

# Pit Patter



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Authorities believe the person pictured above may have been involved in the attempted theft of a class win at the January ice bowl. If you think you know this person, please be very cautious, he is a cold-blooded cone killer.

Photography by Kevin Abel

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## Martin Sports Car Club

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## TRANSMISSIONS

### Event Schedule:

**Sunday, February 7, 2010** \* \* \* ***NEW DATE !!!*** \* \* \*

Event # 2, Lake County Tech Center

Event Chair: *The Giddens Family*

**Autocross school - Feb. 20 & 21, 2010 - Seats are limited!!!**

Event Chair: *Gerardo Bonilla & Matt Ferratusco*

**Sunday, March 7, 2010**

Event # 3, Lake County Tech Center

Event Chair: *Harry Corbin, Hien Nguyen, Oliver Yao*



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*Orlando, Florida*

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## Monthly Club Meeting

**Thursday, February 4th, 2010**

### **La Fiesta**

140 South US Hwy 17/92

Longwood, FL 32750

407-478-1473

7:30PM

Located next to Albertsons on the southwest corner of Highway 17/92 & S.R. 434 in Longwood, FL. Check the website for more info.

**\*\*\* EVENT DATE CHANGE!!! \*\*\***



## February Autocross



**Sunday, Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

**Lake County Technical Center**

13000 Frankies Road

Tavares, FL

Registration: 8:00 to 8:30 **Regular price** (\$20 for members/\$30 for non-members)\*

Late Registration 8:30 to 8:45 **\$10 Late Fee**

Tech: 8:00 to 9:00

Driver's meeting: 9:30 (approximate)

First car out: 10:00

**\* Pre-register and pre-pay at [myautoevents.com](http://myautoevents.com) for a \$2 discount!**



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# JANUARY MEETING MINUTES

## General Meeting 01/07/10

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by our President, **George Bonafede**.

A motion was made, seconded and the December meeting minutes were cast in stone.

### Reports

Event Director, **Karel Schneider** :

December event was a pointless event but was briefly reviewed.

January event hosts were introduced.

#### **Coming events:**

MSCC February Event (02/07/10 moved from the original 2/14/10 date\*\*)

MSCC March Event (03/07/10 first weekend of March)

MSCC General Meeting – Thursday, February 4 at La Fiesta

Treasurer, **Ben Turner**:

The “bling” and Ben’s new hat were included with the first money report of the year.

Dues are due!!!

Secretary, **Leland Giddens**:

It only took a moment to confirm everyone had signed the meeting roster.

### Old Business

#### **General Meeting Location:**

The February General Meeting will be held at La Fiesta.

#### **February Event date Changed:**

Feb 7<sup>th</sup> 2010 will be the date of the event.

#### **PCA Autocross Event at Convention Center:**

The PCA event ended up happening at the very last second bringing in only 16 total drivers, but was enough to create more interest in the location.

#### **May 2<sup>nd</sup> Mini Prix:**

A swap from April to May for the Mini Prix was agreed upon due to a cheaper, closer and new location at the Orange County Convention Center.

#### **2009 Trophy Presentations Continued:**

2009 trophies and active member shirts were presented to those who did not receive theirs at the banquet.

### New Business

General meeting locations – any ideas are welcome!

It is Martin Sports Car Clubs 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!!

The board has put together a committee to help celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> year which includes: **Kim** and **Chris Wells** and **Robert Belvoir**.

The committee will be responsible for putting together quarterly special events as well as some ways to promote MSCC through Media.

Robert Belvoir was selected as the chairmen of Special Events. Karel Schneider suggested a “King of the Hill” drag race event. Leland Giddens was nominated to put together an MSCC enduro kart race at CFRC.

A 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary logo competition may also be taking place. Keep your eyes on the forums!

#### **Autocross School:**

March 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> 2010 will be the dates for the MSCC autocross school.

Details can be found on the forums.

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## Swap Time

George Bonafede has his Yellow Evo still for sale

Leland Giddens has a 1991 RX-7 turbo for sale.

Want a little something different in your life? **Bert Foschini** can help fill that need!

Wait a minute that did not sound right! Do you want to sell, buy, borrow, loan, rent or trade something? Well, that was not much better! Want to get or get rid of something car related? Bert is da man: [bfoschini@yahoo.com](mailto:bfoschini@yahoo.com)

## 50/50 Raffle

### **Travis Schneider Wins!**

A total of \$42 was collected and Travis won \$21. Travis then gave **Eunice Everett** \$5 for drawing his name. Congrats Travis!

Meeting was adjourned by George Bonafede at 8:29 pm.

Leland Giddens, Secretary

**In Attendance** – Abel, Barrett, P. Belvoir, R. Belvoir, Cady, Castillo, Christoeffl, Connor, Corbin, DeBower, Edstrom, Everett, Hammer, Jackie & Mickey Gauldin, the Giddens, Hosler, Huls, Maier, Mertz, Schatte, Karel and Travis Schneider, Stroud, Turner, Wells, West, Wilson, Yao, and Zimmerman.

**Guests** – Joel and Jeff Strickland.



## *February Birthdays!!!*



- \* Kevin Abel
- \* Chris Cochran
- \* Thomas Foschini
- \* Jennifer Aniston
- \* Norman Rockwell
- \* Burt Reynolds
- \* Pedro Castillo
- \* Bert Foschini
- \* Travis Turner
- \* Leslie Nielsen
- \* Joe Pesci
- \* Mark Spitz



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# JANUARY RACE REPORT

By Bert "Hammer" Foschini

Welcome to sunny Central Florida and the start of the 2010 racing season. In case you didn't know, this year marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Martin Sports Car Club. Some said it would snow in Florida before this club would last 50 years – I guess they were right. I did not attend the January event – as a native of South Florida I cease to function when the temperature falls below freezing for even one second. While I relaxed at home in my warm footy PJ's and a hot cup of coffee, 51 polar bears, um, uh, dedicated racers chiseled ice from the course and asked themselves, more than once, w-w-what am I d-d-doing out h-h-here? I hear the ice show was worth the price of admission. I'll do my best to keep thing straight.

We had five classes where only one Eskimo, uh, um, driver participated. In BS Christian Christoeffl was the man, in ES Ludwig Bavetta doctored a win, in GS Bruce Abbott was aged to perfection, in ESP Sean "Make My" Day foretold a win and in STS Jerry Lee wished he had great balls of fire to keep things warm. We had six classes with two drivers battling each other for supremacy. Wendy and Erich Mertz found themselves reclassified into AS, and they picked up where they left off last year, battling back and forth all day long. Wendy led after the first three runs and Erich grabbed the lead after the 4<sup>th</sup> run. However, due to the low turnout and plethora of two-driver cars, the event was divided into a two-group, two-session event, which resulted in five runs. That 5<sup>th</sup> run was just what Wendy needed as she took the win. The family affair continued in HS, where Ben and Travis Turner went at it like father and son. Dad was just too fast and Ben took the win. The final family feud involved Robert and Penny Belvoir, which is really no contest as Robert has been racing practically twice as long as Penny has been alive. In ASP it was the rotary power of John Giddens vs. the American Muscle of Don Hosler. It took these guys until the 4<sup>th</sup> round to make a clean run, and in the end John Giddens emerged the victor. In DSP AWD ruled the day as Justin Cady took the win over Terry Glazar and in SSM Travis Schneider won the Miata battle over Salim Sanchez.

The Novice class used to be one of the most heavily populated classes, before the economy tanked. This, coupled with freezing temperatures, would explain the very modest turnout of only four drivers in the Novice class for the January event. However, it did boast diversity as we had a BMW 325, a Ford Mustang and a, what, Toyota Corolla? Who does this guy think he is, Craig Miller? Anyhow, given the nature of this sport and the icy conditions it should come as no surprise that each novice driver had at least one off course run. Nathan Pippet, who was driving the Corolla, made only one clean run, on his second try, but it was good enough to put him in the lead through the first three rounds, but he ended up finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> by 0.004 – yes, four thousandths of a second, or about how long the snow lasted after hitting the ground. Jeff Strickland, in a Mustang, took some time to find his way, but once he did he was fast enough to earn a second place finish. Andre Morales had only one off course run and managed to stay clean for the rest of the day. That translated into a rather admirable 51.162 time and earned him the Novice class victory. With that victory Andre earned a one way ticket to open classing, because once you win the Novice class, you can't race in Novice anymore. Congratulations!

Next month we will be having an autocross school. Two of the instructors will be guys you probably never heard of – Gerardo Bonilla and Matt Ferratusco. What? You have heard of these guys? Oh yeah, but America's Most Wanted doesn't count. Anyway, don't let the completely ridiculous-sounding names fool you, these guys know next to nothing about driving. Matt was going to write the race report, but chickened out. However, I was able to pull this out of him. "Gerardo drove really well, as always and as expected. He did what he always does, pulls a rabbit out of a hat on his final run. [What

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the results don't show is that] Gerardo's final run was his 6<sup>th</sup> due to a timing error on his 4<sup>th</sup> run. The rest of us [in CS] had one less shot at glory. That extra run means extra learning, extra discovery of what works, extra experimenting. It counts for something. His 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> runs (afternoon session) were all 44.5 - 44.6, same as mine. I never could beat his 44.3 from the morning, and he would have won nevertheless, but the gap wouldn't have been 8 tenths if not for the extra run." Sounds like whining to me. Regardless of Matt's crying, he still managed to finish in the Top 10, in a stock Miata, on street tires. However, Gerardo piloted that same vehicle to a Top 5 finish - very impressive indeed. Maybe these guys do know a thing or three about driving. Josh Coffin and Ricky Bang stood a snowball's chance in, well, you know, and finished 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, respectively. In DS Jason Stroud simply had a higher numbered car, as his BMW was a 328, whereas Kevin Spence and Richard Thackway had only a BMW 323. It doesn't hurt that Jason can also drive, which led him to a 1.7 second win over Kevin.

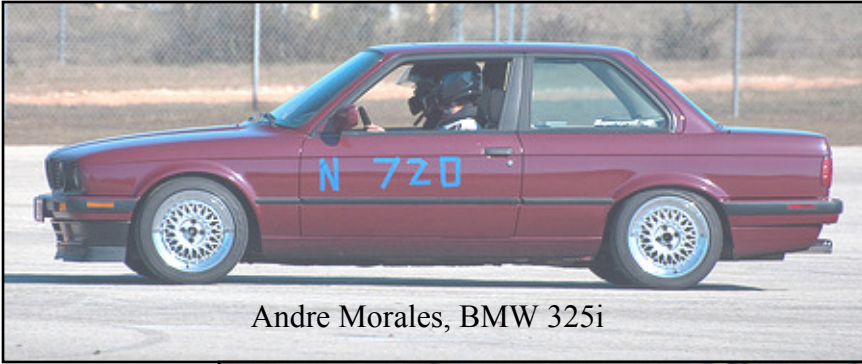
In CSP it was all Miatas, all day long. Leland Giddens bought Patrick Wilson's Miata and talked his mom (Leland's, not Patrick's) into co-driving it. Leland didn't have much more luck that Patrick did in the car as he finished 2<sup>nd</sup>. Glen LaFlamme could not quite get fired up and finished 3<sup>rd</sup>. This turned into a one-man show as Karel Schneider benefitted from some back-to-back runs, which really heated things up and earned him a 1.2 second victory and the 3<sup>rd</sup> fastest time overall.

At the rules meeting late last year the club voted to split the SMST class into two classes. The AWD cars appeared to have a decided advantage last year. Even with "street" tires, having grip and power at all four corners of the vehicle left the 2WD guys with no hope at all - especially in wet or cold conditions, where grip is limited and at a premium. The 2WD cars just did not have a prayer, right Bob Blucher? I single out Bob Blucher (or Bobber, as he is sometimes called) not because he led the charge for splitting SMST (which he didn't), but because he single-handedly (and 2WD drivedly) pushed the "AWD Rules All" theory back 50 years. Had we not split SMST into SMST2 and SMST4, Bob would have won the class by almost a full second. As it stands, Bob will have to be satisfied with a 1.6 second win over Patrick Wilson in the newly created SMST2 class, with Kevin Abel 3<sup>rd</sup>, Mickey Gauldin 4<sup>th</sup> and Steve Pierce 5<sup>th</sup>. Bob's 43.554 was also good enough for 4<sup>th</sup> quickest overall. In the new SMST4 class, last year's SMST and Tiger champion, Hien Nguyen, was having all kinds of cone trouble, posting only one clean run, which was his first and slowest run. This led to a 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish. Harry Corbin, who battled with Hien all last year, made the most of his opportunities and took the class win with a 44.548, which was also good enough for 7<sup>th</sup> fastest overall.

This brings us to SM, which saw the return of Jeff Binford, who runs with us on occasion, as well as the return of Lynn Klingele and his 1975 Chevrolet Cosworth Vega. Now that is a car you don't see everyday, or ever. SM also saw the return of past and newly-elected club president George Bonafede and his Evo IX, which he hopes will prove to be more reliable than the Atomic Lemon he campaigned for most of last year. Joining him in the Evo was Joey Maier, who is usually behind the wheel of his 3-wheeled Geo Storm. George held a 0.375 second lead after the first round, went off course in the second round and steadily improved throughout the day. Jeff Binford put down a cool time of 42.250 on his second run, then failed to improve from there. Would it be enough? George chiseled away at Jeff's lead, but in the end Jeff took the class win by 0.432 and with it, the first Top Time of Day of the year. George's 42.682 was good enough for 2<sup>nd</sup> overall.

The 50<sup>th</sup> year of MSCC is off to a cold, but hearty start. I am confident that the temperature, the driver count and the action will increase in the months ahead. Will the split of SMST into two classes become a major story line, or a minor footnote? Will warmer weather signal the return of more drivers, or is the lower participation a trend? Toss another log on the fire while we sit back and watch the year unfold.

# JANUARY GALLERY



Andre Morales, BMW 325i

Gerardo  
Bonilla,  
Mazda Miata



Michael Hernandez, Mazda RX-8

Jason Stroud,  
BMW 328i





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Christian Christoeffl,  
Honda 2000

Don Hosler,  
Cone-Dragging Z06  
Corvette



Matt Very-too-slow, Mazda Miata



Glen LaFlamme,  
Mazda Miata

**Martin Sports Car Club**  
**Final Results, #1 - MSCC January 10, 2010**  
**Total Registered: 51, with Times: 51**

A Stock				Times					Total	Index
1	135	Wendy Mertz	Cayman S	50.927	49.183	50.184	47.544	<b>46.927</b>	<b>46.927</b>	0.978
2	35	Erich Mertz	Cayman S	51.163	49.584	49.223	<b>47.132</b>	47.353	<b>47.132</b>	0.982
B Stock				Times					Total	Index
1	000	Christian Christoeffl	Honda S2000	53.462+1	51.927	<b>50.671</b>	51.677	50.709	<b>50.671</b>	1.056
C Stock				Times					Total	Index
1	51	Gerardo Bonilla	Mazda Miata	45.099	44.382	44.643	44.686	<b>43.812</b>	<b>43.812</b>	0.913
2	4	Matt Ferratusco	Mazda Miata	45.332	44.649	OFF	44.781+1	<b>44.648</b>	<b>44.648</b>	0.931
3	1111	Josh Coffin	Mazda RX8	50.490	49.236	49.065	<b>48.283</b>	48.434	<b>48.283</b>	1.006
4	504	Ricky Bang	Mazda Mx-5	<b>48.997</b>	49.234	48.660+1	46.052+2	46.978+1	<b>48.997</b>	1.021
D Stock				Times					Total	Index
1	21	Jason Stroud	BMW 328i	47.776	46.601+1	46.804+1	<b>46.424</b>	45.892+1	<b>46.424</b>	0.968
2	1121	Kevin Spence	BMW 323i	49.614	48.986	49.220+1	<b>48.128</b>	48.710	<b>48.128</b>	1.003
3	121	Richard Thackway	BMW 323ci	51.099+1	50.485+1	49.233	48.698	<b>48.691</b>	<b>48.691</b>	1.015
4	173	Roger Everett	Cobalt SS	54.740	<b>53.687</b>	OFF	55.726		<b>53.687</b>	1.119
E Stock				Times					Total	Index
1	10	Ludwig Bavetta	BMW Z3	54.655	51.799	50.598	<b>49.868</b>	50.297	<b>49.868</b>	1.039
G Stock				Times					Total	Index
1	81	Bruce Abbot	Cobalt SS	OFF	52.244+1	53.383	51.347	<b>50.929</b>	<b>50.929</b>	1.062
H Stock				Times					Total	Index
1	113	Ben Turner	Mini Cooper	54.440	51.150	49.380	48.186	<b>47.576</b>	<b>47.576</b>	0.992
2	300	Travis Turner	Mini Cooper	74.916+1	51.106+1	50.141	48.759	<b>47.812</b>	<b>47.812</b>	0.997
A Street Prepared				Times					Total	Index
1	767	John Giddens	Mazda RX7	56.785	OFF	47.014+1	<b>45.556</b>	OFF	<b>45.556</b>	0.950
2	71	Don Hosler	Corvette Z06	52.990+1	49.259	47.651	46.125	<b>45.892</b>	<b>45.892</b>	0.957
C Street Prepared				Times					Total	Index
1	5	Karel Schneider	Mazda Miata	45.770	45.030	44.864	44.062	<b>43.544</b>	<b>43.544</b>	0.908
2	277	Leland Giddens	Mazda Miata	OFF	46.828	46.686	45.047	<b>44.811</b>	<b>44.811</b>	0.934
3	49	Glen LaFlamme	Mazda Miata	51.698	49.867	50.384	58.775+2	<b>48.198</b>	<b>48.198</b>	1.005
4	13	Chris Wells	Mazda Miata	OFF	OFF	48.791	<b>48.264</b>	47.201+2	<b>48.264</b>	1.006
5	410	Tom McDonald	Mazda Miata	54.576	51.761	OFF	50.080	<b>49.476</b>	<b>49.476</b>	1.031
6	76	Dawn Giddens	Mazda Miata	55.837+2	51.825	58.944	<b>50.569</b>	50.617	<b>50.569</b>	1.054
D Street Prepared				Times					Total	Index
1	183	Justin Cady	Audi A4	48.982	46.546	46.178	<b>45.397</b>	46.164	<b>45.397</b>	0.946
2	4	Terry Glazar	Mini Cooper S	OFF	53.898	58.961	<b>51.819</b>	52.230	<b>51.819</b>	1.080
E Street Prepared				Times					Total	Index
1	247	Sean Day	Stang Cobra	51.335	<b>49.760</b>	56.700+1	50.632		<b>49.760</b>	1.037
D Prepared				Times					Total	Index
1	79	Robert Belvoir	Toyota MR2	53.541	OFF	54.625+2	46.933	<b>45.847</b>	<b>45.847</b>	0.956
2	19	Penny Belvoir	Toyota MR2	52.123	OFF	50.451+1	50.641	<b>50.180</b>	<b>50.180</b>	1.046
Street Touring Sport				Times					Total	Index
1	619	Jerry Lee	Mazda Miata	55.598	OFF	52.571	52.759	<b>51.269</b>	<b>51.269</b>	1.069

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Street Modified				Times				Total	Index
1	861	Jeff Binford	Subaru STi	44.967	<b>42.250</b>	44.722+1	43.208 42.775	<b>42.250</b>	0.881
2	99	George Bonafede	Evo IX	44.592	OFF	43.599	43.352 <b>42.682</b>	<b>42.682</b>	0.890
3	930	Joey Maier	Evo IX	<b>51.917</b>	63.493+1	OFF	51.966+1 50.357+1	<b>51.917</b>	1.082
4	61	Lynn Klingele	Chey Vega	55.173	54.396	52.581	52.279 <b>52.172</b>	<b>52.172</b>	1.087
Super Street Modified				Times				Total	Index
1	2	Travis Schneider	Miata Gay Car	47.896	45.393+1	44.774	44.236 <b>44.161</b>	<b>44.161</b>	0.921
2	89	Salim Sanchez	Mazda Miata	49.968	OFF	OFF	47.287 <b>46.891</b>	<b>46.891</b>	0.977
Street Mod Street Tire 2WD				Times				Total	Index
1	98	Bob Blucher	Boxster S	OFF	45.358+1	44.200+1	<b>43.554</b> 43.791	<b>43.554</b>	0.908
2	47	Patrick Wilson	Mazda Miata	49.242	49.055	OFF	46.295 <b>45.240</b>	<b>45.240</b>	0.943
3	8	Kevin Abel	BMW M Coupe	47.544	45.396+1	OFF	47.232 <b>45.770</b>	<b>45.770</b>	0.954
4	66	Mickey Gauldin	MiataSpeed	OFF	46.562	46.589+1	46.368 <b>45.984</b>	<b>45.984</b>	0.958
5	54	Steve Pierce	BMW M3	48.296	47.503+2	46.912	<b>46.466</b> 46.660	<b>46.466</b>	0.969
6	222	Justin Besch	Mustang GT	51.953	49.194+1	48.903+1	48.703 <b>47.491</b>	<b>47.491</b>	0.990
7	14	Fred Zimmerman	Mini Cooper S	OFF	49.873	OFF	OFF <b>47.598</b>	<b>47.598</b>	0.992
8	88	Michael Hernandez	Mazda RX8	56.205	OFF	53.490	51.932 <b>51.732</b>	<b>51.732</b>	1.078
Street Mod Street Tire 4WD				Times				Total	Index
1	67	Harry Corbin	Subaru STi	48.040	45.858	47.082	45.527+1 <b>44.548</b>	<b>44.548</b>	0.929
2	11	Hien Nguyen	Mitsubishi Evo	<b>45.469</b>	44.498+1	44.587+3	44.219+1 44.167+1	<b>45.469</b>	0.948
3	7	Oliver Yao	Evo	47.761	OFF	49.576	48.301 <b>45.560</b>	<b>45.560</b>	0.950
4	256	Patrick Barrett	Lancer	50.259+1	47.826	47.167+1	<b>46.795</b> 46.871	<b>46.795</b>	0.975
Novice				Times				Total	Index
1	720	Andre Morales	BMW 325i	56.101	OFF	55.283	<b>51.162</b> 52.523	<b>51.162</b>	1.066
2	709	Jeff Strickland	Ford Mustang	OFF	OFF	55.875	<b>53.475</b> 53.682	<b>53.475</b>	1.115
3	730	Nathan Pippet	Corolla	54.104+1	<b>53.479</b>	OFF	60.447+1 53.869+1	<b>53.479</b>	1.115
4	742	Joel Strickland	Ford Mustang	OFF	OFF	OFF	58.497 <b>58.161</b>	<b>58.161</b>	1.212



Who knew we owned, or would ever need, an ice blower?

**Martin Sports Car Club**  
**Top 20, Event #1 - MSCC January 10, 2010**  
**Timed Entries: 51**

Pos.	Class	#	Driver	Car Model	Time	Index
1	SM	861	Jeff Binford	06 Subaru STi	42.250	0.881
2	SM	99	George Bonafede	06 Mitsubishi Evo IX	42.682	0.890
3	CSP	5	Karel Schneider	94 Mazda Miata	43.544	0.908
4	SMST2	98	Bob Blucher	04 Porsche Boxster S	43.554	0.908
5	CS	51	Gerardo Bonilla	04 Mazda Miata	43.812	0.913
6	SSM	2	Travis Schneider	94 Miata Gay Car	44.161	0.921
7	SMST4	67	Harry Corbin	Subaru STI	44.548	0.929
8	CS	4	Matt Ferratusco	99 Mazda Miata	44.648	0.931
9	CSP	277	Leland Giddens	94 Mazda Miata	44.811	0.934
10	SMST2	47	Patrick Wilson	94 Mazda Miata	45.240	0.943
11	DSP	183	Justin Cady	01 Audi A4	45.397	0.946
12	SMST4	11	Hien Nguyen	03 Mitsubishi Evo	45.469	0.948
13	ASP	767	John Giddens	93 Mazda RX7	45.556	0.950
14	SMST4	7	Oliver Yao	06 Mitsubishi Evo	45.560	0.950
15	SMST2	8	Kevin Abel	99 BMW M Coupe	45.770	0.954
16	DP	79	Robert Belvoir	86 Toyota MR2	45.847	0.956
17	ASP	71	Don Hosler	02 Chevrolet Corvette	45.892	0.957
18	SMST2	66	Mickey Gauldin	04 Mazdaspeed Miata	45.984	0.958
19	DS	21	Jason Stroud	99 BMW 328i	46.424	0.968
20	SMST2	54	Steve Pierce	97 BMW M3	46.466	0.969



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Reason Number 1 why hats should be mandatory

## JANUARY GALLERY



Kevin Abel,  
BMW M Coupe

Lynn  
Klingeale,  
Cosworth  
Vega



Leland Giddens,  
Mazda Miata



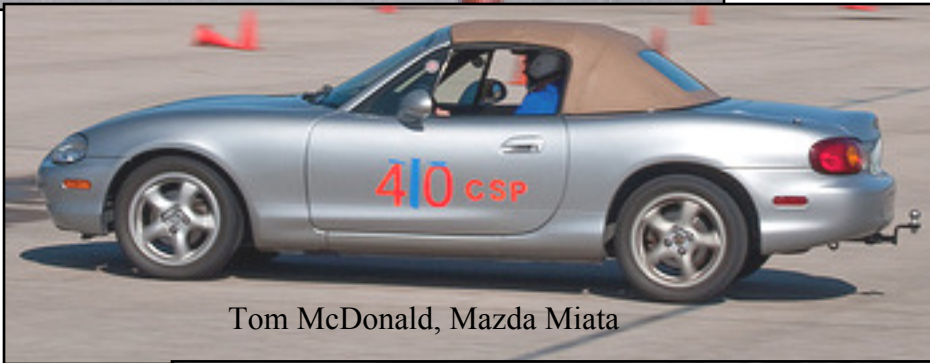
Fred Zimmerman,  
Mini Cooper S

# JANUARY GALLERY

Oliver Yao,  
Mitsubishi  
Evo



Travis Turner,  
Justa Cooper



Tom McDonald, Mazda Miata

Richard  
Thackway,  
BMW 323ci



## JANUARY GALLERY

Patrick Barrett,  
Mitsubishi Lancer



Nathan Pippet,  
Toyota Corolla



Roger Everett,  
Chevy Cobalt SS



Sean Day,  
Mustang Cobra

## A WORD FROM THE NEW OLD PRESIDENT

Global warming? Not @ our January event--we could have had a few small hockey games on some parts of the course w/ the ice that was available; studded-snows would have ruled if we had left the ice there...

Seriously, I'm glad to be back in the role as President of MSCC, and looking forward to an exciting year for all of us!

We are battling an effective cash-depleted situation, but I'm confident we will overcome this hurdle, as we have many others over the years. The economy seems to be showing signs of life, and that should only help our turnouts--where we had the opposite problem not long ago... (what a difference a few years make!).

Thanks to our synergistic relationship w/ the Porsche Club of America, we have some truly fantastic events that we're in the process of lining up--*stay tuned*... ;-)

Many thanks to our outgoing Board for a conscientious job well-done, during trying times.

Your new Board is ready, willing and able to serve the membership to the best of our abilities--let's have an AWESOME year!

Look Ahead!

George Bonafede





## A TIGER POINTS REFRESHER

Finish	Number of Cars in Class										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	>10
1	31	36	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	45
2		30	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	39
3			27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	34
4				24	25	26	27	28	29	30	30
5					22	23	24	25	26	27	27
6						20	21	22	23	24	24
7							18	19	20	21	21
8								16	17	18	18
9									14	15	15
10										12	12
>10											9

The table above shows how Tiger points are awarded. For example, if there are 5 cars in your class and you finish 3rd, you will acquire 29 Tiger points. The winner of the 5-car class will acquire 40 Tiger points. Points are earned for the 11 events from January through November. Your 2 lowest point totals are then dropped to figure your final Tiger Standings. Overall class awards and individual class awards use the same points system.

This is not to be confused with Active Member points, which are earned by MSCC members for attending events and meetings, and for hosting an event.

### 5.2 – Year End Awards and Tiebreaker Rules

**5.2.1** - The Tiger Standing is based upon the numeric total of competition points acquired in official events for the competition year with the two lowest events dropped.

**5.2.2** – The Tiger of the Year Award is given to the competitor who scores the most points after drops overall. Additionally, there are awards for each overall class, such as Stock, Street Prepared and Prepared, and awards for individual classes, such as A Stock, B Stock, etc. Special Awards go to the Rookie of the Year, First Lady and the President's Award.

**5.2.3** – Ties for a year-end Championship Award in any category will be broken and a champion determined as follows:

**5.2.3.1** – Competitor with the most 1<sup>st</sup> place finishes.

**5.2.3.2** – If still tied, Competitor with the most 2<sup>nd</sup> place finishes.

**5.2.3.3** – If still tied, Competitor with the most overall points.

## AUTOCROSS SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENT

The Martin Sports Car Club is pleased to announce the dates of the long-awaited, second-coming of the grande autocross school! We will hold two single-day schools: **Saturday February 20** and **Sunday February 21**. The program is nearly identical to last year's school, with a few small changes.

The schools will be taught again by Skip Barber instructors Gerardo Bonilla and Matt Ferratusco; super veteran and legendary coach Marc "Hollywood" Dana; and long-time veteran and super duper fast guy Chris Wells.

We have reduced the cap to 16 drivers per day in order to provide even more – **yes more!** – seat time. You will receive 24 runs broken into four heats with six runs in each heat. You will work one-on-one with an instructor during each heat. The instructors will rotate throughout the day so you will work with each of the four instructors individually. The school will include brief classroom discussion, a thorough course walk-through in the morning (bring a pen!), and enough driving to blister not just your tires but also your hands! With so many runs in one day, we recommend using your old tires or a spare set for the school.

We will conduct two separate single-day schools with a cap of 16 students per day. To accommodate as many students as possible, we are limiting each student to one day only. If classes do not fill, we will allow you to register for the other day; on a "first come, first serve" basis. If you are interested in attending both days, please register for either Saturday or Sunday, then notify Matt Ferratusco at [mferratusco@aol.com](mailto:mferratusco@aol.com) to be placed on a waiting list for the additional day. We will notify everyone ASAP if a second day is possible. Pre-payment is available via PayPal but not required.

Like last year, registration will be open to members only for a specified period of time before opening to everyone. Registration at [My Auto Events](#) will open **Friday, January 29, at 7 pm** for **MEMBERS ONLY!** Members will have exclusive access to registration until Monday, February 8 at 7 pm, at which time registration will open to the rest of the universe. Please note, if you are not a paid member of MSCC, you cannot register until **Monday, February 8 at 7 pm**. Registration will ultimately close for everyone on **Wednesday, February 17, at 10 pm**.

Cost per student is \$120 per day. That cost includes lunch (Publix sandwich platter and other goodies) and water to keep you hydrated all day. Please bring other drinks you might prefer (non-alcoholic of course). Also, please bring pen, paper and don't forget the sunblock!

Arrival time will be **7 - 7:15 am** to change tires and prep your car. Class will begin promptly at **8 am**. A brief classroom discussion will be followed by a thorough course walk, then laps, laps and more laps! We will utilize a two-group run/work format (similar to an Evolution school) in order to cover course worker positions. If you participated last year, the format is identical, except you will receive an extra run per round.

Be prepared to drive your heart out and have a blast! And learn a little bit, too...

If you have any questions, please contact Matt Ferratusco at: [mferratusco@aol.com](mailto:mferratusco@aol.com)

# MSCC BUSINESS INDEX

## Automotive Services

### Restaurants & Catering

Longwood Collision	930 Britt Ct., Ste. 100, Alt. Springs	321-972-8955
Maitland Tire Co.	233 N. Orlando Ave, Maitland	407-539-0800
Discount Tire	986 N. Semoran Blvd., Orlando	407-380-2036
Crucial Motorsports	90 Willow Ave. Altamonte Springs	904-652-9732
Performance Tire & Wheel	639 S. Yolusia Ave, Orange City	386-228-2500
Green Masters, Inc	1431 East 1 <sup>st</sup> St, Apopka	407-889-2416

## Motorsports Organizations

Central FL. Region SCCA	Dat Nguyen & Tim Reardon	www.cfsolo2.com
Chin Motorsports	<a href="http://www.chinmotorsports.com">www.chinmotorsports.com</a>	
Grassroots Motorsports Magazine	David Wallens <a href="http://www.grassrootsmotorsports.com">www.grassrootsmotorsports.com</a>	888-676-9747
Skip Barber Racing School	Gerardo Bonilla <a href="http://www.skipbarber.com">www.skipbarber.com</a>	800-221-1131

## SWAP TIME

If you would like to submit a classified ad, simply send an e-mail to [bfoschini@yahoo.com](mailto:bfoschini@yahoo.com) for publication. Classifieds are provided here as a free service to the *members* of the Martin Sports Car Club.


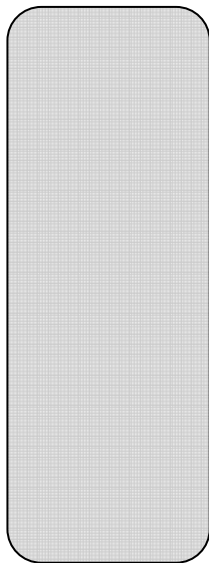
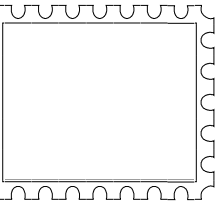
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1. **1990 Geo Storm GSI. Grassroots Challenge car.** 4 aluminum, 2 steel wheels, plus donut spare. \$500. Contact Bruce Abbott at 386-238-0947.
2. **1988 Mercury Grand Marquis.** Contact Bruce Abbott at 386-761-1172 or 888-240-2703.
3. **Used Hoosier Koni Challenge tires.** 245/45-17 for track use. \$50. Contact Steve Pierce at 386-228-2500.
4. **2007 Anderson Trailer.** Tandem axle with dual electric drum brakes. \$1500. Contact Patrick Wilson at 321-228-3729
5. **Many Performance Parts for 1st Gen MINI Cooper S.** Rota Slipstream wheels, 16x6.5, intake, intercooler, strut bar, M7 "Extreme" hood scoop & much more. Contact Bert @ [bfoschini@yahoo.com](mailto:bfoschini@yahoo.com)

# February 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 Club Meeting	5	6
7 Tavares Event	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20 Autocross School
21 Autocross School	22	23	24	25 Board Meeting	26	27
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Coming events— Please see page 3 for more details!

		<p>To:</p>	
		<p>From: Martin Sports Car Club P.O. Box 2268 Winter Park, FL 32790</p>	