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Summer Event IV

Wow! There were certainly a couple of unexpected, and impressive surprises this month. First, Joshua Sortor, fresh out of the novice class in the spring series THIS YEAR pulled in top PAX time. Second, 12 year old Jamie Baker drove his kart to an 8th place raw time and a 7th place PAX finish. Besides being only 12, he's still in his first year of racing! Congratulations to both Joshua and Jamie. Where are you guys going to go from here?

The remaining top slots did not have many surprises. After several months of absence, Greg Duncan was clearly back as he took TTD with a 45.819, coming in ahead of Marc McCombs by 4/10 of a second. Unfortunately, his AP PAX factor of 0.871 makes it difficult to hold that 1st place title in PAX times, too. The McCombses took 2nd and 3rd raw times, followed by Joe Curry in 4th--all three S2000 engines were packed together in the raw times. Joshua Sortor rounded out the top 5 raw times--not only was he top PAX time, but he was in the top 5 raw times, too.

On the PAX side, Dave Rock followed Joshua, returning after missing last month to race in Washington state. The McCombses fast raw finishes carried through to the PAX side with Marc 3rd and Dave 5th. Jon Eddy came out on top in this month's Eddy battle with a 4th place PAX.

This month was also the money event for the best 3 out of 4 summer series. The top 4 points scores for the series were split between STS (Dave Rock and Jon Eddy) and STX (Joshua Sortor and Mark Goerner). Those are clearly a couple of tough classes in which to be contenders. The top 5 points scorers were rounded out by Chris Sparling, running in GS. The top points winners in the non-open categories were Dawn Maxwell in Ladies (driving a smorgasbord of cars through the series), Merrill Niles in Novice (we don't often see a Shelby Cobra that is actually maintained under control around the course), and Jeff Deerinwater in Street (the Spec-V notation on his Sentra pulls him from GS up to DS).

This month's event featured a course designed by Mark Eddy and the event was organized by Greg Duncan. Mark's course included an optional direction skid pad around the north light pole (that we haven't seen in a couple of years) and a 4-cone slalom across the far end, instead of the customary sweeper. At setup time, the course site included many puddles, after Saturday night's rain. But, with the help of several diligent push broom operators, it was dry by race time. Although the clouds did

not cooperate to give us a break from the Sun, temperatures stayed below 100 and the starters kept things moving along and we were finished around 12:30.

Next month's event is on 21 September. It's the last early event of the year, with registration still running from 7:00 to 8:00. Hope to see you then!

For the record, there were a total of 65 scored competitors and 36 TOs.

If you have any questions/comments/corrections, please let me know. Especially, look at the Points file, since this is the closeout of the summer series.

Call for Workers

If you are interested in getting further involved with SCCA, or just want to help out more locally, then please stop by to our meeting on the 2nd. We have board position that need to be filled for the next year and we need your help. Board positions do have benefits, so show up to the meeting and find out what you can get for helping out. If nothing else show up for the free pizza and soda. This meeting will be held at Mama's Pizza at 4500 E Speedway, at 7:00pm, on the 2nd of September. We hope to see you there.

Evolution School November 29th-30th

We have opened up registration for the Evolution Driving school. This school will be held November 29th and 30th at SIR in Tucson, AZ. We will be having a Phase 1 and a Phase 2 school, with a total of 24 position for each day. Please check out the [information page](#) for more details or fill out the [registration form](#) and send it along with your money to the address listed on the form. Check the main homepage to see how many entries are left. We try and keep this updated as stops fill up.

National Competition

We wish safe traveling, good luck and late apexes to everyone going to the ProSolo Finale and National Tour in Topeka. Check out the results on-line at www.scca.org.

Upcoming Events

Sierra Sports Car Club

Sierra Vista

Autocross

Sunday September 7th

See the SSCC Web Site for complete
details

Arizona Border Region

Sunday September 21st

At Southwestern International Raceway

Registration and Tech Opens at 7:00 a.m.

Registration & Tech Closes at 8:00 a.m.

Drivers' Meeting at 8:00 a.m.

www.sierrasportscars.net

Arizona Region

Sunday September 14th

At Arizona Motorsports Park

Registration and Tech 7:30-9:30 a.m.

Drivers' Meeting at 8:30 a.m.

www.azsolo2.com

On-Line Registration:
Members- \$15.00 Non Members- \$20.00

On-Site Registration:
\$23.00 (both Members and Non-Members)

ON-LINE Registration

Everyone is encouraged to pre-register for events on-line at the ABR web site. In an attempt to accomplish this the entry fees are substantially reduced for on-line registration.

For members it is \$15. For nonmembers it is \$20. At the gate registration, both members and nonmembers will pay \$23.00.

VERY IMPORTANT - If you do pre-register and later find that you cannot attend the event, please E-MAIL [David Rock](mailto:David.Rock@azbrscca.org) as soon as possible before the event so he can appropriately assemble the run groups.



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