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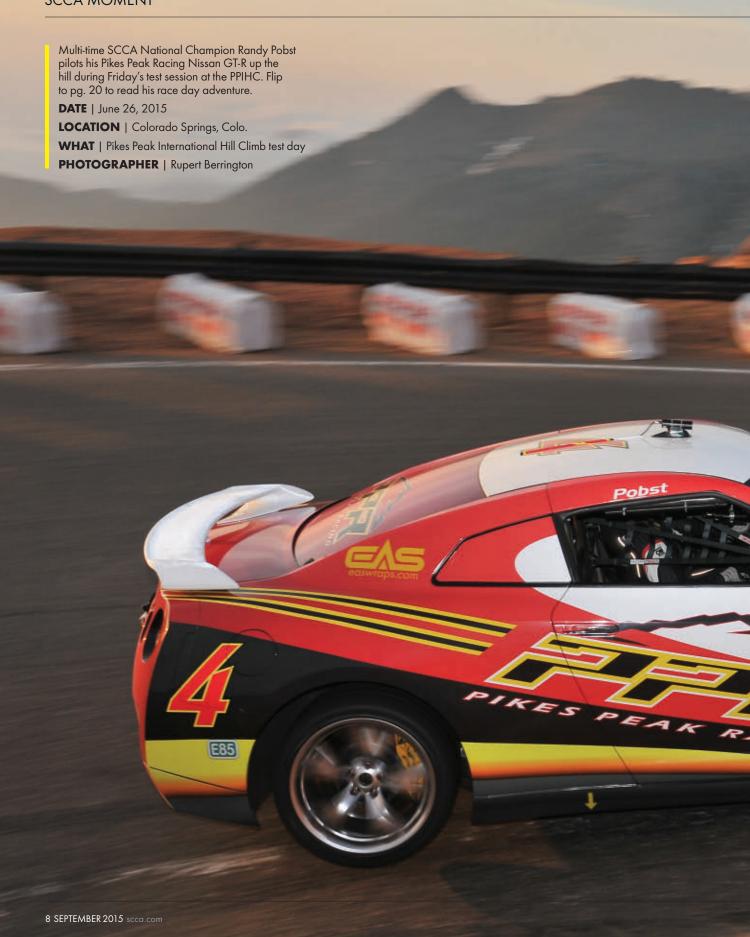
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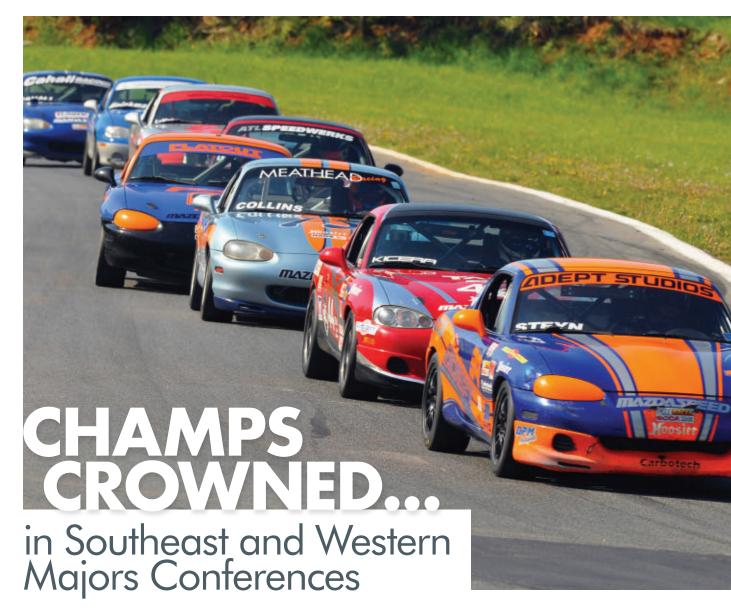




REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

Despite what we said in last month's issue, National Championship Runoffs presented by Garmin VIRB registration is now open to drivers and workers. But also keep in mind that the Runoffs is also a spectator event, so don't forget to bring a friend.





The two Conferences of the U.S. Majors
Tour that kick off the racing season in
January are also the first two to wrap up
their championships. The Southwest
Conference's first race took place Jan. 9-11
at Homestead Miami Speedway in
Homestead, Fla., and just three months and
12 races later, the Conference action
concluded at Summit Point Raceway in W. Va.

A Spec Miata photo finish highlighted the final day of racing action on the final day of racing, when Danny Steyn clinched the Southeast Conference Championship with his

first win of the season after four previous runner-up finishes. The finish was so close between Steyn and Tyler Kicera that it necessitated a visual ruling, with the judges on the start/finish stand noting that Steyn was ahead at the stripe, although Kicera's timing transponder hit 0.005sec before Steyn's.

In other championship battles, Alex Mayer earned his second-straight win of the weekend in Formula 1000 to force a tied point total with Michael Crowe. Mayer earned the season title based on his four wins to Crowe's three. The U.S. Majors Western Conference closed out its 2015 season amid hot weather at Oregon's Portland International Raceway over the Independence Day weekend after kicking off the action on Jan. 16-18 at Auto Club Speedway in Fontana, Calif. While a number of class championships were locked up prior to the final rounds, others were hotly contested.

In B-Spec, Derrick Ambrose had dominated the points throughout the season, but a late charge by Eric Boucher brought it down to the wire. B-Spec National



SIGN UP NOW!

With the Tire Rack Solo National Championships imminently around the corner, competitors are reminded to register for the event-specific contingency programs they wish to participate in. As always, registration for the many generous programs is required prior to the event.



champion Kyle Keenan tossed a wrench in the works winning both Portland rounds, but his absence early in the season took him out of the running. As the dust settled, Boucher

Joe Huffaker put an exclamation point on a spectacular season with a pair of wins at Portland, which also saw him claiming the F Production Conference title.

claimed the Conference honors.

For complete Conference point standings, visit www.scca.com.



Jon Nottage was the big winner of the SCCA Foundation's "Get Behind the Wheel" raffle. The grand prize included a trip for two to the Bob Bondurant School of High Performance Driving, where Nottage and a guest will experience the three-day Forza Motorsport Grand Prix Road Racing Class. Additionally, the prize includes \$5,000 cash to cover travel expenses.

The SCCA Foundation, the charitable arm of the SCCA, would also like to thank everyone for their contributions to the raffles. These raffles greatly assist in the Foundation's continuing support to the Tire Rack Street Survival program, the Formula SAE program, and its efforts to secure the historical preservation of the Club's history and memorabilia.

Formula SAE hits Lincoln

Some 1,087 college students took part in the Formula SAE competition in Lincoln, Neb., on June 17-20. A lot has changed since the first Formula SAE event took place in 1981 when only four teams attended in Austin, Texas - this year, 90 teams (67 in the internal combustion category, 17 bringing electric power) competed.

The concept behind Formula SAE is that a fictional manufacturing company has contracted a design team to develop a small formula-style racecar. The prototype racecar is to be evaluated for its potential as a production item. The target marketing group for the racecar is the non-professional weekend autocross racer. Each student team then designs, builds, and tests a prototype based on a series of rules

designed to ensure onsite event operations and promote clever problem solving.

The Formula SAE program promotes careers and excellence in engineering as it encompasses all aspects of the automotive industry including research, design, manufacturing, testing, developing, marketing, management, and finances. Formula SAE takes students out of the classroom and allows them to apply textbook theories to real work experiences.

Autocross plays a major role in the competition, with many schools electing to return each year to the Tire Rack Solo Nationals Championships presented by Garmin VIRB at the same location. This program and competition also acts as an outreach for future Club members, as each of the participants at the SCCA-staffed Formula SAE event were presented with an SCCA membership.

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RUNOFFS ENTRIES EARNED

Washington DC Region's George Winkler (RIGHT) took home a free National Championship Runoffs entry as he secured the T1 Majors Southeast Conference championship. Meanwhile, SRF competitor and San Francisco Region member Paul Raby claimed the free Runoffs entry for his Western Conference performance.





HIGH TIMES

Past SCCA Pro Rally Champ Jeff Zwart (ABOVE and LEFT) recorded this eighth win at Pikes Peak, while Northwest Region SCCA member Dominic Dobson (BELOW) made his first run up the mountain and was rewarded with the Unlimted Division win.

ON THE PEAK

The Pikes Peak International Hill Climb is the second oldest motorsports race in America, dating back to August 1916 and, for a century, drivers have raced to the mountain's summit on public roads. Although the road has been widened in places and has been completely paved, the venue is still no less treacherous.

On June 28, 2015, a number of SCCA members made the climb, with a several logging notable results. Dominic Dobson took his 2010 Radical SR8 to the top fastest in the Unlimited Division with a time of 10:15.289. This was Dobson's first year taking on the mountain. Meanwhile, David Donner was fastest in Time Attack 2 with his 2014 Porsche 911 Turbo S, completing the climb in 10:15.289. This was Donner's 22nd attempt at Pikes Peak and his fifth win. Jonathan Frost tackled the mountain as a rookie and emerged the victor in the Pikes Peak Open class in his 2014 Palatov D2RS with a time of 10:21.978.

A pair of *SportsCar* contributors also made the climb, with Jeff Zwart claiming the Time Attack 1 class win in his Porsche GT3 Cup Turbo, marking his eighth win. Everyone's favorite columnist and past SCCA National Champion Randy Pobst took on the mountain, but his race did not go as planned.

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Clifton Hill Climb

F or the first time since 1989, racers will take to the roads of Clifton, Ariz., as Arizona Region hosts the Clifton Hill Climb. The Clifton Hill Climb dates back to the 1960s and runs about two miles of the challenging Ward's Canyon road. Set to take place over Labor Day weekend, Sept. 5-7, the event is limited to just 60 drivers.

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Last Place, different class...

An idea has jelled. A plan has formed. I'm headed to Lincoln, Neb., again for the Tire Rack Solo National Championships presented by Garmin VIRB, but this time closely pursued by a competition car (a Mazda Miata on a trailer, about 7 feet behind me). After 2014's last-place finish in BS, I'm angling for last place in a whole new class: CSP!

The 2014 "Director's Solo National Challenge" was a hard-fought battle at the bottom of the barrel, won (by popular acclaim, not by any particular rules set) by Area 9 director Brian McCarthy for finishing second to last in his class, besting the rest of us last-placers. Hey, a win is a win, but this year will be different.

After more than a year of badgering local friend Mike Toombs about how I'd tow his Solo car to Lincoln if he wanted to be an "arrive and drive" guy, he relented, decided he'd attend, and told me he's up for the tow. I'll be his tire warmer in a sticky-tire Miata, and I'll get a chance to find out if we like the same road food. I've always been a lone wolf when towing to races, and hopefully we won't suddenly discover that we can't stand each other's company somewhere in the wilds of Indiana. Pray for us.

Last year I had it good - co-driving Matt Feeney's beautiful-handling BS Corvette, with great coaching from Matt and from Dave O'Maley. This year I'm a little bit more challenged. Sure, I have hundreds of hours on race

rubber, but Solo competition is way different, and I've never run a Solo on sticky tires.

This stuff is hard and, as an old road racer, I'm still trying to come to grips with how fast Solo course elements come at the driver. There aren't hundreds of yards between corners, and there's no "pack a lunch for that long back straight." That next cone is right here, right now, and likely stuck in my wheel well. Again. Crap.

I'm looking forward to it though, and I plan to be there from Monday through Friday night. Make sure you say hi.

On to other subjects: success stories. Congratulations goes to our folks running Track Night in America driven by Tire Rack (TNiA), as it's a growing success and shows that we can do new things and engage new people in our programs. TNiA is receiving lots of buzz in the motorsports press and is generating interest from businesses in supporting the program. That's a win for our Club and our members - and our future members.

Also, Area Director elections for the National Board of Directors are coming up. Several long-serving directors are timing out and, while they'll be hard to replace, I'm confident that you, the electors, will select qualified members for our Board. As you're voting, remember that our role is to set strategic direction for the Club and to provide oversight that ensures the Club remains healthy for another 70 years and beyond. I've said this before: Send us your best!

SCCA racer takes international win

Bob Bramlage made the leap from SCCA Club racer to International race winner as he piloted the No. 83 TRG Aston Martin alongside teammate and Pirelli World Challenge competitor Derek DeBoer at the 2015 Le Mans Festival race on June 13, 2015. In the highly competitive GT4 class, Bramlage and DeBoer brought home the win in only

the pair's first visit to the circuit. While DeBoer is a regular in the TRG-AMR competing in both World Challenge and IMSA, Bramlage relied on a more grassroots background, as a long-time SCCA and SVRA competitor who has competed in a wide range of vehicles, recording a top-five finish at the SCCA National Championship Runoffs in 2010.





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SCCA ALUM SCORES INDYCAR WIN

2005 Formula Atlantic Runoffs Champ Graham Rahal scored his second career Verizon IndyCar series race victory at the MAVTV 500, at Auto Cub Speedway in Fontana California. Rahal still holds the record as the youngest Runoffs National Champion in SCCA history.





Time for the championship season!

It's time to coordinate vacation and travel schedules, hotels, and test days. Time to prepare yourself and your car. Time to look for that last ounce of, well, whatever it is that you need to excel. And it's time for that last look in *SportsCar* to see who will be your toughest competition come the big event - *SportsCar*'s infamous *Who Will Win?* championship previews.

Starting with this month's Tire Rack Solo National Championships installment of the Who Will Win? series (starting on pg. 30), and then followed up in the next issue with a National Championship Runoffs preview, the next two issues will attempt to predict the winners; the two issues that follow will report the results of not only the events, but also the amazingly popular RallyCross National Championship. This is my favorite time of year! The stories have yet to be written, underdogs can still prevail, heroes still conquer, and new legends will be born. Anything could happen!

While competition is key, these championship events are also an opportunity for us, as members, to enjoy the best that the SCCA has to offer. How?

 As event volunteers making it all happen by doing the jobs we do best. In addition to our great SCCA programs, our members operate many other motorsports events in the United States. You can be a part of this group of registrars, timers, flaggers, grid workers, and tech workers.

- As competitor crewmembers. Our drivers need support, and many of our members help with preparing cars in advance as well as at the event. These crewmembers are some of the most talented and skilled in motorsports, but there is always room for someone who wants to help out and learn.
- By bringing our family and friends out to watch the action - enjoy a tailgate party, a walk around the paddock, and observe the action. This is your Club, and these events should be something we all have an interest in supporting and being part of. These events offer some of the best competition anywhere, and they are fun!

The SCCA is a Club of doers, and during our championship season, participate is what we do. For many of us, these competitions are a reality whether we are in the driver's seat, up in Timing and Scoring, on a corner station, or working in the pits as crew. Others can dream about being a part of motorsports, but we actually do it! We are a part of the action. And it becomes a real part of us, of who we are.

Our efforts and those of our fellow Club members bring a sense of personal accomplishment and a sense of being a part of a much bigger community. It's an incredible accomplishment to make one of these events come to life, and you can be a part of it. I invite you to participate in whatever way interests you. Having our Club members support and enjoy these wonderful events makes this the Club I want to belong to!

Membership Drive Contest

While membership always gets a spring boost, many of our regions are currently experiencing solid growth! Congratulations to the leaders and keep up the momentum. For complete details on the SCCA Membership Drive Contest, log in to ams.scca.com and look under "Forms."

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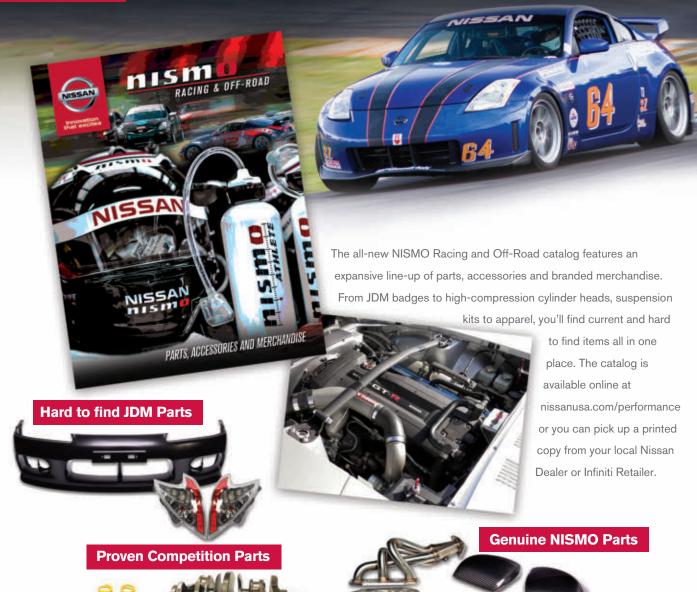
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y first experience with racing y first experience was at an SCCA Rallycross event, and it turned out to be a great event that thrills me even 10 years later - but the real fun was the way we started. My friend Greg and I were still in high school when he got wind of a cheap dirt racing event that we could enter and do our best to imitate rally pros; all we needed was to find a suitable car to share. The struggle was real, though, as we had a very limited budget and our only source to find a car was the local paper. With many nervous phone calls and all of the good deals already taken, we found one car that was still available.

The first adrenaline rush of many started with a 20-minute drive to inspect the car. We didn't know it yet, but the two of us were standing in front of the car that would hook us on racing for life. That machine was a running Volvo 740, complete with almost a full tank of gas, an automatic transmission, no rust, silver paint with clear coat fade, and a leaky rear main seal - all for the sweet price of \$250. The sellers chuckled when we told them we were going to race it.

With the help of my dad, we fixed and prepped the car, all the while convincing him to race with us. Being teenagers with power tools we immediately decided to start stripping the car down and modifying it before even racing it once, and quickly placed ourselves into the Modified 2WD class. Needless to say, the three of us were not very fast through what looked like a sea of cones back then, but you couldn't wipe the smiles off our faces after a run in the beloved Volvo of fury."

IMAGE Rupert Berrington

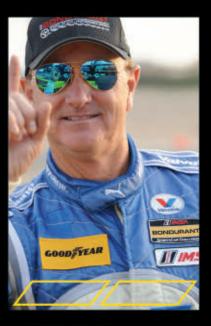














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The greatest thrill I've had in 30 years of automotive competition." Remember my description of the Nürburgring as causing all other circuits to pale into kiddy go-kart tracks? This one makes the 'Ring feel like child's play: The Broadmoor Pikes Peak Hill Climb by Gran Tourismo. Never has so much adrenaline coursed through my veins, and I've done the event twice before!

This competition is a throwback to racing as it was at the time of the birth of the SCCA, 70-plus years ago. In fact, many early SCCA events were hill climbs. The Club still sanctions the Pennsylvania Hill Climb Association competitions, like Giant's Despair and Duryea, which originated, like Pikes Peak, early last century.

Young as I am, I've always raced on closed courses, always with safety features like guardrails and tire walls - which are very nice if something goes wrong. But deep inside there has always been a yearning to race on the open roads, just as they are, like the old Mille Miglia, or Targa Florio, when

men were men (...and women, like Denise McCluggage, God rest her legendary and recently departed soul). I enjoy the concept of self-reliance in that. Striking out like an intrepid explorer, going boldly where almost no one has ever gone before. Personal responsibility. Motorcycle rider Carl Sorensen tragically lost his life heading up Pikes Peak this year, yet his family courageously said he loved the event, and supported his choice. You read the road, you take your chances; driver versus mountain. If you crash, we will come help you, but it's all your fault.

So why, attentive readers might ask, is it such a thrill, if I've competed at Pikes Peak twice before? Well, by several cruel twists of fate, I've never done the top before, and that's where the gods live.

In 1995, practice was canceled due to snow and ice above the tree line, and so the race was also shortened - first time in 80 years. Three years ago the tow vehicle expired on the way up, and I couldn't talk the team into letting me drive the racecar up with a gas can and a tire gauge. Then the big turbo Audi A4 threw the crank pulley practicing the middle, and we missed the upper section again, and the darned race. This year, the clouds parted, some snow melted (there was 16 feet in places), the PPHIC.com team pried the

road open, and we drank the intoxicating elixir of high altitude, high speed at 14,000 feet. X-Game stadiums got nothing on this extreme sport, kids.

The hill climb is 13-plus miles and a 156 corners (very similar in both specs to the 'Ring, BTW), and stacks steep switchbacks like pallets at Home Depot, but over the last three and a half miles from Devil's Playground to The Summit, the road opens up. Our Pikes Peak Racing Nissan GT-R has over 600hp and tops out fourth gear five times on the way up. That's in excess of 120mph - on a narrow, dusty, frost-heaving two-lane, with a mountain on one side and blue sky on the other for guardrails. And blind corners that look

> very much alike, yet some flat-out and others hard braking; you just have to know which; along with Alpine weather as moody as a manicdepressive off their meds. And extremely rough pavement that's under the frozen snowcap half the year. And vast vistas that make it feel

like I'm on Delta, but don't dare to view; because, you know, you go where you look.

"The hardest lessons

are the best, and

I sure know that

turn now"

Compared to road racing, there is very little practice and, at the same time, the curves go on forever. At this speed, it's a sizeable challenge just to remember where you are, and huge consequences for getting it wrong (prophetic). Most of us drivers have had a close call or two, what I call "messages from the mountain gods." I dropped into a ditch on just the second run of the first test day this year, and thanked those gods for the gentle warning; only a flat tire. The hardest lessons are the best, and I sure know that turn now.

Looking for ways to improve my practice times (which, incredibly, were identical to the 10th, three runs-in-a-row, with rival David Donner in a 911 Turbo), I flashed on my own words above. There's a steep, bending fourth-gear Stairway-to-Heaven sweeper right with several radius changes that forces my throttle foot to lift. I realized I was looking at that blue sky outside, waiting, hoping, for these two poles to appear while my heart pounded with fear. Next attempt I set my gaze to the inside edge, and lo and behold, stayed down on the gas, with way less fear. I saw the meaningful part of the turn, the inside edge, revealing the future of the corner, and looking way

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"I started racing when I was 6, doing quarter-midgets in Orlando, but even before that, I was playing Tee-Ball," Lawrence says. "I raced from the time I was 6 until I was 13. Then they tore down the quarter-midget track and I focused on

baseball until I was in high school. I played every single day! Then my dad suggested we try out SCCA racing. My first road course race happened with SCCA on my 18th birthday. That's when I stopped playing baseball and

transitioned back into racing."

Lawrence took to racing as avidly as ball playing and, after just four years in racing, at age 22 he's defending back-to-back TA2 championships against some rough competition.

"At first it was a hobby to do with my dad, then it turned into a lot more than that," he recalls. "My first car was an Oldsmobile Achieva. It was an old Hacker brothers ITS car. I had that for about a year and then we bought a GTA car that was actually an old American Speed Association car that had been converted to road racing. I ran that car

in 2010 and 2011, and then we did our first Trans Am race with the car."

Lawrence's first Trans Am race was the 2011 season finale, and it was a game-changer for the young racer.

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"It was just me, my dad, and my brother

in our 24-foot trailer," Lawrence remembers. "We did the Trans Am race at Road America and came in third behind Mike Skeen and Ricky Sanders. It was my first pro race! So we tried to do it again in 2012, but we ran into some issues in the first two races. That's when I started racing with Mr. Miller."

Mr. Miller is Mike Miller, who raced in the SCCA Pro Racing-sanctioned Trans Am series for Jack Roush in the 1980s. Miller also has Formula Atlantic, Can-Am, and NASCAR experience on his driving resume. Since joining TA2 in 2012, his Miller Racing team has been dominant in the class.

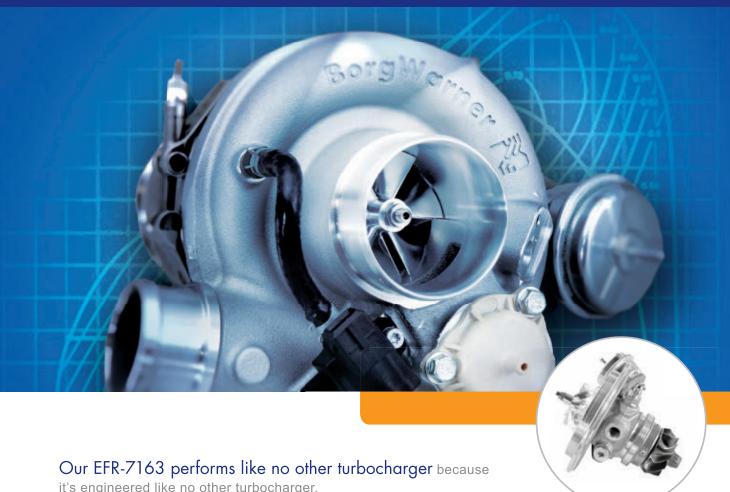
"2012 was my first full season, when I started with Miller Racing," Lawrence says. "I got my first win in Trans Am out of the last race in 2012 at Road Atlanta, and then



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(ABOVE) Cameron Lawrence was on track to become a professional baseball player, but a renewed interest in racing changed his focus. (LEFT) On track, Lawrence has become the man to beat in TA2.

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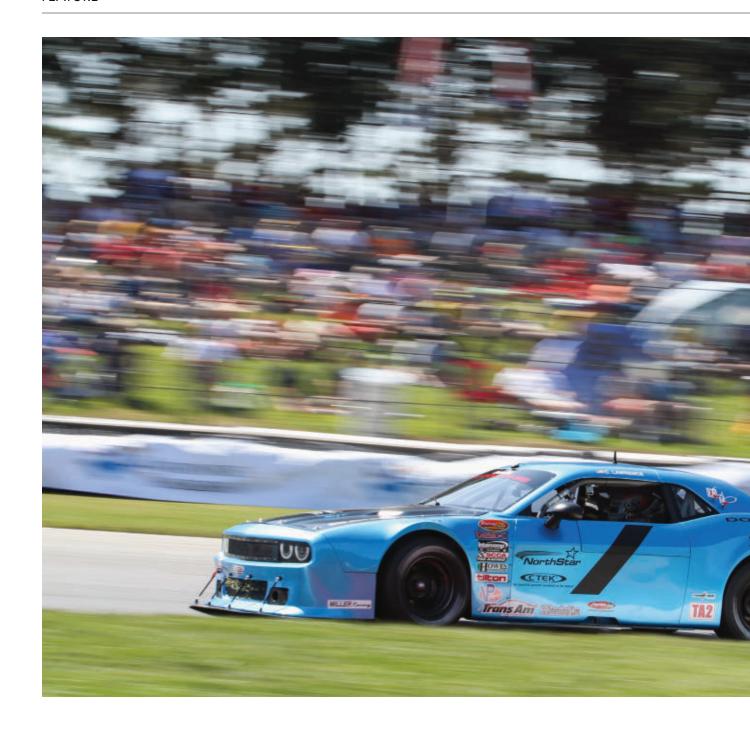
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2013 just took off. We won eight out of the 10 races that year."

For Lawrence, 2013 was the kind of year every racer dreams about. He drove his Camaro to the win right out of the gate in the first race at Sebring, and then won every race from Watkins Glen in June through Daytona in November. In just his second full year in the series, Lawrence claimed the 2013 championship with more than double the points of the second-place finisher.

The 2014 season came fast, and with it, a gamble. If there were a first rule for pro drivers, it would be to never change your racecar midseason - especially if that car carried you to a decisive championship the year before. But that's what Lawrence did.

"We ran the first half of 2014 in the Camaro, then we switched over to a Dodge Challenger for the second half of the season," he says.

The transition to a new car cost the

young racer some momentum. He was on pace to win 10 out of 11 events that year, but was shuffled back in the races at Mid-Ohio and Brainerd. But by September's race at Lime Rock Park, Miller Racing had the Dodge sorted and Lawrence returned to the top step of the podium. He took the 2014 TA2 championship with seven wins in 11 races.

Still piloting the Challenger in 2015, Lawrence is clearly the man to beat in TA2,



BIG MOVES

A change from his proven Chevrolet Camaro to the new Dodge Challenger (LEFT) in 2014 was a big risk, but it didn't take long for the Miller Racing squad to get it sorted and find victory lane.



With two TA2 championships to his credit and a solid plan for getting a third, it's not surprising that Cameron Lawrence is looking to the next step in his career. "Racing in TA2 led to my getting to run a Viper this year in TUDOR, and some other opportunities I've had – it has shown people what I'm capable of," he says. "My goal is to move up; I'd love to be a factory driver in TUDOR. Or I could go back to my roots and do some NASCAR stuff."

and with it comes a giant bull's eye for his competitors. With tremendous growth in the Trans Am series and the TA2 class, there are now

many drivers out to test themselves against the champion.

"We definitely have a target on us after winning two championships and switching to Dodge," he says. "This year we've had

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three wins in the first three races, but the last couple races at Lime Rock and New Jersey, we've been taken out. So it's been a struggling year. We

got spun at Lime Rock, and almost totaled the car at New Jersey. I don't think anybody really wants to see us win again, and they're making it difficult. It's almost like 'Aim for Cameron.'" With a potential target on his bumper and a field full of good drivers who want to take that championship, Lawrence needs to swing for the fences. "We're working on our own car to make ourselves faster and try to stay out of the mayhem back in fourth, fifth, and sixth, where people will do anything they can to get toward the front. We're doing what we can to try and stay ahead of everybody, but the competitors also have to decide to race smart and fair."



Some of those drivers gunning for the TA2 title this year also come with an impressive list of Trans Am wins; with drivers like Tony Ave coming to TA2, Lawrence has had to take a hard look at his strategy for the balance of the year. "I used to have the

advantage of having more seat time and an upper hand in terms of knowledge of the track, but the competition has gotten a lot better and people have gotten around to the various tracks more, so that's kind of gone away,"

says Lawrence. "There are a lot of really good cars right now, so it's really about just trying to be smart, stay out of the way, and try to run up front as much as we can."

With the new paradigm in the class, Lawrence has adopted a mature racer's attitude. "We're running for points now," he says of the remainder of the 2015 season. "We'd like to collect as many wins as we can, but the way things have gone [midseason], it's not worth throwing the car away trying to go for second or a win," Lawrence reveals. "If we're in the top three, that's great, but we're points racing, so the

top five is our goal, and to see how far we can go safely."

As the Trans Am series grows back to its former glory with a multi-class system, new drivers are being integrated into the series faster than ever before. The TA2 group itself

has seen as many as 38 entries this year, and never fewer than 18 - and almost half the field in any given race are rookies.

"I love the TA2 program," Lawrence confesses. "It's great racing - we're getting a really good car counts, and TA2 is pretty close to a spec class with cost control limits and bringing more people into the class in mind. It's been a really good formula for racing, and I think it's showing with the car counts and the growth that it's had the last two years.

How will the season shake out for Lawrence and his TA2 team? With back-to-back TA2 titles, Lawrence is far from a rookie and he knows what it takes to close the deal on a championship. That said, he's not shy about winning races, either, so the rest of the field better beware.





BRIGHT FUTURE

Cameron Lawrence (ABOVE) has the world ahead of him, already being called upon to pilot the Viper effort at the Rolex 24, where his team won. The spec nature of TA2 (LEFT) has helped to create tight racing and large fields.

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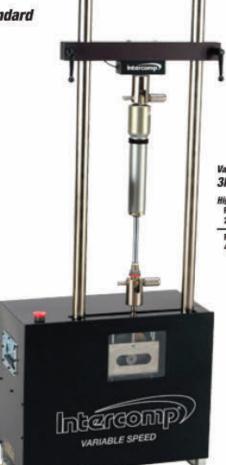
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STREET

Super Street has the distinction of being the only class that has a twin (Super Street R), with the primary difference being tire choice, although that does not seem to be diluting the talent. Our panel thinks Pat Salerno is the most likely to come out on top in a GT3, over car owner Brian Conners and fellow Porsche pilot Charles Kim. Jake Dawson was fastest on one course last year in his Lotus, and since the car is considerably faster this year, he might have been the prudent pick.

SSL seems like an easier pick, as **Jocelin Huang** has been fast this year, finding
success even in the incredibly tough ProSolo
ladies classes. The only snag we see would
be if Learic Cramer were to show up.

Super Street R is the evil twin of Super Street, but on R-compounds - the last bastion of near-Stock vehicles running on such tires. Not much has really changed for the top class from the days of an entire Stock category, as it is still arguably the most talent-heavy class we'll see at the Solo Nationals. We like picking Sam Strano and, at the risk of jinxing him, we're doing just that. He seems due, and a new diff in his C6 Corvette might be just what he needs to add to his extensive collection of championship jackets. Josh Luster might put together two consistent days, G.J. Dixon has been the one to beat for a number of years in the borrowed GT3, and if Grant Reeve can stay clean he could be lethal. And we'd be crazy not to mention Tony Savini, who recently moved up to the big-boy Corvette class from his FRC.

SSRL should be one of the tough Ladies classes, though we expect the most recent recipient of the Driver of Eminence award, Shelly Monfort, to extend her streak. Stephanie Reeve has been quick enough this year that it would not be a major surprise if she starts a streak of her own.

A Street is perhaps the deepest class we will see in the Street category. Just about every apparent contender is in some sort of C5 or newer Corvette, but that still leaves plenty of diversity. Vivek Goel, Mike Johnson, Ryan Otis, Glen Hernandez, and James Yom will be in the mix, but Mark Daddio is the one true alien.

A Street Ladies should be fun. Lacey Otis will try to repeat last year's win, but **Kandy Johnson** won't be suffering from tires that don't work at Lincoln.

B Street has strength both on the East and West coasts and, as with many classes, we don't really get to see how they compare until September. Brian Coulson has been quick in the Craner Corvette, but Paul Kozlak has a number of jackets to his name (mostly won when he isn't picked, so here's a chance for that), his wife Lynn can beat him, Alex Muresan, Jason Kuks, and Mike Wood all may end up chasing Evan Schickel for the win. We hear that Ryan Buetzer may end up here in the Solstice he has won in many times before, even though he's just another alien who makes us forecasters very nervous when we don't pick him.

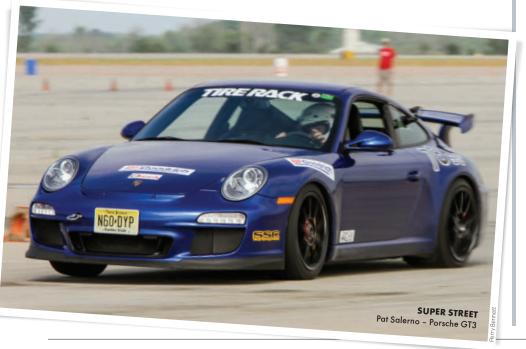
INTERVIEW CHARLES KIM SUPER STREET

Charles Kim is a physician. He's been married to Jocelin Huang. She kept her maiden name because too many "Dr. Kims" in the household would be confusing; she's also a physician. Charles has been doing some SCCA Club Racing for the past couple of years, and since they live in Minnesota, they ice race in the Solo off-season.

As a physician, he was inclined to look for formal training rather than take a figure-it-out-yourself approach, so his Solo experience began with an Evo school where Mike Johnson was instructing. He says he still hears Mike's voice in his head when he's driving. Nick Barbato has also been a mentor since then. That was in 2008, when he was driving an S2000 in B Stock. That continued for five years until the S2000 was demoted to Club Racing duty in T3, which Charles describes as "STR with Hoosiers and a cage." They decided to switch to a WRX, but that lasted just a year before that car got demoted to an ice racer.

For Solo, they bought a Porsche GT3 from Ann and Andy Hollis, and they've been competing in it for the past two years. Though he has been to the Solo Nationals every year they have been competing (Charles says they "figured they would want to know what we didn't know as early as possible"), last year was the first time he finished in the trophies. That amounted to a third place, after leading the first day.

He says that Club Racing and ice racing have helped him with his Solo driving, improving his overall car feel and chassis balance. But those aren't the only things that help him. "One of my biggest inspirations is Jocelin and her ability to deliver under pressure in ProSolo competition," says Charles. "I've been taking lessons from her this year!"



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B Street Ladies has a number of contenders, but we expect to see Barbara Leroy-Boehme come out on top over Suzanne Segal. This is one of the places we might see that Gill entry, which could very well make us wrong.

C Street will have a new champion this year as the 370Z got promoted to B Street. A solid bet is **Chris Fenter** in an NC MX-5, though car owner Chris Harvey could be his toughest competition. Andrew Pallotta has been awfully quick in an RX-8, and David Ogburn seems the class of the Scion field and will show us what that car can do on the TRD suspension package.

CSL should see **Linda Duncan** on top in the Lawson BRZ. Becca Nell will be chasing her in a 350Z, though if Rachel Kerswill returns to defend her championship all bets are off.

D Street might be a Subaru fest, or Ron Williams may spoil the party in his Mini. Weather may make this pick easier with the all-wheel-drive Subarus hoping for rain, but even if it's dry we expect last month's *SportsCar* cover model **Max Hayter** to come out on top over Dennis Sparks and lan Stewart.

D Street Ladies may or may not be interesting. The Gill entry could end up here, but **Jordan Towns** has been fast wherever she goes, and Laura Campbell could keep it interesting.

E Street has returned to the age-old MR2 vs. Miata battle, though it's a newer generation of both these days. So far the MR2 seems to have the edge, and **John Ryan** looks like the class of the field. Paul Brown and defending Champ Eric Peterson will join him in the battle of 2003 Spyders.

E Street Ladies should have at least three contenders, so there will be a jacket to be won. Jennifer Bedell and Chris Peterson will co-drive the Peterson MR2, but unless **Meredith** Brown gets too cone happy, she should win.

F Street is a rather odd mix of American muscle and German driving machines. Chris Cox, Dick Rasmussen, David Feighner, and Kevin Youngers will field Mustangs. David Corsaro will try to repeat in his Camaro. But we think that barring an unrecoverable check engine light issue, **John Laughlin** will show that switching to the BMW was the right call this year.

F Street Ladies will likely see Jackie Mutschler successfully defending last year's win. Lorien Feighner seems like her toughest obstacle.



Last year **Mark Scroggs** surprised us with his **G Street** win. This year it won't be a surprise, even though it sounds like Trevor Jones has returned after a short visit to HS. Brian Burdette may have made the transition to FWD quickly enough to be the class spoiler.

Laura Harbour took G Street Ladies last year in the venerable Celica. We haven't seen a reason to pick against her, though Gwen Habenicht will be in a Focus this year, and that Gill entry might end up here so we aren't completely confident with this one.

H Street really ought to be the realm of the new Fiesta, but **Greg Reno** is stubbornly showing that the Mini isn't dead yet. Sam Karp will be trying to put the Fiesta into the winner's circle.

H Street Ladies looks pretty sparse at the moment, but we may see **Holly Schwedler** here to join Reno in keeping the Mini at the top.

With Kim Whitener off to the Open class, **Street Touring FWD Ladies** looks like Michelle Miller's domain in the family Mini.

Street Touring Sport is the result of combining STS and STC from previous years. They always seemed to be running about the same times, and the resulting class continues to show that competitive balance. Andrew Canak is the defending champ, Mark McKnight, Adam Barber, and Jason Frank are all worthy picks, but Kinch Reindl is due.

We hear that Lily Liu will not be making the trip to Lincoln, which leaves **Street Touring Sport Ladies** wide open. Jamie Yost has been good in the Reindl Civic, and Hilary Anderson will be tough to beat, but we think that **Nicole Wong** will get the car figured out enough to make this her fifth championship in a row.



STREET TOURING

Street Touring FWD is an evolving class, and after years of being dominated by rather underpowered front-drive cars, it has some new additions that could upset that balance. We hear that Kim Whitener will try to add to the exclusive list of female winners in Open classes, and she's got a good chance of succeeding, although she'll have to beat Michael Heinitz, who has been spectacularly fast in his Acura RSX Type S. But our pick is David Whitener, who has become a car-tuning guru and has given up the CRX for a Civic Si. He'll need to overcome a 40hp deficit compared to the Acura, but we believe he can do it.

Street Touring Xtreme is a tough call since both weather and course design could be deciding factors. Kyle Herbst has his BMW 128i looking good, Don Slevin and David Marcus have been winning in Scions, and Charlie Spyksma has a new WRX working well, but we have seen too much speed out of Craig Wilcox in his Mini to bet against him.

We have to go with **Mindi Cross** in **Street Touring Xtreme Ladies** this year in her Scion, as she's been getting a lot of seat and development time in the car. Catherine Tran and Lisa Berry could make that pick wrong.

INTERVIEW EVAN SCHICKEL B STREET

Evan Schickel is a single guy whose day job is as an engineer at a small consulting firm. This is just his fourth season autocrossing, and will be his first trip to the Solo Nationals. We don't often pick rookies to win, but he has earned that honor with his success this year.

Nick Barbato encouraged him to start autocrossing while they were fellow students at University of Connecticut. He spent the last couple of seasons co-driving a friend's STR car and decided he was ready to take on a real National competition season, but the friend wasn't up for that, so he went car shopping. His mom had given his dad a new Corvette, but while Evan really liked the car, it wasn't available to him as a fulltime ride. B Street looked like a likely and affordable alternative, so he found a 1999 fixed roof coupe Corvette and did minimal prep on it (front swaybar, alignment, and a set of Bridgestones), but that was enough. He does have a set of Konis to install before Nationals, which will hopefully not upset his momentum.

He credits the support of the Northern New Jersey Region and its talented group of experienced instructors for his quick rise to fame. "There's a lot of talented drivers who have pushed me, and I wouldn't be where I am without them," he tells us.

Street Touring Roadster is always one of the largest classes at the event, with competition depth to match. **Ricky Crow** has been unbeatable in his S2000, but he will face stiff competition from Nick Bjoin, Colin Fiedler, Greg Janulis, Ryan Davies, and possibly G.J. Dixon.

Street Touring Roadster Ladies should be closer this year. Laura Campbell will probably not repeat her five-second win from last year, as Kyung Wootton already has more jackets, and with the Mazdaspeed Miata coming along with some development will add to that collection. Julie Fiedler will be there to keep them honest, and this is another class where we might see that Gill entry.

Street Touring Ultra may be the most diverse class we have. Lane Borg and Jonathan Lugod will drive some pretty strong Corvettes, while Nick Barbato and Jeff Stuart have their 350Zs working well. We hear Bryan Heitkotter's pro racing schedule will not let him bring his 350Z, so he may be a spoiler in some Tuesday/Wednesday class. Martin Kriz doesn't necessarily need it, but if it rains, this one looks like his to lose over fellow all-wheel-drivers Robert Pendergest, Doug Mikko, and Mark Hill.

We aren't even sure who will show up in **Street Touring Ultra Ladies**. We are picking **Teddie Alexandrova** on the off chance that the 350Z gets to make the trip, but we can't count out Tasha Mikko and Mina Ingraham.

STREET PREPARED

Super Street Prepared will see an interesting mix, with the nimble Lotus led by last year's winner Ryan Johnson, going up against the powerful Corvette, led by multi-time winner Joe Tharpe. We give Tharpe the nod, though course design and weather could conspire to keep him from returning to the top of the class. In that case, watch out for Steve Lau, as the Porsche may have the right balance. Also keep an eye on Tharpe's co-driver Andy Hohl, as well as Alex Tziortzis, Rod McGeorge, and Eric Stemler, who continues to develop his C6 Corvette.

Super Street Prepared Ladies ought to be **Donna Marx**'s this year. They've had RV and trailer adventures this year, so hopefully the car will just work.

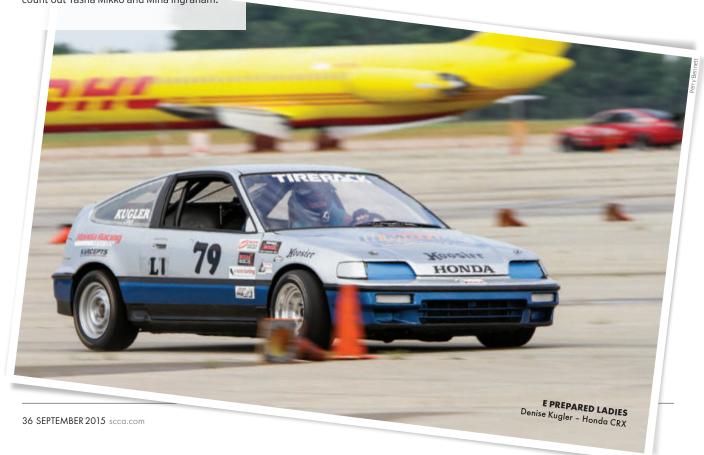
A Street Prepared has been Tom Berry's domain for a number of years, after the Evo got kicked up from BSP, which was after it dominated ESP. Son-in-law and part of the engineering team, Marshall Grice is one of his closest competitors, but Aaron Miller has beaten them both in the past. We hear Geoff Clark has stepped up to ASP from STU, and Bill Rogerson may be up to a repeat performance from last year. The Stan Whitney/Su Brude Cayman has shown signs that it might be up to the challenge of running with the boost buggies, so this is definitely a class to watch.

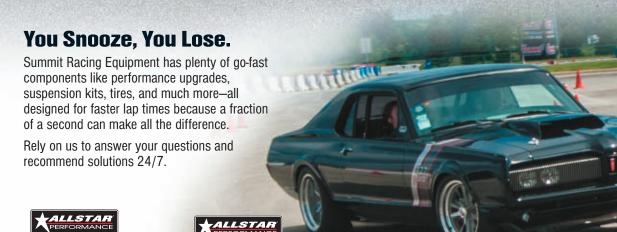
It will be a shock if **Christine Grice** doesn't win **A Street Prepared Ladies**, unless the class is too small for championship status so she hops to SML, or maybe the team figures out a way for her to run Open, in which case put her on the watch list there.

B Street Prepared may be seeing another turbo car trying to get kicked up to ASP, or that's the word we get from locals watching **Steve O'Blenes** and Mazdaspeed Miata owner Anthony Porta develop that car.

C Street Prepared seems to see constant change among the top competitors, so even when several of them leave they are replaced with just as much talent. We're picking Billy Davis to successfully defend his current championship, but it won't be easy with Julian and Brian Garfield, John Hunter, and Neal Tovsen with a whole lot more seat time and a year of development.

C Street Prepared Ladies will have no lack of depth, despite defending Champ Gretchen Austin not planning to make the trip. Katey Lacey, Lisa Garfield, and multi-time winner Sue Eckles will all be in well-developed Miatas. This one is a coin flip, as we can make all sorts of good arguments for picking any of them. Our sources tell us that Denise Cashmore may be co-driving with Lacey, which would make this class just that much tougher.















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INTERVIEW JOHN RYAN E STREET

John Ryan is an engineer, with his specialty tending toward the more theoretical side of the profession. His wife, a schoolteacher, competes with him but has problems getting the time off to go to the Solo National Championships. Their kids have left the nest, which was a trigger for him to get back into autocrossing after a 10-year hiatus.

John started his competition career in a leased Civic Si, but after two years wanted something a bit racier. That ended up being a brand-new 1996 Neon ACR, which he spent five years in. Local mentors Sam Strano, Tim Aro, and Larry Fine helped develop his skills. His first two visits to Nationals were in the Neon, where he finished just out of the trophies both times.

A 10-year break from Solo was spent trail running and racing bicycles. A happy coincidence got him back to SCCA. He was looking for an affordable rear-wheel-drive car that could carry a bike, and Subaru had just released the BRZ. The Road Tire classes had just been created, and he liked the idea of being able to drive to events on his competition tires.

He made two more trips to the Solo Nationals, the first resulting in another near miss on a trophy spot, but the last year he scored the very last trophy. He took another year off, but the competition itch hit him for this season so he invested in the ProSolo three event package plus a fourth early entry. But there was a problem: he was in a BRZ, and the FR-S had a legal spring package, which would very likely relegate the Subaru to also-ran status in C Street.

Car shopping ensued, and after much research and discussion, an MR2 Spyder for E Street was the car of choice. That car was purchased in April, and the rest is history – two ProSolo wins over the defending champ, and you get picked to win the whole thing.

BMWs have won **D Street Prepared** nine out of the last 10 years, with that anomalous Merkur in the middle of the streak. We're pretty sure the BMW trend will continue, this time with **Eric Campbell** over Doug Rowse and John Vitamvis.

We'll definitely be seeing a change at the top of **E Street Prepared** this year, as two years of domination by Subarus earned them a promotion to ASP. But as fast as **Brian Peters** has been in the John Hogan

Mustang, we aren't sure those Subarus would have been a problem for him anyway.

The Kermit Green BMW has a new owner, various competitors have found new, or at least different, rides, but **F Street Prepared** continues on. We'd like to make a crack about the likelihood of the outcome being determined by mechanical issues, but that's practically a given. **Steve Mieritz** looks like the best bet over Nick Myers and Geoff Zimmer. Van Townsend also has his rickety Suzuki working well enough that he may be in the running for a trophy.

F Street Prepared Ladies will be easier for **Lisa Krueger-Burgess** with the departure of Jamie Yost.

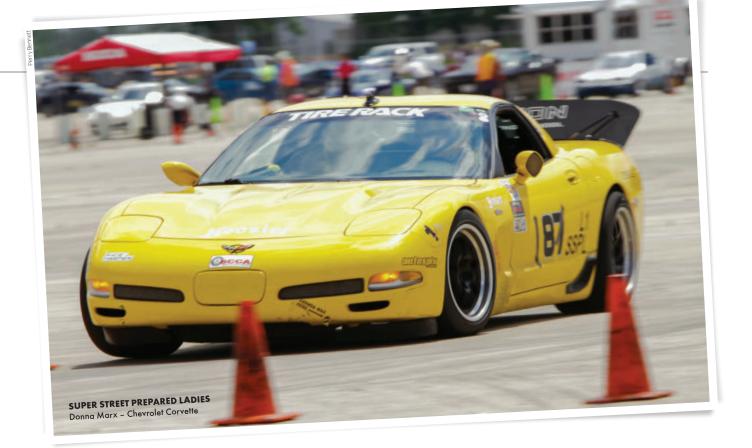
STREET MODIFIED

Super Street Modified had been dominated for most of its existence by third gen RX-7s before Matthew Glagola put his Lotus on top last year. We won't count him out, but the arms race continues and all the top cars seem to have gotten significantly faster. David DeRegt will join Glagola in the Lotus camp. Erik Strelnieks, Carter Thompson, Jake Namer, and Brian Johns will all contend in RX-7s, cars sporting a lot more diversity in their power plants than would be apparent from the outside, as some have two rotors and others three. Bob Bundy will bring a turbo Miata, so our panel feels it is time for a supercharged Miata to take the class, which brings us to Randall Wilcox.

David White and the Panda coned away what should have been his third championship last year in **Street Modified**, and we really don't expect a repeat of his cone carnage. Aaron Shoe may mount a challenge to that comeback.

Street Modified Ladies will also see the Panda having an easier time this year, but the pilot is new. **Rachel Baker** has really taken to the car (or the car to her).





Street Modified FWD ought to see a new champ this year, which will be three for three as this is a very new class. Jinx Jordan blew up his motor earlier this season, but that should be healed up in time for him to try to make our pick of Brian Kuehl wrong. Jason Tipple will have one of the most meticulously built cars at the entire event, and if he can keep his runs as clean as the car, will be in contention.

The new motor means **Ginette Jordan** should have no problem with **Street Modified FWD Ladies**.



PRFPARED

Prepared seems like a pretty easy pick. This is the Fred Zust class. We're tempted to say, "Unless the car breaks," but he won last year even with a broken car. Andy McKee has more power to play with this year, so he may be able to mount a serious charge.

C Prepared could be really interesting. Like Zust in XP, Mike Maier also is six of seven in his class, but our panel (in a very close vote) thinks Mark Madarash will have an engine worthy of the class in time to take the win. Darrell Padberg and Todd Farris are former champs who could make noise in this noisy class.

C Prepared Ladies should see enough competitors to qualify for contingency, which means not only a National Champion but also at least one other trophy position. We're picking Tracy Lewis to back up last year's win, but daughter Alyssa, Donna Bartling, and particularly multi-time Champ Brianne Maier should make this one fun to watch.

D Prepared will have a somewhat new look from years past, as the DP/EP/GP re-org added a number of cars, at least one of which may be significant to the results. Chris Dorsey's multi-time EP-winning Corolla is now a DP car, and we think it's very nearly a coin flip between him and **Ron Bauer**. Bauer's Miata has seen some worthwhile development this year, so we give him the nod.

E Prepared will have a new champion. Alan Kugler brings his formerly GP CRX to play, and we are of much the same mind here as we were in DP, where we expect a close battle, but we expect the old guard in the class to prevail. In this case, that means Tim Smith in his Civic.

E Prepared Ladies has one of those rare unanimous picks. We expect **Denise Kugler** to prevail over Deanne Caraballo.

F Prepared seems to be very healthy these days. We seem to have as many contenders as we used to see entries, which is great unless you're one of those trying to win. David Montgomery has his 914 and we hear rumors there is a chance Tom O'Gorman will return in it, Henry Bjoin has his BMW, Chris Raglin and Alex Jones will return in the Solstice, John Thomas (yes, the 11 in a row EP then five in FP champ from a few years back) could show up, and Federico del Toro will be there in a Boxster. However, none of that matters, because our pick is Troy Acosta in the more powerful than ever Strelnieks Boxster.

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MODIFIED

Modified has a history of being hard to Apick. We hear rumors about cars and drivers who may or may not show up every year. We're going out on a very flimsy limb and saying that Dan Wasdahl won't come out on top this year - maybe his pattern of winning three in a row followed by a single loss will continue. K.J. Christopher has been steadily improving both his car and his driving and will take the class this year. Speaking of rumors, our sources tell us that the Canadians will be coming this year. Yes, Joe Cheng and Gary Milligan have the Vancouver Special running well, after several years of headaches. If we were convinced that Lincoln was not going to be the car's first actual competition, we would probably pick them.

B Modified has a number of contenders. Clemens Burger and Dan Cyr hold most of the recent championships. Dale Bahr will be close, but recent additions Tom and son **Matt Ellam** seem to have what it takes to upset the balance of power.

B Modified Ladies could see some entries, including **Mary Bahr**.

C Modified's spec qualities are being changed with the inclusion of the Honda engine. **Jonathan Clements** will solidify that change with Honda power over father Eric Clements, defending Champ Brandon Lavender and former Champ John Engstrom.

C Modified Ladies might garner enough entries to make championship status, in which case we expect a close battle between Krystal Lavender and Mari Clements.

D Modified will see pretty much what it has seen for the past eight years: **Mark Huffman** and Jeff Cashmore battling for the win. Cashmore expects to be co-driving his old car with its new owner, but we're bowing to his claims of lack of seat time and picking Huffman to make it two in a row.

D Modified Ladies may have enough entries to achieve championship status, and if so we expect to see **Denise Cashmore** add to her trophy collection over Ericka Pieracci and Susan Anderson.

E Modified hasn't changed for eight years, and we don't expect that to change this year. **Jeff Kiesel** for the win.

For **E Modified Ladies**, reread the E Modified text above, but change the name to **Shawn Kiesel**.

F Modified would be almost as easy to pick as E Modified, but we hear rumors of the latest alien **Darren Seltzer** maybe not making the trip. If he doesn't show, the door is open for Jason Hobbs.

F Modified Ladies will likely see Michelle Quinn back in the winner's circle.

K Modified has had the same champion for the past six years. Even a *SportsCar* cover story last year wasn't enough to jinx **Paul Russell**. Tom Harrington gave him his first loss in years earlier this season, and may very well be able to end Russell's six-year run. Larry Macleod and Daniel Wendel have been close in the past, so they can't be overlooked.

Kate Regganie took K Modified Ladies by storm last year. We expect her to see a real challenge from fellow FJ graduate Kencey Christopher. ●

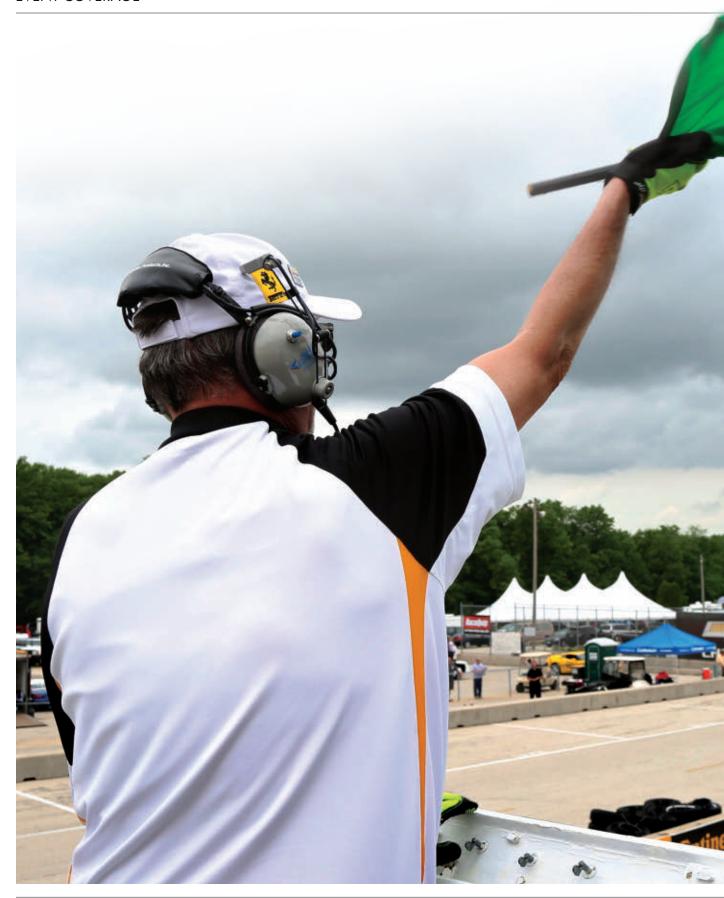
INTERVIEW DONNA MARX SUPER STREET PREPARED

Donna Marx is an R&D tech for a medical equipment supplier. In the offseason she enjoys photography and has been accused of trying to test the limits of Facebook with her uploads. She and husband Keith have been busy travelling to events this season, and had some major adventures with both their RV and their enclosed trailer. One such adventure saw an RV hitch failure, which gave the breakaway braking system on the trailer a thorough test (fortunately resulting in minimal damage).

Donna has been autocrossing for 14 years, and this will be her 10th trip to the Solo Nationals. She has scored trophies in fourth, third, and second place finishes, and is hoping to see that pattern come to its logical conclusion this year.

Evo schools have helped her a lot, she says, and she credits instructors Jinx Jordan, Mike Johnson, and Sam Strano for their tutoring to get her to her current level. And after seven years in a Super Stock Corvette, the Donna and Keith bought Rod McGeorge's SSP Corvette this January, and have been having fun with it ever since.







The Spec Miata race was a two-car tussle with Danny Steyn and Todd Lamb quickly breaking away from the pack. They traded the lead several times before Steyn put it away. Steyn explained that the difference was in the tires. "Rain is a great equalizer, but I went to intermediates, and it was the right choice," he said.

FB, P2, and FM started with Tyler Thielmann, the sole FB entrant, starting well back in a split start. The only question was how many laps it would take for him to take the overall lead in his JDR. The answer was six. Greg Gyann and Kelly Toombs fought hard for the P2 lead with the outcome only being determined when Toombs spun five laps from





the checker. Gyann had opted for full wets, which he thought was a mistake, but turned out to be the right call. And 17-year-old Joseph Burton Harris came all the way from Australia to run away with the FM win.

Formula Enterprises was a surprise - in that Scott Rettich did not lead all the way. In fact, Ryan Norman led until lap eight when he spun under pressure from Rettich.

Norman recovered to take second place some 23 seconds behind Rettich.

Joe Moser took the E Production race, although his cause was helped immensely when Jon Brakke spun to the rear of the large field on the first lap. Toby Grahovic was an early threat, but he fell back into a

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secure second. Ken Kannard controlled FP with Mike Froh moving up several places late in the race to take a fine second. Greg Gauper overcame an early lead by Matt Brannon to take HP. In GTL, Jim Dentici and Chris Bovis hotly contested the

class, until Dentici pulled away in the waning laps. "Chris got away from me early," Dentici recalled after the race. "I was on the wrong tires. But as the track changed, I was able to reel him in."

The Spec Racer Ford race was a very successful race for the Schofield brothers. Brian Schofield won the new SRF3 class, while brother Derek took SRF. Chad Galloway, Bobby Sak, and Scott Rettich all gave Brian Schofield a very hard time for the overall win, each taking turns in the lead, but Brian closed the deal in the final laps to

take the win. Brother Derek also had a lively fight, with Bruce Myers leading more often than not. Derek was finally able to take the lead for good with just a couple of laps remaining. Regardless of finishing position, however, Brian summed up the day's race squarely: "We are all going home smiling!"

The GT1, GT2, GT3, T1, and AS group was a runaway for Cliff Ebben, where he brought his Trans Am series racecar and checked out from the field. In fact, all classes were fairly effortless wins. Jonathon Start took GT2, with Rob Workocki the GT3 winner. To nobody's surprise, Andy McDermid took the American Sedan win, and Mark Boden claimed T2.

The FA, FC, and P1 group was notable for

the sparseness of the entry. Only three FA cars entered, down over 20 from last year. Dudley Fleck had an easy run to the finish with J.R. Smart trailing.

Prototype 1 competitor David Locke qualified second overall but was the first in

the group to see the checker. It didn't look like it would end that way at the start, however, as Jason Miller jumped into the lead at the green and began to pull away. Anthony Bullock kept Locke in sight with Lee Alexander and Darryl Schoff trailing. Just when it appeared that Miller had everything in hand, his car slowed and Miller pulled off course at Turn 3. Locke was now in command, and not even a quick spin at Turn 6 deterred him. Then with a 26-second lead over Gianpaolo Ciancimino, who had moved up from 12th on the grid, he did it



WINNING Race winners (from TOP to BOTTOM) STL: Brenton Williams; GT2: Jonathan Start; SRF3: Brian Schofield. (RIGHT) Proper tire choice gave Danny Steyn (39) the edge in SM.



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again. On lap 10, Locke spun at Turn 12, but only lost 15 seconds of his lead. However, shortly thereafter Ciancimino retired and Locke was home free.

"Jason out dragged me at the start into Turn 1," said Locke of the early going. "He was moving away when he suddenly pulled off. Then the rear of my car began to get loose, and I spun at Turn 6. I got going but

spun again, this time in Turn 12. But I survived both incidents to bring it home."

Joshua Saurino had Brena fairly easy run in FC. He led all the way with Jim Victor finishing second.

The T2, T3, T4, STL, and STU group saw the best

action in T4. Voytek Burdzy and Toby Grahovic ran very close together, constantly disputing first. There was much feinting, dodging, and attempting as the lead was constantly in doubt. Burdzyk led more often than not, but Grahovic was always there. Finally, on lap 11, what some thought was inevitable finally happened - they came together and speared off course in Turn 7. Burzyk got his car under way, but the race was lost; Grahovic was done for the day. James Ebben inherited the lead, a happenstance he readily acknowledged. "Better to be lucky than good," he proclaimed afterward.

Up front, Andrew Longe and Tim Kezman toured the course for an easy one-two win in T2. Their cause was aided immensely when John Buttermore ran into early mechanical trouble. Patrick Womack took T3, with Ron Pawley first in STU and Breton Williams taking STL.

The final race of the weekend was F500

and FV - and wouldn't you know it, after cool temperatures and intermittent rain all weekend, the sun finally came out and temperatures rose. Well, better late than never. In excellent conditions, James Weida led all the way in Formula 500 to take an eight-second win over Daryl Greening. However, the race did have a "might have been" story to be told. Calvin Stewart started 10th on the grid

but rocketed up to second by lap four. He then began reeling in Weida, only to have his car let him down on lap seven. Greening took Steven Jondal for second on lap 11, and the first three were set. Formula Vee did not see the usual tight battle, as Michael Varacins once again grabbed the lead at the start and then pulled into the distance. Meanwhile, the Whitsons - Andrew and Ron - were the show as they battled hard for the second spot. Andrew held the place for the first seven laps before Ron passed him. They continued to run close together, but Ron was just able to hold Andrew off at the finish to take second.

So ended the 60th June Sprints. There might not have been fields as big as in years past, but many still believe that nothing short of a National Championship Runoffs win can beat the glory of winning in this premier Club Racing event. And, they might be right.

"Then the rear of my car began to get loose, and I spun at Turn 6"

DAVID LOCKE

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GTI: (10 starters) 1. Cliff Ebben (Ford) 2:08.301; 2. Dave Ruehlow (Chevrolet); 3. Denny Lamers (Ford); GT2: (9 starters) 1. Jonathan Start (Dodge) 2:17.563; 2. John Kachadurian (Porsche); 3. Joe Koenig (BMW); GT3: (4 starters) 1. Rob Warkocki (Mazda) 2:29.767; 2. Mike Henderson (Mazda); 3. Ken Nelson (Nissan); GTL: (5 starters) 1. Jim Dentici (Honda) 2:48.863; 2. Chris Bovis (Honda); 3. Buford McCusker (Honda);



AS: (6 starters) 1. Andrew McDermid (Ford) 2:27.934; 2. Tom Sloe (Ford); 3. Bill Baten (Chevrolet); EP: (13 starters) 1. Joe Moser (Honda) 2:44.698; 2. Toby Grahovec (BMW); 3. Rob Coffey (Honda); FP: (8 starters) 1. Ken Kannard (Mazda) 2:51.849; 2. Michael Froh (Mazda); 3. Michael Hart (Turner); HP: (5 starters) 1. Greg Gauper (Honda) 2:52.814; 2. Matt Brannon (Fiat); 3. William Trainer (Volkswagen);

STU: (4 starters) 1. Ron Pawley (Lexus) 2:35.535; 2. lan Girvan (Acura) 2:36.289; 3. Gino Carini (Volkswagen); STL: (16 starters) 1. Brenton Williams (Mazda) 2:40.630; 2. Rich Walke (Mazda); 3. Tim Selby (Mazda); TI: (2 starters) 1. Mark Boden (BMW) 2:22.277; 2. Alan Kossof (Porsche); T2: (13 starters) 1. Andrew Longe (Porsche) 2:28.003; 2. Tim Kezman (Porsche); 3. Gregory Schermer (Porsche); T3: (2 starters) 1. Patrick Womack (BMW) 2:37.817; 2. Charles Kim (Honda); T4: (6 starters) 1. James Ebben (Mazda) 2:43.297; 2. Voytek Burdzy (Mazda); 3. Ralph Porter (BMW); SM: (36 starters) Danny Steyn 2:57.486; 2. Todd Lamb; 3. George Clos;

FA: (3 starters) 1. Dudley Fleck (Swift) 2:08.178; 2. J.R. Smart (Swift); 3. Brian Novak (Swift); FB: (1 starter) 1. Tyler Thielmann (JDR) 2:17.867; FC: (6 starters) 1. Joshua Saurino (Van Diemen) 2:14.734; 2. Jim Victor (Firman); 3. Devin Lesueur (Van Diemen); FE: (12 starters) 1. Scott Rettich 2:41.573; 2. Ryan Norman; 3. Jeff Beck; FF: (14 starters) 1. Wes Allen (Swift) 2:54.341; 2. Cliff Johnson (Piper) 3. Scott Rubenzer (Spectrum); FM: (8 starters) 1. Joseph Burton Harris 2:20.641; 2. Alan McCallum; 3. Jarret Voorhies; FV: (11 starters) 1. Michael Varacins (Speed Sport) 2:44.013; 2. Ron Whitston (Protoform); 3. Andrew Whitston (Protoform); F5: (9 starters) 1. James Weida (Scorpion) 0:26.105; 2. Darrel Greening (Red Devil); 3. Steven A. Jondal (Red Devil);

P1: (3 starters) 1. David Locke (Stohr) 2:05.982; 2. Anthony Bullock (Ian); 3. Lee Alexander (Elan); P2: (3 starters) 1. Greg Gyann (Stohr) 2:23.297; 2. Kelly Toombs (Van Diemen); 3. Mike Reupert (Nostendo); SRF3: (27 starters) 1. Brian Schofield 2:34.942; 2. Chad Galloway; 3. Scott Rettich; SRF: (21 starters) 1. Derek Schofield 2:40.569; 2. Bruce Myers; 3. Adam Gottlieb;





FINDING GRIP

Rain did little to hamper the action on track.
(TOP) Andrew Longe claimed the TZ win, while
Michael Varacins (MIDDLE) assumed his typical
Road America position at the front of the FV
pack. (LEFT) David Locke spun and left the track a
number of times, but recovered for the P1 win.

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The 55th running of the Oregon Region Rose Cup sees a new class take feature race honors

WORDS Jeff Zurschmeide IMAGES Wayne Flynn



Oregon Region's Rose Cup races are second only to the June Sprints for unbroken history. Dating back to 1961, the Rose Cup is the signature event for Portland International Raceway, and traditions run strong at this race. But this year, for the first time since the early 1970s, the big guns of GT1, GT2, GT3, and Super Production gave way to the new SRF3 class as the feature race of the weekend.

Weather is always a question mark at the Rose Cup - the steady rains that give Portland its reputation as the Rose City often stretch into June and offer racers an extra challenge. But this year, the skies were blue and temperatures stayed around 80 degrees, offering a perfect setting for a pitched battle on the track.

The SRF and SRF3 cars took a split start, with the SRF group going first, followed at a healthy distance by SRF3. The goal was for the faster SRF3 cars to work their way to the front during the course of the 40-minute race.

Gary Manchester, in the No. 7 Nancy Zieg Interior Design SRF, led the first half of the race, playing cat and mouse with J.D. Barnum and his No. 28 First to Finish Sign and Graphics SRF, while the next-generation cars worked their way to the front.

The field sorted itself out by the halfway point, with past National Champion John Black (No. 11 CSR Performance SRF3) taking the lead and walking away with a 2.442-second margin of victory. The true fight was for the second and

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JOHN BLACK

third steps on the podium, where Todd Harris (No. 24 Pro Drive Racing/Flat Out/ Harris Motorsports SRF3), Patrick Byrne (No. O2 Explor/Pro Drive

SRF3), and Steve Fogg (No. 21 Pro Drive/Flat Out SRF3) traded places almost every lap. In the end, Byrne finished a strong second with Fogg just behind in third.

"It was a little bit of a surprise, because I've never done that well at PIR," said Black. "I'm attributing success to all-new shocks on the car. My shocks were seven years old, and when I put new shocks on, it was like the Holy Grail."

With this victory, John Black joins Monte Shelton, George Follmer, Bob Tullius, Doc Bundy, and Willy T. Ribbs in the long list of Rose Cup winners.

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REDEMPTION

For Amy Ruman, the June 14 race at NJMP marked another turning point | WORDS Clark Trexler, edited by Philip Royle IMAGES Chris Clark

For Amy Ruman, the June 14, 2015, Trans Am race at New Jersey Motorsports Park marked a return to the top step after a frustrating outing at Lime Rock Park just weeks prior. Her victory in the TA class MPT Fuel Systems Cleanse 100 Race marked her fourth of the year. It was a victory hard earned; one that once again saw her run through the entire field having been forced into the pits immediately for a temporary power steering failure - another in what had been a weekend full of mechanical issues for her.

"It was a tough weekend," said Ruman. "As soon as we got here, we were immediately working through mechanical issues; the crew worked hard to try and get us out for qualifying, but, unfortunately, we missed the deadline by five minutes. We went out, re-qualified, and put down a lap that would have been second on the grid if we had done it in the main session.

"Of course, as soon as we go out, the power steering

BACK ON TOP

Amy Ruman had a fantastic start to the 2015 Trans Am season, appearing unstoppable – until Lime Rock Park where her winning streak came to an end. The following round at NJMP, however, saw Ruman return to her winning ways.

failed on the pace lap," she continued. "I went in to pit, and it miraculously came back on - something must have been stuck in the pump. So, we gambled and went back out; and I just buckled down and picked them off one at a time - luckily we came out with a solid win."

Ruman remains undefeated in all Trans Am races on the south New Jersey track. "I think we just gel here," she said. "It's a lot like the tracks I grew up driving in autocross; my dad has the setup dialed in here and engineered the car perfectly for the track. We know where our strong spots are and we capitalized on them where others might not have the best handling cars, so we've made it work."

Also on track that weekend were Trans Am's three other classes. In those, Adam Andretti was victorious in TA2, Ernie Francis Jr. claimed TA3A, and Andrew Aquilante won TA3I during the MPT Industries Weekend of Thunder.

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Ask for your SCCA discount! (available on most items) Few things get better with age, tires especially. In fact, from the moment a tire is produced, it has begun aging. That's not to say you have to get a tire fresh from the mold to see the best level of performance, but there are steps you can take to maximize a tire's life.

"There is a difference between race tires and street tires," explains Tim Gilvin of Hoosier Tires. "Race tires do not have a lot of preservatives in them - it's pretty much all natural rubber products all the way through it. From the day it's made, the clock starts ticking."

Manufacturers like Hoosier Tires go to great lengths to preserve tires as they are produced.

"When we store them in our warehouse, everything is climate controlled," says Gilvin. "It's pretty much around 65-70 degrees F year-round."

"If it's roughed up or if you drop it, a trozen tire can crack"

TIM GILVIN

From the moment you receive a shipment of new tires, there are steps you can take to ensure they will

be at their best when you need them. "They can get too hot, and they can get too cold," says Gilvin, noting that Hoosier recommends storing tires between 40 and 90 degrees F at home. "A tire can freeze; that, by itself, is not an issue, but the way it's handled is. If it's roughed up or if you drop it, [a frozen tire] can crack. If it freezes in your garage and it's allowed to slowly come back up to temperature, it will be fine."

Another protective measure is bagging new tires in something as simple as garbage bags. "Its not a bad habit to be in," says Gilvin. "The dark bags help shield from the UV."

Apart from bagging them, you also want to keep the tires in a warm, dry, and dark place. "When properly stored [stable ambient at room temperature, no direct UV exposure, and no ozone exposure - meaning away from items like generators] new tires age very slowly," says Woody Rogers, Product Information Specialist at the Tire Rack, who also explains that "all racers want tires that were made yesterday, but production date seems to have little effect in the first few years."

A used tire, however, does not have as much resilience as a new one. "Once you use a tire and put it through its first heat cycles, the clock really starts to tick," says Rogers. "Those R-compound tires you run at the Solo Nationals or Runoffs and then put in the corner of the garage over the winter will not perform at the same level next spring. Anecdotally, 200-tread wear and other true street tires seem to evolve much less over winter storage."

While there's only so much you can do to minimize the aging of your tires, the things you can do are simple and easy, and will help protect your investment. So, after this year's championship events, toss those competition tires in bags and stack them neatly in your living room. Well, maybe not that last part.

BAGIT

Tires are a wear item, but did you know they also have a shelf life? | WORDS Jason Isley IMAGE Philip Royle







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Complications in this regard start early in RallyCross. In the case of rear-wheel or front-wheel drive, the driven wheels may need a different tire than the non-driven wheels, and tire choices are limited by class. In Stock, you can only run DOT-approved tires; competition rally tires are prohibited. You also cannot modify the tread pattern by cutting on the tire, and studs (street legal, not home made) are allowed for ice and snow events only. When you move up to Prepared or Modified classes, rally tires are allowed, although this does not include ATV tires. Those are the basics - let's dive a little deeper.







A PATTERN FOR VICTORY

In general, how aggressive a tread pattern is, is related to the amount of open area (grooves) to the overall tire contact patch. The more open area, the more aggressive the tire. Tread may also be directional and may even have a specific "outside," both of which will be noted on the sidewall.

Tread is a series of blocks and grooves. As the grooves get wider, clumps of material get heavier and act together to pull away from the tire as it spins. In mud or soft dirt - and even grass - this becomes very important.

The ratio of open area (grooves) to surface area (blocks) is a delicate balance. On harder ground, more contact gives better grip; in muddy conditions, larger open areas enable the tire to throw off the debris and dig down deep to find traction. Finding the best ratio of block and groove area for a given soil density is the key.

Sidewall construction is extremely important in RallyCross. Stiffer sidewalls are preferred in this sport in order to reduce tread deflection and reduce the chance of damage from rocks or de-beading. Rally tires, therefore, have much stiffer sidewalls than DOT tires and can run with lower pressures.

Stock class vehicles often use snow tires, as those tires have an aggressive tread. Some favorites in this category include the Firestone Winterforce, Bridgestone Blizzak, Dunlop Winter Maxx, and the Goodyear Ultra grip (with or without studs).

Modified and Prepared classes have the luxury of rally tires in addition to DOT. Rally tires are usually heavier than a DOT, but are also more durable - they're also very hard to find in diameters other than 13, 14, and 15

inches. While it's often challenging to find them for sale in the U.S., common rally tires include the Yokohama A031, A034, and A035. Companies like Kumho, D-Mack, Michelin, BFGoodrich, Maxxis,

Dunlop, Hankook, Silverstone, Bridgestone, and Pirelli also offer rally tires.

WEAPON OF CHOICE

Reading the RallyCross course in the morning and throughout the day as the surface changes is key to selecting the right tire. That said, having a selection of tires at an event may be beyond most budgets, especially when rally tires cost more than \$250 each. Regardless, taking note at one event may help with your next tire purchase.

On your course walk, look for the worst part of the course. That will either be the soft, muddy turn, or the very hard packed one with loose gravel. Remember, grass hides

moisture. Use your heel, fingers - or even your keys - to find out how deep the surface is and what's beneath. As the day progresses, if the harder surface below starts to appear, try switching to a less aggressive tire. If it looks like rain is coming, a more aggressive tire would be handy. Remember, swapping tires in the grid between runs is tricky, so have all the tools you'll need handy.

A "pro" tip for those on a budget in a two-wheel-drive class is to buy two of each type of tire you think you'll need and then swap the best set for traction on the drive wheels, leaving the other two for the non-driven wheels.

TRICKS OF THE TRADE

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Driving in mud requires you to keep the tires spinning, cleaning out the grooves. Don't be shy, but watch the revs. Also, watch the temperature gauge. In gravel, you can spin a bit, but you want to be on the threshold of traction. On snow, you'll see the use of

> narrower tires to dig in. Studs are great for ice, but contrary to popular belief, they don't have much of an effect on other surfaces.

Also note that winter snow and ice tires are constructed of compounds designed to stay flexible at

lower temperature, while most rally gravel and mud tires turn into hard plastic below 40 degrees F. Meanwhile, studded tires require about 1,000 miles of driving to seat the studs and bed them into the rubber - if you don't, they can pull out when used aggressively.

With that said, nothing replaces good old-fashioned seat time and research. If you're trying to decide which tires are the best for you and your car, compete on what you have, but talk to your fellow competitors and get their opinions - and, more importantly, see what tires the winners are using. Combine all of this knowledge, and it just might be your time to take the win.

RALLY READY (ABOVE) On a twowheel-drive car you may find it useful to run a different tire on the drive wheels. (RIGHT) A competition rally tire offers a very stiff sidewall, often incorporating protection for the bead area, as well as a tread void ratio optimized for a particular surface types.



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Twenty-three-year-old Cody Wollenslegel's name hasn't appeared on a Runoffs or pro racing results sheet, but he's an essential part of an equation for teams that have. His skills enable Cody to earn his living wrenching full time as a lead mechanic in the Pirelli World Challenge series, where at midseason his team's driver, Corey Fergus, is first in the TC class in his Porsche Cayman.

The Fergus family and Cody go way back. Cody crewed for five of the seven gold medals the legendary John Fergus won in Sports 2000 at the National Championship Runoffs from 1999-'11, and was lead mechanic for John's son, Corey Fergus, when he took the S2 win in 2012. When he's not crewing for the Fergus family, Cody offers his services as a fly-in mechanic for a team running in another professional racing series.

other professional racing series.
John Fergus and his race team

partner and brother-in-law, Randy Hartman, know wrenching talent when they see it, and have played an important role in nurturing Cody's skills to the highest level. "I have known and worked with Cody for 14 years," says John, "first as the youth steward for Ohio Valley Region's kart program. Like my son, Cody is a true track brat. Our families have been involved in racing since they were born. It's no wonder that oil runs through Cody's veins."

Cody's SCCA roots go deep, as his father explains. "I ran in my first autocross while in the Navy stationed at NAS Lemoore [in California] in the early '70s," he recalls. "Within a couple of years I was towing my Lotus Elan to autocrosses, running my tow car in RoadRallies during the winter, helping my friend build his first racecar, and crewing for racecars at Riverside and Laguna

FAMILY FUN (TOP, from left to right) Randy Hartman, John and Corey Fergus, and Cody and Craig Wollenslegel. Cody grew up at the track (ABOVE) and quickly found his place working as a mechanic for many of Fergus clan's Runoffs, June Sprints, and professional racing endeavors.

Seca. When I got out of the Navy in 1974, I stopped racing and took a sabbatical from motorsports after I married Becky, and was blessed with a daughter and two sons.

"Then, in 1996, when my oldest son wanted to build a Mustang, I started autocrossing again and also served as Solo Chair for Ohio Valley Region for about six years, dragging Becky along as Solo Registrar, I was on the OVR Board of Directors for several years and was Regional Exec for a year. Since I was Solo Chair, I insisted that the kids have jobs like anyone else. Cody became kart tech inspector with adult supervision, as well as picking up cones and trash with the other kids at the end of the day. Nowadays his normal work assignment is tech inspector and he usually serves as a corner captain during the day."

Cody's introduction to racing started at an early age. "I think I went to my first autocross when I was 3 or 4, "he says. "At my first IndyCar race at Mid-Ohio, I was 7 and at my first

> SCCA Runoffs I was about 10." By then he already had two years of Solo competition under his belt. "By the time I retired from the Solo Chair," says Craig, "with the help of John

Fergus we were running nine karts on a regular basis. By then, Cody had become a mentor and driving coach for the younger karters. He started with a very slow kart and a Briggs and Stratton lawn mower engine, and went through three karts on his way to a full race Yamaha-powered Birel. As soon as he got his learner's permit, he also got a Nissan 240SX to run at Solo events. He has also built and autocrossed a Porsche 944, and regularly co-drives with other people."

Both John Fergus and Craig Wollenslegel concur that Cody's background in autocrossing has played a major role in learning how cars work, offsetting his youth in the arcane and demanding world inhabited by auto racing mechanics. "I'd like to have my own shop in the near future," says Cody, "but right now I'm working with two great pro teams and I am still learning."



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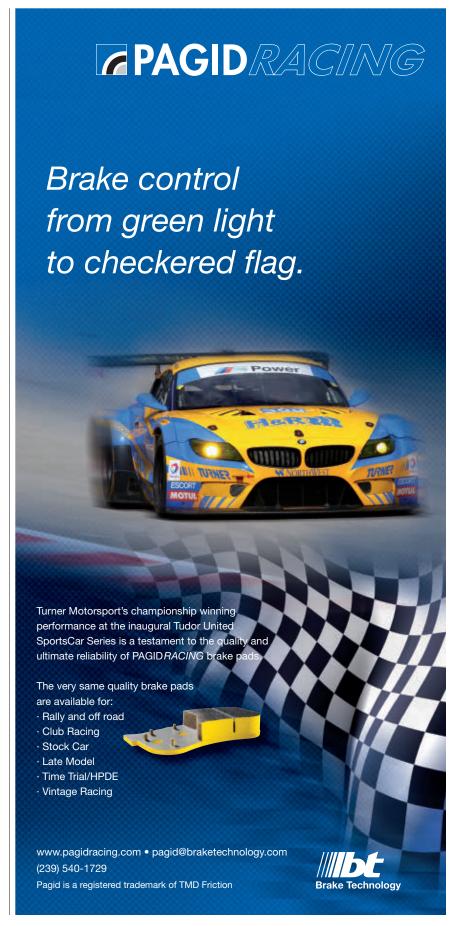
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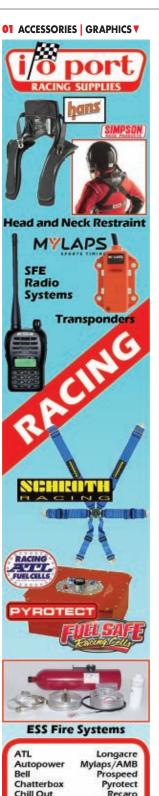
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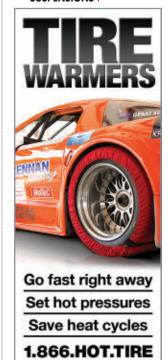
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The Huffaker name has always meant a lot in the SCCA world, but I have to admit that while I knew some of the incredible Huffaker Engineering story, I didn't quite appreciate the family behind the name. What an interesting and delightful read your July cover story turned out to be. Do more stories like that, please!

RALLY RETURNS

I'm shocked! After the better part of a decade since SCCA canceled its Pro Rally program, the Club is testing out the waters again under the RallySprints name, and I couldn't be happier! While racing in the dirt might not have been the biggest competition segment or most profitable segment of the SCCA, it offered significant contributions to the Club through its public visibility and flash, and I believe it brought far more members into the fold than people recognized. Daniel Fellows

LIGHTS OUT

The last few years have been about "change" in the SCCA; how to attract new members, jazz up the old guard, and so on. One such change has been the decision to make the National Championship Runoffs a traveling show, moving the venue each year to let everyone have a shot at the big show. I couldn't agree more with that decision, but as a Spec Miata

racer, I do have to question the logic of a Spec Miata night race at this year's Daytona Runoffs. While it sounds exciting, I not only wonder how much the spectators will be able to see, but also how popular this decision will be with first-generation, pop-up-headlight Spec Miata racers like myself when it comes to top speed runs down the long straights. Randy McDowell



SMALL, THE NEW BIG

I read with fascination the Old vs. New feature in the July 2015 issue of SportsCar. The idea that newer half-ton pickups are yesterday's three-quarter-ton workhorses was one that had occurred to me, but until I saw all the numbers printed back to back, I had no idea how true it was. Now with half-ton offerings like Dodge Ram 1500's 3.0L V6 diesel, Ford's EcoBoost F150, and Nissan's 5.0L V8 Cummins diesel Titan, the face of racecar towing in the amateur motorsports world is changing big time. As a follow up to your Old vs. New feature, I'd love to see an SCCA-oriented shootout between the new lightweight diesel trucks hitting the market as well as how realistic they really are as tow options. Bill Wakins

ALL CAUGHT UP

I'm a procrastinator, so don't judge me when I say that I finally read the *Drive* on a *Dime* feature [SportsCar, May 2015 issue]. Since its inception, B-Spec has proven interesting to me. On the professional racing side, the class seems mostly successful - and why shouldn't it? It offers an affordable buy-in for those with professional racing aspirations. The problem is, on the Club side, its offerings fall short, and that has become painfully obvious through the participation numbers. I can't say I know what the answer is to get more amateur-level B-Spec racers on track during Majors weekends, but I do hope we continue to welcome successful professional racing classes into the amateurracing fold, be it in their own class or through competitively classed alternatives.

Sam Stevens



SET THE HOOK

Track Night in America is a great way to get friends and family involved.

IT BEGINS!

Greetings from a new SCCA member! A few months back a friend invited me to a Track Night in America event. I took the plunge, and couldn't be happier. I all but mailed my SCCA membership application on the drive home from the racetrack, and I have plans to run more Track Nights this year. I attended my Track Night with little knowledge of what to expect, but I've done more reading about the events since then and I'm happy to say that everything I've read so far lines up with my experience: easy, affordable, and stress free! Now my only problem is the same friend who talked me into attending the Track Night is saying he wants to start autocrossing the madness begins! Joel Robbins

MEMBER BENEFITS

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We're a bizarre group

he determined will endure anything - if not to achieve their goal, then simply in an attempt to reach it. It's that single mindedness that sets them apart from

the rest of the world and it's what makes us, as SCCA members, one really bizarre group of individuals.

Over the course of assembling this issue, I noticed each story boiled down to unabashed determination. Cover

subject and Trans Am 2 superstar Cameron Lawrence has been flying high with backto-back TA2 titles, but the 2015 season has seen him with not only a bull's eye on his back, but also a slew of mechanical mishaps. His modus operandi has been to run strong, keep up front, and dominate; now his strategy is undergoing a shift of necessity if he's to end up on top once more.

But fighting through adversity is far from exclusive to the professional ranks. In the early pages of this issue, you'll find a photo

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"The determination I've seen so far through the 2015 season has left me quite proud"

that seems to be from the Toledo round of the Tire Rack ProSolo National Series, but it's really an image of SCCA members laughing in the face of Mother Nature.

> SportsCar photographer Perry Bennett was on hand and his review to me was simply that these were the "wettest conditions I've ever shot in," he said.

Perry sent me a number of images from that ProSolo, and in them was a photo that summed up the

Club in one fell swoop. It is, in fact, the image accompanying this column: Four SCCA members who aren't about to let a little bit of water dampen their day. Imagine this same photo without the downpour and rain slickers; envision these fellows working a Solo event on a cloudless, 70-degree, slightly breezy day. Their expressions would be exactly the same. You know it's true.

Now, the determination we're accustomed to witnessing throughout the season is about to get that much more

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intense as we enter the 2015 SCCA National Championship season. As you read this, the RallyCross National Championship will be in full swing during the first week of August in Indianola, Iowa. The new venue will surely toss a few wrenches in the works for those with championship aspirations, but they'll persevere regardless. Then, about a month later, roughly 1,200 of the best autocrossers in the nation - and beyond will converge on Lincoln, Neb., for a shot at glory during the 2015 Tire Rack Solo National Championships. This issue offers a preview of that mammoth Solo event and the November issue will bring you



Few would argue that the SCCA is composed of unique, and enthusiastic, individuals.

cone-by-cone coverage, but I would be remiss if I didn't remind you that come Sept. 8-11, you need to head to the newly redesigned SCCA.com to check out the live timing and video stream.

Like the midseason drama pictured in this issue, the RallyCross and Solo Championships have also become known for diverse weather that all will be forced to face, but I'm not worried - the determination I've seen so far through the 2015 season has left me guite proud to be among this bizarre group of individuals.

FROM THE ARCHIVES



10 YEARS AGO

SEPTEMBER 2005

- We were overrun with Who Will Wins as we doubled up. presenting the picks for the Solo Nationals and Runoffs.
- The June Sprints recorded its 50th running, with 441 starters in the field.

20 YEARS AGO

SEPTEMBER 1995



- Our panel of experts took a crack at predicting the winners of the Solo Nationals. As usual, we managed to luck out on a few. • The 16th running of
- the Longest Day at Nelson Ledges featured168 drivers.

30 YEARS AGO

SEPTEMBER 1985



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