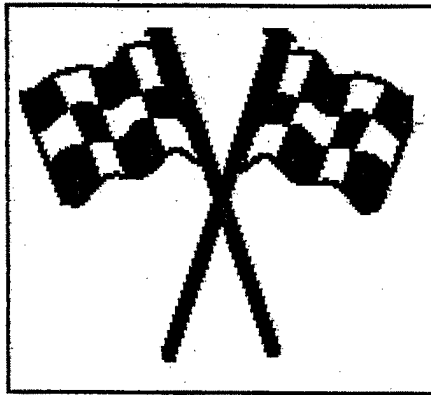


FAST TIMES

The official Newsletter of the Alaska Sports Car Club

August 1995

Soldotna Grand Prix Success!!



The 1995 Soldotna Grand Prix was held the weekend of July 22 & 23 at the Soldotna Airport. With the cooperation of the city of Soldotna this event continues to be one of the most popular races of the year. Once again the weather was the main topic of conversation with beautiful sunny weather on Saturday and a bunch of the wet stuff on Sunday. The field grew to

about 25 cars with the addition of several late comers.

With the cooperation of everyone present the track was set up in short order and the fun began. There was practice for every one and two heats for each of three classes; GT, IT and FV.

An Autocross was organized by Jim Hemmesch with help from Jim Sloan, The Demmings, and many other volunteers. Trophies were awarded immediately after the Autocross.

For the BBQ sauce contest New Sagaya donated fifty pounds of ribs and five club members entered sauce. "Chef" Tim Allmeter provided the grill and did an excellent job with the cooking. Judging from the stack of bones things went well. The Thomas family provided some excellent beans.

Sunday was wet but the corner workers reported the most exciting racing of the weekend. The began with open practice followed by the Terry Bowden Memorial race and then three heats each for the IT and GT classes. The FV's chose not to run in the rain. The results of the Soldotna Grand Prix and the Autocross are published on page 6 of this issue.

Happenings:

- * Alaska Food Bank Hand car Races Saturday
July 29th A.R.R. Yards
- * General Meeting August 8th 1995, 7:30 at
the Honda Center on Dowling
- * Tanacross Race Tech - August 24th
Qwik Lube 36th and Old Seward 6-8 pm
- * Tanacross Fall Race September 2,3
Tanacross, Alaska

AGENDA

August 8, 1995 MEETING
ALASKA SPORTS CAR CLUB
7:30 pm Anchorage Honda Center

Call to order- Henry Hedberg, A.S.C.C. President
Minutes - Tim Allmeter, A.S.C.C. Secretary
Treasures report- Rev.R. Kevin Seckel, A.S.C.C. Treasurer

Committee Reports

Competition rules committee- Bryan Doughty, A.S.C.C. First Vice president, Chair, Competition Rules Committee

Established standing committees:

1. Race Committee
Fall Tanacross- Fred Peiserich
2. Technical Committee- Bryan Doughty
3. Publicity/ Membership Committee- Peter Saliba
4. Licensing Committee- Bruce Lee
5. Safety Committee- Tim Almeter, Dwight Bowden, Kevin Seckel
6. Other

Minutes for ASCC Meeting of July 11th

Meeting called to order at 7:40
12 Members present
Soldotna race was discussed:

Tech at EERO @ 6:00 p.m. July 13, 1995
Entry fee \$225. prior to July 13 \$250.00 after
Noise Limitation will be in effect, testing to be done before and during the race to insure compliance.
Autocross on Saturday after races ~~\$25.00~~ per driver
Autocross awards to be presented following event.
BBQ Sauce contest Saturday evening
Terry Bowden Memorial Race Sunday after practice

Club to purchase 12 new fire extinguishers- members may join in group purchase.
A.S.C.C. to sponsor team in the Hand car races supporting the Alaska Food Bank.
Newsletter needs articles to build interest in club.
Meeting adjourned at 9:00

Team Lawrence Saves the Day

Kudos to Bruce Lawrence and his crew for their efforts on behalf of Barbara Bowden. Barbara's car came off the trailer as she was stopping for gas after Sunday's race. These young men jumped in and in know time everything was go. (Editorial note) The Lawrence group were suffering from sleep deprivation but still were willing to role in the mud. Thanks guys.

Bowden Memorial Trophy

1995 marked the fifth annual Terry Bowden Memorial race at the Soldotna Grand Prix. Dwight and Barbara have donated a perpetual trophy that will be awarded to the winner each year. This year's winner was Jim Rogers. Jim won the first Terry Bowden Memorial Race in 1991, John Conger in 1992 and David Loring in 1993. There is some confusion about the 1994 race. If anyone remembers clearly the results of this race, let one of the officers know and we will add it to the trophy.

Legends make their first appearance at Soldotna

This summers Soldotna Grand Prix marked the first outing of the newly introduced Legend cars to an Alaska Sports Car Event. Car 141, driven by George Hill and Car 2, driven by several members of the Kinn team proved that tray were very compatible with our type of racing. They were placed in the GT class by the comp rules committee. The only problems noted were the lack of tail lights and the required two rear view mirrors. With these additions this interesting new type of entry would be more then welcome at future events.

Where To Find Us ...

Executive Officers:

President	Henry Hedberg	337-4192
First Vice President	Bryan Doughty	349-1122
Second Vice President	Jim Hemmesch	243-6118
Treasurer	Kevin Seckel	278-2176
Secretary	Tim Almeter	243-7989

Competition Rules Committee Members:

Dwight Bowden	278-2776	Bill Demming	243-4625
Dave Cechowski	243-8607	Bruce Lee	277-3399
Terry Daniels	269-2620	Fred Peiserich	563-0877
Kevin Seckel	279-2176	Jim Sloan	272-5522

Trustees:

Barbara Bowden	278-2776
Fred Peiserich	563-0877
Bill Demming	243-4625

Newsletter: Items should be submitted by the 20th of the month to Henry or Aaron Hedberg @337-4192 or 333-0881. Raw data should be saved as text files on either PC or Mac disks if possible. Modem / E-mail transfer preferred. Fax available by prior arrangement.

Physicals: Reduced rate physicals are available to ASCC members through Medical Park Family Care corporate services @ 257-8102.

Advertising rates per issue.....

Full Page	\$75.00	Half Page	\$50.00
Quarter Page	\$25.00	Bus Card	\$15.00

Classified Ads.....

Members	Free
Non-Members	\$5.00 per column inch

All Flagrant Rumors should be sent to the ASCC mailing address and marked "Attention Rumor Monger"

August

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
		1 Comp Rules meeting	2	3	4	5 Kenai Twin Cities
6	7	8 Ascc Meeting	9	10	11	12 Capitol
13	14	15	16	17	18	19 Capitol
20	21	22	23	24 Tanacross Tech	25	26 Capitol
27	28	29	30	31		Tanacross
Tanacross						

Classifieds...

New Marsh Racing Tires!!
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 (Two) 8 x 15x 23 on 205/50 VR15
 DOT casings.
 Jim Hemmesch 243-6118
 Make Offer

Turbo Kit - New Complete
 Fits Nissan 260 - 280ZX
 Bruce Lawrence 563 3565

510 stuff

Call Henry 337 - 4192

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Crescendo Racing Cars For Sale

1994 Race Records

ITB Rabbit

2nd 1994 Fur Rondy GP
 1 st 1994 Tanacross
 1 st 1994 Soldotna GP
 2x 1st D/SP SCCA Solo 1994

ITC Fiesta

3rd 1994 Fur Rondy GP (ITC)
 1 st 1994 Soldotna GP (ITC)
 1 st 1994 Soldotna II (ITC)
 2x 1st D/SP SCCA Solo 1994

What You Get

1980 VW Rabbit, 1600 cc; 5sp; F. I.
 Techtronics built race ready; 12 wheels;
 spares

1978 Ford Fiesta, 1600 cc; 4.06 fd ;
 fuel cell; adj. shocks; spares; special
 tools; 8 13" wheels / 8 12" wheels
 PLUS two parts cars

**BOTH CARS ARE EXTENSIVELY PREPARED TO THE
 SCCA IMPROVED TURING RULE BOOK**

What's the cost:

Both cars, parts, and spares (everything) : \$7999- \$5000

One car, all parts / spares: -\$4999-\$2800

Let's make a deal!

IF NOT SOLD THESE CARS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR RENT!!!

For More Info Call

Kevin Seckel: 278-21

"Doc" Studer: 746-2227

Dana Morrison

"On driving the Borrowed Car"

by
Kevin Seckel

Saturday afternoon at the Soldotna Progress Days Grand Prix, I was strolling through the Pits after racing and before the Autocross started when Don Smith asked if I'd like to try out his Auto dynamics FV in the Autocross. Not being one to turn down a "free Ride," I said sure!

As a "Front drive I T er", I thought others might be interested in a driving impression of the experience. My FV background is limited, but not entirely absent, having "borrowed" a 68 Zink in 1970 for a similar solo experience. It was instant time warp while buckling up. Don & Mike helped me find the gears, a little vague in differentiating 1-2 plane from 3-4, but it came with a couple of tries.

First, one is a lot closer to the pavement laying in the vintage V, so speed is more "felt" than in the ITC car. (Translated: Thought I was going real fast.) It was windy and in the open cockpit, one's helmet tends to lift at speed and one's head wants to bounce. The course was 3rd and 4th gear, with power in third to break the back away slightly exiting the last turn, even though revs were fairly low.

The car was more neutral than our understanding Rabbit with great breaking capacity which I didn't explore fully (it was a borrowed car). For having "only" 50 or so horses, the 850# weight made it feel strong in acceleration. One could put it anywhere which means the key to quick times is not scrubbing speed, but hitting the correct line consistently- this I'm not good enough to do in the half dozen or so laps of the Autocross.

So, while my times were a tick or two slower than our ITC Rabbit, The driving fun quotient was certainly there. Don & Mike have restored an ancient pure racing car to be predictable and fun to drive.

Yes, we do want to sell our IT cars to build other IT cars, but one would not go wrong buying an older FV for about the same cost or a little more and shipping it up and joining these open wheel guys- It's Fun.

1995 Soldotna Grand Prix Results

Formula V

<u>Place</u>	<u>Car #</u>	<u>Driver</u>	<u>Points</u>
1st	38	Mike Thomas	15
2nd	4	Mike Smith	15
3rd	40	Don Smith	8

Total FV entries 5

ITC

<u>Place</u>	<u>Car #</u>	<u>Driver</u>	<u>Points</u>
1st	58	Dana Morrison	36
2nd	57	Kevin Seckel	18

ITB

<u>Place</u>	<u>Car #</u>	<u>Driver</u>	<u>Points</u>
1st	98	Jim Wood	45
2nd	94	Maxwell / Bohall	12

ITA

<u>Place</u>	<u>Car #</u>	<u>Driver</u>	<u>Points</u>
1st	19	Marcus Oder	40
2nd	24	Barbara Bowden	28
3rd	34	Sloan / Cuenca	15

Total IT entries 7

GTU

<u>Place</u>	<u>Car #</u>	<u>Driver</u>	<u>Points</u>
1st	7	Bruce Lee	36
2nd	55	Steve Parsons	25
3rd	44	Bryan Doughty	24
4th	51	Bruce Lawrence	13
5th	2	Chuck Singletary (et al)	12
6th	13	Ken Martins	5
7th	149	George Hill	5
8th	72	Henry Hedberg	2
9th	21	Tim Almeter	0

GTX

<u>Place</u>	<u>Car #</u>	<u>Driver</u>	<u>Points</u>
1st	49	Jerry Kinn	36
2nd	33	Jim Rogers	31
3rd	24	Dwight Bowden	21
4th	27	Dave/Shawn Hutchings	6

Total GT entries 13

Terry Bowden Memorial Race

#33

Jim Rogers

Overall winner

#98

Jim Wood 45 pts.

1995 Soldotna Progress Days / New Sagaya Autocross Results

<u>Driver</u>	<u>Vehicle</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Best time</u>	<u>Best Pax</u>
Robby Mckenzie	93 Ford PU	E/SP	49.315	41.277
John Ulen	91 GMC Syclone	B/S	50.583	41.377
Bryan Doughty	77 VW Scirrocco	E/P	47.699	41.689
Brian Southard	89 Porsche 944	C/S	51.527	41.840
Carla Pettigrew	85 Porsche 930 Turbo	S/S	50.552	42.615
Kevin Hamilton	93 Ford PU	E/SP	51.457	43.070
Susan Peacock	74 Porsche 911	B/S	52.685	43.096
J.W. Pettigrew	72 Porsche 911	A/P	48.620	43.272
J. P Godfrey	86 Porsche 911	A/SP	50.553	43.374
David Olson	81 BMW 323 i	C/SP	51.398	43.894
Charlie Ulen	83 Ford Mustang	F/S	54.759	44.629
Jim Krebs	72 Porsche 911	A/P	50.211	44.688
Eric Klotz	79 VW Rabbit	D/SP	53.399	44.748
James Back	85 Pontiac Fiero	C/S	55.291	44.896
Clinton Mott	81 Pontiac Firebird	F/S	55.304	45.073
John Cox	85 VW Golf	C/SP	52.999	45.261
Henry A. Hedberg	72 Datsun 510	E/P	51.873	45.337
Kirk Nickel	68 Chevy Camaro	E/SP	54.246	45.404
Gerry Tullos	Formula 440	C/M	49.175	45.733
Timothy Mason	79 VW Rabbit	D/SP	57.521	48.203
Kevin Seckel	Auto Dynamic	D/M	53.774	48.773

The Pax is an equalizing factor used to allow all the classes to compete together. If you have questions talk with Cheryl. She understands.

Fall Tanacross

The Fall Tanacross race is scheduled for the week end of the 2nd,3rd and 4th of September, Labor Day weekend. Fred Peiserich will be race Chair. Entry fee is \$125 per car postmarked by August 17th and \$150 per car after August 17th. Tech will be held at the Quick Lube at the corner of 36th and the Old Seward Highway, from 6 to 8 P.M. August 24, 1995. An official entry form and supplementary regulations are included in this news letter.

Fall Tanacross can be one of our best races. The Northern Lights are beautiful, the weather is generally good and the socializing is at its best. Pack up the car, kids, dogs, motor homes, and whatever and join us for the last real pavement race of the season.

For those of you who may be new to the club Tanacross is a delightful days drive north of Anchorage. The club has been racing here for as long as anyone can remember. These are always great weekends. More information will be available at the August 8, general meeting. 7:30 at the Honda Center on Dowling. See you there.

Do You Know These Folks?

The Alaska Sports Car Club wishes to thank the following people for their participation as corner workers in the recent Soldotna Grand Prix.

Saturday Workers

Brian Hall
John and Holly Cox

Sunday Workers

Jim McAnelly
Caron Steward
J.W. and Carla Pettigrew

Both days:

J. P. Godfrey
Brian Southard
Cheryl Babbe
Tom Brunner
Tom's Friend the Corner Worker

Upcoming SCCA Events

**Our friends over at SCCA have a busy rally and solo season still ahead! The upcoming August schedule-
Contact Cheryl at 243-2122 for further details!**

- * **Saturday, SCCA Solo II, Bartlett High School.** Registration 10AM-11:45AM. Driver's meeting at noon. Entry fees are \$15 for SCCA members and \$20 for fellow motorsport enthusiasts.
- * **Sunday, Ancient Mysteries Road Rally.** Registration noon at the Northway Mall Pizza Hut. Rally ends at BBQ at 7808 Honeysuckle. Entry fees are \$15 for SCCA members and \$20 for fellow motorsport enthusiasts.
- * **Saturday, August 26th.** A fund-raiser rally for the Boy Scouts of America and the Midtown Rotary. This event will start from the Muldoon Mall and ends at Camp Carlquist, the BSA Camp near Mirror Lake. A relaxing fun event, the entry fee of \$50 (which includes a shirt for the driver and navigator) can be waived with \$150 in pledges collected by the day of the event. Contact BSA office at 337-9547 or Art Clark, 2001 Realty at 276-2001 for pledge sheets /registration forms. A special drawing will be held on Monday, August 14th of all entry forms turned into the BSA office by Friday, August 11TH.
- * **Sunday, August 27th, SCCA Solo II, Elmendorf.** Registration 10AM-11:45 AM. Drivers meeting at Noon. Entry fees are \$15 for SCCA members and \$20 for fellow motorsport enthusiasts.

Bowden Shirts Still Selling

To busy at Soldotna to locate Cheryl and get your souvenir shirt? Didn't make it to Soldotna this year? Well, fear not you can still get your Bowden Porsche adorned tee shirt (short and long sleeve available) or sweatshirt. While not a red Porsche, Car #24 is the recipient of the '95 Soldotna Grand Prix souvenir shirt honor! Call Cheryl at 243-2122 to get yours today.

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

1995 FALL TANACROSS GRAND PRIX

ENTRY FEE: \$125 per car (Postmarked by August 17th)
\$150 per car (after August 17th)

Mail entries to: ALASKA SPORTS CAR CLUB
PO Box 220254
Anchorage, AK 99522

PRIMARY DRIVER:		CLUB:	NOVICE/SENIOR:
ADDRESS:			
CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
PHONE: ()			
CAR #:		MODEL:	ASCC CLASS:
EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION (Relation):		()	
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CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
PHONE: ()			
MEDICAL UPDATE:	AGE:	LAST TETANUS:	
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SPECIAL CONDITION:			
CURRENT MEDICATIONS:			
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PERSONAL PHYSICIAN:		PHYSICIAN'S PHONE:	
CONTACTS?	DENTURES?	ASTHMATIC?	DIABETIC?
HEMOPHILIAC?	ORGAN DONOR?	OTHER?	

SECONDARY DRIVER:		CLUB:	NOVICE/SENIOR:
ADDRESS:			
CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
PHONE: ()			
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HEMOPHILIAC?	ORGAN DONOR?	OTHER?	

I agree to compete under the current Competition Rules of the Alaska Sports Car Club and any supplementary regulations pertaining to this event. I understand that final classification and acceptance of my vehicle for competition will be at the sole discretion of the Chief Technical Inspector and agree to abide by his/her decisions as final.

PRIMARY DRIVER:	SIGNATURE:	DATE
SECONDARY DRIVER:	SIGNATURE:	DATE

ASCC Enters Great Alaskan Hand Car Races

On Saturday July 29, representatives from the Alaska Sports Car Club participated in the 1st Annual Great Alaskan Handcar Races at the railroad depot near Ship Creek. Entry fee for the event was \$100 for each team with the proceeds benefiting the Alaska Food Bank. The event was co-sponsored by KMXS radio station Mix 103.1 of Anchorage.

Handcars are those funny platforms you see on old movies with the operator frantically pumping away on the tracks to stay ahead of an oncoming train. These handcars were designed in California specifically for racing. They weigh 800 pounds each and are shorter than the antiques they resemble. A team of organizers from Sacramento, California brought the two handcars to Alaska to help promote the Food Bank.

Each team is made of five members. One member pushes the car from a stationary crouch to get the thing moving. Then it is up to the other 4 members to pump the handle up and down as hard as they can to go as fast as they can. Sound easy? Well, let me tell you that two nights of practice, time trials on Friday night, and the actual race on Saturday left this reporter pooped for a days!



There were several classes in the race. The Masters Co-Ed class (meaning old folks!) included our own Susan Peacock and Graham Beckett's team taking 3rd place! Open Middle Weight was the class that the ASCC team, headed by Bobby Dees, also took 3rd place. I was given the task of pusher since I was the last one there on Saturday, or nobody else wanted to fall on their face on the wet mattress provided at the starting line, or the best time was made with as pusher (I think it was the water thing since it was pouring rain). The pumpers were: our club Secretary Tim Almeter, member

Bobby Dees, and friends Tony Garrison and Craig Barrington. Final time was 22.629 seconds for the 500 foot course, a full one second behind the class winners McHale's Navy Squids.

HELP! HELP! HELP! HELP!

The Anchorage Racing Association needs your help! An ordinance introduced by Assembly Member Cheryl Clementson would allow motorized sports as an allowed conditional use in any land zoned I-1, of 20 acres or more. Your support is needed to show the non motor heads of Anchorage that this is an excellent idea. Please plan to attend the next Planning & Zoning committee meeting, August 7th, MONDAY! Your presence could make all the difference. Car pooling is available to this meeting, contact Steve Parsons during the daytime at 562-7107 if you need a ride or for more information.

HELP! HELP! HELP! HELP!

