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NATIONALS REPORT



President's Corner

By Steve O'Donnell

Greetings, I would like to introduce myself. My name is Steve O'Donnell and I have been your fellow racer for over 30 years and in the hobby for nearly 50 years.

I am excited and eager to preserve the near 80 year old heritage of AMRCA tether car racing with innovative ideas and a variety of new products that will enhance the supply chain world wide. The endeavor to grow our hobby will require everybody's support. These products and projects will be covered in more depth and detail in our future newsletters.

The 2021 AMRCA Whittier Narrows Nationals event saw top speeds over 210 MPH and strong participation that was un-precedented for a post-Covid year. Close to 30 racer entries and nearly 70 cars racing in 20 Classes. There was a constant flow of spectators from the Hot Rod, Drag Racing, Salt Flat Racing, Model Boat and R/C Airplane worlds that came out to enjoy the event.

The scheduling of the Nationals in June provided us with wonderful weather conditions unlike any Whittier Narrows Nationals event in the past.

The event was well organized by the VMRCA Host Club. A big accolade to the younger generation that was there to help all of "us Old Guy's" make it happen. Thank you, Michael Sweeny for the all around help including the Timing Hut. Thank you, Parker Burfield and Casen Jaquez for your endless overall Club help, including keeping your fathers out of trouble! The daily set-up and tear down was a well oiled team effort, along with registration, inspections, timing, horsing, banner set-up and awards presentation which all went well.

The FOOD was the bomb, from the Smoked Pulled Pork Sandwiches, Cook-off style Ranch Chili, and Barbequed Bratwurst, to the Specialty Pizza.

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Secretarial Notes

By J. Phil McDonald

CONGRATULATIONS to the VMRCA for conducting an outstanding AMRCA Nationals in June!

That race produced a new AMRCA record in WMCR 10cc with Dave Lundegard's outstanding run of 210.688 miles per hour. There were three cars in class in excess of 200 mph. It has been a long hard road for our 10cc guys to get up to respectable speeds.

The Nationals also produced four new AMRCA members:

Bob Higginson of Alisio Viejo, California, Louis Girard of Irvine, California, Don Rowley of La Crescenta, California and Beverly Schulz of Redding, California. Welcome to each and everyone of you!

The AMRCA Annual Meeting produced the following nominations of 2022 AMRCA Officers:

President : Steve O'Donnell

Vice President: Nick Tucci

Secretary Treasurer : Bob Jaquez

In lieu of a write-in nomination from someone in the membership, it appears that after 24 years serving as AMRCA Secretary/Treasurer, I may be headed for retirement. I, of course, will do every thing to make the transition to a new Secretary/Treasurer as seamless as possible.

With our last financial statement dated January 1, 2021, I will produce the next statement dated January 1, 2022. This will place our statements on a calendar year basis and help make them more understandable.

It looks like Long Island gets the nod for our 2022 AMRCA Nationals. Charlie Murphy has offered to head the effort for that race and I of course will head out early to lend a hand.

Again, CONGRATULATIONS to the VMRCA for conducting this year's AMRCA Nationals.

2021 AMRCA NATIONALS ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

By Dave Lundegard

The AMRCA annual business meeting was held on June 12th at 4:30 P.M. at Whittier Narrows tether car track in South El Monte, Calif. Copies of the 2020 Nationals minutes were distributed to all in attendance. They were read and noted by all.

The meeting was conducted by Dave Lundegard with the following people in attendance. Steve O'Donnell, Stuart Hamill, Charles Hamill, Dan Bridges, Bob Jaquez, Casen Jaquez, Jim Okel, Marshall Ziegert, Charlie Murphy, Erick Burfield, Parker Burfield, Steve Morse, Bill Martin, Rob Giovenale, Michael Sweeney, Jim Persson and Richie Rich Laguillo.

OLD BUSINESS:

Rule changes and class changes: Rule changes and class changes are not following proper protocol. There's a procedure to follow for these changes in our by-laws and it should be observed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Special recognition: Special recognition was noted to Michael Sweeney, Parker Burfield and Casen Jaquez for their outstanding effort in assisting with the Nationals.

VMRCA 2023 International Grand Prix: The VMRCA would like to host an International Grand Prix for racers from around the world to come to California and race on the new track at Whittier Narrows. The date is to be determined and coordinated with our international guests.

VMRCA annual dues: The club dues have increased to \$50.00 to cover track improvement costs. Sanctioned race fees are now \$10.00 per car as well.

AMRCA membership demographics: It was noted that the majority of AMRCA members are in the western region of the USA.

Mite class engine sleeves: There was a discussion of chrome plating and evaluation was discussed with possible carry over into other classes as well.

Sabbatini Swap Meet & Collecto: The annual Sabbatini Swap Meet & Collecto in Fresno, Calif. will be on March 19th 2022.

Laptop Computers: It was subsequently suggested that the AMRCA purchase laptop computers for the officers to conduct AMRCA business. The thought is that the computers could be assigned to current board members so that information could be stored and passed on to the next set of officers without the worry of information being lost or mixed in with the officers home computers.

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS for 2022

President : Steve O'Donnell

Vice President: Nick Tucci

Secretary Treasurer : J. Phil McDonald (Incumbent)

2022 NATIONALS SITE & DATES:

A unified Nationals at one track only was agreed upon and in rotation it would fall upon the club in New York in 2022. Charlie Murphy accepted to host the event however if New York is unable to do so then the event would default sequentially to a club that is able to host it.

2021 AMRCA Racing Schedule

Whittier Narrows, CA

August *Postponed*

September 11 *Fun Run* 2-8pm

October 3 & 17 9-3pm

November 11, 12, 13, 14

Nationals Rain Date

December 5 *final race* 9-3pm

Seaford, NY

August 21

September 25-26

October 16

Anderson, IN

August 7 1 day only

September 11-12

October 16 1 day only

AMRCA 2021 Nationals Whittier Narrows, California

President's Corner *(Continued from page 1)*

All of the dedicated hard work on the new track preparation and maintenance is allowing the members to advance the speeds of their cars to new levels. We are seeing National Record Top Speeds with lap times over 211 MPH in WMCR 10cc (With the new 2.1mm Cable). Racers like Dan Bridges are exceeding their all time best speeds by better than 10 MPH in AMRCA Class 3A. Let's say the track is FAST.

On Saturday June 12 we took a moment to celebrate and reminisce the life of Rich Democh. Rich was a past President of the AMRCA and a long time member. The Memorial to Rich included many family members with a very nice display of his cars and awards that he had achieved over the years. A final goodbye was given and Rich's Family spread a few ashes on the infield so that he will forever be a part of our future of racing. God Speed Rich Democh, RIP.

Congratulations to all of the Winners! All Class winners were given a special banner/flag indicating that they are a National Champion The Banner can be hung in the Garage/Shop/on your Pit Table at the Races! We also had a special award for the fastest speed at the meet that was cap-

tured by Dave Lundegard with his National Record setting run of 210.688 MPH. Congratulations Dave!

My hats off to Dan Bridges and Steve Torrey for running speeds that were over and above their all time personal best with cars that some would say are "Old Equipment"! Now that is what Racing and tuning is about!!

Welcome new members Bob Higginson and Billy Martin. Bob congratulations on your first time outing with a speed of 189+MPH with your Picco Powered FTL, Billy congratulations for increasing your speed by 7 MPH on your LSR Roadster. Keep up the hard work!

I want to thank everyone in advance for your continued support for our Historic Tether Car Racing Hobby and the commitment to our American Model Racing Association.

Let's grow and go forward faster than ever!

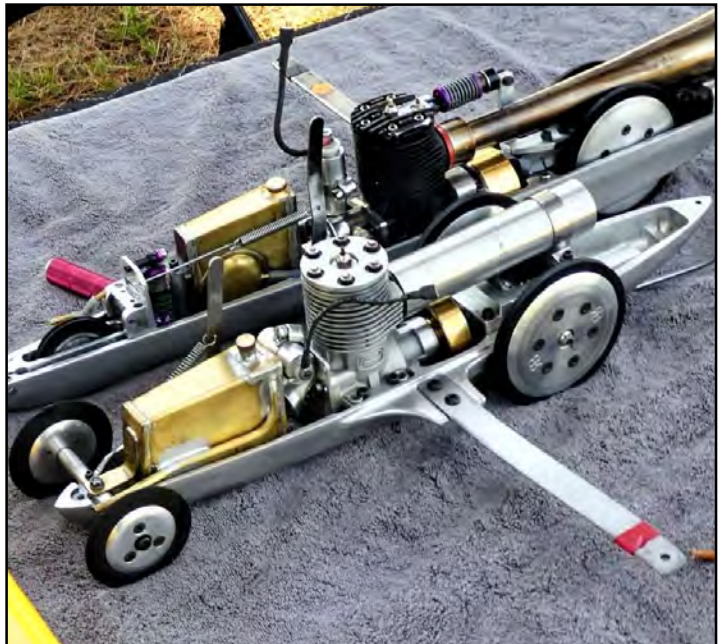


Dave Lundegard beams after setting a new AMRCA record of 210.688 mph with his WMCR 10cc car (below)



Steve Torrey (left) and Dave Lundegard with Steve's Picco-powered FTL car which turned an impressive 205.763 mph.

PHOTOS BY BOB HIGGINSON



Jack Boudakian's Class 3A Picco-powered Fryco Mk-4 (foreground) and JB-1 WMCR 10cc car.

2021 AMRCA Nationals
Whittier Narrows, California



Dan Bridges' Cars



One of Loyd Torrey's 1234 , Yellow Jacket powered cars was on display.



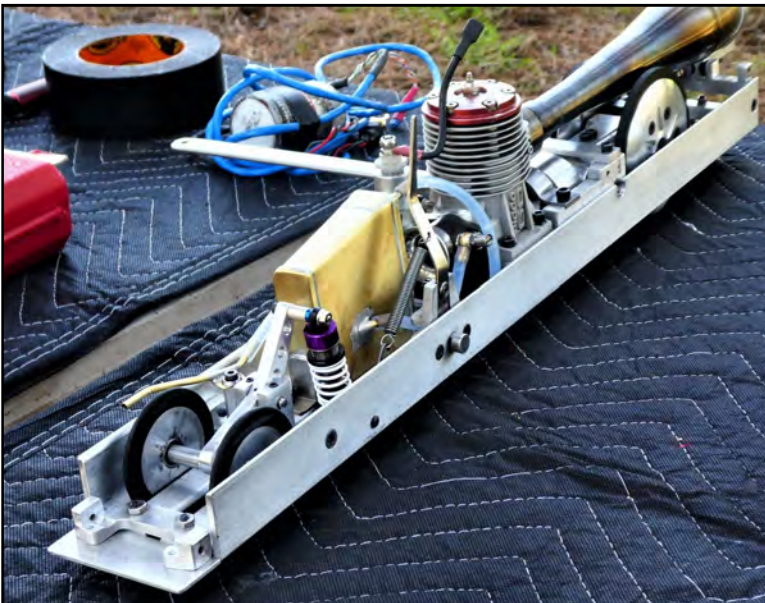
Richie Rich's Class 7D Staiger has a Super Tigre .29 under the hood.



A lineup of WMCR 10 cc cars awaiting their turn to run.

PHOTOS BY BOB HIGGINSON, DAVE LUNDEGARD, AND BOB JACQUEZ

2021 AMRCA Nationals
Whittier Narrows, California



Jack Boudakian's unique JB-1 WMCR 10cc car is still under development.



Richie Rich's Dan Bridges Hot Rod has a Nelson .40 for power.

Don Rowley's MMM Indy Car has an OS .46 and the American Hot Rod has a Nova Rossi. (below)



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Michael Sweeney was the official timer for the entire Nationals.



Memorials and a tribute to the late Rich Democh were made. His ashes were then spread on the infield of the Whittier Narrows track.



Richie Rich and Marshall Zeigert with Marshall's Class 9A WINNING MMM Indy car.



A view of the pit area.

**2021 AMRCA Nationals, Whittier Narrows, CA
June 11-13**

Place	Name	Car/Build	Engine	Time	MPH	KmH
WMCR 10 cc						
1	Dave Lundegard *	Linas	Picco TR	5.309	210.688	339.070
2	Steve Torrey	FTL	Picco TR	5.436	205.763	331.143
3	Jim Okel	Linas	Picco TR	5.574	200.666	322.941
4	Stuart Hamill	Duran/ Hamill	Eagle	5.598	199.793	321.535
5	Murphy - Tucci II	Pavel	Picco	5.853	191.096	307.540
6	Jack Boudakian	JB-1	Picco	6.572	170.180	273.878
	Brian Boudakian	FTL	Picco	NT	0.000	0.000
	Dick Hughes	Linas	Picco	NT	0.000	0.000

* = **AMRCA Record 5.30865 sec.**

WMCR 3.5 cc						
1	Rich Democh (proxy by Burfield)	Linas / Democh	Nova Rossi	6.561	170.468	274.341
2	Armen Arshakyan	Armen	Nova Rossi	7.293	153.365	246.817
3	Dan Bridges	Monza	Picco	NT	0.000	0.000

AMRCA 3A						
1	Dan Bridges	Fryco Mk-4	Picco P-60	6.514	171.713	276.346
2	Stuart Hamill	Kuebler/Ellis	Eagle	6.638	168.507	271.186
3	Richie Rich Laguillo	Speedster	Picco	7.260	154.063	247.940
4	Jim Okel	Kuebler/Ellis	Eagle	7.860	142.297	229.005
5	Jack Boudakian	Fryco Mk-4	Picco	9.432	118.579	190.835
6	Brian Boudakian	Jack	Picco	13.175	84.892	136.621
	Bob Jaquez	Ellis	Eagle	NT	0.000	0.000

AMRCA 3B						
	Steve Morse	Fryco Mk-4	Rossi	NT	0.000	0.000

AMRCA 3C						
1	Stuart Hamill	Patriot / Ellis	Eagle	6.725	166.306	267.643
2	Diane Ellis (proxy by Hamill)	Valentine / Ellis	Eagle	7.160	156.221	251.413

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Place	Name	Car/Build	Engine	Time	MPH	KmH
AMRCA 4						
1	Dan Bridges	McCoy Invader	McCoy	9.113	122.735	197.523
2	Charlie Murphy	McCoy Invader	McCoy	10.611	105.409	169.639
3	Casen Jaquez	McCoy Railton	Rossi Speed 10	11.276	99.192	159.634
	Stuart Hamill	Dooling F	Hornet	N.T.	0.000	0.000
	Devan Jaquez	Dooling F	Rossi Speed 10	N.T.	0.000	0.000
	Steve Morse	McCoy Invader	Rossi	N.T.	0.000	0.000
	Bob Jaquez	McCoy Railton	Rossi Speed 10	N.T.	0.000	0.000
AMRCA 6A						
1	Stuart Hamill	RP Tank	Picco 12	17.888	62.525	100.624
AMRCA 6B						
1	Charlie Hamill	MMM	Nelson 15	11.674	95.806	154.185
2	Doug Parker (proxy by Hamill)	Beast 2	OPS 15	11.923	93.805	150.965
3	Stuart Hamill	MMM	Picco 15	11.972	93.426	150.355
AMRCA 6C						
1	Don Rowley	Hamill Torpedo	Nova Rossi 21	9.332	119.847	192.875
	Richie Rich Laguillo	Bottoms Up	Picco 21	N.T.	0.000	0.000
AMRCA 6D						
1	Steve Morse	Fryco Mk-8	OPS 29	7.596	147.253	236.980
2	Charlie Murphy	?	OPS 29	7.873	142.062	228.626
AMRCA 7A						
	Don Rowley	Rodzy	Cameron 09	N.T.	0.000	0.000
AMRCA 7B						
1	Steve Morse	Morse Proto 1	Super Tigre 15	11.772	95.010	152.904
2	Henry Schulz	Thimble Drome		32.488	34.427	55.405
3	Dravin Giovenale	Rodzy	Rodzy	34.311	32.598	52.461
	Rob Giovenale	Morse Proto 1	Super Tigre 15	N.T.	0.000	0.000
AMRCA 7C						
1	Rob Giovenale	Morse Proto 1	Super Tigre 19	11.711	95.502	153.696
2	Stuart Hamill	Hornet	Hornet 19	18.888	59.216	95.299
	Beverly Schulz	McCoy	McCoy 19	N.T.	0.000	0.000
	Steve Morse	Morse Proto 1a	Super Tigre 19	N.T.	0.000	0.000

Place	Name	Car/Build	Engine	Time	MPH	KmH
AMRCA 7D						
1	Steve Morse	Morse Proto 2	Super Tigre 29	8.847	126.424	203.460
2	Richie Rich Laguillo	Staiger	Super Tigre 29	9.668	115.683	186.173
3	Stuart Hamill #1	Kuebler / Ellis	Dooling 29	17.695	63.210	101.726
4	Diego Munoz	Dooling Mite Arrow	Dooling 29	20.510	54.533	87.763
5	Charlie Hamill	Yonites	Dooling 29	22.080	50.655	81.522
	Stuart Hamill #2	Davis + Carlson	Dooling 29	20.457		-
	Luis Giraud	Novo Sprint	Super Tigre 29	N.T.	0.000	0.000
AMRCA 9A						
1	Marshall Ziegert	MMM Indy	Nelson 40	7.901	141.566	227.829
2	Richie Rich Laguillo	Bridges	Nelson 40	8.875	126.027	202.820
3	Stuart Hamill	Tank	Skyward	9.285	120.455	193.854
4	Dick Hughes	Hot Rod	Nova Rossi	9.840	113.666	182.928
	Don Rowley	MMM Indy	OS 46	N.T.	0.000	0.000
	Dave McKinney	Roadster	Nelson 40	N.T.	0.000	0.000
AMRCA 9B						
1	Don Rowley	Frog	Nova Rossi	8.685	128.779	207.250
2	Stuart Hamill	Tank	Rossi	10.012	111.712	179.783
	Don Rowley	G.B. Roadster	Nova Rossi	N.T.	0.000	0.000
AMRCA 10A						
1	Stuart Hamill	K&G	Nelson 40	8.291	134.898	217.097
2	Jim Persson	K&G/ Persson	Thunder Tiger 46	9.156	122.163	196.602
3	Henry Schulz	K&G Arrow	Nelson 40	9.225	121.243	195.121
AMRCA 10B						
1	Stuart Hamill	Patriot / Ellis	Nelson	7.592	147.320	237.088
2	Eric Burfield	E.B. 1	Nelson	N.T.	0.000	0.000
AMRCA E1						
1	Billy Martin	Buddy - L	Castle	16.577	67.469	108.581
AMRCA E3						
1	Brian Boudakian	FTL Electric	Castle	N.T.	0.000	0.000

Racing Results

May 16, Whittier Narrows, CA

Place Name	Car/Build	Engine	MPH	KmH
WMCR 10 cc				
1. Stuart Hamill	Duran	Eagle	198.465	319.399
2. Steve O'Donnell	Linas	O'Donnell	N.T.	00.000
3. Jim Okel	Linas	Picco	N.T.	00.000
4. Dave Lundegard	Linas	Picco	N.T.	00.000
AMRCA Class 4				
1. Stuart Hamill	Dooling F	Hornet 60	59.513	95.777
2. Steve Morse	Fryco MK.4		NT	00.000
AMRCA Class 6A				
1. Jay Procenko	Nylint	Picco12	70.836	113.999
AMRCA Class 6B				
1. Charles Hamill	MMM	Nelson 15	109.833	176.760
2. Stuart Hamill	MMM	Picco 15	104.137	167.592
AMRCA Class 7B				
1. Steve Morse	Morse Proto 1	S/T 15	97.221	156.462
2. Jay procenko	Ellis	Torpedo 15	60.284	97.017
AMRCA Class7C				
1. Jay Procenko	McCoy	McCoy 19	72.109	116.048
2. Stuart Hamill	Hornet	Hornet 19	67.480	108.598
AMRCA Class 7D				
1. Charles Hamill	Yonites	Dooling 29	N.T.	00.000
2. Steve Morse	Morse Proto 2	S/T 29	N.T.	00.000
AMRCA Class 11 E-1				
1. Bill Martin	Buddy L	Castle	59.005	94.959

May 22, 23, Anderson, IN

Place Name	Car/Build	Engine	MPH	KmH
WMCR 10 cc				
1. J Phil McDonald	M2	Picco	190.721	306.940
WMCR 3.5 cc				
1. Doug Smiley	SMRU	SMRU	NT	00.000
AMRCA Class 3B				
1. Ed Spenser	1234	Yellow Jacket	123.952	199.483
AMRCA Class 3C				
1. Lee Foldenauer	Patriot/Ellis	Nelson 60	NT	00.000
AMRCA CLASS 6E				
1. Mike Baldwin	Tower Hobby	Ammo	79.987	128.728
2. Lowell Shirey	Tower Hobby	Ammo	NT	00.000
AMRCA Class 9A				
1. Don Ulrich	HB 1	Rossi 46	122.316	196.850
2. Dave Ferguson	Witte/McDonald	Rossi 46	117.584	189.235
AMRCA Class 9B				
1. Bob Oge	MMM Indy	OPS 60	NT	00.000
AMRCA Class 10A				
1. Lee Foldenauer	K&G Arrow	Jett 46	127.636	205.412
2. Bob Oge	K&G Arrow/Oge	Rossi 46	NT	00.000
AMRCA Class 10B				
1. Bob Oge	Wanda	Novarossi 60	NT	00.000
2. Ed Spenser	Railton	Rossi 60	NT	00.000
AMRCA Class 11 E1				
1. Mike Baldwin	80MM Red	80 MM	130.042	209.285
2. Mike Baldwin	80MM Blue	80 MM	63.641	102.422

Night Race. June 26, Whittier Narrows, CA

Place Name	Car/Build	Engine	MPH	KmH1
AMRCA Class 3A				
1. Stuart Hamill	Speedster	Eagle	126.663	203.844
AMRCA Class 3B				
1. Steve Morse	Fryco	Rossi	124.833	200.899
AMRCA Class 4				
1. Stuart Hamill	Dooling F	Hornet	60.460	97.301
AMRCA Class 6C				
1. Charlie Hamill	Kopper Car	Picco	108.970	175.370
AMRCA Class 7C				
1. Stuart Hamill	McCoy	McCoy	NT	00.000
AMRCA Class 10A				
1. Henry Schulz	Kandg	Nelson 40	138.554	222.981
WMCR 10cc				
1. Stuart Hamill	G/E/Ellis	Eagle	199.306	320.751
2. Steve O'Donnell	Linas	O'Donnell	NT	00.000
WMCR 3.5 cc				
Erick Burfield	Linas/Democh	Nova Rossi	161.559	260.004
AMRCA Class E1				
1. Billy Martin	Buddy L	Castle	67.193	108.137

July 4, Scaford, NY

Place Name	Car/Build	Engine	MPH	KmH
WMCR 10 cc				
1. Roland Bendel	RoBe	Picco TR	209.373	336.952
2. Murphy- Tucci II	Pavel	Picco 8	NT	0.000
AMRCA Class 4				
1. C. Murphy	McCoy	McCoy	NT	0.000
2. N. Tucci II	McCoy	McCoy	NT	0.000
AMRCA Class 6C				
1. B.Siry	Monza	OPS 21	117.129	188.501
AMRCA Class 6D				
1 N. Tucci II	Fryco Mk 8	OPS 29	142.589	229.475
2. C.Murphy	?	OPS 29	NT	0.000
AMRCA Class E-1				
1 B. Siry	Wells	Castle	69.354	111.614

Night Race, July 10, Whittier Narrows, CA

Place Name	Car/Build	Engine	MPH	KmH
WMCR 10cc				
1. Bob Higginson	FTL	Picco 60	188.451	303.282
2. Stuart Hamill	Duran/Hamill	Eagle	150.685	242.505
3. Steve O'Donnell	Linas	O'Donnell	NT	00.000
AMRCA Class 3A				
1. Stuart Hamill	J-78 Speedster	Eagle	122.599	197.303
AMRCA Class 4				
1. Steve Morse	Invader	Rossi	NT	00.000
AMRCA Class 6A				
1. Jay Procenko	Nylint	Picco 12	70.369	113.248
AMRCA Class 7B				
1. Jay Procenko	Ellis	Torpedo 15	70.680	113.749
AMRCA Class 7C				
1. Jay Procenko	Martin Flash	McCoy 19	82.772	133.208
AMRCA Class 9A				
1. Charlie Hamill	MMM	Super Tigre 40	90.122	145.038
AMRCA Class 10A				
1. Henry Schulz	K&G	Nelson 40	136.305	219.362
AMRCA Class E1				
1. Billy Martin	Buddy L	Castle	66.241	106.604

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**In Memoriam
Glenn Lee**

March 7, 1932 - May 11, 2021

Glenn M. "Ol' Blue" Lee, 89, of St. Charles, ILL., and formerly of Batavia, Il., passed away peacefully at home on Tuesday, May 11, 2021.

Glenn attended South Dakota State University, graduating with a degree in mechanical engineering.

Glenn began working for Fermi National Accelerator (Fermilab) in 1967 as the first mechanical engineer. He was instrumental in the success of the pre-accelerator and the accelerator complex that creates the proton beam and moves it into the linear accelerator.

Glenn was an avid hobbyist and enjoyed tether car racing, as well as model airplane racing. Glenn's passion for most of his adult life was model airplane racing. Glenn first won a trophy at the AMA Nationals in 1962, He founded the Tree Town Modelairs serving as the club's newsletter editor for several years. Glenn also authored the CL Speed column in Model Aviation from 1994 to 2000. He wrote the rules used in the popular .21 Sport Speed event. Elected District VI Vice President from 1972-1979. He also received a Meritorious Service Award in 1978 for his efforts.

A long-time competitor, Glenn was United States Grand National Champion at the 1974 Nat's and Speed Champion at the 2001 Nat's. In FAI competition, Glenn was a two-time member of the United States International Speed Team in the 1960s and 1970s. Glenn is a member of the model airplane Hall of Fame.

During this same time, Glenn competed in the Free Flight Helicopter and Indoor Hand Launched Glider contests. He has set three CL Class B Speed records.



He wrote articles for Model Aviation magazine and was the AMA District VI Associate Vice President in the 1970's.

While more prominent in the AMA and control line speed circles, he also raced tether cars at the Anderson, Indiana, track. Glenn Lee joined the AMRCA in January of 1997. He had frequently raced on the Anderson track ever since. Glenn lost his wife (Mary) of many years around 2015. Although his racing activity slowed after Mary's passing, he still showed up at Anderson several times. Glenn was made an AMRCA Life Member upon reaching 80 years of age.

Glenn readily lent a hand to Midwest members and the Anderson Group will always miss him.

More Race Results, (Continued from page 10)

July 24, 25, Anderson, IN				
<i>Place</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Car/Build</i>	<i>Engine</i>	<i>MPH KmH</i>
AMRCA Class 9A				
1.	Dave ferguson	Witte/McDonald	Rossi46	120.640 194.153
2.	Don Ulrich	HB 1	Rossi 46	NT 00.000
AMRCA Class 10A				
1.	Bob Oge	K&G Arrow/Oge	Rossi 46	*145.395 233.994
2.	Lee Foldenauer	K&G Arrow	Jett 46	121.039 194.796
AMRCA Class 10B				
1.	Bob Oge	Wanda	Nova Rossi	135.845 218.625
AMRCA Class E1				
1.	Mike Baldwin	EDF Red	80 MM	134.653 216.706
AMRCA CLASS VI - E				
1.	Mike Baldwin	Tower Hobbies	Ammo	83.385 134.197
2.	Lowell Shirey	Tower Hobbies	Ammo	NT 00.000
WMCR 10 cc				
1.	J. Phil McDonald	M2	Testa Rossa	NT 00.000



One of three Morse Protos that won their Mite classes.

AMRCA Nationals Mite Corner

By Steve Morse

The event was spectacular. Bob Jaquez gets super kudos for making the grass clean, the track was looking great, and the track spectacular.

Bob also gets even more thanks for supplying a lavish food BARBEQUE to satisfy all palates. He made this a special event, and I just wish more could have shared in the fun. Thanks, Bob

Our new timer, Mike Sweeney, a friend of Dave Lundegard's, helped relieve Charlie Hamill of most of the timing chores. This is a job that Charlie had been doing forever and did amazingly well.

Racing by cable size smoothed out the event tremendously and allowed for the flexibility of bringing cars up, as long as their cable was on. The result was a smooth, low-stress event. Again we applaud the timing team for their help.

The track was smooth and fast as David posted a new 210 mph record, more than four mph faster than second place Steve Torrey with his dad's old car, thoroughly upgraded and looking awesome. Notably missing was potential hero, Steve O'Donnell, with his new engine and several high speeds posted on prior track days. Steve was a major help at the track and had time to share his thoughts with other racers.

Rob Geovanale and son Dravin turned in a great effort with their beautiful yellow Thimble-drome roadster, which Dravin shoved off, even with his broken collarbone in a cast, and seemed to love it! Rob even got fastest time in Class 7C with a new Morse Proto to make it a great day for the Morse Team.

Stuart Hamill ran 17 cars! I think 15 finished! That has got to be a record for one event. Charlie ran his beautiful mite cars, all finishing with good speeds.

Richie Rich ran a super 29 car with narrowed engine mounts and total suspension looking super. It was great to see him and his friend, Tom, from up north.

Charley Murphy, East Coast Racer in Class 6D, Modified Mite, and Class 4 was a strong entry. - Always great to see Charley and his mechanic. Charley is a great competitor, often posting top times.

Morse Racers were entered in four classes and won all of them, three with the new prototypes.

Electric Racer - Bill Martin posted a good time and has since increased his speeds with gearing and secret changes.

The absence of record holders Jay Procenko and Frank

Fisher, made it easier for others to win trophies. Nick Tucci, Bill Siry, and others were missed as well as Bob Oge and his fellow competitors from the Midwest.

Annual meeting review

By Steve Morse

This Nationals was a challenge for the Mite Class and Class 4 racers, in spite of the fact that letters were sent out regarding the changes.

Here are the changes, again and we need your response ASAP to get a ruling.

Mite Suggested changes:

1. Allow re chroming of cylinders: This is done to save worn out parts. Bob Oge will re-chrome your sleeve for \$55 or less.

Vote: Yes () No ()

2. Wheels: Make clear that the wheels should be clearly visible from all angles rather than just from the sides.

Vote: Yes () No ()

3. Spec fuel for stock mites . To reduce blow ups from excessive nitro as racers attempt to break class records. Clearly vintage classes are for the novice and keeping them running is the primary requirement to keep them coming to the track. Shelf fuel is 15% synthetic and vintage motors require 20% as well as castor oil, to keep them running, so this should be a great solution

Vote: Yes () No ()

Class 4 classification recommendation:

The Majority of all Class 4 cars have McCoy's or Hornet's in them. There are hundreds of of them on shelves and in collections! Most will run in the 100 mph range. Rossi engines run much faster and generally dominate the class, eliminating the McCoy and Hornet group from winning and driving a lot of racers away from racing these cars. This should be a relatively inexpensive entry or fun class for all racers with these antique cars and possibly encourage newcomers to enter the sport.

Rossi's should not be allowed in Class 4. New York members do not believe Rossi powered cars should be running in Class 4. If Rossi's are to be run, they should have their own class as was proposed earlier this year. Eliminate Rossi powered cars from Class 4

Vote: Yes () No ()

E-mail your votes to: J. Phil McDonald at: jphil944@hotmail.com

Morse Mite Racers

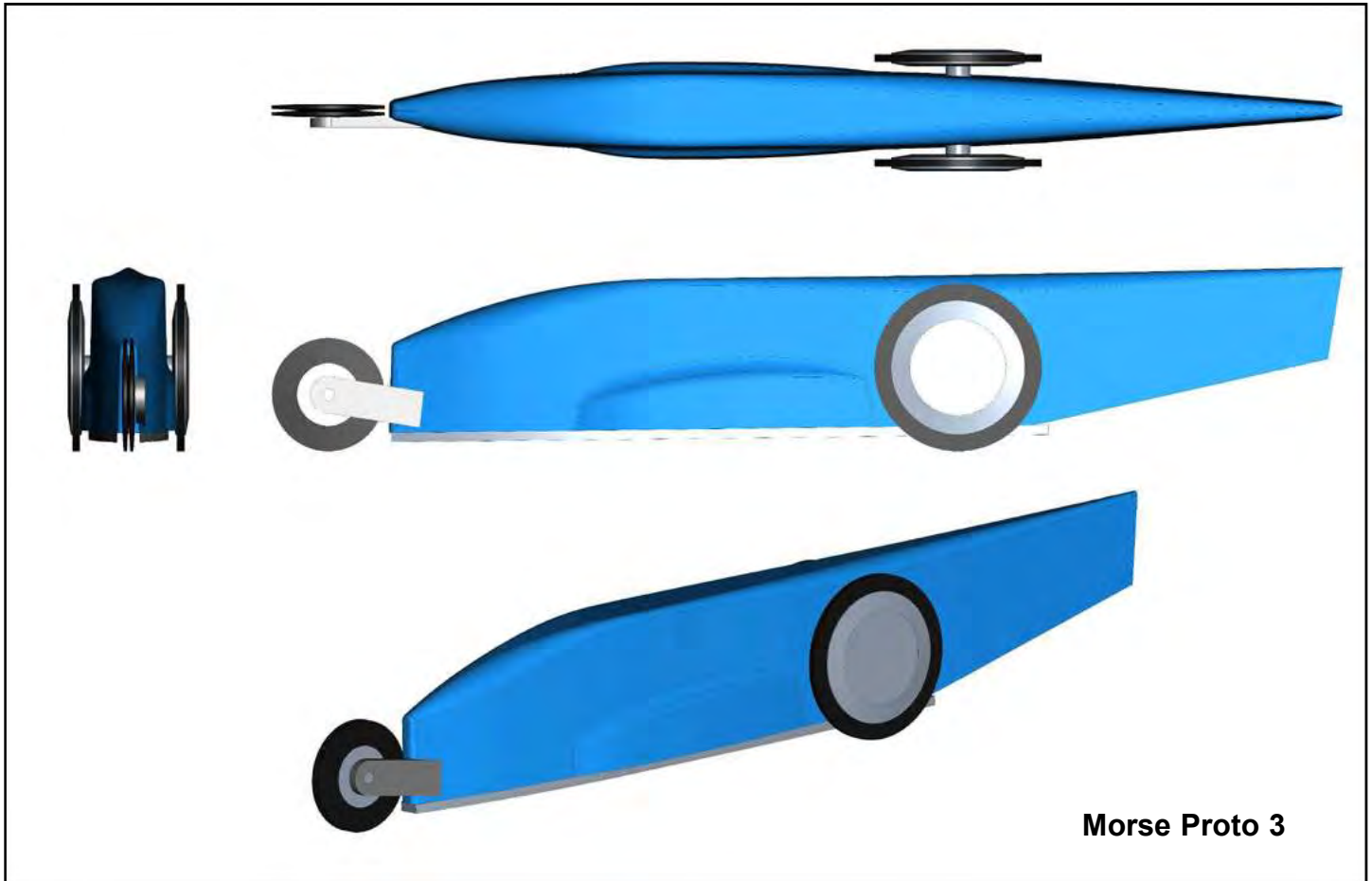
Our Proto 3 will be available for all tracks in 2022 or sooner.

The new Proto 3 will have the following additional features: Single side arm, front suspension with shock absorber; and a gear box to be Denneler with a unique suspension created by Nick Tucci, to absorb shock from bumps in the course. This addresses issues regarding the ratio between sprung and un-sprung

weight, and shock to the gear train. They will have an improved fuel shut-off designed so as not to cut into fuel lines.

Most racers have opted for the OPS .29 engines, but we can fit any of the stock or modified engines for the seven mite classes, you may want.

See the illustration below for the general configuration. Call Steve Morse for more info at 310-920-7000.



International Challenge

By Walt Wilson

Six clubs on three continents have entered the International Challenge. Unfortunately, Due to recent developments, we are cancelling the event.

We want to offer our sincere apologies to all of you who were looking forward to it. Maybe someone else will consider putting on such an event in the future.

The Last Word (really)

By Walt Wilson

After caring for and losing my beloved wife, Suzi, in 2014, I began to wonder what to do for the rest of my life. I put together a bucket list which included taking my son, grandson, and brother-in law to Anderson to hear and experience the tether car spectacular one last time. My friend, John Ellis graciously offered to lend me a car to run. Reluctantly, I accepted and he sent me his "loaner" Kuebler/Ellis car, Blackie, and the necessities to run it.

Running it came back to me like riding a bicycle even though it had been 55 years since my last competition (1959 Nationals). As it turned out, the first time I heard the car run, I won overall with the fastest time of the day and I was hooked.

When I became active in the AMRCA, I saw the need and volunteered my services as Newsletter Editor for this great organization.

I've enjoyed meeting and communicating with tether car racers around the world, if only by e-mail in some instances, and I've thoroughly enjoyed serving you, but it's time to go.

After six years of newsletters, recent events have caused my desire to perform in this capacity to diminish. I'm retiring as Newsletter Editor as of this edition of Model Race Car News.

I wish the best of luck to all my readers and for the future of this sport. It's a great and challenging endeavor.

See you down the road, good friends.