

Sertoma Mile High Soap Box Derby

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SMHSBD Committee meetings held the 3rd Monday of each month @ Jerry Stander's Fix Auto, Highlands Ranch, 3900 Norwood Drive, Littleton, CO 80125. 6:30 pm

All are welcome and appreciated. See SMHSBD.com or 303.791.1900 for SMHSBD Info. Our Next meeting is on March 21st

Next Race Date for 2016

Races are held at the Arapahoe County Fairgrounds 25690 East Quincy Avenue, Aurora CO

May 14-15, 2016

All American Rally weekend- Double and single elimination on Saturday and Double elimination on Sunday

Rally registrations take place at the Rally. Fees are \$35 per race, \$25 for a sibling.

June 11-12, 2016

Denver Metro Local Championship weekend

Registration fees for the Local Championship Race will increase from \$50 to \$75 after February 14th. Registration close date is May 15th.

2016 First Energy All American Soap Box Derby World Championships- July 10-16 2016 Akron, Ohio

IMPORTANT NEWS

MAY 7TH CLINIC #3

- Final Adjustments
- Driving Skills
- Race Preparation
- Hands on workshop

CLINIC starts at 10:00 a.m. Followed by the WORKSHOP

MAY 21ST- CHAMPIONSHIP HEAT AND NUMBER DRAWING/ PICTURES

- Numbers will be drawn randomly
- Brackets will be drawn for June 12
- Pictures will be taken for the Official Program
- Highly suggested that all racers attend

Location: Jerry Stander's Fix Auto, Highlands Ranch, 3900 Norwood Drive, Littleton, CO 80125

*** EMPTY CARS – NEED DRIVERS ***

We have club cars that have no drivers. Please, if you're a past driver or know someone who might be interested in racing, encourage them to come out and drive a car down the hill. That'll get them hooked. We especially need at least 1 super stock to make the minimum of 12 racers. Last Chance Registration is May 20.

We have 3 clubs with STOCK cars but no racers AND 2 clubs with SUPER STOCK cars but no racers.

Please, if you're a racer – then come and race, and if you're a Sertoman – then help find drivers.

PLEA FROM THE COMMITTEE

- We need more volunteers to help build the committee for next year. We would like to establish an executive committee to ensure a cohesive and comprehensive race administration.

- We would like to request each club to provide a display (as was shown in the video of the 1st year's racing) at the June 11-12 championship race. Grab a canopy, some folks from your club and share your involvement with everyone.

MAY 14-15 ALL AMERICAN RALLY

As a reminder, the week after the clinic is the second and final rally in Denver. WE WOULD REALLY LIKE TO ENCOURAGE all drivers, especially super stock drivers to come and race this rally.

The structure is the same as the first rally. There is a double and single elimination race on Saturday and a double elimination on Sunday.

Location: Arapahoe County Fairgrounds

Divisions: Stock, Super Stock

Contact: (Buzz) Pankoff

- 7:30 am Volunteers are asked to arrive to assist with pre-race set up
- 8:00 am Scales open
Track set up will begin. Any help is appreciated
- 8:30 am Registration closes
- 8:00-9:00 Drivers get official weigh-in prior to the first round
A trial run will be mandatory for first time drivers.
We will start at half-track and then from the ramps.
- 9:00 am Driver and parent meeting
- ~ 9:15 am Races start. Eye protection is advised in all racing conditions.

APRIL RALLY RESULTS

It was a windy weekend but a fun one. Here're the rankings. Congratulations to all. Thanks again to Shannon for the use of her scales at the race and Denny Krausman for running the scales and letting us use his truck.

Stock Place	Saturday Dbl	Single	Sunday Dbl
1 st	Cayden Comstock	Cayden Comstock	Cayden Comstock
2 nd	Conner Stander	Caitlyn Benkoski	Brody Hawes
3 rd	Jasper Brewster	Dio Gunn	Caitlyn Benkoski
4 th	Dio Gunn	Conner Stander	Jasper Brewster
5 th	Caitlyn Benkoski	Adam Smith	Callie Mueller
6 th	Aidan Bortnam	Brody Hawes	Callie Parmley
7 th	Brody Hawes	Logan Coffee	Ben Mueller
8 th	Adam Smith	Aidan Bortnam	Conner Stander
9 th	Logan Coffee	Jasper Brewster	Aidan Bortnam
10 th			Adam Smith
	Saturday Dbl	Single	Sunday Dbl
Super Stock			
1st	Rylee Babish	Rylee Babish	Rachelle Tomasek
2nd	Jacob Colvin	Allison Pankoff	Rylee Babish
3rd	Allison Pankoff	Jacob Colvin	Allison Pankoff
4th	Rachelle Tomasek	John Moyer	Jacob Colvin
5th	Allie Colvin	Rachelle Tomasek	Allie Colvin
6th	Nick Faestel	Allie Colvin	Nick Faestel
7th	John Moyer	Nick Faestel	

Clinics

Weekends before races:

May 7, 2016

Alignment, driving skills, and rally preparation

Bring your cars.

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STILL SEEKING SUPER KIDS

We need Super Kids drivers and Co-Pilots for the June 11th race.
CALL Ann Cahill: Super Kids Representative Phone: (303) 726-9849

SPAGHETTI DINNER FUNDRAISER

It was a fun and successful fundraiser. Thanks to Shelly, Charlene and Barbara for supplying all with a delicious dinner. Thanks to CJ, Marty, and Buzz for facilitating the event. Thanks to Judy and KJ for pitching and helping where needed. Our special and continued thanks to the Standers for providing their establishment to us yet again.

A SPECIAL thanks to Bob Parmley for donating the 8 classic model cars. It made for a fun auction and good financial results. We are also thankful for the donations provided by, YouFit Health Club, Tony's, the Outback, Chilis, the Olive Garden, and Karen Todd. I still don't understand why no one wanted the first year's Super Kid Participation award. I guess Ann will have to figure something special to do with that award.

TENT MANAGER Needed at Championship Race in June

Would you be willing to help keep people cool by managing the set up and takedown of sun covers/canopies? Contact Buzz...please.

Some of What was Missed at the Last Clinic

Alignment-

Alignment is needed to reduce any friction that makes the car not run straight or causes unequal pressures on any wheel. It is our intention to help the car run as true as possible under racing conditions and load.

Weights

All cars must be as close to the max weight with driver as possible when setting up weights. There must be a minimum of 10 pounds of adjustable weight. You will also need to be able to have the ability to adjust the weight from front to back. This means that some weight is required on the rear post for control of tail weight and the front post if nose weight needs to be controlled. Nose and tail weight cannot be controlled by driver position adjustments! Driver must race in same position as they weighed in at.

Tail and nose heavy

Defined by the difference from the front axle weight and rear axle weight. A balanced stock car weighing 200 lbs with driver will have 100 pounds on each axle with driver in race position. Per the max 15 lbs tail weight rule in Denver, the max weight on the rear is 107.5 which leaves the front at 92.5, making a 15 pound differential. When a driver moves rearward to get further down in the car, the tail weight can increase beyond the limit and is not acceptable. It is crucial and in the fairness of the sport to weigh in race position, otherwise it is not legal weight.

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