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May has been an exciting month for the KC Region. We got to have the 1st Solo event at MCC since ??? a long time ago, a RallyCross event, and our Heartland Spring Majors and Time Trials Series at Heartland Park May 14-16. We had great participation and we expect to see more and more people joining us as everything gets back to normal.

Ed Nicholson has written a great story about the Spring Majors that you'll find later in this issue. If you haven't been out to an event yet, plan on joining us soon. The SCCA has updated their Covid 19 guidelines, and if you are like me, you'll be glad to see that masks are NOT required for those that have been vaccinated. However, we will remain compliant with all CDC and local protocols.

I'd like to take a minute to recognize Mark Kirby, who received the E. Tom Newcomer Award for the 2020 season for his outstanding performance in road racing. Mark was the Midwest Division GT2 Champion with four wins and two 2nd place finishes for the 2020 season. In the picture Mark is pictured (right) receiving the traveling trophy from Mike McGinley. Congratulations Mark for an outstanding job.

Keep an eye on our website www.kcrscca.org for the latest schedules and registration info for all of our upcoming events.

I hope to see you at one soon.

Mike McGinley, RE

KCRX 2020 Trophies

by Reuben Samuels

We gave out 2020 trophies and awards at the event on Sunday, May 2nd at the KCRX event. We had beautiful weather and a great time!

In addition to championship trophies, high honors were given to a handful of members. Most notably the RallyCROSSer of the Year award to David Williams, and the highest honor in the KCR SCCA, the Norma Williams Award was given to Mark Macoubrie. Both of these traveling trophies change hands annually and are awarded to members that have a history of going far above and beyond the tasks asked of them. They are more than experienced drivers and more than faithful members. These awardees continually give of themselves for the growth and betterment of the entire club and positively invest into everything that the SCCA is. Congratulations to David and Mark for their outstanding service and devotion to our motorsport!



Mark Macoubrie receives the Norma Williams Award of Excellence.



David Williams receives the RallyCROSSer of the Year (right) and an Outstanding Member award (left).

Register for [the MiDiv](#) at Riverside!

The official 2020 championship winners at #KCRX are:



Stock Rear
Mark Macoubrie
1999 Porsche 911 C2



Modified Rear
Ryan Redenbaugh
1985 Toyota Corolla



Prepared All
Mark Hill
2017 Ford Focus RS



Modified Front
Erik Votipka
2004 Mini Cooper S



Stock All
Kevin Brown
2001 Subaru Impreza 2.5RS

Novice—Evan Masher—2014 Hyundai Genesis

Stock Front—Vincent Woska—1992 Dodge Shadow ES

Prepared Front—Ian Jennings—1987 Toyota Corolla FX16

Prepared Rear—Howie Johnson—1995 BMW 318ti

Modified All—Dan Colburn—2006 Subaru Impreza

Thank you to everyone who helped make last season happen!

For those could not attend, we will present them with their trophies at the next event, the Mid-Divisional at Riverside, June 26th & 27th.

Register for the [MiDiv](#) at Riverside!

The Story Behind the Award:

Edgar Alsbury Mechanic of the Year

by Bill Johnson

The Mechanic of the Year award is named after creator and fabricator Edgar Alsbury.

Working out of his house in Roeland Park, Edgar could literally make anything, fix anything and create anything. He was the “go to” guy to get anything repaired or replaced along with being one of the great personalities of our regions past.

No mention of Edgar is complete without mentioning his wife Suzy. Suzy was the national points keeper for division road racing for close to 20 years.

In 1956, James Broadwell, president of the Broadwell Distributing Company, bought a 1949 Crosley for running gear, whittled a wooden model of the final shape he envisioned, then set about building a car called the Jabro. Broadwell partnered with Alsbury to put together the production Jabros, welding the frames in the basement of the Alsbury house. Edgar later went on to develop a mid-engine version of the Jabro on his own.

After this venture, Edgar went on to build the Alsbury special, an H Modified sports racer and then in about 1960 the Dubury H Modified sports racer, both originally Saab powered. The name Dubury comes from a combination of names from the driver out of St Louis, Dick Durant (a character all on his own) and Edgars last name Alsbury. The Dubury was innovative for its time and went on to great success in Midwest Division national racing.

For those that Edgar thought highly of, he presented them with a special hand-made brass hammer with a wooden handle. It was considered kind of a trophy all in itself. Edgar was also a mentor to other notable region members like Tom Holstrom.

Edgar was also known for his truisms like, “You can only see one side of the car at a time” – of course said when one side of the car didn’t quite match the other side.

For his mechanical abilities and his willingness to help anyone with their cars, the Mechanic of the Year award is named after Edgar Alsbury.

Heartland Spring Majors:

May 14-15, 2021

by Ed Nicholson

Well, it's spring and that means racing in the rain, and the Heartland Spring Majors left nothing on the table. On Saturday, all the morning sessions were on mostly wet to drying track conditions leaving workers soggy and drivers trying to decide between full wet to slicks for their particular qualifying runs. Talking with my fellow drivers, it appeared that there were some thinking that not going out and starting at the back of the field would be their best choice. My favorite quote came from Bill Johnson though who quipped when asked if he would go out in the wet "I have a race car and I'm at a racetrack so I'm going out."

While the weather was being finicky over the weekend, we did have 92 cars registered for racing and 85 who showed up in the paddock. This was a great turnout for KVRG and our best since the track reopened.

Those who have been to spring races had rented garage space so they could work on their cars and wait for sessions in the dry, see the picture of Roy Lopshire's car in the garage at Heartland.

Saturday afternoon did not rain! So now we had race groups at the beginning going out mixed race/rain. By the second or third group, rain tires were nowhere in sight and we were back to normal. There were new track records for several classes; Bill Johnson FC 1:41.510, Stephen Johnson 1:49.294 STL and Mark Kirby 1:39.083 GT2.



Roy Lopshire 1st both days in GT Lite
Opted to get in out of the rain.



Saturday race start turn 14, note the dry track.

KCRSCCA members race finish positions from Saturday. (For full results check the [club racing page](#) of the KCRSCCA website)

Position	Number	PIC	Class	Name	Hometown	Make-Model	Region	Laps	Best Time
1	42	1	FC	Bill Johnson	Leawood, KS	2001 Van Diemen RF01-2	KCR	15	1:41.510*
2	41	1	FF	Cliff Johnson	Stillwell, KS	Piper DF-5	KCR	15	1:44.852
3	73	1	F5	David Vincent	Leavenworth, KS	1994 KBS Mk VII	KCR	14	1:52.871
4	86	2	F5	Timothy Friest	Leavenworth, KS	1994 KBS Mk VII	KCR	14	1:55.107
8	14	2	FC	Robert C. Henson III		1993 Van Dieman RF-93	KCR	13	1:53.036

*New Track Record (1:41.510) for FC by Bill Johnson

Position	Number	PIC	Class	Name	Hometown	Make-Model	Region	Laps	Best Time
2	9	2	SRF3	Tyler Fox	Kansas City, MO	SRF3	KCR	14	1:47.733
4	20	4	SRF3	Jim Cote, Jr	Overland Park, KS	SRF3	KCR	14	1:44.635
5	129	5	SRF3	Carl Hayward	Olathe, KS	SRF3	KCR	14	1:44.654
7	2	7	SRF3	Jim Cote, Sr	Stanley, KS	SRF3	KCR	14	1:47.659
8	14	8	SRF3	Robin Kirkland	Parkville, MO	SRF3	KCR	14	1:47.532
9	146	9	SRF3	Kirk Collier	Overland Park, KS	SRF3	KCR	14	1:49.075

Position	Number	PIC	Class	Name	Hometown	Make-Model	Region	Laps	Best Time
1	6	1	T2	Charlie Peter	Olathe, KS	2016 BMW 235i	KCR	15	1:44.235
2	4	1	STL	Stephen Johnson	Leawood, KS	1999 Mazda Miata	KCR	15	1:49.294*
6	58	2	T2	Larry Brady	Olathe, KS	2004 Chevrolet Corvette Z06	KCR	14	1:51.890
11	181	2	STU	Scott Peterson	Parkville, MO	1983 Mazda RX7	KCR	13	2:06.778

*New Track Record (1:49.294) for STL by Stephen Johnson

Position	Number	PIC	Class	Name	Hometown	Make-Model	Region	Laps	Best Time
2	38	1	FP	Cliff Ira	Kansas City, MO	1996 Honda Civic Del Sol VTE	KCR	15	1:47.118
6	98	1	GTL	Roy Lopshire	Blue Springs, MO	1991 Toyota Tercel	KCR	15	1:50.197
8	47	2	EP	Bill D Miller	Weston, MO	1979 Mazda RX7	KCR	15	1:51.777
11	64	4	EP	Steve Bachenberg	Lawrence, KS	1987 BMW 325i	KCR	14	1:53.579
14	36	5	EP	Gary Cook	Orrick, MO	1980 Ford PINTO	KCR	13	2:03.577
15	124	1	B-Spe	Chuck Davis	Overland Park, KS	2012 Honda Fit	KCR	13	2:06.259
DNF	0	DNF	GTL	Ed Nicholson	Kansas City, MO	1979 Nissan 200SX	KCR	1	2:19.234

Position	Number	PIC	Class	Name	Hometown	Make-Model	Region	Laps	Best Time
1	55	1	SM	Joshua Holsworth	Overland Park, KS	2001 Mazda Miata	KCR	14	1:53.861

Position	Number	PIC	Class	Name	Hometown	Make-Model	Region	Laps	Best Time
1	21	1	GT2	Mark Kirby	Shawnee Mission, KS	2007 Dodge Viper	KCR	15	1:39.083
3	50	2	GT2	Mike McGinley	Overland Park, KS	2008 Chevrolet Corvette	KCR	15	1:41.889
6	66	2	T1	Hans Peter	Olathe, KS	2020 BMW M2 CS Racing	KCR	15	1:43.566
13	15	1	GT3	Brian Haupt	Spring Hill, KS	1983 Mazda RX7	KCR	13	1:54.888
16	18	3	GT3	Jeff McCormick	Overland Park, KS	Datsun 510	KCR	12	2:00.440

*New Track Record (1:39.083) for GT2 by Mark Kirby. Provisional Results posted at 5:25pm.

Sunday morning lighting strikes kept the corner workers off track while we all waited for a time when things could get going. The morning sessions for TT and race qualifying were cancelled, and there was a drivers/workers meeting at the tech building just before noon to determine how long to wait before the day was cancelled. Not long after that meeting, the severe weather left and we were able to resume racing with shortened sessions to get the event in within our track time limit. There were several repeat winners from Saturday; David Vincent F5, Charlie Peter T2, Stephen Johnson STL, Roy Lopshire GTL, Josh Holsworth SM, and Brian Haupt GT3.

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Position	Number	PIC	Class	Name	Hometown	Make-Model	Region	Laps	Best Time
3	73	1	F5	David Vincent	Leavenworth, KS	1994 KBS Mk VII	KCR	9	2:31.1
4	86	2	F5	Timothy Friest	Leavenworth, KS	1994 KBS Mk VII	KCR	6	2:35.8

Position	Number	PIC	Class	Name	Hometown	Make-Model	Region	Laps	Best Time
1	9	1	SRF3	Tyler Fox	Kansas City, MO	SRF3	KCR	10	2:21.6

Position	Number	PIC	Class	Name	Hometown	Make-Model	Region	Laps	Best Time
1	6	1	T2	Charlie Peter	Olathe, KS	2016 BMW 235i	KCR	10	2:01.454
2	4	1	STL	Stephen Johnson	Leawood, KS	1999 Mazda Miata	KCR	10	2:06.082
9	58	2	T2	Larry Brady	Olathe, KS	2004 Chevrolet Corvette Z06	KCR	9	2:18.452
11	181	2	STU	Scott Peterson	Parkville, MO	1983 Mazda RX7	KCR	8	2:18.729



Car 118 Scott Peterson in the dry, 2nd both days in STU.



Stephen Johnson in one of the wet race sessions.

*Photos courtesy of Jim Rowland

Position	Number	PIC	Class	Name	Hometown	Make-Model	Region	Laps	Best Time
3	38	2	FP	Cliff Ira	Kansas City, MO	1996 Honda Civic Del Sol VTE	KCR	10	2:05.537
5	98	1	GTL	Roy Lopshire	Blue Springs, MO	1991 Toyota Tercel	KCR	10	2:07.729
6	47	2	EP	Bill D Miller	Weston, MO	1979 Mazda RX7	KCR	10	2:09.652
8	64	3	EP	Steve Bachenberg	Lawrence, KS	1987 BMW 325i	KCR	10	2:11.358
15	36	5	EP	Gary Cook	Orrick, MO	1980 Ford PINTO	KCR	8	2:37.966

Position	Number	PIC	Class	Name	Hometown	Make-Model	Region	Laps	Best Time
1	55	1	SM	Joshua Holsworth	Overland Park, KS	2001 Mazda Miata	KCR	10	2:10.8

Position	Number	PIC	Class	Name	Hometown	Make-Model	Region	Laps	Best Time
2	16	2	T1	Hans Peter	Olathe, KS	2016 BMW 235i	KCR	11	1:56.040
4	50	1	GT2	Mike McGinley	Overland Park, KS	2008 Chevrolet Corvette	KCR	11	1:55.116
11	15	1	GT3	Brian Haupt	Spring Hill, KS	1983 Mazda RX7	KCR	10	2:14.977
14	18	3	GT3	Jeff McCormick	Overland Park, KS	Datsun 510	KCR	6	2:33.876



Ed Nicholson through 2 headed to 3 followed by James Lynch.

*Photo courtesy of Jim Rowland

James & Charlie Go to the Races

by Mike McGinley

I consider myself very lucky to have one of my daughters live in Kansas City with her husband and 2 sons. We get to see them all the time, which is awesome. I'm afraid I've turned the boys into die hard car enthusiasts, and we'll see if that turns into a driving passion in a few years (they are only 3 and 4 right now).

For months now we've been talking about the race at Heartland Park and how much fun it will be for them to come up and see "Papa" race and do other fun stuff, like drive the golf cart and meet people. They both got up early and put on their "Future Race Car Driver" T-shirts and started asking how soon can we go? Eventually they made it to the track and had a great time.



After checking out my car and sitting in it, we decided to go look at some other race cars in the garages nearby. Everyone we met enjoyed seeing the boys. In Bill Johnson's garage the boys said "Look, it's a Ferrari" (we watch Formula 1 together and they can identify the red Ferrari's). Bill promptly let both of the boys sit in his car for a photo op. Our next stop was Charlie Peter's garage, where the boys met Charlie Peter and his father Hans. As soon as they walked in, Charlie asked the boys if they would like to sit in his car. He couldn't have been more gracious. The grins on the boys faces sitting in the cars tell the full story of the awe and excitement of the day. It's something they will remember for a long time.



After they got home my daughter called and mentioned how cool it was that 3 brothers, Bill, Cliff, and Steve Johnson all race together and Hans races with his son Charlie. She said it's obvious they have a passion for it.

Talking to Charlie Peter later in the day and thanking him for letting the boys check out his car he mentioned "You know Mike, you probably don't remember this, but when I was about the boys age I was at the track with my dad and you had a brand new red Radical. I was standing there with my dad and you asked me if I wanted to sit in it, I'll never forget that, it was so cool. Ever since then I want to pay it forward and ask every boy or girl that stops by if they want to sit in my car." **What a small world.**



STAY TUNED:

The Board is looking at how we can safely start having in-person General Membership Meetings once again! We are trying to find locations that will let us reserve a space for a larger gathering.

In the meantime, please check out our Meeting Minutes from the last Board Meeting on May 25, 2021 to stay up-to-date.

THANK YOU & STAY SAFE!



Heartland Summer Trackfest July 9-11

Featuring 3-Hour Enduro
races Saturday and Sunday,
Regional racing, and MiDiv
Time Trials Series Event #2

This will be an exciting, action-packed weekend with a test day Friday from 9am-3pm followed by SCCA Track Night in America from 4pm-8pm.

Each day Saturday and Sunday, we will start with a 3-hour Enduro race from 8am-11am followed by Road Racing and MiDiv Time Trials Series sessions. There will be plenty of track time for all involved.

We will be running the 2.0 mile "Modified Nascar Course" configuration for the weekend. If you haven't raced at Heartland Park in the last few years, you don't know what you're missing. Recent resurfacing of the track has given us one of the best facilities in the US.

Online registration will be available on Motorsportsreg.com in the future.



WORKERS NEEDED



We are currently in need of more workers for our July Heartland Summer Trackfest Event. Each volunteer will get a collectable Leaping Lizards T-shirt plus much more. Any questions, please contact Chris or Gary Kern.



UPCOMING EVENTS

~~Race Group Meeting~~

~~June 15~~

~~TBD~~



KCR Solo Event #2

June 19

MCC

Precision Driving Center
Independence, MO

KCRX Riverside Rip
Divisionals

June 26-27

Riverside, MO

Board Meeting

June 29
7:00 pm

The Bar
6101 Johnson Drive
Mission, KS

~~Solo Advisory Council Meeting~~

~~July 6~~

~~6:00 pm~~

~~TBD~~

~~General Membership Meeting~~

~~7:30 pm~~



Heartland Summer Trackfest

July 9-11

Heartland Motorsports Park
Topeka, KS

~~Race Group Meeting~~

~~July 20~~

~~TBD~~



KCRX Event #8

July 25

Riverside, MO

Board Meeting

July 27
7:00 pm

TBD

KCR Solo Event #3

July 31

MCC

Precision Driving Center
Independence, MO

2021**Series**

2021 SPS and R&S Racing MiDiv Solo Series

April 24-25	Kansas Region	Heartland Motorsports Park—Topeka, KS
June 5-6	Wichita Region	Sunflower Aerodrome—Hutchinson, KS
June 26-27	St. Louis Region	Family Arena—St. Charles, MO
July 17-18	NeOkla Region	Davis Field—Muskogee, OK
August 14-15	Nebraska Region	Lincoln Airpark—Lincoln, NE

Unless directed otherwise by the national office and/or the governing local authority, SCCA Covid protocols will be observed at all events.

2021 MidAm Championship Schedule

April 17-18	Super Tour @ Hallett (AVRG)
May 15-16	Majors @ Heartland (KVRG)
June 19-20	Majors @ World Wide (St. Louis)
July 10-11	MidAm @ Heartland (KVRG)
July 24-25	MidAm @ Hallett (AVRG)
August 7-8	MidAm @ World Wide (St. Louis)



2021 RallyCross—TBA

2021



Series

2021 Time Trials Series Schedule

May 15-16 KVRG @ Heartland Motorsports Park

June 19-20 St. Louis @ World Wide Raceway

July 10-11 KVRG @ Heartland Motorsports Park

July 24-25 AVRГ @ Hallett Motor Racing Circuit

August 7-8 St. Louis @ World Wide Raceway



2021 Track Night in America Schedule

Heartland Motorsports Park—Topeka, KS

April 22

May 14

June 17

July 9

August 19

September 14

October 14



2021 KCRX Tentative Schedule

Event #2 — Sunday, February 28 — Grain Valley Sand Drags



Event #3 Sunday, March 28 Riverside, MO

Event #4 Sunday, April 18 Joint event with KS Region, site TBA

Event #5 Sunday, May 2 site TBA

Event #6 June 12 and/or 13 Riverside, MO

Event #7 Sunday, July 25 Riverside, MO

Event #8 Sunday, August 15 Riverside, MO

Event #9 Sunday, September 12 site TBA

Event #10 Sunday, October 17 Grain Valley Sand Drags

Event #11 Sunday, November 7 or 21 Grain Valley Sand Drags

Event #12 Sunday, December 5 Riverside, MO

*Tentative schedule is subject to change.



2021 KCR SCCA Solo Schedule

The Solo Advisory Council has secured use of the MCC Precision Driving Center for solo events. They are planning a total of 10 events plus a test and tune. The dates are not locked in with a contract yet, but they are 99% sure that the following dates are good.

Test & Tune — May 22

Event #1 — May 23

Event #2 — June 19

Event #3 & #4 — July 31 & August 1

Event #5 & #6 — August 21 & 22

Event #7 & #8 — September 18 & 19

Event #9 & #10 — October 23 & 24 (Halloweenie)

As usual, we will need event chairs, chiefs, and other additional help to pull this off so anyone who wants to volunteer time and effort will be appreciated. Until directed otherwise by the national office and the Independence Health Department, we will be observing appropriate Covid guidelines which includes masks, distancing, and hand sanitizing. Those who repeatedly refuse to comply will be asked to leave the site. This is the only site we have at this time, and if we lose it because of bad behavior, those responsible will be in the doghouse for a long time. Part of the restrictions for us is limited personnel beyond drivers. Those who usually come with large entourages may need to curtail that until we are allowed larger groups. Also, until the national office allows it, walk up registrations will not be accepted. All registrations will need to be online for the time being. As more information becomes available, we will share it via Facebook, the region website, and e-mail blasts. Registration should open soon for the first weekend, stay tuned for more information. If there are any questions, the SAC can be reached at solo@kcrscca.org.

Kansas City Region SCCA

Driven by Volunteers since 1952

Kansas City Region SCCA is proud to be a volunteer-run organization. We already know you are talented in at least one of these categories:

- racing cars
- working corners at race tracks
- breaking cars (on and off the track)
- fixing the same car over and over again
- cheering on racers
- enjoying a cold beverage with other people who like cars

But what are your other talents? We are currently looking for assistance in the following areas:



Content Creator for website and social media

You will not need to know anything about websites. You will simply need to prepare content for the website and check to see if any updates need to be made to our calendar. You will be the Region's point of contact in case issues are found with links on the website. You do not need to know how fix it, simply be the person who contacts our website maintenance provider. You will also need to know how to post and create events on Facebook. Contact Mike McGinley if you have additional questions or would like to help!



Pavement Photographers

We need your assistance to get current photos and videos of Solo and Road Race events for our website and social media accounts. Contact Reuben Samuels if you have additional questions or would like to help!

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