



The Drift

the official newsletter of the triad sports car club

Please enjoy this month's issue of the Drift. This month we have featured announcements in our President's Reports section and we have a delightful article from our Tech Tips guy!

**Triad Sports Car Club Celebrates 40 years!!
1967-2007**



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Triad Sports Car Club (TSCC) is a nonprofit, independent organization open to all persons interested in sports cars and sports car activities. The club hosts nine championship series autocrosses per year beginning in March, running through November. Members may compete for season championships in the SCCA Solo defined classes as well as "Novice" and "Street Tire" Class. Other activities throughout the year may include one or more road rallies as well as car shows and go-karting.

Meetings

The first Thursday of each month at Milano Pizza (668-7888). 7011 Albert Road, Greensboro (near the Intersection of I-40 and Hwy 68). Dinner at 7pm followed by the meeting at 7:30 pm. Everyone (members and non-member alike) are invited to attend.

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President's Report
Justin Barbry

No President's Report this month—however we have some “food for thought” that we'd like the members of TSCC to think about.

1. In years past we had an amendment in our bylaws stating that individuals that possessed driving permits would NOT be permitted to drive in our events, however many of our members feel that autoxing would be an excellent way to teach young drivers how to handle their cars. We need to vote on if we want to change that so we can allow drivers with permits to drive with an adult
2. Next topic we'd like you all to think about: with the summer heat more or less in full bloom how can we have workers stations that don't involve members having to be in the sun for over an hour and a 1/2 to 2 hours at a time. What kind of things can we do as a club to make the heat more bearable for all our members.

Please think about these two points and bring your thoughts, opinions and ideas to our July 5th meeting.

Extra Extra!!

Current TSCC Members and new members please get your application and money in for the 2007 year ASAP!!

Membership Applications are available at the end of **The Drift** as well as the website (<http://www.auto-x.com>)

Autocross Report

Anthony Hodges

2007 Autocross Schedule

(Dates and Locations Subject to

All dates are confirmed except for
Aug. 19

Event #5---Jul. 29 Old Sanford Airport

Event #6---Aug. 19

Non-Points Time Trial Event---Sep.1 Danville
Airport

Event #7---Sep. 2 Danville Airport

Event #8---Oct 28 Dixie Classic Fairgrounds

Event #9---Nov 25 UNCG Park 'N' Ride

Next events:

What: TSCC Event #4

When June 17

Where: Dixie Classic Fairgrounds, first car off
at 11:00 AM

Cost: Members: \$20.00

Non-Members: \$25.00 (save and become a
member today)

Information for all events on:

<http://myautoevents.com>

Tech Tips

Jeff Yeattes

It's July in the South so it's hot, naw it's HOT! So let's talk about temperature management. First for you: dress properly and naw I don't mean in a tux like Dave and Scotty did for the Wedding-Cross last year. I mean light weight cotton shirt and shorts or long pants and maybe a TSCC ball cap. Bring plenty of water, Gatorade or other drink; cold in a cooler. The Club will have water for you when corner working but you'll need more than just that. You may want to get an easy-up canopy or at least a large umbrella. The shade will be welcome.

Then the car: First the interior; you don't want a hot seat or steering wheel so if you can't park in the shade then bring a towel or something to cover the seat and wheel. A windshield sunshade works too. Then the cooling system; make sure it's topped up with the proper mix. (At some events you are required to only have water in the system so you don't "grease" the course with anti-freeze.) Speaking of parking try to point the car so the sun hits the car front to back during the day. That way the tires don't heat up unevenly in the paddock. You may want to shade the tires too. Under the hood you may want to use heat shields or header wrap to keep the temperature down and the intake charge as cool as possible. If that's not legal for your class a bag of ice can cool things down quickly; but be careful how you use it as thermal shock on some plastic parts will crack them; very bad for an intake manifold. Some foil heat shielding between the exhaust and the bottom of the car can be a big help too. Then the tires: New compounds these days heat up very quickly and hold their heat so you need to cool them back down after a run with cool/cold water, but not ice water! You've seen folks with the small garden sprayer, you go get one too. You may also want to have the tires filled with nitrogen instead of just compressed air. The pressure will remain more stable as they heat up. Finally the brakes: are the pads in good shape? More material means better heat dissipation. Believe me if you happen to do a track day you don't want to have good brakes for a couple of laps then have none at the end of a long

Secretary Report

Meganne Hicks

Tech Tips

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straight because they've over heated. If you can add duct work do it. Don't scrimp on the fluid either use good quality fluid and change it at least every season or more if you do track days.

You can spend a ton of money on a properly prepared car, no matter what class you're in. It's best to ask around to find the next place to go once you've bought new sticky tires and maybe those trick shocks. But there's a lot of room to improve in you're driving before you spend a bunch on your car. Those who went to the school found that out I'm sure. If you're smart on adjustments and tire pressures for example you'll improve your times without a bunch of money spent. Read, read, read then spend.

Pro tip of the month: Brake pad compound; what are you using? Make sure the COF is best for Solo.



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TSCC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Date of Application: _____ [] New Membership [] Renewal

Name: _____ Date of Birth _____

Spouse: _____ Date of Birth _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Home Phone: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Employer (OPT) _____ Work Phone (OPT) _____

ELECTION TO ACCEPT NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL - CIRCLE ONE YES NO

Autocross Vehicles: Make Model Year Class

1. _____

2. _____

Other Club Affiliations: [] CCR [] HSCC [] BRR SCCA [] SCCA [] THSCC

Other (please specify): _____

Please find enclosed \$ _____

[] \$25 Individual membership [] \$35 Joint membership (member/spouse)

[] \$10 Additional household member

[] \$150 Individual membership + nine TSCC Championship autocross entry fees (\$205 value)

[] \$160 Joint membership (member/spouse) + nine TSCC Championship autocross entry fees for one member

[] \$280 Joint membership + nine TSCC Championship autocross entry fees for each

ALL ANNUAL MEMBERSHIPS MUST BE PAID BY THE FIRST EVENT

I agree to abide by the rules and by-laws of Triad Sports Car Club, Ltd., and to uphold and promote the ideals of the club.

Signature of member: _____

Signature of spouse: _____

Signature of other household members: _____

Signature of parent/guardian: _____

COMPLETION OF MINOR PERMISSION FORM BY BOTH PARENTS REQUIRED FOR ALL DRIVERS UNDER 18. DRIVERS UNDER 16 NOT ALLOWED. MUST HAVE LICENSE PERMITTING DRIVING ALONE.

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