

# Pit Patter



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It's not too often that you will hear of a BMW M3 being referred to as a "boat", but during the first heat of the July event Steve Pierce showed off the aquatic skills of his ride. BMW - Beware Mucho Water.

**Photography by Kevin Abel**

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## **Martin Sports Car Club**

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**Martin Sports Car Club**  
ORLANDO, FLORIDA

## TRANSMISSIONS

### Event Schedule:

#### **Sunday, August 8, 2010**

Event # 8, Lake County Tech Center

*Event Chair: Kevin Spence, Richard Thackway, Bert Foschini*

#### **Sunday, September 12, 2010**

Event # 9, Lake County Tech Center

*Event Chair: Kevin Abel, Chris Wells, Patrick Wilson*

#### **Saturday, September 25, 2010 (Date Still Tentative)**

Member's Only Event - Orange County Convention Center

#### **Sunday, October 31, 2010**

Event # 10, Mini Prix

*Event Chair: Executive Board, but helpers are needed!!!*



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## Monthly Club Meeting

**Thursday, August 5th, 2010**

**Kim Wu Chinese Restaurant**

4904 South Kirkman Road

Orlando, FL 32811

407-293-0752

7:30PM

Located on Kirkman Road, just south of Conroy Road.

## August Event

**Sunday, August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

**Lake County Technical Center**

13000 Frankies Road

Tavares, FL



Registration:	8:00 to 8:30	<b>Regular price</b> (\$20 for members, \$30 for non-members)*
Late Registration	8:30 to 8:45	<b>\$10 Late Fee</b>
Tech:	8:00 to 9:00	
Driver's meeting:	9:30 (approximate)	
First car out:	10:00	

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# JULY MEETING MINUTES

## General Meeting

07/01/10

### Meeting Called to Order: 7:30pm by Bob Blucher

June minutes approved.

#### **Reports:**

**George Bonafede** - Home, sick.

**Bob Blucher** – discussed June event, discussed the upcoming event and how it should be fun and very fast!

**Ben Turner** – gave financial report.

**Karel Schneider** – Absent.

**Leland Giddens** – Sign the roster!

#### **Coming events:**

August 14th - **Kevin Spence, Richard Thackway, Bert Foschini**

September 15<sup>th</sup> – Members Only event at Orange County Convention Center (Should be Sept. 25 - Ed.)

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee report** – No new news however planning is going into the big 50<sup>th</sup> bash in the fall!

**Awards Banquet** – “Route 46” will be the location for the 2010 awards banquet and the menus are currently being viewed by the board.

**NEW BUSINESS:** No new business this month!

**Swap Time** - Ben Turner: Mini Cooper Wheels: \$80  
**Robert Belvoir:** Car trailer: \$400  
Leland Giddens: Pair of Miata seats: \$100

**50/50 raffle** - Won by **Aaron Stogsdill!**

#### **Adjourn: 7:50pm**

**Members in attendance:** J Adams, P. and R. Belvoir, R. Blucher, J. Cady, W. Christoeffl, K. DeBower, J. and M. Gauldin, D.,J. and L. Giddens, D. Hosler, R. Huls, J. Maier, T. McDonald, E. Mertz, R. Speaks, K. Spence, R. Thackway, B. Turner, P. Wilson, C. and F. Zimmerman.

**Guests:** Aaron Stogsdill, Sam Luzzi, Carolyn Smith, Brian Smith.

## NEWS & NOTES

With consideration of the extremely hot temperatures during the summer months, not too much has been going on to celebrate our 50th year. But, believe it or not, it will cool off in the not-too-distant future. When it does, be prepared for some super special Gold Anniversary fun! Keep the last weekend in October open!

The year is flying by, so it is time to start thinking about the traditional club housekeeping chores that takes place at the end of the year.

1. Is there a competition rule that you just don't like or would like to see changed? Now is the time to start thinking about it. All rule submissions and changes are due at the October meeting. The rules will then be discussed after the November meeting and then voted on at the December meeting.
2. Unlike the United States of America, the Executive Board positions at MSCC are hotly contested every year. Bob Blucher has already announced that, due to a long commute from Singapore, he will not re-run for Vice President. All board positions - President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and Events Director - are up for grabs. If you want to throw your hat in the ring, or if you want to nominate someone, now is the time to start thinking about it. New blood is always welcome on The Board. The only restriction is that a member has to have been on The Board in the past to run for President.
3. The annual Awards Banquet will take place in December. Keep an eye out for details. It is the non-racing "must see" event of the year! Plan to be there.



### *August Birthdays!!!*



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|--------------------|------------------|
| * Bruce Abbott     | * Kristin Abel   |
| * Kim DeBower      | * Roger Everett  |
| * Leland Giddens   | * Chi Ho         |
| * Glenn LaFlamme   | * John McGill    |
| * Travis Schneider | * Patrick Wilson |

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Super Stock				Times			Total	Index
1T	177	Greg Shumaker	Chevy Z06	34.745	34.610	<b>33.947</b>	<b>33.947</b>	0.910
2T	88	Dennis Murphy	Corvette Z06	36.360	35.443	<b>35.067</b>	<b>35.067</b>	0.941
3	188	Deb Murphy	Corvette Z06	<b>35.598</b>	36.573		<b>35.598</b>	0.955
4	1	Aaron Stogsdill	C6 Corvette	38.740	39.265	<b>38.591</b>	<b>38.591</b>	1.035
5	717	Jon Adams	C6 Corvette	44.219	43.750	<b>41.494</b>	<b>41.494</b>	1.113
A Stock				Times			Total	Index
1T	35	Erich Mertz	Cayman S	37.173	<b>35.534</b>	35.681	<b>35.534</b>	0.953
2	08	Ross Evers	Cayman S	36.345	<b>36.090</b>	36.054+2	<b>36.090</b>	0.968
3	135	Wendy Mertz	Cayman S	36.648	36.800	<b>36.517</b>	<b>36.517</b>	0.979
B Stock				Times			Total	Index
1T	18	Rose Bartl	Honda S2000	<b>36.619</b>	37.116	37.030+1	<b>36.619</b>	0.982
C Stock				Times			Total	Index
1T	47	Patrick Wilson	Mazda RX-8	36.566	<b>36.516</b>	36.738	<b>36.516</b>	0.979
D Stock							Total	Index
1T	21	Jason Stroud	BMW 328i	36.720	36.313	<b>36.065</b>	<b>36.065</b>	0.967
E Stock				Times			Total	Index
1T	10	Ludwig Bavetta	BMW Z3	41.217	<b>38.098</b>	39.536	<b>38.098</b>	1.022
2	300	Travis Turner	Porsche 944	<b>38.647</b>	39.059	38.974	<b>38.647</b>	1.037
3	113	Ben Turner	Porsche 944	<b>39.467</b>	40.276	40.034	<b>39.467</b>	1.059
G Stock				Times			Total	Index
1T	81	Bruce Abbott	Chevy Cobalt	<b>39.584</b>	39.602	39.860	<b>39.584</b>	1.062
H Stock				Times			Total	Index
1T	351	Craig Miller	Toyota Cressida	41.488	40.913	<b>39.419</b>	<b>39.419</b>	1.057
2	930	Joey Maier	Geo Storm GSI	42.932	<b>42.515</b>	42.563	<b>42.515</b>	1.140
A Street Prepared				Times			Total	Index
1T	767	John Giddens	Mazda RX7	35.356	33.995	<b>33.698</b>	<b>33.698</b>	0.904
2	15	Rick Woodley	Corvette Z06	36.156	35.882	<b>35.278</b>	<b>35.278</b>	0.946
3	71	Don Hosler	Corvette Z06	<b>35.393</b>	OFF	35.401	<b>35.393</b>	0.949
B Street Prepared				Times			Total	Index
1T	99	George Bonafede	Mitsubishi Evo	32.697	<b>32.584</b>	32.813	<b>32.584</b>	0.874
C Street Prepared				Times			Total	Index
1T	13	Chris Wells	Mazda Miata	35.304	34.631	<b>34.394</b>	<b>34.394</b>	0.922
2T	183	Justin Cady	Mazda Miata	35.682	35.465	<b>35.001</b>	<b>35.001</b>	0.939
3	5	Karel Schneider	Mazda Miata	37.333	37.266	<b>35.923</b>	<b>35.923</b>	0.963
4	277	Leland Giddens	Mazda Miata	37.389	<b>37.101</b>	37.644	<b>37.101</b>	0.995
5	76	Dawn Giddens	Mazda Miata	40.893	41.685	<b>40.577</b>	<b>40.577</b>	1.088
E Street Prepared				Times			Total	Index
1T	247	Sean Day	Mustang Cobra	38.425	38.204	<b>38.188</b>	<b>38.188</b>	1.024
2T	68	Randall Huls	Pontiac Firebird	41.357	40.785	<b>40.063</b>	<b>40.063</b>	1.075
3	86	Melanie Vance	Pontiac Firebird	<b>40.868</b>	43.177		<b>40.868</b>	1.096

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1T	61	Peter Lier	Porsche GT2	<b>34.124</b>	34.543+2	34.240	<b>34.124</b> 0.915
D Prepared				Times		Total	Index
1T	98	Bob Blucher	Mazda Miata	35.263	34.836	<b>34.726</b>	<b>34.726</b> 0.931
2T	79	Robert Belvoir	Toyota MR2	37.905	<b>36.875</b>	36.938	<b>36.875</b> 0.989
3	5621	Pedro Castillo	VW Rabbit GTI	37.711	<b>37.106</b>	37.920	<b>37.106</b> 0.995
4	19	Penny Belvoir	Toyota MR2	OFF	39.380	<b>38.246</b>	<b>38.246</b> 1.026
5	562	Dick Comor	VW Rabbit GTI	41.516	42.103	<b>40.827</b>	<b>40.827</b> 1.095
D Modified				Times		Total	Index
1T	41	Elliot Harvey	Datsun 2000	35.995	34.423	<b>34.148</b>	<b>34.148</b> 0.916
Street Touring U				Times		Total	Index
1T	13	Bert Foschini	BMW 335i	35.946	36.363	<b>35.604</b>	<b>35.604</b> 0.955
2	21	Kevin Spence	BMW M3	36.556	36.492	<b>35.933</b>	<b>35.933</b> 0.964
3	1	Richard Thackway	BMW 335	36.924	37.050	<b>36.361</b>	<b>36.361</b> 0.975
4	299	Andre Morales	BMW M3	36.823	37.231	<b>36.630</b>	<b>36.630</b> 0.982
Street Touring R				Times		Total	Index
1T	5	Jack Neely	Honda S 2000	<b>34.995</b>	35.503	35.336	<b>34.995</b> 0.939
2T	09	Chi Ho	Honda S2K	35.629	35.740	<b>35.623</b>	<b>35.623</b> 0.955
3	81	Steven Hughes	Honda S2000	36.511	<b>35.629</b>	36.585+1	<b>35.629</b> 0.956
4	109	David Pham	Honda S2000	37.688	38.532	<b>36.813</b>	<b>36.813</b> 0.987
5	171	Richard Fickes	Honda S2000	<b>37.401</b>	37.712	37.141+6	<b>37.401</b> 1.003
Street Modified				Times		Total	Index
1T	861	Jeff Binford	Subaru STI	33.759	33.376	<b>33.083</b>	<b>33.083</b> 0.887
Super Street Modified				Times		Total	Index
1T	1	Mikael Edstrom	C5 Corvette	33.816	33.465	<b>33.145</b>	<b>33.145</b> 0.889
Street Mod Street Tire 2WD				Times		Total	Index
1T	9	Ryan Speaks	JCW Cooper S	35.106	35.303	<b>35.065</b>	<b>35.065</b> 0.940
2	8	Kevin Abel	BMW M Coupe	35.571	35.152	<b>35.107</b>	<b>35.107</b> 0.942
3	66	Mickey Gauldin	MiataSpeed	<b>35.423</b>	35.888	36.256	<b>35.423</b> 0.950
4	54	Steve Pierce	BMW M3	36.269	<b>35.984</b>	36.599	<b>35.984</b> 0.965
Street Mod Street Tire 4WD				Times		Total	Index
1T	11	Hien Nguyen	Mitsubishi Evo	34.409	<b>33.321</b>	35.432	<b>33.321</b> 0.894
2	67	Harry Corbin	Subaru STI	34.830	35.147	<b>34.214</b>	<b>34.214</b> 0.918
3	7	Oliver Yao	Mitsubishi Evo	36.354	35.968	<b>35.279</b>	<b>35.279</b> 0.946
4	4	Terry Glazar	Mitsubishi Evo	<b>36.339</b>	36.735	OFF	<b>36.339</b> 0.975
Junior Kart A (FJA)				Times		Total	Index
1T	9	Thomas Foschini	Vanspeed Kart	45.865	46.847	<b>44.497</b>	<b>44.497</b> 1.193

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Novice		Times		Total	Index
1T	111	Joe Ragno	Lotus Elise 37.198	37.233 37.610	37.198 0.998
2T	42	Will Vriesenga	VW GTI OFF	38.091	37.198 37.198 1.022
3T	15	Justin Perry	Honda S 2000 38.825+1	39.154	37.198 37.198 1.032
4T	14	Juan Robles	Honda S-2000 40.906	37.198	39.148 37.198 1.032
5	008	Huey Askins	Mazda Miata 40.163	39.963	OFF 39.963 1.072
6	04	Alex Creamean	Subaru WRX 42.202	42.194	41.074 41.074 1.102
7	20	Amanda Portoghese	Mazda 3 44.650	43.136	41.689 41.689 1.118
8	5	Brian Smith	Mazda Miata 45.089	45.000	43.813 43.813 1.175
9	66	Brad Vanderhoff	VW Rabbit 44.063+1	OFF	44.480 44.480 1.193
10	51	Carolyn Smith	Mazda Miata 45.674	OFF	44.818 44.818 1.202

Pos.	Class	#	Driver	Car Model	Time	Index
1	BSP	99	George Bonafede	06 Mitsubishi Evo	32.584	0.874
2	SM	861	Jeff Binford	06 Subaru STI	33.083	0.887
3	SSM	1	Mikael Edstrom	00 Chevrolet Corvette	33.145	0.889
4	SMST4	11	Hien Nguyen	03 Mitsubishi Evo	33.321	0.894
5	ASP	767	John Giddens	93 Mazda RX7	33.698	0.904
6	SS	177	Greg Shumaker	02 Chevy Z06	33.947	0.910
7	XP	61	Peter Lier	02 Porsche GT2	34.124	0.915
8	EM	41	Elliot Harvey	66 Datsun 2000	34.148	0.916
9	SMST4	67	Harry Corbin	05 Subaru STI	34.214	0.918
10	CSP	13	Chris Wells	91 Mazda Miata	34.394	0.922
11	DP	98	Bob Blucher	91 Mazda Miata	34.726	0.931
12	STR	5	Jack Neely	01 Honda S 2000	34.995	0.936
13	CSP	183	Justin Cady	91 Mazda Miata	35.001	0.939
14	SMST2	9	Ryan Speaks	09 Mini Cooper S JCW	35.065	0.940
15	SS	88	Dennis Murphy	08 Corvette Z06	35.067	0.941
16	SMST2	8	Kevin Abel	99 BMW M Coupe	35.107	0.942
17	ASP	15	Rick Woodley	04 Corvette Z06	35.278	0.946
18	SMST4	7	Oliver Yao	06 Mitsubishi Evo	35.279	0.946
19	ASP	71	Don Hosler	02 Chevrolet Corvette	35.393	0.949
20	SMST2	66	Mickey Gauldin	04 MazdaSpeed Miata	35.423	0.950



## JULY GALLERY

Rick Woodley,  
Z06 Corvette



Craig Miller,  
Toyota Cressida,  
TRD



Aaron  
Stogsdill,  
C6 Corvette



Alex Creamean,  
Subaru WRX



## JULY RACE REPORT

By Bert "Hammer" Foschini

So, I've been gone for a few months; did you miss me? What? You didn't even know that I was gone? That hurts. Well, regardless, I came back just in time for the July event. And July did not disappoint – it was hot, humid, stormy, muggy and just plain fun. This being our 50<sup>th</sup> year (has anyone mentioned that this year?) it is only fitting that our participation numbers have been going retro lately. July was no exception as we had 65 drivers show up to soak up the dark cloud rays. To make things interesting the skies opened up half way through the first round, depositing thousands of gallons of water on the course in the span of about 15 minutes. A full course red flag was imposed and the event was halted for about half an hour. Uh oh, what to do now? Starting the event over was not an option. To add to the intrigue, the course itself was very long (the *fast* cars were taking well over a minute) with almost no overlap. So an executive decision was made to throw out the first run, shorten the course and count the final 3 runs as official. Except for a slight sprinkle at the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> round, no more rain fell and the course slowly dried off throughout the day, so the conditions steadily improved making for a relatively even playing field for all. Even so, rain rules were (belatedly) instituted for the remainder of the event. Even with only 65 drivers the initially long course with practically no overlap, combined with the rain delay, put us behind schedule. But this club has overcome its fair share of adversity over these past 50 years, so a little (OK, a heck of a lot of) rain was not going to deter us. In any case, it's not quantity that matters, it's all about quality at MSCC - something we have never lacked.

Speaking of lacking, some drivers lacked competition and had no one to compete against except themselves, and the clock, and the elements, and the need for dry asphalt. Anyway, these lonely souls included Rose Bartl in BS, Patrick Wilson in CS, Jason Stroud in DS, Bruce Abbott in GS, George Bonafede in BSP, Peter Lier in XP, Elliot Harvey in DM, Jeff Binford in SM, Mikael Edstrom in SSM and Thomas "Sledge Hammer" Foschini in FJA. That means that almost half of the classes were solo affairs. At the opposite end of the spectrum was the 2-driver class, of which there was one. Now, Toyota makes some vehicles that could easily be considered sports cars, but a 4-door Corolla (whether dubbed a Geo Storm or not) and a 4-door Cressida (whether with a 351 or not) would not be the first Toyota sports car to come to mind. In spite of that, that was what we had battling for HS supremacy at the July event as Craig Miller and Joey Maier went at it like 2 pigs in a poke. Craig scurried away with a 3+ second victory. I should mention that Mr. Bonafede captured TTD honors with a hair-flopping time of 32.584.

Super Stock was the land of Corvettes. Greg Shumaker has been racing for a long time and that experience showed as he cruised to a 1.1 second victory over Dennis Murphy, who was half a second quicker than Deb Murphy (who is twice as attractive as Dennis, so it all works out). In AS Ross Evers wedged his way into the monthly father-daughter battle of Erich and Wendy Mertz. After the first official run Ross was sitting in 1<sup>st</sup> place, with Wendy 2<sup>nd</sup> and Erich 3<sup>rd</sup>. After the second run Erich vaulted to the top, with Ross 2<sup>nd</sup> and Wendy 3<sup>rd</sup> and that was how they would finish, all within a second of each other. In ES it was the BMW Z3 of Ludwig Bavetta against the father and son team of Ben and Travis Turner in a Porsche 944 (remember those?). After the first round Travis held the lead, with Ben 2<sup>nd</sup> and Ludwig 3<sup>rd</sup>. However, neither Travis or Ben could improve his time, even without the finicky airbrake feature rearing its ugly head, while Ludwig rocked it like Beethoven and dropped more than 3 seconds from his time and scaled to 1<sup>st</sup> place, dropping Travis to 2<sup>nd</sup> and Ben to 3<sup>rd</sup>. And so ends the stock classes.

ASP saw 2 of this month's course designers, and Corvette drivers, Rick Woodley and Don "No Mustache" Hosler, battle the RX-7 of John Giddens. Did these guys design a "Corvette course?" And what exactly is a "Corvette course", one that cuts through the parking lot of the Centrum Silver factory outlet? Well, whatever it is this month wasn't it as John won the class by over 1.5 seconds, with Rick 2<sup>nd</sup> and Don bringing up the rear. In CSP

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Justin Cady decided he would prove once and for all that Chris Wells is not really that good of a driver, he just somehow makes his underpowered Miata *luck* into going fast. So, Justin bummed a co-drive and exposed Chris for what he is, a freakin' fast driver. Justin did get quicker with each run, just not quick enough as Chris' 34.394 was good enough for a 0.6 second victory over Justin. Karel Schneider tried to sneak up on Chris and Justin, but with how loud his car is he couldn't sneak up on Beethoven (who, in case you are just tuning in, is both deaf *and* dead) and Karel finished 1.5 seconds off the pace, with Leland Giddens 4<sup>th</sup>. ESP saw the return of Melanie Vance, who drove around topless, when it wasn't raining. Of course I am referring to the fact that she was co-driving a convertible Firebird with Randall Huls and not what Robert Belvoir's dirty old mind was thinking of (and hoping for). Anyway, Sean Day ruled the day as he won the class by more than 1.8 seconds ahead of Randall, with Melanie fully clothed and in 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Speaking of Robert Belvoir he found himself with his hands full, but not the way he wanted, as Bob Blucher jumped into the DP class this month. If you thought Karel's car was loud then you really *are* deaf and dead because Bob's car sounded like a howler monkey on steroids that swallowed a nuclear powered megaphone, only louder and twice as obnoxious. However, seeing as how we do not, currently, have a noise limit, Bob shrieked to a 2+ second victory over Robert, with Pedro Castillo 3<sup>rd</sup> and Penny Belvoir 4<sup>th</sup>. Did I mention that Bob's car is loud? I'm still swabbing blood out of my ears.

The Novice class was a true melting pot of diverse drivers and manufacturers, though none of the manufacturers were domestic. Come to think of it, the vast majority of the vehicles at the entire event were of the foreign variety. I wonder if it is the same in Arizona? Anyway, there were 10 drivers in the Novice class with vehicles ranging from Brad Vanderhoff's 1984 VW Rabbit, to Brian & Carolyn Smith's 1990 Miata, to Joe Ragno's 2005 Day-Glo Lime green Lotus Elise. Not only was Joe's Lotus impossible to miss, it also proved impossible to beat as he took the Novice class win over Will Vriesenga, with Justin Perry 3<sup>rd</sup> and Juan Robles 4<sup>th</sup>. In the process of winning the Novice class Joe just kicked himself out of Novice and into open classing, leaving nowhere to hide that color.

Which brings us to the Street Tire classes. In STU yours truly (truly) was able to shake off some rust and escape with a narrow victory over Kevin Spence, with Richard Thackway 3<sup>rd</sup>, in ABC (All BMW Class). In STR it was a Honda S2000 fest. It was also the Close Competition Class. How close? I'm glad I asked. Jack Neely was fast from the start and had the win locked up early. However, Chi Ho and Steven Hughes were in a hotly contested battle and after the 2<sup>nd</sup> round were tied – yes, tied, with identical 35.629 times. That is tied down to the thousandth of a second, otherwise known as a millisecond, otherwise known as my limit of patience with people who text and drive at the same time. But that is a completely different report. Alas, Chi was able to open a sizeable lead of 0.006 seconds to take 2<sup>nd</sup> place, with Steven 3<sup>rd</sup>. Of course, everyone knows that 0.006 seconds is the precise amount of time it takes Matt Ferratusco to wash his hair, but that is a completely different report. In SMST2 Ryan Speaks brought out his subatomic banana, a 2009 JCW Mini Cooper S, to battle the rear wheel drive likes of Kevin Abel's BMW M Coupe and Mickey Gauldin's MazdaSpeed Miata. This was another close competition as all 4 drivers in the class were within a second of each other. At the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> run Ryan held a 0.046 second lead over Kevin, with Mickey 0.2 behind. Mickey could not improve and finished 3<sup>rd</sup>. Both Ryan and Kevin saved their best for last and Kevin closed the gap, but Ryan squeaked out a 0.042 second victory. In SMST4 everyone was happy to see Ryan leave the Subaru at home, leaving the class wide open. Hien Nguyen got off to an early lead and never looked back as he took the class win with Harry Corbin 2<sup>nd</sup> and Oliver Yao 3<sup>rd</sup>.

So, there it is, a hot, soggy race report. We had some definite issues to contend with at the July event, but in true MSCC fashion this did not stop us from having a great, great (wet) day for racin'. There are still 4 points events remaining and August promises to be at least as hot, but hopefully not as wet, as July was. Be there or be quadrilateral.

# JULY GALLERY



Peter Lier, Porsche GT2



Joe Ragno, Lotus Elise



Above: Andre Morales, BMW M3

Right: Karel Schneider, Mazda Miata



## JULY GALLERY

Elliot Harvey,  
Datsun 2000  
(it rained so much his car  
turned a rust color)



Carolyn Smith,  
Mazda Miata

Bert Foschini,  
BMW 335i



Ryan Speaks,  
Mini Cooper S with  
John Cooper Works

## JULY GALLERY

Sean Day,  
Ford Mustang  
Cobra



Patrick Wilson,  
Mazda RX-8

Oliver Yao,  
Mitsubishi Evo



Hien Nguyen,  
Mitsubishi Evo



## WHO AM I?

This club member was born in [Baltimore, MD](#) but grew up here in O-town. He has also lived in Los Angeles and Osaka, Japan. For most of 2011 he will be living in Singapore on the island of Sentosa. More about that later.

This club member has always been into racing and started out racing and autocrossing a Blackhawk kart before moving into a 1974 Porsche 914 1.8 with Weber carbs in BRP. This club member started with the club in 1983 driving both a 1983 Dodge Shelby Charger in SSC and a 1972 Datsun 1200 in DSP. In 1986 this person left autocrossing to go road racing and did that for about 10 years where he raced in several different classes including ITC, CSR, DSR, FC and GT5.

This mystery person recently returned to autocrossing with MSCC and says, and I quote, "It's great to be back with MSCC. The one constant between the 80's and now are the people. There is a strong dedication to the sport and to the club. It was just luck that I ended up racing with the club again. I had owned the Boxster for a couple years when I decided to attend a PCA autocross. I met George and Chris at the event as they were there doing what the MSCC does best and that's running a flawless event. From there I was hooked again."

This club member has owned a 69 Chrysler Newport, 72 Chevy Impala, 78 Dodge Magnum, 74 and 76 Porsche 914's, 79 Pontiac Firebird, Datsun 1200's, 72 Shasta motor home, 64 Mini Cooper, 84 Honda Civic, 87 Ford Thunderbird, 3 Miata's, 04 Boxster S, 99 Dodge Dakota, 06 Dodge Ram and 08 Toyota Tundra. Cars that he owned but never ran because they were bought as parts cars or to build race cars out of: Datsun 1200, Mazda RX-3, Honda Civic Si and a Dulon Formula Ford. Race cars owned: Datsun 1200 ITC, home built DSR and a Datsun 1200 GT5.

Racing is this person's only hobby these days. However, some prior hobbies included scuba diving, golf, photography, running, hiking, camping and fishing. He seemed to run out of time for these hobbies when he started building theme park attractions, which, and again I quote "at times is more like a hobby than a job." Some of the theme park attractions this person has worked on or built starting in '95 including rebuilding the Earthquake trains, Poseidon's Fury, Men In Black, Universal Studios Japan Jaws, Shrek and Mickey's Philharmagic at some other park. This person also got a Patent for a lap bar design and, lastly, worked on some Harry Potter thing.

This club member will be working on a new project in Singapore which has not yet been released to the public, so he can't say exactly what he'll be working on, but we will certainly miss his presence. Oh, and he also won Tiger of the Year in 1983.

If you haven't figured it out by now. . . . .meet Bob Blucher.

## WORDS FROM THE PRESIDENT

Rain rules? We don't need no stinkin' rain rules! Oh boy, did we ever!

We had high hopes for July with a long, grand, fast course, and clear skies--we ended up with a fast course...

Rain rained on our parade, and cost us the 1st round on the long course; but, thanks to the event chairs & some quick decision-making, we ending up with a really fun event on an abbreviated (but still excellent) course. We'd like to extend our gratitude to you competitors for rolling with our (on-the-fly) changes--**THANK YOU!**

The year is more than half over & we have much in store for you the remainder of this year (can you say 50th Anniversary Celebration weekend?!)

Stay tuned & we hope to see you in August.  
**LOOK AHEAD**

George Bonafede  
MSCC President





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## TIGER POINTS

The updated Tiger points table can be found on the following page. We are at the point in the season when your 2 worst events are "dropped" from the Tiger Points calculation. Of course, this only applies to Active Members in good standing with the club. If you have missed 2 events up to this point, then neither of those misses will now hurt you. However, this also means that your worst outing is counted. For those who have not missed any events, you are able to take full advantage of the 2 "drops" and your 2 lowest point totals are dropped. However, there are many people who have missed 3 or more events (present company included), meaning those "0"s are figured into your point total. With 4 points-paying events remaining Bob Blucher has a healthy lead over Chris Wells, but Chris is still within striking distance. Both Bob and Chris have won a Tiger Championship before, but Bob's triumph was 27 years ago!!! If Bob holds on he will set a record for the longest time between championships. Yes, Bob is *that* old! But don't count Chris out, he has been dominant lately and shows no sign of slowing down.

If you are not a member and want to make sure that you receive the most awesome, sought-after and priceless publication in the history of motor sports (that would be this here booklet - the Pit Patter) the best way to get on the mailing list is to pre-register for an event. And, make sure you enter your name and address correctly when completing the registration page on MyAutoEvents.com. Being a paid member automatically gets you added to the "cool people" list. ;)

# TIGER POINTS

## 2010 Tiger Points

As of July 12, 2010				
After 7 events, 2 drops		2 Drops	Total	Prev Rank
1	Blucher, Bob	216	296	1
2	Wells, Chris	207	273	2
3	Speaks, Ryan	203	242	3
4	Bonafede, George	200	264	4
5	Giddens, John	194	230	5
6	Stroud, Jason	187	248	6
7	Cady, Justin	186	220	7
8	Belvoir, Robert	183	251	8
9	Wilson, Patrick	182	206	9
10	Nguyen, Hien	179	212	11
11	Schneider, Karel	176	203	10
12	Abel, Kevin	174	192	17
13	Thackway, Richard	173	201	12
14	Spence, Kevin	169	230	14
15	Turner, Ben	169	196	13
16	Mertz, Erich	165	195	19
17	Bavetta, Ludwig	165	165	28
18	Edstrom, Mikael	165	165	24
19	Ho, Chi	165	165	42
20	Gauldin, Mickey	164	220	15
21	Corbin, Harry	163	188	20
22	Turner, Travis	163	163	26
23	Abbott, Bruce	161	191	16
24	Hosler, Don	158	208	18
25	Belvoir, Penny	153	207	21
26	Giddens, Leland	151	176	22
27	Maier, Joey	150	150	32
28	Glazar, Terry	146	192	23
29	Huls, Randall	145	145	34
30	McDonald, Tom	134	134	25
31	Pierce, Steve	133	133	35
32	Yao, Oliver	133	133	36
33	Schatte, Raddy	130	130	27
34	Woodley, Rick	130	130	38
35	Foschini, Bert	129	129	41
36	Barrett, Patrick	126	126	29
37	Zimmerman, Fred	125	140	30
38	Foschini, Thomas	124	124	40
39	LaFlamme, Glenn	124	124	31
40	Bonilla, Gerardo	117	117	33
41	DeBower, Kim	98	98	37
42	Schneider, Travis	96	96	39
43	Connor, Richard	95	95	44
44	Giddens, Dawn	87	87	48
45	Castillo, Pedro	82	82	49
46	Everett, Roger	81	81	43
47	King, Kevin r	72	72	45
48	Miller, Craig	72	72	50
49	Christoeff, Christian	67	67	46
50	Ferratusco, Matt	66	66	47

r = rookie

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## Motorsports Organizations

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Grassroots Motorsports Magazine	David Wallens <a href="http://www.grassrootsmotorsports.com">www.grassrootsmotorsports.com</a>	888-676-9747
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# August 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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22	23	24	25	26 Board Meeting	27	28
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