

Schedule shuffling time

For some reason, I keep coming back to an old curse: May your life be “interesting.” Seems to apply to preparation for this year’s Solo season. Fortunately, things seem to be working out, as they usually do.

Although our event dates were set before the end of ’08, we’ve had to shuffle the deck. A National Pro Solo event scheduled to be held in California had to be cancelled, because the site wasn’t going to be available. NWR Soloists, led by Jerry Lamb, proposed a replacement to be held in Wendover, Utah, and hosted by the Salt Lake City region, with significant support from NWR members. National agreed, and the event is on the books — but, the only feasible date was the same as one of our NWR events in Packwood. So, we moved the date of the regional. The Wendover Pro Solo is April 25 and 26, and NWR Event No. 2 is now May 2 in Packwood.

Our NWR season will kick off on April 4, with a novice school at Bremerton Motorsports Park. There may also be a drift event-school on the south end of the track.

The Fordahl Motorsports Championship season will start the next day, April 5, also at BMP. Be sure to check the NWR Web site for event dates, locations, other details and changes.

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We’re still working on our “dance card,” getting people to step up to a few unfilled specialty chiefs and event chair positions. By the time this gets published, we should have most of that done.

Meanwhile, our sister clubs — Western Washington Sports Car Council (WWSCC) and Bremerton Sports Car Club (BSCC) — are active, too. WWSCC has held two of its annual “Slush” events, which are a series this year instead of standalone events. BSCC’s novice school was March 1.

Finally, two of our soloists were presented with Region awards at the NWR annual banquet on Jan. 31. Karl Coleman received the Mary Pang “Unsung Hero” award, and yours truly was given the Frank & Joan Manly “Enthusiast” award. I was both surprised and gratified. Thanks, guys!

Until next time, may all of your runs be clean.

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2009 Solo schedule

April 4, Novice School, Bremerton Motorsports Park

April 5, Event No. 1, Bremerton Motorsports Park

April 25, Core Workers Practice, Packwood, Hampton Mills

May 2, Event No. 2, Packwood, Hampton Mills

May 16, Regional Pro Solo No. 1, Packwood, Hampton Mills

May 17, Event No. 3, Packwood, Hampton Mills

May 24, Event No. 4, Bremerton Motorsports Park

June 20, Regional Pro Solo No. 2, Packwood, Hampton Mills

June 21, Event No. 5, Packwood, Hampton Mills

July 5, Event No. 6, Bremerton Motorsports Park

July 11 and 12, National Tour, Packwood, Hampton Mills

July 14-16, Evolution School, Packwood, Hampton Mills

July 18 and 19, National Pro Solo, Packwood, Hampton Mills

Aug. 15, open practice, Packwood, Hampton Mills

Aug. 16, Event No. 7, Packwood, Hampton Mills

Oct. 4, Event No. 8, Bremerton Motorsports Park

New Northwest Region members

New members since December 2008

FIRST GEAR

Bang, Ricky, Richland
Baxter, William, Houston, Texas
Durban, Matthew, Seattle
Wheeler, Grant, Bremerton

REGULAR

Bacon, Andrew, Puyallup
Baldwin, Gordon, Federal Way
Barani, Jan, Seattle
Clark, Wayne, North Bend

Colangelo, Michael, Kent
Keller, Karl, Port Orchard
Kingsley, Adam, Arlington
Livengood, Victor, Kennewick
Miller, Michael, Bellevue
Morsk, Daniel, Stanwood
Murphy, Gerard, Seattle
Pierce, Jack, Benton City
Stacey, R. “Mike,” West Vancouver,
B.C.

Swingle, Jon, Puyallup
Wiltman, Tad, Shelton

SPOUSE

Dewey, Margaret, Seattle
Livengood, Vickie, Kennewick
Umino, Tina, Newcastle

FAMILY

Haynes, Scott, Bothell
Johnson, Harley, Lacey

DUAL

Swanson, Margie, Big Island of Hawaii Region, Salem Ore.
Taylor, Gordon, San Francisco Region, Port Angeles