



View of Downtown Albany  
as may be seen aboard the Dutch Apple on  
MoHud's cruise on Thursday, July 26th.  
If you missed our trip this year,  
make plans for next!

*See page 8 for our August club events!*

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REMEMBER:  
**SAVE THE DATE!**

**PDX**

**Oct 20th, 2012  
at Lime Rock Park**

**MoHud Members:**

Not much news to report this month but I've included as much as I could put together. The dog days of summer have everyone dragging I think. So this is a shortened edition of the KO.

Hope to see many of you on the Dutch Apple trip and if not, it will be the fall before we come together again. Seems to go by faster every year doesn't it?

Happy motoring days to all!  
Your editor, Lisa

## NASCAR Champ Tony Stewart joins local racers at Fonda Speedway.



NASCAR Sprint Cup defending champion Tony Stewart raced local track Fonda Speedway this past Thursday, July 19th. Stewart competes against drivers from around our region in the All Star Circuit of Champions 410 sprints. He has previously competed at Lebanon Valley Raceway.

The night before on Wednesday July 18th he drove in the Syracuse area and is scheduled to compete in about 50 sprint car events this year. He seems to like to race when and where his schedule allows. Way to go Tony!

(Photo by Jason Smith/Getty Images for NASCAR)

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# GET THE WORD OUT!

## TireRack Street Survival program proves a great success!

Take a look at the following page for information on the aspects of the course. Participants as well as their our racing members have given this program a big thumbs up. Get out there and see for yourself.

If you have a teenager or know of others whose teens are starting to drive or have been for a while and would like some skilled training for a great working knowledge in the art of driving, this is the course for them. It is not a race school. It is exactly what the name implies, a street survival course. AND it is great!

# Do you have a teenaged driver or know someone that does? Then we have a program for you!

## Did you know?

A motor vehicle crash is the leading cause of death among 13-19 year olds in the U.S.

That's more than who will die from drugs, guns and violent crimes combined.

- ◆ Participants must be 15-21 years of age
- ◆ Students must have an unrestricted driver's license (i.e. not being held by authorities) or permit. If the driver has a permit, that permit must be held for at least half the time required by the state having jurisdiction
- ◆ If under 18, students must have their parents' permission to participate in the Street Survival™ school
- ◆ Parents must sign a Minor Waiver form (if participant is under 18), which can be downloaded from the Street Survival™ web site, [www.streetsurvival.org](http://www.streetsurvival.org)
- ◆ For the best learning experience, participants should have some driving experience
- ◆ Single parents must provide an affirmation that they are the sole parent or guardian
- ◆ Students must present a photocopy of their license, proof of insurance and the original signed Minor Waiver form (if under 18) to participate in the Street Survival™ schools



## How much does it cost?

\$75 per student. This participation fee includes a 1-year membership in the local BMW CCA chapter with access to all of the chapter's member events and activities.

## Why do I use my own car?

We ask that students use the cars they normally drive. Our goal is to teach students how their cars react under different driving conditions. Each car has unique handling characteristics, for example, front wheel drive vs. rear wheel drive, and we want students to be comfortable in the car where they spend most of their time. It is not necessary to own nor drive a BMW in the Street Survival™ school. Students normally use the 'family car' or their daily driver for the Street Survival™ exercises.

## How long does each class run?

Each school lasts a single day, approximately from 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. It involves one hour of classroom orientation and explanation of the day's activities. We also teach the student the new language they will be using all day. The remainder of the day, students enjoy a hands-on driving experience with a trained instructor in the car at all times. Instruction occurs on a controlled driving course, a portion of which is wet to simulate driving conditions.

**It's about more than driving...  
it's about living!**

## Street Survival™ Provides:

- ◆ Trained and qualified in-car driving instructors as well as classroom experience for each student
- ◆ Hands-on educational driving experience in real-world situations teaching teens car safety and control in their own vehicles
- ◆ Challenging driving situations, including skid pad and slalom, on private courses allowing students to experience abnormal car behavior in a safe and supervised environment

## Did you know?

62% of teenage passenger deaths in 2004 occurred in vehicles driven by another teenager...

they weren't driving, just riding.



Formed in April 2002, in conjunction with the BMW Car Club of America (BMW CCA), the BMW CCA Foundation developed Street Survival™.

Street Survival school is a teen safe driving program designed to go beyond driver's education and give teens across the U.S. tools and hands-on experience to become safer, smarter drivers.

## YOUR LOCAL SCHOOL:

June 2, 2012

August 11, 2012

both classes held at

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Rudy Chase Dr., Glenville, NY

for more information, and to register:

<http://www.mohud-scca.com/street-survival/>



[www.streetsurvival.org](http://www.streetsurvival.org)

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## Worker *of the* Year

The SCCA Club Racing BFGoodrich Tires Worker of the Year Award is given annually to the outstanding workers in each of the nine SCCA Divisions.

Worker of the Year candidates will be selected by a vote from that division's Executive Steward and Region Executives. Each Divisional Administrator will nominate an outstanding worker in each of their specialties to be included in the vote. SCCA members can also submit nominations to their Regional Executive, Executive Steward or Divisional Administrator for consideration by August 10, 2012.

By definition, award nominees should support their specialty, events, region, competitors, fellow workers and the SCCA; show dedication and support throughout the year; exhibit strong skills, good leadership, and a willingness to go above and beyond what is expected; and provide excellent customer service to everyone that person encounters.

To nominate someone for a Worker of the Year award, you can download the nomination [form](#) or click on the link below to submit online.

[SCCA BFGoodrich WOY Online Nomination](#)

One BFGoodrich Tires "Worker of the Year" from each of the nine SCCA divisions, regardless of specialty, will be honored. Each of those nine Divisional winners will win a set of BFGoodrich Tires for their passenger car or light truck and a patch, plaque and jacket to commemorate the achievement, and be entered into the drawing for the Sebring trip and the lifetime membership.

The Grand Prize, courtesy of BFGoodrich Tires, will include airfare for two, hotel, event credentials, at-track hospitality, rental car and golf cart at the event.

The winners will be announced at the BFGoodrich Tires Worker of the Year party at Road America on Wednesday, September 19 during the SCCA National Championship Runoffs.

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# Board of Directors – Meeting Minutes

June 25, 2012

Call to order – 7:45 pm

Secretary – report

Street Survival – registration has just been posted on Motorsportreg.com. Date is August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2012. While the event is open to 16 to 21 year olds, Bill Wade has confirmed that individuals older than 21 years old can attend if openings are available. A 25 year old Traumatic Brain Injury patient who just recently received her driver’s license will be registering for the event. General discussion ensued about how to better publicize the school to attract more participants, including reaching out to the media, notifying the school administrators, publicizing the event at local car shows (e.g., Guptills). Dick suggested that we have a t-shirt made saying “Ask Me About Street Survival”.

Knock Off – June edition has been published.

Treasurer – no report.

Solo/Rally – no report.

PDX – event is still on the schedule.

Activities – dinner on the Hudson aboard Dutch Apple is still scheduled.

Competition – Entries for the MoHud National (June 22 – 23) were about 130. Jack said Rich Alexander did a fantastic job with staffing the flagging stations. Each station was fully staffed with at least three flaggers, both Friday and Saturday.

Old Business – two way radios that were recently purchased by MoHud members still need to be distributed. Russ will deliver them.

New Business – we need new shirts – polo shirts – so that MoHud members can wear them at Region events and can then be recognized by attendees as persons in charge or helping out at the event, e.g., solo, club race, Street Survival, etc. Dick will research cost of embroidered polo shirts. Jack suggested that we schedule a trip up to the Saratoga Museum.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.



**PLANNED EVENTS:****GO KART NIGHT****Wednesday, Aug 1, 2012****Same place, time etc. as last year;*****except each ticket will cost \$3;******AND* for \$20 an individual will have access  
to all rides for the entire evening.**Call Pete Smith on his cell phone **518-339-5744** for questions.**AND ONCE AGAIN:****THE GOLF OUTING****THURSDAY, AUG. 16, 2012****Same routine as last year!*****Plan on it!!***Again call Pete @ **518-339-5744** with questions!!

Thank you!

Pete Smith, *Activities Director*



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

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## **BOBBY ALLISON HOLDS ONTO RECORD FROM HIS EASY CHAIR**

NASCAR stars generally defend their records on the speedway, battling competitors lap after lap until the checkered flag waves. But Hall of Fame driver Bobby Allison, the last to win both the season-opening Daytona 500 and the July 4th Coke Zero 400 in the same season, got to watch in comfort Saturday night as Matt Kenseth threatened to dethrone the Alabamian, as popular today as during his decades behind the wheel.

Kenseth, the fastest qualifier, led much of the race and seemed able to go to the front at will, leading the TNT broadcasting team to talk repeatedly about how Allison's 30-year reign as the last "Daytona double" winner was about to fall. But late in the race, defending Sprint Cup champion Tony Stewart went to the front and stayed there through the crash-punctuated finish, with the very disappointed Kenseth forced to settle for third.

Ironically, both Stewart and Allison are featured in the Saratoga Automobile Museum's current attention-grabbing NASCAR exhibit, "FROM MOONSHINE TO MILLIONAIRES - NASCAR's History, Heroes and Technology."

Stewart graciously loaned the Indy Racing League car and the Home Depot Winston Cup car he wheeled when he recorded auto racing's hardest "double," running the Indianapolis 500 and the Coca-Cola 600 at Charlotte on the same day.

Allison's involvement is greater yet, as besides having the famed red and white Chevelle marking his first series win in the exhibit, Allison is scheduled to be in Saratoga in person for a pair of appearances in July. Wednesday the 18th will find the former champion reliving his amazing career at the first of four "Meet and Greet" events while the following night he will be the guest of honor at the museum's annual "Thunder and Glory" gala.

"Viewing the cars and related memorabilia gives museum visitors a sense of how the cars and technology have changed over the years and how brave the early racers were," offered exhibit curator Ron Hedger. "But having Bobby here and, later on, Ron Hornaday, Kyle Busch and Richard Childress, will truly bring the exhibit to life. Only Richard Petty, David Pearson and Jeff Gordon have won more NASCAR races than Bobby and he exemplifies the fact that driving talent and hard work can take you to great heights in this sport."

Tickets for the various events are available at the auto museum during business hours, 10 am to 5 pm daily, or online at [www.saratogaautomuseum.org](http://www.saratogaautomuseum.org). The Saratoga Automobile Museum is located on the Avenue of the Pines in the Saratoga Spa State Park.

## ***Also at the Saratoga Auto Museum:***

### **FOUR-TIME NASCAR CHAMPION RON HORNADAY HIGHLIGHTS MUSEUM EVENT**

With Sprint Cup legend Bobby Allison having opened the Saratoga Automobile Museum's four-event NASCAR personality "Meet and Greet" series to widespread acclaim, attention has now turned to the August 8th program featuring four-time Camping World Truck Series champion Ron Hornaday. The events are part of the museum's current featured exhibit, "MOONSHINE TO MILLIONAIRES - NASCAR's History, Heroes and Technology," which continues to set attendance records.

Hornaday, a California native, won his first two series championships driving for NASCAR superstar Dale Earnhardt, then claimed two more for the team owned by the late Earnhardt's replacement at Richard Childress Racing, Kevin Harvick. Hornaday also drove in Sprint Cup for AJ Foyt and in NASCAR's Nationwide series for Childress, so he has a wide variety of experiences to relate. One of the most interesting is how he thought it was a practical joke when Earnhardt first called and promptly hung up on the racing legend.

Another topic sure to come up will be Hornaday's description of the 2011 incident that saw Sprint Cup superstar Kyle Busch wreck him intentionally during a caution period, leading to the volatile Busch's suspension for the remainder of the weekend. Ironically, Busch will be next up in the auto museum's all-star "Meet and Greet" lineup on September 20.

Tickets for these events, along with the October 18 finale featuring Richard Childress, are available online at [www.saratogaautomuseum.org](http://www.saratogaautomuseum.org) or at the museum and will also be sold at the door prior to each event. All are \$15. The Hornaday and Childress programs will begin at 6 pm with Busch's appearance scheduled for an earlier start time, 5 pm.

The Hornaday event will also mark the debut of the museum's M and M sponsored raffle for two packages of four Sprint Cup tickets, \$250 in travel money and a "meet and greet" at the speedway of the winner's choice with Kyle Busch. These tickets are available in the same manner as the event tickets.

The first winning raffle ticket will be drawn in the fall at the annual "Lost Speedways" event on November 24, with the second winner to be drawn in the spring as the 2013 Sprint Cup season takes the spotlight.

The Hornaday, Busch and Childress events will all be held amidst the NASCAR exhibit at the Saratoga Automobile Museum, located on the Avenue of the Pines in the Saratoga Spa State Park.

More information on all events as well as other museum activities can be found at the museum website, [www.saratogaautomuseum.org](http://www.saratogaautomuseum.org).