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## MVR AUGUST CALENDAR

## MEMBERSHIP MEETING

**NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON  
TUESDAY, August 6, 2013**

**Picnic Meeting at  
Nelson Ledges Road Course**

Festivities Start at: 5:00pm

## REport - Reed Kryder

It's time for a PICNIC. Plan on being at our August 6 Membership Meeting. It's actually a picnic with lots of fun and a very short meeting. The location is at Nelson Ledges Road Course and a few "on track" activities are planned. See elsewhere in the newsletter for additional details.

Mahoning Valley Region has a few other activities on the horizon. At our September meeting we will start the process of selecting new officers for 2014. Nominations are made during the September and October meetings. Our Board of Trustees are responsible for handling these elections. Please make your voice heard even if you are not interested in running for an office.

The last weekend in September will see MVR undertaking a major (do not confuse with SCCA Majors) event at Nelson Ledges Road Course. In addition to the fifth running of the Divisional Shootout for the Nelson Cup (series currently tied at two apiece for NeDiv and Great Lakes Div) the Golden Harvest Double Regional race weekend will include several additional activities. Race Chairman Sandi Kryder has gone to great lengths to put together a schedule which will include a lot of activities without reducing the on-track time for our regular Regional racers. And by adding other activities these regulars should find a slight decrease in their costs to participate. Meanwhile we will be offering a lot of opportunities for new people to become involved.

Added activities include a Pursuit Race with a new twist in how it is handled. Our own competitors are responsible for the idea, but it looks like a great one. The cost is minimal and there is prize money. PDX activities are planned for Saturday and Club Trials will return for Sunday. We are also working towards being able to give a few rides in race cars during the course of a day.

One area totally new will be the Club Racing Experience. This is a SCCA pilot program targeting beginners. A safe race car is needed, but several other restrictions are waived. No HANS type device is needed, a medical is not necessary, and previous racing experience (including schools) can be waived. We will also be letting licensed drivers participate if they need testing or development time. Note, licensed drivers must not interfere to the extent non-licensed CRE participants are not enjoying the experience. Who is targeted with the CRE? First up are friends and family of current competitors. If you have a car and want to share it with someone on a trial basis this is a great opportunity. Chumpcar type cars are also welcome since they are usually prepared to SCCA type safety specs. As a matter of fact, we have had several inquiries from Chumpcar drivers who are hoping to use this as an opportunity to advance towards a regular SCCA competition license. While there isn't a written guideline for this, it is possible as a part of the Alternate Driver's School program. The CRE program is extremely easy to

participate in but there may be lots of questions. Please contact me for additional information on CRE or Alt DS.

One week after the Golden Harvest event we will be holding our Second (or should I call it our Second and a Half) Tire Rack Street Survival event. A couple weeks ago the contracts were signed and John Gingery has been working with the police, fire department, city officials, etc in getting everything prepared. Sandi has notified those entrants who had signed up for last Spring's cancelled event. We already have several signed up for October 6<sup>th</sup>. Please let your friends know of this event and volunteer to help. It is a great way to help teenagers, and possibly save a life. Details are located elsewhere in TRACK.

Sandi and I will miss the picnic meeting on August 6. We will be at my Mom's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party. Have a great time and tell us all about it when we see you.

### August Membership Meeting

EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO  
JOIN US AT  
MAHONING VALLEY REGION'S  
ANNUAL  
PICNIC MEETING  
AT  
NELSON LEDGES ROAD COURSE  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 6

5:00 PM	Drive Family & Friends around the race track. (NO RACING)
6:00PM	Autocross (Simple and easy)
7:00PM	Dinner - bring your own food & drink and a dish to share. Grill provided
8:00PM	Meeting - we may break the record for shortest MVR meeting - currently less than 60 seconds.

Contact: Brad Morris - vrbrad@verizon.net

### Minutes of the July Membership Meeting

Reed Kryder opened the meeting at 8:00pm.

A motion was made by Sandi Kryder and seconded by Chris Bell to accept the June membership minutes as printed in TRACK. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Tom Nutter and seconded by Chris Bell to accept the Treasurer's report. Motion passed.

Old Business:

The new patches are in. A motion was by Tom Nutter, seconded by Chris Bell to hand them out at our September event to whoever wants one. Additional one will be \$3.00 each or 2 for \$5.00. Motion passed.

Street Survival - John Gingery & Reed Kryder met with people at Boardman Park. We are awaiting on the final approval for the site. Date of TRSS will be Oct. 6.

August membership meeting will be at Nelson Ledges. This is our annual picnic meeting. bring your meat and a dish to share. Drive the track ( slow speeds) at 5:00 with an autocross to follow.

Sept. Regional will be a double, with 6 race groups, pursuit race, PDX, CRE - discussion was held on have a potluck dinner at the event.

Brad Morris motioned, seconded by Tom Nutter to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.

Respectfully submitted by Greg Alley, Secretary

## **Golden Harvest**

### **SAVE THE DATE**

Sept. 28-29, 2013

Golden Harvest Double Regional Races

PDX on Saturday. Club Trial on Sunday

Club Racing Experience (rookies race)

Bracket Pursuit Race (Prize money paid)

Rides in Race Cars

Friday T&T and Fun Days and much more.

Lots of food and drink at Saturday Party including a Potluck Dinner. Erik Avendutti is co-coordinating the Potluck Dinner. All workers, drivers & crew are invited. Location will be posted at registration and tech. You can contact Erik at: erik@fiatstrongsville.com work 440-334-2155 or cell 440-334-4272



## **TIRE RACK STREET SURVIVAL® EQUIPS TEENS WITH SKILLS TO 'ARRIVE ALIVE'**

### **WHAT: Tire Rack Street Survival® Teen Driving School**

**WHERE:** Boardman Park  
375 Boardman-Poland Rd.  
Boardman, OH 44514

**WHEN:** Sunday, October 6, 2013  
from 8am – 5pm

**REGISTRATION:** [www.motorsportreg.com](http://www.motorsportreg.com) or  
visit [www.mvrscga.org](http://www.mvrscga.org)

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### **DETAILS:**

Car crashes are the leading killer of American teens from ages 15 – 20, with more than 5,000 teens involved in a fatal crash each year and an additional 196,000 injured.

**Simple driving errors, avoidable but common among inexperienced teens, cause the majority of fatal accidents.**

- **Tire Rack Street Survival®** is a national driver education program that teaches teens the skills they need to stay alive behind the wheel. Unlike traditional driver's education programs based on classroom theory and simple maneuvers, the **Tire Rack Street Survival® program improves driver competence through hands-on experiences in real-world driving situations.**
- Students will receive a short classroom session and then will learn, hands-on, how to manage everyday driving hazards, obstacles and challenges in a controlled environment on an advanced driving course to ultimately **'arrive alive.'**

Students learn emergency braking and skid control, how to control unintended oversteer and understeer, and **how to avoid accidents entirely**. In select schools, in addition to spending time in the driver's seat of an 18-wheeler to fully comprehend its massive blind spots, teenagers witness the violent detonation of an air bag, which demonstrates the force of the explosive devices.

- Students are taught in their own cars, not specially prepared program vehicles, so the skills they learn can be directly translated to their daily driving experiences. **Tire Rack Street Survival® challenges teenagers to understand how to control a vehicle, rather than just operate one.**

**Tire Rack Street Survival®** is open to licensed and permitted drivers ages 15 – 21. Forms, schedules and more information can be found online at [www.streetsurvival.org](http://www.streetsurvival.org). The cost is \$75 per student and some insurance companies offer premium discounts to graduates.

**To view pictures from past schools, please visit <http://streetsurvival.org/about-street-survival/photo-gallery/>.**

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**Membership Report - Sandi Kryder**

We have approx 127 members including dual members.

We want to send out a welcome to a new member.  
Jim Young.

Happy Birthday wishes to:

Colton Kask	8/30	Atahan Koymen	8/7
Kyle Kunkle	8/28	Dede Lutsch	8/29
Nicolel Pilolli	8/26	David Pintaric	8/2
Jim Schell	8/29	Jim Tlbor	8/26
Dick Wade	8/29		

August Renewals:

Chris Bell	The John Davis Family
Steve Dominish	Dave Klein
Brad Morris	Michael Saddleton
Chris Turkali	



*Nelson Ledges Chaplains Notes*

JULY 2013

**AJ**

Daytona. July 4<sup>th</sup>. Firecracker 400. 49 years ago AJ Foyt won his first NASCAR race, an All American original on an All American day. To people of a certain age, those of us with naturally gray or naturally bald heads, AJ will always mean Foyt. Whether in a dirt car at DuQuion, a stock car at Riverside, or an Indy Car at, well, Indy, Foyt was a winner. The first 4 time winner of the Indy 500 and record 7 time IndyCar Champion was versatile and as tough as he was fast. AJ raced for over 40 years despite many serious injuries.

AJ was awesome in sports cars, too. He won in Nassau, Daytona, and Sebring. In 1967 he wore the Champagne in the winners circle at 24 Hours of LeMans with co-driver Dan Gurney racing a Ford GT Mark IV, another All American victory. AJ continues to be involved in IndyCar with AJ Foyt Racing and his current driver Takuma Sato recently won at Long Beach.

But for newer race fans, a driver named after Foyt, AJ Allmendinger is AJ or the Dinger. A versatile driver like the original, Allmendinger burst on the ChampCar scene in 2004 and collected 5 wins before moving to NASCAR. AJ managed limited success but Roger Penske saw the potential and hired him in 2012. It started well with a win at the Rolex 24, but fell apart when he failed a random drug test and was released by Penske. After completing the Road to Recovery program AJ returned to NASCAR in a smaller team.

Then, the totally unexpected happened. Roger Penske offered AJ a second chance. Back to IndyCar, AJ lead the 500 before a pit stop for a loose seat belt dropped him to 7<sup>th</sup>. Then, at the Road America Nationwide race, AJ rewarded Penske with a win.

Our God is a God of second chances. Will you take His offer?

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