

# The Write Line

The official newsletter of the Salina Region, SCCA



Greetings everyone!

Another month has gone by already. If you missed the MiDiv event in Salina, you missed a fantastic weekend! Friday evening was a continuation of what's been going on around here....rain, rain and more rain. However, Saturday and Sunday were beautiful sunny days and the course was great! There were a few spins and worker chasers, but all in all it was a fun, well-run autocross event. Thank you Wichita Region and Salina Region volunteers for making this event possible.

Our next event will be July 1<sup>st</sup>. We have rescheduled the trailer workday. Since our next meeting date is on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, we will just have our next meeting at the same time as the workday, which is June 30<sup>th</sup>. The trailer is in need of repairs, if you want to help, or just join us for the meeting....the more the merrier! If anyone is interested in getting more involved, we welcome volunteers for various duties and new ideas. Feel free to join us at the meetings.

Until next month....have fun playing cars!

Dennis Smith,  
Regional Executive

## Trailer Party!

Saturday, June 30, beginning at 2 pm.

Place: The Carb Shop, 215 W. Lincoln, Salina

It's a gathering of Salina Region members and friends to clean out and repair our equipment trailer. And, oh yeah, we'll conduct a little business first before we get to the fun. It's a social event, really, with beer and pop provided along with pizza later in the afternoon. We especially invite our newer and younger members to come, get to know us and each other.

Bring your own lawn chairs and Off! (bug repellant, just in case). More people = quick work = more beer time.

Directions -The Carb Shop is located on W. Lincoln between North Santa Fe & North Ninth Street, across the street from the Pepsi plant.

Please RSVP to Jo Richards at 785-823-1118 or Sandy Enriken at 785-827-5143.

**BRING  
A  
FRIEND**



## ***Looking Ahead...***

**June 30**

Business Meeting, 2pm

The Carb Shop, 215 W. Lincoln, Salina

**June 30**

Trailer Repair Party, 3pm

***Pizza & drinks served to workers!***

The Carb Shop, 215 W. Lincoln, Salina

**July 1**

Solo

East Crawford Recreation Area, Salina

*Pre-Register at [www.salinascca.com](http://www.salinascca.com) June 21-29*

**July 22**

Solo

East Crawford Recreation Area, Salina

*Pre-Register at [www.salinascca.com](http://www.salinascca.com) July 12-20*

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## Salina Region 2007 Schedule

June 30	Business Meeting, 2pm, The Carb Shop, Salina
June 30	Trailer Repair Party, 3pm, The Carb Shop, Salina
July 1	Solo
July 22	Solo
Aug 26	Solo
Sept 16	Solo
Oct 7	Octoberfast 18
Oct 27-28	Mirror Khana XXXI
Nov 11	Solo

↳ All events at the East Crawford Recreation Area, Salina, KS 1

### Midiv SoloChampionship

June 23-24	Kansas City Region @Arrowhead
Aug 4-5	Kansas Region @ Heartland Park Topeka
Sept 1-2	Arkansas Region @ Walnut Ridge

### Special Solo Events

Sept 22-23	Pro Solo Finale – Heartland Park Topeka
Sept 25-28	Solo Nationals – Heartland Park Topeka

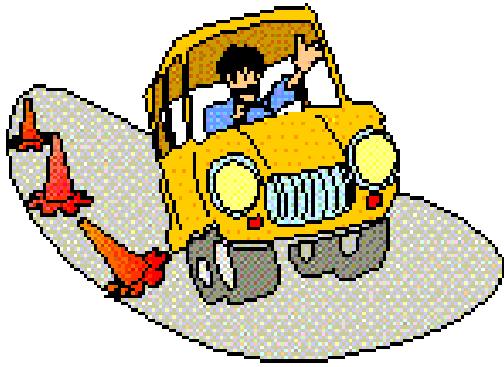
### Business Meeting 06-06-07

The meeting was called to order by R.E., Dennis Smith, at 7:42p.m. Present were Jared Adamson, Rocky and Sandy Entriaken, Abner Perney, Steve Pistora, Dennis and Nancy Smith and Barry Stockinger. The May minutes were presented. Steve made a motion and Jared seconded to approve the minutes. No Treasurer's report was available. Sandy turned in receipts for the debit card and Rocky turned in a bill and a check for Steve to deliver to Teresa. **Old Business:** Rocky reported on the profits from Evolution School. The workday for the trailer repairs and maintenance has been rescheduled for Saturday, June 30, 2007 at 2pm. at The Carb Shop, 215 W. Lincoln in Salina. The club will have pizza delivered for supper for those who volunteer. Barry reminded us that July 1<sup>st</sup> is the event in which the Thunderbird Club is to participate. Bill Dayton was unable to attend to update us regarding Mirror Khana. **New Business:** Sandy spoke to Steve Snyder with the Parks and Recreation Commission regarding the lack of a concession stand for the two-day events, Evolution School and the Divisional, as well as the need for the restrooms to be serviced for Divisional. Nancy reported that she received two thank you cards on behalf of the families of G. K. Richards, father of Dave Richards, and Bob Pickrell, the father of Rob Pickrell, for the memorials the club made. The thank you cards were passed around to those present. Dennis brought the new SCCA pamphlets he received and there was discussion regarding those. Nancy mentioned that our next meeting falls on Independence Day. It was decided to hold our July meeting in conjunction with our workday on Saturday, June 30<sup>th</sup>. Steve reported that the microphone needs to be replaced. Greg Moyer, photographer from Wichita, would like to place an advertising banner on our trailer at our events. There was discussion with no one opposing his request. It was brought up that the handle on our chalker is breaking. Steve made a motion and Jared seconded to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 8:26pm.

Minutes submitted by Nancy Smith, Secretary

Deadline for submissions for the July issue of *The Write Line* is July 6, 2007. Send your contributions to 2731 Scott Avenue, Salina, KS 67401, or to sandy@spitfire4.com.



## Events elsewhere

Here is a calendar of Solo II events by the Wichita, Kansas, Kansas City, Nebraska, NeOkla and Oklahoma Regions of SCCA, and the Crown Autocross Club in Kansas City. Go see how other clubs do it!

ALWAYS CONFIRM THE EVENT BEFORE MAKING A LONG TRIP!

(\* = Salina Region event on this date)

- Jun 17 ..... Kansas City @ Arrowhead Stadium
- Jun 24 ..... Nebraska @ Lincoln Air Park, Lincoln  
..... Wichita @ Raytheon
- Jul 1.....\* . Crown @ Arrowhead Stadium
- Jul 8 ..... Kansas @ Heartland Park Topeka  
..... Nebraska @ North Star High School, Lincoln  
..... Oklahoma @ OSU-Oklahoma City
- Jul 15 ..... Kansas City @ Arrowhead Stadium  
..... Nebraska @ Southwest High School, Lincoln  
..... Wichita @ Wichita Greyhound Park
- Jul 29 ..... Wichita @ Strother Field, Winfield
- Aug 12..... Nebraska @ Lancaster Co. Event Center, Lincoln  
..... Wichita @ Wichita Greyhound Park
- Aug 19..... Kansas City @ Arrowhead Stadium  
..... Oklahoma @ OSU-Oklahoma City
- Aug 26....\* . NeOkla @ Tulsa Fairgrounds  
..... Crown @ Arrowhead Stadium
- Sep 2 ..... Crown @ Arrowhead Stadium
- Sep 9 ..... Nebraska @ Lancaster Co. Event Center, Lincoln  
..... Oklahoma @ OSU-Oklahoma City  
..... Wichita @ Raytheon
- Sep 16....\* . NeOkla @ Tulsa Fairgrounds
- Sep 30 ..... Nebraska @ Mid-America Center, Council Bluffs  
..... Wichita @ Strother Field, Winfield (Endurocross)
- Oct 7.....\* . Kansas City @ Arrowhead Stadium  
..... Oklahoma @ Remington Park
- Oct 21..... Nebraska @ Lincoln Air Park, Lincoln  
..... Oklahoma @ Remington Park  
..... Wichita @ Raytheon  
..... Crown @ Arrowhead Stadium
- Oct 28....\* . Kansas City @ Arrowhead Stadium (Halloweenie)
- Nov 4 ..... NeOkla @ Tulsa Fairgrounds  
..... Crown @ Arrowhead Stadium

## The Parade Lap

This is a space that will be a bulletin board for our members. If you have any tidbits or announcements that you would like to see in this space, please send them to *The Write Line*, 2731 Scott Avenue, Salina, KS 67401, or e-mail to [sandy@spitfire4.com](mailto:sandy@spitfire4.com).

The Salina Region welcomes new Region of Record member **Dylan Becker**, Hutchinson. Dylan has run our events for awhile, and now is a First Gear member.

The Salina Region also welcomes **Jim & Lori Pernice**, Haysville, as new Region of Record members.

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*On-line Registration is now available for Salina Region events! Go to [www.salinascca.org](http://www.salinascca.org) for more information.*



# Just Idling Around

*An incident I should have reported last time:*

*As I walked out one day in Durango, down toward the banks of the river Animas, I spied some disguised Chrysler Test Cars. The two heavily Naugahyde Covered units were the only really new cars. (Where have all the Naugas gone?). They appeared to be a Crossover on the new Sebring Chassis, as they were accompanied by a flat black well abused Sebring. The new "none dare call it a wagon" was larger than a Caliber, Smaller than a Nitro, but featured the stark squareness of a Nitro in styling. The fleet of manufacturer's tagged vehicles accompanying these two new cars included several Dodge Ram's, a Caliber SRT4, and an Aspen. The test cars all have a computer mounted in reach of the driver, much like Police cars. When parked the dash boards are covered to keep Idle Curious Old Guys from seeing anything, say... boost gauges or hybrid system monitors, for instance.*

*I spoke to one of the young Chrysler Engineers, as he exited one of the new wagons. "Hi, I'm a life long car enthusiast, who always wanted your job. How are things at Chrysler?" "I can't say" he replied.*

*"Are they going to bring out a Hybrid?" "I can't say." I then regaled him with my hybrid driving adventures. Noting the peculiar instruments hanging on the outside of the cars, I asked if they had Air Speed Indicators, which as you all know, is one of my favorite, as yet untried, car options. Again, "I can't say" After a couple more Idling Queries from me, and the respondent "I can't say"s, some of the rest of the crew began emerging from the Doubletree. I bid the young man an envious "Happy Trails, Glad I didn't get to see you" and idled on in search of a morning coffee.*

*I note John Kelly's North American Pylon comments on Solo classes. In our small region, where there are relatively few participants, but all the classes, plus a catch-all Street Tire Open, for those whose cars don't quite meet any of the rules. It's possible to win not one, but 2, Regional season championships, simply by selecting classes that have little or no competition.*

*On that philosophy, I already have enough points in G Stock, I think, to claim the 07 Championship. So I suppose I could bump myself into FSP and go for that one too. Perhaps we should impose some sort of*

*limitation. At least that you can't have two expensive year end awards, just one with both classes listed.*

*Here's another North American Pylon note. Congrats to Lorenzo the Scribe on his new Tundra pickup. I need one too, having swapped the T100 for a Subi RS 2.5 and then idling into a Ranger that is just too puny, even for my modest needs. Further congrats to Lorenzo on his Porsches. That pair of Porsches should provide lots of automotive entertainment, and a winning solo car!*

*Today was the announcement of Daimler bailing out of 80% of Chrysler, after taking a monumental loss. It'll be very interesting to see what the new management does with it. Will the afore-mentioned Nitro Junior ever see the light of a showroom? Will they continue to reduce the number of dealerships? Will they consolidate the models further, perhaps dropping Dodge and being just Chrysler/Jeep? Or vice-versa? Or, just Jeep? And what will happen to their smallest division - Global Electric Motors of Fargo, USA?*

*Hopefully this will not change Daimler's commitment to bring smart cars to the USA in 08. I read that they had over 12,600 of the \$99 reservations in the old computer banks after just 5 weeks. That would indicate to me at least that it will sell as well or better than the MINI, and this was all before unleaded hit \$3.299 in Middle America.*

*I am not a connoisseur of beer, but I do enjoy the proliferation of small breweries. I generally pick new ones by the cleverness of the label. Thus, this evening's amber ale is a little number called "Flying Monkey" from Olathe, Kansas. Other great labels, and tolerable beers from recent months include "Grasshopper Wheat", which really sounds like Kansas but is from Calgary, Canada, and "Mass Transit", from Colorado Springs. It features a '60s VW bus on the label and is now the almost official beer of the German Car Club of Central Kansas, whenever one of our members returns from Colorado with a case.*

*Time to go work on the steering rack in my Protégé, seems to be slipping in its moorings, which makes for some bizarre mid corner lurching around. Sometimes the steering wheel comes back to center and sometimes straight ahead is a quarter turn right. I don't really know, but this is probably something that should be repaired before my next run around the track at Heartland Park.*

*Happy Trails, Abner Perney*