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PIT PATTER BALLER



Corner worker duty: assisting your fallen brethren.

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Martin Sports Car Club
Orlando, Florida

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TRANSMISSIONS

[Event Schedule]

⇒ **March 11th, 2017**

Autocross school @ **Lake Technical Center**

Instructors: CWells, BBlucher, RPalmblad, MDana

⇒ **March 12th, 2017**

Points Event #3 @ **Lake Technical Center**

Hosts: GBonafede, OEdstrom, KDeBower, DCross, JTooley

⇒ **April 9th, 2017**

Points Event #4 @ **Lake Technical Center**

Hosts: Bob Blucher +HOSTS NEEDED!!

⇒ **May 14th, 2017**

Points Event #5 @ **Lake Technical Center**

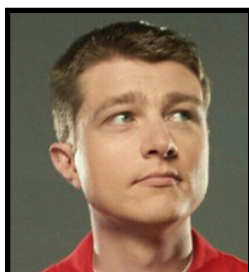
Hosts: HOSTS NEEDED!!



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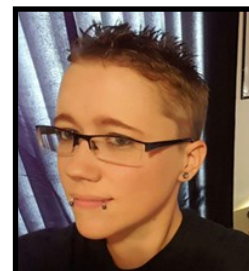
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Pit Patter

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Monthly Club Meeting

Thursday—March 2nd, 2017

PERKINS

989 W Orange Blossom Trail

Apopka, FL 32712

7:30PM

Located about 1.5 miles past downtown Apopka, just past the SR451 interchange. From I-4 take exit 92 west toward Apopka, go about 8.5 miles and Perkins will be on the right. —*For more details, go to the website and look under the “Event Locations” tab (scroll down!).*

!Please check email and/or Facebook for updates!



March Event

Sunday—March 12th, 2017

Lake Technical Center

13000 Frankies Road

Tavares, FL 32778

Time: 8:00 am - Gate opens
9:00 am - Tech inspection closes
9:15 am - Guided walk-thru w/novice instructor
(mandatory for Novice entrants)
9:45 am - Drivers meeting
10:00 am - First car out!

[pre-register and pre-pay at myautoevents.com]

MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, February 2nd, 2017 @ Perkins Restaurant in Apopka FL

Meeting Called to Order at 730pm by Zane Plumley, on-time start.

Pit Patters – rec'd – no issues reported

Minutes Approval – no changes requested; approved by majority vote

VP Report (Nate Adair)

- January radio battery issues have been resolved

Events Director Report (Mikael Edstrom)

- January Event summary
- 60 drivers, average for January is 61.5
- Late start to the event due to equipment issues and long lines at tech
- Next event is February 12th
- Hosts will be Giddens, Mickey Gauldin, and Justin McDonald
- March 11th Autocross School
- Instructors are Chris Wells, Bob Blucher, Robert Palmblad, and Marc Dana
- Mother's Day event: attempting to move to Saturday May 13th to help turn-out, ease the strife of fathers who want to race, and the limit the frustrations of mothers who don't
- Event Host responsibilities were discussed with the membership, and read aloud

Treasurer (Ben Turner)

- Club is in the Black \$\$

Secretary (Erik Mayer)

- Asked if all attendees had signed the roster or to advise any changes to information; indicated they did and there were none made.

President (Zane Plumley)

- Timing for the Autocross School will be handled by Mickey Gauldin
- Saturday, December 2nd 2017 is reserved at Taverna Italiano for the annual awards banquet, they have been good to us in the past so we are going back, good bar
- 2018 State Champs + **New Committee Needed!**
 - ◇ **Volunteers: Scott Swartz, Bob Blucher & Chris Wells (maybe)**
- Still talking to OCCC to get dates, still not really getting anywhere but there is hope
- Still attempting to negotiate with the FIRM over new pricing, currently at \$3000
- Looking at getting cancelation fees and a contract
- Sebring: Talking to Jim, currently stands that we can only have an autocross on the staging ramp if we have details ahead of time (track layout and so on) to be approved by track personnel
- Possibilities of Geneva/Gainesville/Buckingham Field briefly discussed

MEETING MINUTES

Old Business

- New batteries have been acquired, shouldn't have any further radio issues
- Mickey has had all of the malfunctioning audio equipment repaired
 - ◊ Long story short the repair facility had never seen an amplifier fail in that fashion before

New Business

- Dues are due! (not really new business, more like ongoing business) Deadline at the next meeting
- The backup Race America timing equipment bought from SCCA is working
- New antennas and cables are needed; the units are re-programmable
- New general meeting locations!
 - ◊ Fields BMW, Zane has been discussing it with them
 - ◊ Classic Mazda also a possibility
 - ◊ A place that used to be Mimi's(sp?) (not sure where that is)
 - ◊ Duffy's (I wrote "what's that, Erik Google it")
 - ◊ Florida Hospital (motion was proposed for an after party at George's house, a vote was not taken)
- No drones at Martin sanctioned events, our insurance does not cover them
- Travis is working on a website overhaul, ancient YouTube video will be replaced
- An FM transmitter for events is illegal without an FCC license
- Mikael getting nowhere with attempts to contact FCC, get licensing information

Upcoming Events

- 2017 Feb 12, Mar 12, Apr 9, May 14, Jun 11 - events all scheduled/reserved at LTC

New Members

- Juney Thompson, Christopher Schneider, Bill O'Keefe – **APPROVED**

Member Stories

- Jessica attended the Rolex 24 for the first time
 - ◊ She had Grassroots Motorsports Experience Tickets
 - ◊ Despite no sleep for over 40 hours, freezing temperatures, and rain, she had the best time ever
- Jessica and Erik replaced the convertible top on Jessica's Miata
 - ◊ Although it was a tedious job, it was not hard
- Aaron bought a new Corvette, went to Kentucky to get it, did the factory tour, it is beautiful.
- Bob Blucher has a new to him 2013 Mini in blue, very comfortable, currently classes in HS.
- Leland flew a Ferrari guy to Daytona for the Ferrari event
 - ◊ He got to drive a LaFerrari FXX-K
 - ◊

⇒ 33 members in attendance including 5 board members, 2 new members, and one future Ferrari factory driver

Adjourned at **841pm** by Zane Plumley

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Super Street				Run 1..	Run 2..	Run 3..	Total	Index
1T	SS	17 Gary Merideth	Porsche 911	37.325	36.365		36.365	0.884
A Street				Run 1..	Run 2..	Run 3..	Total	Index
1T	AS	18 William Van Tassel	Porsche 911	37.168+1 36.771	37.086+1	37.673	36.771	0.894
2T	AS	1 Aaron Stogsdill	Corvette	39.637 38.038	38.483	38.356	38.038	0.925
3	AS	90 Maury Hamill	Boxster	40.006 38.914	39.948	39.257+1	38.914	0.946
4	AS	71 Don Hosler	Corvette	OFF 39.657	OFF	39.545	39.545	0.961
5	AS	21 Matthew Griffin	Camaro SS	39.986 39.569	40.756	41.090	39.569	0.962
B Street				Run 1..	Run 2..	Run 3..	Total	Index
1T	BS	6 Peter Tang	Ford F Rs	38.197 OFF	37.151	37.257	37.151	0.903
2T	BS	35 Erich Mertz	Cayman S	39.158 38.519	38.627	38.120	38.120	0.927
3	BS	85 Don Wright	BMW Z4	38.921 38.693	38.511	38.804	38.511	0.936
4	BS	60 Zac Saubert	Boxster	39.702 39.571	39.578	49.187+2	39.571	0.962
5	BS	0 Heather O Hamill	Boxster	42.029 39.989	41.221	40.478	39.989	0.972
6	BS	222 Dustin Besch	Honda S2000	40.293+1 40.936	40.841+2	40.141	40.141	0.976
7	BS	5 Noah Pontones	Boxster S	42.388 41.642	41.852	41.802	41.642	1.012
C Street				Run 1..	Run 2..	Run 3..	Total	Index
1T	CS	382 Chris Jones	Mazda MX5	OFF 38.678	40.022	38.931	38.678	0.940
2	CS	45 Michael Tomich	Scion Fr-S	40.673 39.715	39.977	39.457	39.457	0.959
3	CS	15 Bill O'Keefe	MX5-Miata	OFF 48.459	50.263	48.106	48.106	1.169
D Street				Run 1..	Run 2..	Run 3..	Total	Index
1T	DS	91 Kim DeBower	Cooper S	42.457+1 40.102	40.734+1	40.275	40.102	0.975
E Street				Run 1..	Run 2..	Run 3..	Total	Index
1T	ES	7 Scott Swartz	Mazda Miata	39.554 39.483	39.994	39.171	39.171	0.952
2	ES	71 Tom McDonald	Mazda Miata	40.702 40.501	OFF	40.650	40.501	0.984
3	ES	55 Mike Gaboda	Porsche 944	43.802 OFF	42.378	42.567	42.378	1.030

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F Street					Run 1..	Run 2..	Run 3..	Total	Index
1T	FS	54	Steve Pierce	BMW M3	38.485	37.908+1	38.045	37.924	0.922
					37.924				
2T	FS	34	Robert Palmblad	Camaro	39.012	38.167	37.995	37.995	0.924
					OFF				
3	FS	43	John Stewart	Infiniti G37	44.799	42.223	42.076	42.076	1.023
					42.626				
4	FS	05	Michael Blanco	Mustang	44.578	43.525	45.553	43.525	1.058
					45.570				
5	FS	88	Bruce Abbott	Thunderbird	47.318	OFF		47.318	1.150
G Street					Run 1..	Run 2..	Run 3..	Total	Index
1T	GS	71	Darren Schneider	Focus ST	41.484+1	40.729	39.598	39.069	0.950
					39.069				
2	GS	25	Frank Hernandez	Focus ST	OFF	39.735	39.305	39.305	0.955
					OFF				
H Street					Run 1..	Run 2..	Run 3..	Total	Index
1T	HS	1	William Watson	Fiat 500	OFF	40.894	39.405	39.405	0.958
					40.280				
Street Touring FWD					Run 1..	Run 2..	Run 3..	Total	Index
1T	STF	98	Robert Blucher	Mini Cooper	39.199	38.930	38.725	38.652	0.940
					38.652				
2	STF	0	Travis Turner	Mini Cooper	41.714	40.377	40.277	39.701	0.965
					39.701				
3	STF	113	Ben Turner	Mini Cooper	OFF	42.587	41.048	41.048	0.998
					42.122				
4	STF	9	Victoria Edstrom	Fiat 500	46.971	44.870	43.138	43.013	1.046
					43.013				
Street Touring Sport					Run 1..	Run 2..	Run 3..	Total	Index
1T	STS	315	David Thierer	Mazda Miata	OFF	46.142	45.985	44.326	1.077
					44.326				
2	STS	89	Christopher Bourlotos	Celica GT	OFF	45.875	45.723	44.493	1.081
Street Touring Xtreme					Run 1..	Run 2..	Run 3..	Total	Index
1T	STX	96	Chris Schneider	Subaru BRZ	OFF	38.776	38.295	37.713	0.917
					37.713				
2T	STX	117	Jeremiah Hemphill	Cooper S	40.842	39.318	38.914	38.434	0.934
					38.434				
3	STX	1	Alexis Flores	Cooper S	39.883	39.414	38.911	38.911	0.946
					39.174				
4	STX	44	Desmond Au	Mazda Rx-8	41.398+1	40.983	41.249	40.966	0.996
					40.966				
5	STX	17	Danielle Hemphill	Cooper S	49.985	OFF	48.362	47.357	1.151
					47.357				

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Street Touring Roadster				Run 1..	Run 2..	Run 3..	Total	Index	
1T	STR	99	George Bonafede	Mazda MX-5	OFF 37.006	37.507	37.238	37.006	0.900
2T	STR	375	Erik Mayer	Mazda Mx-5	38.315 37.039	37.791	37.591	37.039	0.900
3T	STR	4	Kevin Madyda	Mazda Miata	39.590 38.868	39.547	39.407	38.868	0.945
4T	STR	62	Pete Smith	BMW M3	41.589 39.272	40.430	40.184	39.272	0.955
5	STR	514	Roy Watters	Mazda Miata	40.612 OFF	39.902	40.264	39.902	0.970
6	STR	49	Don Cross	BMW Z4	41.291+1 41.018	40.178	53.185	40.178	0.977
7	STR	1	Jace Micklos	Mazda Miata	42.178	41.228	42.032	41.228	1.002
8	STR	89	Christopher Sandefur	Mazda Miata	43.030 41.733	42.850	42.387	41.733	1.014
9	STR	77	Gustano Yes	Honda S2000	OFF 42.290	OFF	44.759+1	42.290	1.028
10	STR	55	Michael Capen	Mazda Miata	48.049 OFF	47.685	OFF	47.685	1.159
Street Touring Ultimate				Run 1..	Run 2..	Run 3..	Total	Index	
1T	STU	9	Ryan Speaks	WRX STI	36.914 36.275+1	36.377	35.950	35.950	0.874
2T	STU	154	Caitlin Dunlap	Corvette	36.765 35.923+1	36.234	36.152	36.152	0.879
3	STU	54	Nick Dunlap	Corvette	37.056 36.210	36.663	36.449	36.210	0.880
4	STU	14	Chase Ros	Nissan 350z	37.478 37.835	36.479+1	OFF	37.478	0.911
5	STU	13	Hasan Schwandes	Subaru STi	OFF 38.544	41.115	40.124	38.544	0.937
6	STU	25	Esteban Valentin	BMW M2	41.679 39.560	40.026	40.090	39.560	0.962
7	STU	26	Miguel Santiago	Mustang GT	42.673 41.314	41.623	41.261	41.261	1.003
Super Street Race Tire				Run 1..	Run 2..	Run 3..	Total	Index	
1T	SSR	7	Cliff Bordwell	Dodge Viper	37.422 36.502	37.158	37.069	36.502	0.887
2	SSR	91	David Hanington	Cayman S	OFF 37.302	37.302	37.428	37.302	0.907
C Street Prepared				Run 1..	Run 2..	Run 3..	Total	Index	
1T	CSP	23	Tane Hopu	Mazda Miata	OFF 39.477	OFF	40.035	39.477	0.960
2	CSP	77	Anthony Ralston	Mazda Miata	OFF 41.560	OFF	OFF	41.560	1.010
Classic American Muscle (Cont)				Run 1..	Run 2..	Run 3..	Total	Index	
1T	CAM-C	27	Juney Thompson	Pontiac G8	44.226 39.635	42.323	40.420	39.635	0.963

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X Prepared					Run 1..	Run 2..	Run 3..	Total	Index
1T	XP	2	Travis Schneider	BMW 328i	38.529 38.423	38.718	38.062	38.062	0.925
2	XP	5	Karel Schneider	Mazda Miata	39.900 38.108	38.462	38.567	38.108	0.926
F Prepared					Run 1..	Run 2..	Run 3..	Total	Index
1T	FP	71	Matt Lowe	Datsun 240Z	OFF	116.967	47.876	47.876	1.164
Street Modified FWD					Run 1..	Run 2..	Run 3..	Total	Index
1T	SMF	82	Ethan Swindel	Acura Integra	38.010+1 37.125	37.211+2	37.781	37.125	0.902
2	SMF	25	Luis Fuentes	Honda Civic	41.656 38.634	40.705	38.914	38.634	0.939
Street Modified					Run 1..	Run 2..	Run 3..	Total	Index
1T	SM	131	Lisa Keyes	Mitsubishi Evo	41.027 39.887	OFF	40.857	39.887	0.970
Super Street Modified					Run 1..	Run 2..	Run 3..	Total	Index
1T	SSM	66	Mickey Gauldin	Toyota MR2	38.671+1 39.017	38.989	38.953	38.953	0.947
Street Modified Street Tire 2W					Run 1..	Run 2..	Run 3..	Total	Index
1T	SMST2	767	John Giddens	Mazda Rx-7	36.628 36.082	35.620	OFF	35.620	0.866
2	SMST2	89	Salim Sanchez	Mazda Miata	39.491 37.770	38.245	38.175	37.770	0.918
3	SMST2	76	Dawn Giddens	Mazda Rx-7	43.196 41.069	41.359	41.021	41.021	0.997
Street Modified Street Tire 4W					Run 1..	Run 2..	Run 3..	Total	Index
1T	SMST4	17	Nate Adair	Subaru STI	OFF 35.734	35.682	35.965	35.682	0.867
2	SMST4	34	Justin McDonald	WRX STi	36.889 35.879	36.281	35.727	35.727	0.868
3	SMST4	44	Terry Glazar	Mitsubishi Evo	38.180 38.481	37.093	OFF	37.093	0.902
E Modified					Run 1..	Run 2..	Run 3..	Total	Index
1T	EM	80	Matt Simpson	Mazda RX8	44.238 41.423	42.823	41.763	41.423	1.007
2	EM	969	Jay Besch	Honda Accord	OFF OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	-
Junior Kart B					Run 1..	Run 2..	Run 3..	Total	Index
1T	JB	8	Trevor Wells	Birel Kart	46.888 44.229	45.048	44.563	44.229	1.075

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Novice	Run 1..	Run 2..	Run 3..	Total	Index
1T NOV 11 Rob Grant Mini Copper	OFF 39.519	41.609	40.718	39.519	0.961
2T NOV 76 Mark Espinoza Mazda MX5	43.279 40.400	41.681	40.845	40.400	0.982
3T NOV 71 Robert O'Neill Focus ST	43.265 40.789	41.390	OFF	40.789	0.991
4T NOV 64 Lee Lukas VW Golf R	47.472 41.227	42.401	41.546	41.227	1.002
5T NOV 008 Milton Cerda Mazda Miata	40.800+1 41.507 41.362	OFF	43.340	41.362	1.005
6T NOV 41 Shawn Lillquist Subaru WRX	50.858 41.668	45.790	44.016	41.668	1.013
7 NOV 75 Ryan Horan Mustang	OFF 41.738	42.542	44.667	41.738	1.015
8 NOV 1 John Fuoco Infiniti G35	48.028 42.432	OFF	45.315	42.432	1.031
9 NOV 2 Kasey Nesselrotte Chevy Cobalt	48.806 42.654	45.042	42.940	42.654	1.037
10 NOV 79 David Strang Mazda Miata	53.471 42.718	45.187	43.301	42.718	1.038
11 NOV 3 Emmanuel Baba Jetta	45.053 42.887	43.906	43.996	42.887	1.042
12 NOV 81 Mark Lobin Corvette	OFF 43.170	OFF	44.302	43.170	1.049
13 NOV 5 Rafael Baroni Subaru WRX	OFF 41.348+1	OFF	OFF	43.348	1.054
14 NOV 23 Jorge Saloma Mustang	OFF 43.501	49.151	44.972	43.501	1.057
15 NOV 17 Jonathan Colon Mazda Miata	OFF 43.950	46.849	44.692	43.950	1.068
16 NOV 21 Ricardo Rivera Jetta GLI	54.637 44.371	50.063	45.298	44.371	1.079
17 NOV 77 Anton Petrov Mustang	51.498 44.460	46.361	OFF	44.460	1.081
18 NOV 46 Joseph Sendzia Ford Fiesta	49.376 44.622	46.271	45.286	44.622	1.085
19 NOV 72 Rebeka Rocco Nissan 350z	OFF 44.948 45.103	46.536	44.755	44.755	1.088
20 NOV 86 Peter Do Subaru BRZ	48.770 44.874	OFF	45.616	44.874	1.091
21 NOV 12 Ana Rivera Jetta GLI	49.873 44.929	46.454	45.652	44.929	1.092
22 NOV 777 Dylan Pierluissi Celica	OFF 45.103	46.172	44.490+1	45.103	1.096
23 NOV 7 Jason Mills Mustang GT	OFF 45.589	57.384+1	OFF	45.589	1.108
24 NOV 22 Austin Spear Chevy Cobalt	50.363 45.966	50.833	48.820	45.966	1.117
25 NOV 66 Kirby Keene Corvette	48.026 46.012	OFF	48.119	46.012	1.118
26 NOV 14 Nathan Johnstone Subaru WRX	OFF 46.709	OFF	51.688	46.709	1.135
27 NOV 13 Gregory Fernandez Camaro	66.903 OFF 47.464	50.612	47.464	47.464	1.154
28 NOV 27 Anthony Juliao Hyundai Veloster	53.394 48.358 47.779	52.246	47.779	47.779	1.161
29 NOV 666 Jennah Hughes Mazda Miata	OFF OFF 48.122	OFF	48.122	48.122	1.170
30 NOV 6 Peter Baba Mazda Miata	OFF 48.931	54.355	51.694	48.931	1.189
31 NOV 4 Mike Groppe Subaru WRX	OFF 54.985	58.879	55.195	54.985	1.337
32 NOV 19 Michael Blommel Scion Fr-S	OFF OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	-

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19	FS	54	Steve Pierce	02 BMW M3	37.924	0.922
20	FS	34	Robert Palmblad	16 Chevrolet Camaro	37.995	0.924

March Birthdays!

Jackie Gauldin

Tom McDonald

Pete Smith

Robert Palmblad Jr

Dave Thierer

Alexander Lugo



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Dawn
Giddens

Mike
Gaboda



Anthony
Ralston

Justin
McDonald



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Dave
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Travis
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Trevor
Wells



Emmanuel
Baba



Juney
Thompson



William
Watson



RACE REPORT

What a day! The weather was perfect, just the right combination of hot enough that the tires were sticky, and the times were fast. The bright sun was keeping the track surface warm all day, and probably gave a few people sunburns (who needs sunscreen, it's winter...oops) We had 109 competitors and 32 novices attending the race, this set a record for both highest number of racers at a Lake Tech event, and the highest number of novices going back as far as I have records, 2010. We tried something a little different with a 9am driver's meeting, followed immediately by the novice walk through, this allowed us to have the first car out at 10:03am. Due to the high number of attendees we ran three heats, and broke the novices up into three groups to help make them a more manageable group. Despite the large turnout everyone was able to get four timed runs. The first heat took a little longer than the other 2, but once we got the kinks worked out everything went very smoothly. The day was done and all of the times were in by 3:00pm and we even had time for some fun runs after everything was over.

Let's talk track layout! The track was designed by the Giddens and featured a small overlap to allow for two cars on the track at the same time. The original design featured a larger double use overlap but it was cut out due to the increased number of racers on Sunday. A quick exit out of the gate too you through a set of crossover double cones and then a left hander heading into a loose 180 right turn which shot out onto the back slalom. Only two cones, no options here, very fast before hard on the brakes for a right, a lane change, another sharp right, back through the crossover, then slam that pedal to the wood for the long straight across the track. Did you hit third gear? Some did before having to slow things way down for the left turn through the gates, another left and then a dash for the finish at wide open throttle. Was it fast? YES! Was it fun? DOUBLE YES!

Let's talk Top Times of Day! The fastest time was put down by none other than one of the course designers, John Giddens, in his 2-wheel drive, yes I said 2, 1993 Mazda RX-7 at 35.620. He was followed up by the 4-wheel drive Subaru clan, Nate Adair at 35.682, Justin McDonald at 35.727, and Ryan Speaks at 35.950. Fifth place was rounded out by Caitlin Dunlap in a not at all stock 2000 Corvette at 36.152. The top 5 finishers were separated by only a half of a second, the top 10 was only 1.386 seconds.

Let's talk Battles! STR is shaping up to be an exciting class in 2017. There were 10 racers in that class, the highest of any class other than Novice, and it saw the tightest one-two battle of the day between George Bonafede and yours truly, Erik Mayer. We swapped the top spot several times before the last run. I ran a 37.039, which was six tenths faster than my previous fastest run, and two tenths faster than George's. As George lined up on the start line for his final run he knew the pressure was on. I watched his lap from just in front of the trailer, intently keeping my eyes on his every move. He crossed the line, and the time displayed 37.006, a mere 0.033 seconds faster than my time! Although I was a little disappointed to have been bumped from the top spot, there is no shame in coming in second to George.

Our next event will we again be at our home, Lake Tech, on March 12th. I hope to see you there!

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March 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Meeting @ Perkins	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11 Autocross School!
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