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SEPTEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

**NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON
TUESDAY, September 4, 2012**

**WEST FORK ROADHOUSE
3850 BELMONT AVE
YOUNGSTOWN, OH**
just south of I 80

Meeting Time: 8:00pm

Come early for dinner.

REmarks - Reed Kryder

September! FALL! Is the racing season winding down? Not if you are a MVR member. We have already held our Double National, a Regional which was part of the MARRS Series, and our annual picnic meeting. What could possibly be left? Let's look at the schedule.

September 4th is our regular membership meeting at West Fork. It is also the meeting where we initially nominate officers for the upcoming year.

September 17-23 is the SCCA Run-Offs at Elkhart Lake's Road America. We have a couple of members competing and working at this event. Make the trip if you can. The show is worth it.

September 29-30 will see our final Regional of the year. It is a Double Regional. This event at Nelson Ledges is very important to the MVR Region. Don't forget we are also hosting a PDX. Let your friends know.

October 2nd will see our officers elected at the monthly membership meeting.

October 13 will see MVR hold its first ever "Street Survival" event. We have help from several other clubs but need lots of volunteers. Volunteers receive a free lunch, but more importantly they leave with a feeling they may have contributed to saving a life or two.

All of the above MVR events are in need of participants and volunteers. I don't expect every member to attend every event. But you should make an attempt to participate in several of them. Details for all the events are available at the membership meetings, on the MVR website, or call one of the MVR Officers.

See you soon,

Membership Report

We have approx. 137 members including dual memberships.

A reminder to the following members who are up for renewal in September:

Caleb Brink
Atahan Koymen
Domenic Nigro
The Bill Pintaric Family

Members who have been dropped from the active list:

Jean Dobos, Matthew George and Scott Rowbotham

Happy Birthday Wishes to:

Michael Davis	9/29
John Gingery	9/22
Reed Kryder	9/9
Sandi Kryder	9/27
Ken Mast	9/25
Pam Petrusko	9/12
Bill Schauer	9/20

Phyllis Stambaugh MARRS Regional



Photo taken by Don Baker

This race was added to the schedule the beginning of February. We named it honor of Phyllis Stambaugh, who had passed away in December, 2011. Phyllis was a long time member and grid worker for MVR. Mack Stambaugh was to have made his return to racing debut, but last minute difficulties arose. The Stambaugh family came out in force and Sandie Hampton (nee Stambaugh) took victory podium photos for every class and mailed them to the participants. Sonja Jewell (nee Stambaugh) drove up from the DC area with family in tow. And Steve Stambaugh was there too. It was great to see all of them.

The racing was good. The turnout, not so good. In fact, very disappointing.

A huge THANK YOU to all the drivers who did show up. And to the workers. We were not short of workers in any area.

Photos taken by Sandi e Hampton are on the MVR website in the Photo Gallery and photos taken by Maria Latimer are at <http://www.flickr.com/photos/mlatimer/sets/72157630963064926/>

Minutes of the August Membership Meeting

August meeting opened 8:00 pm by R.E. Reed Kryder, 10 members & two guests were present. We have money at this time & membership report is in track.

Old business - Street Survival discussion . Race report - poor turn out at MARRS regional (discussion about structure). MVR regional Sept 29-30. National (discussion) entry. November 17th Kryderacing Banquet.

New Business - The clubs radios need replacing, Motion by Carl Holbrook 2nd by John Gingery to buy four radios at \$48.00 or so each. Les Walter - New AMB decoder & program will need to be purchased at a cost of \$10,000, for the track & pit lane to replace existing one , sometime in the future.

Motion to adjourn Reed Kryder 2nd John Gingery 9:00pm

Input wanted

What can we do as a region to entice drivers to enter an event early? The key word is "early". Let's use ten days before the event as a definition of early

As the race chairman & chief registrar for MVR events, it's a frustrating problem. Difficult for planning purposes. Driver's wonder why we do not have trophies at the events any more - one reason is the lead time. We need several weeks. Driver's are waiting until the very last minute to enter, the region does not want an over abundance of trophies left that we have to throw out. Hence - no trophies at the track. You wonder why we do not serve dinners anymore - same reason.

We work hard to "Make it easy, make it fun" at MVR events for the drivers. We do not deposit checks until after the race weekend. We let you pay at registration with VISA, MASTERCARD, DISCOVER, AMERICAN

EXPRESS , DEBIT CARDS along with the preferred cash & checks. We do not charge a cancelation fee. Rarely even charge a late fee. We give the driver money back if he has to cancel out of the second day of a double.

This isn't just a Mahoning Valley problem. It seems to be the trend of the country. A trend I personally would like to see stopped.

Asking drivers to enter early had not produced much of a change. "Late Fees' do not seem to be a workable solution. It is time for some new ideas. Time to think "out of the box". I'm listening.

Sandi Kryder

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