

FAST TIMES

Fun For All at the First Ice Race For 2002

The first ice race of 2002 finally happened! It was later than originally planned, but just as much fun, if not more, than what we had hoped for. The weather was quite cooperative and both the temperature and the visibility were great, along with the racing.

Two separate race heats were run, with the "studded" cars running their heat, and then the rubber-to-ice competitors taking to the track. In all, both classes ran five heat races, so plenty of track time was enjoyed by all.

Without the combined effort of many club members, the races couldn't have happened. Dalton Clark accepted the "forced-leadership" position of Race Organizer. Dalton's wife, Big Fred, Bill Demming, Jim Sloan, Linda Conway, Lannie Palmer, TJ Clark, and a host of folks that I can't remember, all worked and helped toward organizing the race.

Marcus Oder continued his winning ways from the Rony race, and he was the over-all winner in the rubber-to-ice 2-wd class, edging out Dalton Clark. Don Aery led the rubber-to-ice 4-wd class racers to win over Glenn Graham and the Chad Wuitschick Audis. Makeup races are schedule for March 9th & 23rd and will be held at Lake Lucille, or Edmonds (sp?) Lake. Check the links on our website for last-minute information, and we'll see you at the ice races.

THANK YOU ALL!

Thank you rony grand prix workers

Another great Rony Grand Prix has come to pass. Another great weekend of racing across all of the classes. Everyone deserves thanks.

Thanks to the folks at Rony headquarters for all of their efforts at funding, organizing, promoting and keeping this event alive.

Thanks to workers, all 50 of them, from those who handle the details of putting it all together to those who wave the flags and hand out burgers to the others.

Thanks to the drivers and their crews for coming out to race under some of the most unusual conditions around, for paying a large entry fee, for working on each other's cars before and during the event, and for having the competitive

desire to be there.

We look forward to next year, at a new location, with the same and hopefully new racers and no one knowing what it will be like going in to turn one, etc. The racing will be great wherever it is, I am sure of that.

'Til next year.....

Bryan Doughty
One of the many.....

(While everyone is being thanked, lets not forget to thank Bryan and Jim Sloan. Without their guidance and leadership the Rony Grand Prix couldn't have been the success it turned out to be. *Editor*)

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MONTHLY MEETING

The 2nd Tuesday of each month at EERO VW. Meetings start at 6:30 p.m. and are open to all folks interested in sports cars, so please attend and meet the members.



\$100 REWARD for the Identity of the Cone Killers

SUPER DAVE SEZ

We finally had an ice race. Unbelievable but true!! Everyone who showed up was not disappointed, as Ma Nature made up for her past failures and provided a beautiful day for us. Nineteen competitors enjoyed a fun and safe day of racing, and other than the untimely demise of a host of cones, an enjoyable day was had by all. (Check out the Ice Race results and Rony/Ice Race videos on our website.)

The studded-class drivers were more like the walking wounded, while the rubber-to-ice class drivers were competing to see who could run into the snow berm outside of turn two the most. Results are being tabulated; however, at last count, Bryan Doughty seems to be leading the scoring.

We're rapidly approaching our summer season, and, after the last ice race, it'll be time to prep those cars for dry-track racing. The summer schedule is still in the process of being finalized, and it appears a variety of locations are being considered.

What a great Rony race! Snow, crashes, broken parts, inspired drives; it had it all. What can you say about Chad, other than WOW!! Another WOW goes out to Jim Sloan and Marcus Odor, along with a "man that car handles down the straight" to a Legend Car or two. All in all, a fun two days of racing was provided, which was fitting, as this was the last time this track will be used.

So who's gonna run for office?????

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CLUB HAPPENINGS & STUFF

MEMBER PROFILE

Come on all you shy racers, get me some information and pictures of your car(s) and racing accomplishments. You're missing a golden opportunity on struttin your stuff, and you might just find someone dying to sponsor a hot/cool race car. Stranger things have happened!

So in keeping with past policy; if no one submits anything for this column, I'll be forced to inundate our readers with copy singing the praises of my cars.

Make sure to attend the March monthly meeting and get the latest scoop on the upcoming summer events. The annual meeting date/time/location should be announced then, and we might have a decision as to whether it's a possible, and/or a for sure maybe, that we'll be racing at Nenana. Are the chances we'll race at Soldotna slim, none, or is the race on? Tanacross??????

The new ASCC patches are in town and will be available at the March meeting.

ASCC window decals are available in limited numbers for \$10.