

Midwest Miniature Racing Car

Association



Charter Club, Academy of Model Aeronautics

## MODEL RACING

# <u>REPORT</u>

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# COMBINED REGIONALS REPORT



The racers at Anderson. Front: Steve Morse, Tom Brown, and Joe Morris. Back: Walt Wilson, Ed Spencer, Bob Oge, Mike Baldwin, Phil McDonald, Lee Foldenauer, Ron Hesskamp, and Lowell Shirey.



NY: Nick and Anthony Tucci - Anthony's World Class V 10cc Denneler getting fueled and ready to run.



NY: Roland Bendel's completely scratch built World Class V 10cc car "RoBe" 205.6 and 206.359 MPH runs! Too bad he was not able to obtain those speeds when he competed at the World Championship in Pila Poland. (two weeks prior) Those speeds would have given him a 3rd place podium finish!



#### **President's Notes**

*By J. Phil McDonald, President, MMRCA The Midwest Miniature Racing Car* Association held their Combined Regionals at Anderson, Indiana on September 17th and 18th. In attendance were 12 members representing five states, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Tennessee and

California. Thirty four cars showed up at the track for the two-day event.

The race went off without a hitch and four new records were set. At the conclusion of racing Sunday evening, a business meeting was held. A motion was made and seconded to accept Mite cars with "slab chassis", rear

suspension, and the use of "World Class"type gearboxes. Motion passed.

Nomination of officers for the A.M.R.C.A. were opened with Walt Wilson nominating Ron Hesskamp for A.M.R.C.A. Vice President in 2023. Joe Morris

seconded the nomination. Tom Brown nominated Marvin Justus for 2023 A.M.R.C.A. President, seconded by Mike Baldwin.

Tom Brown nominated Phil McDonald for 2023 A.M.R.C.A. Secretary/Treasurer. Seconded by Joe Morris. The meeting adjourned at 4:54 P.M.



#### Racing Report

By Ron Hesskamp, Vice President, MMRCA, and Contest Director

The Combined Regionals race was such a success with opportunity to bring the entire AMRCA racing community together to show off our cars and challenge the limits of our equipment.

All of the competitors were engaged with the fellow racers asking for opinions, occasional advice on their setups, and have an alternate outlook on how to deal with the weather conditions, or change the tire size or head shim to get the maximum performance from their car. Of course there was always a story to tell and a laugh to share.

The schedule was extended to allow a week later race date for the Seaford and Whittier tracks who both had scheduled race dates. Whittier decided not to submit their results to be included and compete in a nationwide competition of race cars and builders.

I was confident from the onset that the event would be a success and the Combined Regionals Race will be a yearly event to mark on our calendars.

I appreciate the contributions by the AMA and all of the support provided by the clubs and want to offer a special thanks to Ken Merrill for the laser cutting of the plaques that will be sent to the class winners that qualify.

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#### Thoughts About My Adventures At Anderson

By Steve Morse

A Horser of a different color, Mr. Unbelievable, Joe Morris. When you have someone who works out to horse, who can't go to sleep the night before because he is so excited, and seems to talk to the cars to get them going and that means whipping them up to 100 mph, if he has to. Joe is that and more. He loves to get recommendations from race car owners and follow their leads. I had two cars with challenges and Joe didn't give up until they were up and running, one for a record. I can't thank him enough for an amazing job. Phil McDonald needed little help to manage the entire race smoothly, efficiently, and remain friendly. It was impressive how smoothly and low tension the whole event was. Team effort was evident everywhere and enjoyed by everone. There was great comraderie, evident throughout the meet, which added measurably to the enjoyment. I enjoyed getting Lee Foldenauer to bring his car to me and helping him replace the broken fuel lever, then seeing him go out and run.

The track is smooth with lots of traction once you get out there. That's probably the reason for four records being set. They are a push button club. I don't think I saw one person who didn't push the timer button when they thought the time was right. Thats an important part of the sport and adds fun to the experience.

It was fun like we used to have, with approximately ten other guys racing. I cannot tell you how much everyone enjoyed the weekend.

We had pizza together after the meet, both days, with lively discussions going late into the night.

Thanks for making me feel welcome and better than ever about our sport.

#### AMRCA 2022 Combined Regionals Anderson, Indiana

#### The Anderson Segment of the Combined Regionals:

By Walt Wilson, Secretary, MMRCA

The weather was good at Anderson, a bit warm with low air density, but very pleasant. The turnout was great with almost all the Anderson regulars and Steve Morse, a guest from California, present. Records were set both days.

Bull sessions went late into the nights and all who took part seemed to have a good time.

Bob Oge bettered his record in Class 10A, Steve Morse set a record in Class 6A on Saturday and bettered it by about four mph on Sunday. On Sunday, Ron Hesskamp broke a record that had stood for eight years in Class 3A with a 177.472 mph run. The car actually neared 180 on Saturday but he called it earlier.

Thanks to this being an AMA sanctioned event, we had some model airplane flyers visiting to see what tether cars are all about. The Mayor of Anderson and a local newspper reporter are regular visitors at all the races. There was a discussion with the mayor about a permanent pavilion or roof for the pit area, too.



Ron Hesskamp set a record of 177.472 in Class 3A with his Picco-powered Speedster.



Bob Oge set a record of 145.859 in Class 10A with his Rossi .46 powered K&G Arrow.



Steve Morse set a record on Saturdar then upped it by five mph on Sunday with his Nova Rossi .12 powered Morse Mite (not shown here)..



Steve Morse's record-setting Morse Racer.



Tom Brown set a personal Best time of 166.704 with his Picco-powered Speedster.

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Some of the cars ready to run at Anderson.

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Lowell Shirey, Cablemaster and Horser Deluxe. He's one of the hardest workers at Anderson.



Joe Morris, Horser Deluxe, and his Picco EXR powered FTL car.



Mike Baldwin and his record-holding EDF car. Mike is an innovater, always trying something new.



Lee Foldenauer with his MMM Indy and K&G Arrow cars.

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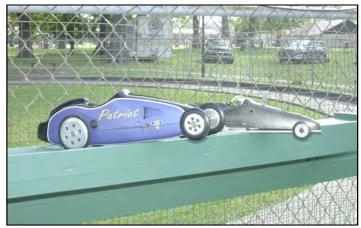
Some of Ron Hesskamp's stable of cars.



Tom Brown's cars.



Walt Wilson's record holding Bandit electric mite. Technical issues kept it from reaching it's potential this time.



Ron Hesskamp's Patriot and one of Steve Morse's Protos, waiting to run.



Mike Baldwin discusses his electric EDF car with a visiting R/C flyer while Joe Morris (right) looks on. There were many interested visitors throughout the day, partly due to AMA sanctioning.

#### **AMRCA 2022** Combined Regionnals

#### The New York Segment of the Combined Regionals Captions by Bill Siry



Bill Siry brought 50 lbs of cars to compete in assorted classes. Back row: WMCR Class V- Dennler 10cc Picco EXR, AMRCA Class 9B-Andretti Dirt/McDonald, Nova Rossi 60, 10B- Kuebler /Lee, Rossi 60. Middle row: 7C- Kuebler/Ellis, Mccoy 19, 11-E3- FTL/ Boudakian 8s (Silver), 6E- Buddy L/Kevin Wells 3s (green) Front row: 6C- Clark Australian built Mite 3.5 Picco, 6C- Monza mite 3.5 side exhaust Picco (Orange), WMCR ClassIII World Perekhodov 3.5 NovaRossi (Blue), III World Alex Savinykh 3.5 NovaRossi (Black).(Green)



(Left) Doug Phillips (Sitting) David Clark (Standing) - Doug brought two of his father's Vector electric cars, but could not compete because of a high voltage charger problem. We were thankful that he came to help us with the cable swaps, car startings, and track setup / teardown. David, who use to race tether cars with us stopped by to visit. He was in the neighborhood picking up a 30's era Popp midget engine. Dave now rebuilds and races antique race cars in Pennsylvania.

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Angela and Nick Tucci, Angela always makes sure we have food at our events. For many years Nick has been the backbone to keep the Seaford track open. It is getting a lot more difficult, with fewer active members.



Roland Bendel getting ready to start timing a 206.359 mph (332.103 kph) run. (Nick was the Horser)



Anthony Tucci waiting to start timing laps. It was a perfect sunny fall day in Seaford, with low humidity. Too Bad long time Seaford racers, Charlie Murphy, George, and Bob Fellows could not attend our one day event.



The shut-off broom has been updated and works beautifully.

### 2022 AMRCA COMBINED REGIONALS

Place	Name	Car/Build	Engine	Time	MPH	KmH	Region
	AMRCA CLASS 3A						
1	RON HESSKAMP	SPEEDSTER	PICCO	5.07122	*177.472	285.614	AN
2	TOMMY BROWN	SPEEDSTER	PICCO	5.39878	166.704	268.285	AN
3	WALT WILSON	KUEBLER/ELLIS	PICCO	5.98925	150.269	241.835	AN
	RON HESSKAMP	KUEBLER/ELLIS	EAGLE	NT	NT	NT	AN
	AMRCA CLASS 3B						
	SKEETERS/WILSON (PROXY)	CUSTOM	YELLOW JACKET	NT	NT	NT	AN
	AMRCA CLASS 3C						
	RON HESSKAMP	PATRIOT	PICCO	NT	NT	NT	AN
	AMRCA CLASS 4						
1	WALT WILSON	RAILTON	McCOY	8.03313	112.036	180.305	AN
	ED SPENCER	RAILTON	ROSSI	NT	NT	NT	AN
	AMRCA CLASS 6A						
1	STEVE MORSE	MORSE	NOVA ROSSI 12	7.99914	*112.512	181.071	AN
	ED SPENCER	THIMBLEDROME	FUGI	NT	NT	NT	AN
	AMRCA CLASS 6C						
1	BILL SIRY	MONZA	PICCO 21	9.681	115.532	185.931	NY
	BILL SIRY	CLARK	PICCO 21	NT	NT	NT	NY
	AMRCA CLASS 6D						
1	BOB OGE	MORSE	OPS 29	6.56427	137.106	220.651	AN
2	STEVE MORSE	MORSE	OPS 29	8.52780	105.537	169.846	AN
	ANTHONY TUCCI	FRYCO Mk8	OPS 29	NT	NT	NT	NY
	AMRCA CLASS 6E						
1	WALT WILSON	BANDIT/WILSON	CASTLE	6.83952	131.588	211.771	AN
2	MIKE BALDWIN	RJSPEED	AMMO	9.68681	92.910	149.526	AN
3	BILL SIRY	BUDDY L/WELLS	CASTLE	16.048	69.695	112.164	NY
	LOWELL SHIREY	RJSPEED	AMMO	NT	NT	NT	AN
	AMRCA CLASS 7C						
1	BILL SIRY	KUEBLER/ELLIS	McCOY 19	16.700	66.974	107.784	NY
	AMRCA CLASS 7D						
	STEVE MORSE	MORSE	SUPER TIGRE	NT	NT	NT	AN
	AMRCA CLASS 9A						
1	RON HESSKAMP	MMM INDY/McDONALD	ROSSI 46	6.33652	142.034	228.581	AN
2	LEE FOLDENAUR	MMM INDY/McDONALD	ROSSI 45	7.16665	125.582	202.104	AN
	DAVE FERGUSON	WITTE/McDONALD	ROSSI 46	NT	NT	NT	AN

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Place	Name	Car/Build	Engine	Time	MPH	KmH	Region
	AMRCA CLASS 9B						
1	BILL SIRY	ANDRETTI DIRT/McD	NOVA ROSSI	7.966	140.405	225.960	NY
2	TOM BROWN	CDC/McDONALD	NOVA ROSSI	7.27854	123.651	198.997	AN
	LOWELL SHIREY	K&G HOTROD	ROSSI	NT	NT	NT	AN
	BOB OGE	MMM INDY	OPS	NT	NT	NT	AN
	MERRILL/FOLDENAUER (PROXY)	MMM INDY	NELSON	NT	NT	NT	AN
	AMRCA CLASS 9B-E						
1	WALT WILSON	KISS SPL/WILSON	CASTLE 1515	5.62346	160.044	257.566	AN
	AMRCA CLASS 10A						
1	BOB OGE	K&G ARROW	ROSSI 46	6.17036	*145.859	234.737	AN
	LEE FOLDENAUER	K&G ARROW	JETT 46	NT	NT	NT	AN
	DRIER/HESSKAMP (PROXY)	ELLIS	NOVA ROSSI 45	NT	NT	NT	AN
	AMRCA CLASS 10B						
1	BILL SIRY	KUEBLER/LEE	ROSSI	8.308	134.625	216.659	NY
	RON HESSKAMP	SPEEDSTER	NELSON	NT	NT	NT	AN
	WMCR CLASS IV 5cc						
	TOM BROWN	FRYMIRE	OPS 29	NT	NT	NT	AN
	WMCR CLASS V 10cc						
A.	ROLAND BENDEL	ROBE	PICCO TR	5.42000	206.359	332,103	NY
2	BILL SIRY	DENNLER	PICCO EXR	6.02100	185.761	298.954	NY
3	JOE MORRIS	FTL	PICCO	5.19896	173.112	278.596	AN
	J PHIL MCDONALD	M2	PICCO TR	NT	NT	NT	AN
	STEVE MORSE	BOONES RACER	PICCO	NT	NT	NT	AN
	ANTHONY TUCCI	DENNLER	PICCO TR	NT	NT	NT	NY
	DRIER/HESSKAMP (PROXY)	FTL	PICCO EXR	NT	NT	NT	AN
	WMCR CLASS III 3.5cc						
1	BILL SIRY	SAVINYKH	NOVA ROSSI-SAV	7.027	159.167	256.155	NY
2	NICK TUCCI II	EKBERG	CMB-FALK	7.801	143.375	230.740	
	BILL SIRY	PEREKHODOV	NOVA ROSSI	NT	NT	NT	NY
	AMRCA CLASS 11 E-1	and the second sec					
1	MIKE BALDWIN	BALDWIN EDF	80MM	7.42015	121.291	195.200	AN
	AMRCA CLASS 11 E-3						
4	BILL SIRY	FTL/ BOUDAKIAN	CASTLE	7.634	146.511	235.787	NY
	IRCA Record						1910