

# FAST TIMES

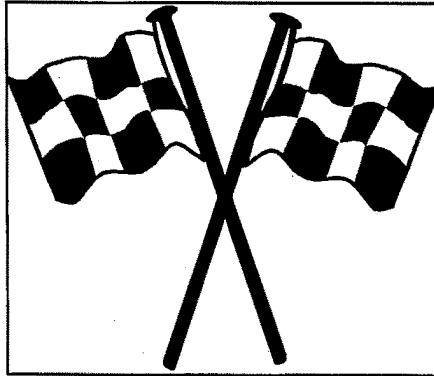
The Official Newsletter of the Alaska Sports Car Club

June 1995

## From the Back of the Pack

On-ce again the warmth of spring and the first event of our 1995 season breaths life into the motor racing community. Tanacross was a blast, featuring some very close racing and the chance to commune with nature and old friends as well as meeting newcomers to this unique activity. The weather was good (as usual), the Camping was great( as usual), The racing was very competitive , with Dwight showing the young drivers a thing or two(as usual). Barbara did some not so usual drivers training and allowed as how she still had the fastest 1600 in the north. The beans were ready at 12:30 and were the best ever.

The chili contest occupied most of Saturday night with a total of 7 entries submitted. The winners were judged by the number of used spoons left in front of their pot. There was tasting and testing,attempts to bribe the judges, appeals to the competition rules committee concerning rules infractions and generally a good time was being had when out of the woods from



the area traditional inhabited by the wild bunch, crept four young whippersnappers with a bowel of their best. There were rumors of Moose sautéed in beer. Frightening references to cayenne pepper and more allegations concerning illegal contents. When all was said and done, the young smart AlexOs walked away with the prize. Just at that moment the Hedberg truck(recently paid for) was commandeered and transformed into La Mex north, complete with the Bowden generator and the Cechowski blender. Dwight took over the responsibilities

(after all it was his generator) and Dave coached with a silly look on his face. The only disappointment of the evening was David's demonstration of how to make Nachos with a propane torch. It is reported that L.J. has developed an exciting new method. Oh well, perhaps at Fall Tanacross (Sept. 2, & 3 ) they will have worked out the bugs.

I chose not to take my Car to Tanacross and had a wonderful time just the same. This race has a history and a social atmosphere that is found no where else. I will continue to support it in any way that I can and I encourage all of you to do the same.

Our other formats are important as well, but none could take the place of a Tanacross weekend.

## r.v. mirror

Have you ever taken an inventory of those early vehicles that were your wheels when you were first driving? A few months ago I had the opportunity to do just that with my father. The view point and remembrance was a fun event in that, as I remember it, I was talking Dad into buying this or that foreign car, Dad remembers it as his decisions in the purchase of this string of cars that I drove in those early years. What were those orphans and wayward cast-offs that graced our driveway in the mid-to-late sixties? Here's a short list with a couple of comments reflected from Dad.

First, there was the Fiat Bianchi - 500cc air cooled twin. The car was cute, with a "full length" sunroof, but wouldn't drive farther

## Happenings.....

- ◆ **Competition Rules meeting 1st Tuesday each month (call Bryan Doughty @ 349-1122 for location)**
- ◆ **Regular business meeting June 13th @ Pioneer Honda 7:30 PM**
- ◆ **Soldotna Tech Inspection July 13th 6:00 - 8:00 PM, at EERO VW, Porsche - Audi**
- ◆ **Soldotna Grand Prix July 22nd - 23rd — BBQ Sauce contest Saturday evening, BBQ's, chips and sodas supplied (BYO meat)**
- ◆ **Fall Tanacross September 2nd - 4th (Festivities TBA)**

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# FLAGRANT RUMORS

- 1 BARBARA BOWDEN NEVER RACES WITHOUT HER GRIDDLE AT HER SIDE.
- 2 MAD MAC HAS SIGNED UP TO RACE AN INDY CAR AT SOLDOTNA.
- 3 MOST QTO AND QTX DRIVERS ARE WEENIES.
- 3 THE BROOM REALLY CAN CONSUME HER WEIGHT IN MARGARITAS.
- 4 SEE DWIGHT. SEE DWIGHT RACE. WAIT DWIGHT, WAIT!
- 5 SEE LYLE. SEE LYLE GET MORE MARGARITAS. SEE LYLE STAGGER.
- 6 SEE KURT. SEE KURT PERFORM AN UNBELIEVABLE FLYING WI. SEE KURT SLOW DOWN.
- 7 CVC JUMPED HEAD FIRST INTO DIRT BIKING.
- 8 WORKING INTERFERES WITH RACING. QUIT WORK AND RACE.
- 9 GREGG SYKES HAS BEEN TEACHING DOCTOR HIRSCH EVERYTHING HE KNOWS ABOUT PORSCHE'S. COULD THE HAIR DOKTOR'S LICENSE BE REVOKED?
- 10 BAD BOB DEES' BORROWED MOTOR JUST WNT SATISFYING ENOUGH, HE MUST HAVE A BIGGER TOY.

## Where to find us.....

### Executive Officers:

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Newsletter: Items should be submitted by the 20th of the month to Bryan Doughty 349-1122 (FAX 349-3876). Data transfer by modem and Word for Windows are the preferred medium. Call Bryan to make arrangements.

Physicals: Reduced rate physicals are available to ASCC members through Medical Park Family Care corporate services at 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 attention the Rumor Monger to ensure they are spread properly.

# Super Dave Sez:

This spring Tanacross was the best!! You folks that failed to attend missed the party of the year. The racing was great, the competition was awesome and the Margaritas were just what the doctor ordered. Dwight proved not only can he blend up a mean batch of Margaritas, he also proved that he still possesses a considerable amount of driving talent. Dwight was flying! Both with the blender and the race car. It took Dwight about an hour to go through the \$75.00 of Tequila and for two days he showed the young'uns how to drive. I loved it.

Dwight wasn't without competition however, as the Sloan/Cuc race team proved it was a worthy competitor in the ITA class. Dwight got to see the back of the #34 car a time or two. Mad Mac smoked everyone during the first days racing. On the second day the only thing Mac smoked was the rubber off all of Bruce's tires and he still hung on to the overall win. Second in overall went to, you guessed it ...Dwight. Second in GTU went to Brian Doughty in his Sirocco. The fact that Brian wound up second is quite amazing, as during the first

days racing he finished only one race and in that race his pile was stuck in third gear. A quick trip to Mike's Tok Repair Palace and zap, what should appear but more than third gear.

The driver that stole the show, had to be Steve Parsons. He just purchased the #55 car and had zero time in the seat, however, that did not stop him flogging the little beast to the max. In fact, he actually led

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blender and the  
race car"***

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one lap overall and almost two. He went wailing into the last corner not more that 30 yards from the start finish and it dawned on him there was no car to follow, so rather than slow down and actually lead two laps he proceeded to perform the most amazing spin I have had the pleasure to observe. Steve couldn't suppress his smile all weekend. Good stuff Steve.

Unfortunately for Bruce Lawrence his Sirocco developed that same old gremlin, lack of fuel. Otherwise he was right in the

hunt for overall in GTU. Dalton Clark and a friend of Mike Strang's ( who has an SCCA road racing license he hoped to keep current) in Mike's #85 VW bug fought hard all weekend long. All in all it was a great display of racing, even though the field was rather small. I sure wish some GTO and GTX cars would have participated, as the Ghia was prepped and waiting for someone to race with. Jon Schenider did promise me he would have the 928 at the fall Tanacross, so maybe I'll have someone to try to catch. Oh well, at least Dale, Brian, Kurt and myself blitzed the trail at Duffies. It sure is great dirt biking with your friends, it was just what the doctor ordered. I suspect the doctor will order the same medicine this fall.

Special thanks go to Henry (Race Organizer), Big Fred and his buddy (Start Finish and Turn #1), Brian Doughty (Tech. inspection, Anchorage and at the track), Kevin Seckel (Registration) and Tom Brunner and his buddy (Turn #2, plus Tom brought up all the equipment). Without their efforts the hardy racers and enthusiastic spectators would not have been treated to an excellent event. See ya at the races. SD.

**AGENDA**  
**June 13, 1995 MEETING**  
**ALASKA SPORTS CAR CLUB**

1. Call to order-
2. Minutes -
3. Treasures report-

Henry Hedberg, A.S.C.C. President  
 Tim Almeter, A.S.C.C. Secretary  
 Rev.R. Kevin Seckel, A.S.C.C. Treasurer

**Committee Reports**

4. Competition rules committee -
5. Established standing committees:

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

1. Race Committee - Tanacross and Soldotna  
 Spring Tanacross- Henry Hedberg  
 Soldotna- Ray McGoldrick  
 Fall Tanacross- Fred Peiserich
2. Technical Committee- Bryan Doughty
3. Publicity/ Membership Committee- Peter Saliba
4. Licensing Committee- Bruce Lee
5. Safety Committee- ?
6. Other

# Classifieds...

**1977 FORD 1/2 Ton Pick-up truck.**  
 All NEW: Engine, Starter, battery,  
 Clutch, Tires, Body in good shape.  
 Asking \$1,600  
 Thomas Brunner 248-4945 (any time)

**NEW MARSH RACING TIRES!!**  
 NEVER BEEN RACED  
 (Two) 8.00x15x23 on 205/50VR15  
 DOT casings.  
 Jim Hemmesch 243-6118  
 Make Offer

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 Fits Nissan 260 - 280ZX  
 Bruce Lawrence 563-3565

**Your Add Here?!?**

**PRICES SLASHED!!!**

**CRESCENDO RACING CARS FOR SALE**

**1994 RACE RECORDS**

**ITB Rabbit**

2nd 1994 Fur Rondy GP (as ITB )  
 1st 1994 Tannacross (as ITB)  
 1st 1994 Soldatna GP (as ITB)  
 2x 1st D/SP SCCA Solo 1994

**ITC Fiesta**

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

**WHAT YOU GET**

1980 VW Rabbit, 1600 cc; 5sp; F.I.  
 Techtonics Built race ready; 12 wheels;  
 spares  
 PLUS two parts cars.

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

**BOTH CARS ARE EXTENSIVELY PREPARED TO THE  
 SCCA IMPROVED TOURING RULEBOOK**

**What's the cost:**

Both cars, parts, and spares (everything): ~~\$7,000~~ \$5,000

One car, all parts/spares: ~~\$4,000~~ \$2,800

Let's make a deal!

**LET'S TALK ANYWAY**

Call: Kevin Seckel: 278-2176 "Doc" Studer: 746-2227  
 Dana Morrison

# JUNE

Sun	Mon.	Tu.	Wed	Th.	Fri.	Sat
				1	2	3
4 SCCA Autocross	5	6 Comp Rules Meeting	7	8	9	10 Drage Race
11 Drag Race	12	13 ASCC Business Meeting	14 Kart Race	15	16	17 SCCA Autocross Drag Race
18 Drag Race	19	20	21	22	23	24 Drag Race
25 PCA Autocross Drag Race	26	27	28 Kart Race	29	30	

# JULY

Sun	Mon.	Tu.	Wed	Th.	Fri.	Sat
						1 PCA Autocross
2 Drag Race	3 Drag Race	4 Comp Rules Meeting Drag Race	5	6	7	8 Legends
9 SCCA Autocross Drag Race	10	11 ASCC Business Meeting	12	13 Soldotna Tech	14	15 Legends Drag Race
16 Legends Drag Race	17	18	19	20	21 Kart Race	22 Soldotna Grand Prix BBQ Sauce Contest ASCC Autocross(Full Course) Legends Drag Race
23 Soldotna Grand Prix Legends Drag Race	24	25 PCA Autocross	26	27	28	29 SCCA Autocross Drag Race
30 Drag Race	31					<b>FALL TANACROSS</b>

## Results of Alaska Sports Car Club Spring Tanacross

<u>Place</u>	<u>GTU</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>ITA</u>	<u>Points</u>
1	#7 Mac Durgeloh	68	1	#24 Dwight Bowden	78
2.	#44 Bryan Doughty	41	2	#34 Sloan/ Cucurull	57
3.	#55 Steve Parsons	35	3	#99 Dalton Clark	24
4.	#85 Eddie R. Barnhart	25	4	#18 Jon Schneider	dns
5.	#51 Bruce Lawrence	12			

### Overall

<u>Car Number</u>	<u>Driver</u>	<u>Points</u>
#7	Mac Durgeloh	62
#24	Dwight Bowden	51
#44	Bryan Doughty	35
#34	Sloan/Cucurull	29
#55	Steve Parsons	18
#99	Dalton Clark	13
#51	Bruce Lawrence	12
#85	Eddie R. Barnhart	5
#18	Jon Schneider	DNS

Trophies will be awarded to the first three places in class and to the overall winner at the June 13th meeting.

# OTHER COMPETITION...

Local competition events will be published for informational purposes to the ASCC. The ASCC does not directly benefit from these events other than through the opportunity for additional competition. These events are not ASCC sponsored.

**SCCA SOLO II SCHEDULE:** Call the SCCA information line at 243-2122 with questions.

May 14th	Elmendorf	July 29th	Wasilla
June 4th	Elmendorf	August 12th	Bartlett
June 17th	Palmer	August 27th	Elmendorf
July 9th	Chugiak	September 16th	Elmendorf

**1995 PORSCHE CHALLENGE AUTOCROSS SERIES** Call Brian Southard at 349-2282 with questions

May 20th	July 25th
June 25th	August 6th
July 1st	Sept 9th

**NORTH STAR KARTING ASSOCIATION (Soldotna)** For information call Don Moock or Don Green

June 14th (State Race)	July 14th (State Race)	July 21st	August 24th
June 28th	July 15th (State Race)	August 9th	September (10th Final)

**ALASKA LEGENDS** For information call Legends of Alaska 522-1292

July 8th	Alaska Raceway Park	august 19th	Alaska Raceway Park
July 15th & 16th	Soldotna Airport	August 26th	Alaska Raceway Park
July 22nd & 23rd	Mitchell Raceway	September 2nd, 3rd, 4th	Soldotna Air port
august 5th & 6th	Twin City Raceway	September 9th	Alaska Raceway Park

**DRAG RACES** For information call Alaska Raceway Park 522-1292

June 10th & 11th	Alaska Raceway Park	July 22nd & 23rd	Alaska Raceway Park
June 17th & 18th	Alaska Raceway Park	July 29th & 30th	Alaska Raceway Park
June 24th & 25th	Alaska Raceway Park	August 12th & 13th	Alaska Raceway Park
July 2nd, 3rd & 4th	Alaska Raceway Park	August 26th & 27th	Alaska Raceway Park
July 9th	Alaska Raceway Park	September 2nd, 3rd, 4th	Alaska Raceway Park
July 15th & 16th	Fairbanks	September 10th	Alaska Raceway Park

than three miles without overheating. Dad stopped payment on the check for that one. The bank didn't acknowledge it in time and ended up with a Fiat in their parking lot for the better part of the summer of '65.

After the Fiat scandal, maybe mid-summer, a teaching companion of Dad gave us a Renault Dauphine (NR) to "fix up." We found another one that was running for about \$100 and I was on the road...for a couple of weeks. Wet sleeved was that little 850cc Renault and the seals were shot leaving the sleeves to slide down mixing water with oil. I had my first job....made money to pay for the \$180 rebuild....while Dad lay out under the car for six weeks taking the engine out, and putting it back, after the Indian or Pakistani "Kahn Bros." resealed and re-sleeved it. Three speeds and a top end of 65 mph! Drove it through 1966. (Had a friend who had a Dauphine that broke in half!!! going across a railroad track. They tended to rust a bit!)

Looking for something with a bit more power, Dad and I went to see a Mercury Comet Caliente at a local dealership. It was sold, but we drove home in an '63 Oldsmobile F-85 with the 215 cu. in. aluminum V-8. I had visions of swiping that engine for a real sports car. Dad saw some transportation that would be reliable. It overheated on the way home, the ball joints were toast and we probably drove it 100 miles in the next six months...so much for reliability. The Renault continued to chug along.

Just before graduation, spring of '67, a pristine '61 Ford Falcon Futura caught my eye. It didn't take much sweet talk to get Dad interested. He remembers that he found it. The first move was to get the three speed floor mounted so I could at least pretend it was a real four speed. In doing so we forgot to flip the shift plates and the pattern was inverted. It worked for me - first up, second down/right, third straight up. Sold that one for college money at the end of summer. Shift pattern didn't work for the buyer - he found a telephone pole to wrap it around within a week.

The first year of college saw me without wheels (However, did manage to be a charter member of the Baldwin Wallace College Sports Car Club, drive a 356 Porsche checking an autocross course I laid out, and navigate two rallies). By Spring I was getting real strung out about driving. I'd found Autoweek & Competition Press and Motor at the local newsstand. I knew I was going home for the summer. A friend of a friend had a '60 Bugeye - had to sell it - only \$250. I called home...talked to Dad...cleaned out the rest of my bank account (plus a little)...and then owned the Bugeye...and all the Lucas Electric reliability that \$250 could buy.

There were several other cars before marriage: '63 Dodge Panel Delivery ("To make money for college with by haulin' stuff around, Dad"); '67 Renault R-10 ("It's two years old and only \$500, Dad...Yes, I'll fix the axle in the Bugeye and sell it and the truck."); Dad's '64 Valiant--Now THAT was RELIABLE! I'm still attracted to "orphans and mis-fits, but it was wonderful to sit with dad and not have the manipulation, whining, and justifications held against me. I think fathers are like that.

R.V. Mirror

## ***SIDE NOTES...***

Cheryl Babbe has requested that anyone replacing and disposing of old helmets give her a call at 243-2122. No one is really sure what will happen to the helmets but Cheryl (Bill may be in for a surprise).

Please take the time to fill out and return your information up-date form and questionnaire. This is information which assist the Club greatly in servicing the members' needs.

***FAST TIMES*** is still awaiting submittal of Technical Tidbits for publication. These don't have to be exotic, elaborate or "secrets". Let's spread the wealth of knowledge and upgrade our entire program. Perhaps cost saving ideas, sources.

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