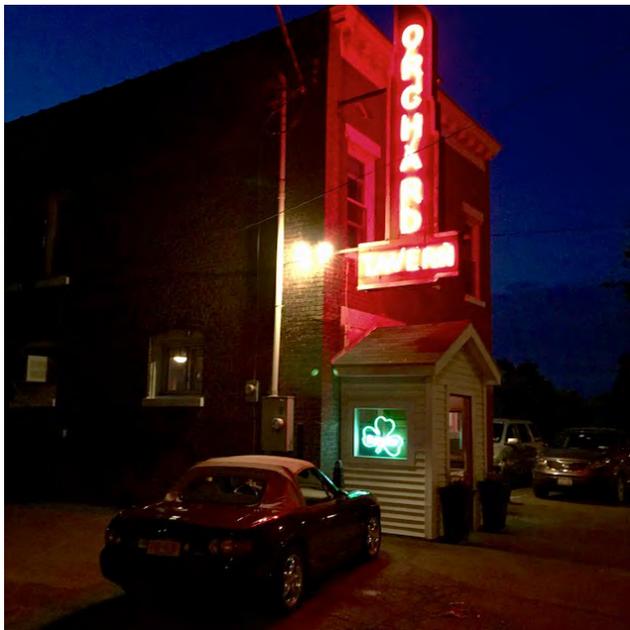
Membership - there are presently 500+ members. Jim Garry has tried to contact the new members to welcome them to the Region and solicit their interests but have received a lot of bounce-backs/undelivered email.

Car Shows - Guptill's is cost effective but has an older crowd who attends. We will look at other car show opportunities to showcase Mo Hud. Jim suggested that hiring a public relations firm or individual might be helpful to promote the Region.

TRSS Fall Dates - finding an October date will be difficult because of scheduling conflicts.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

- Ron Bass -



It's said that parking your car under a Shamrock will bring seven years of good luck ...or better yet, a genuine Guinness Draught.



This is not a Shamrock, but it's guaranteed that the driver will deliver a pizza well before your Guinness loses its foam.

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Membership meetings of the Mohawk-Hudson Region SCCA are held on the 1st Wednesday of the month, excepting July and August, 7pm, at the Orchard Tavern, 68 North Manning Boulevard, Albany.



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