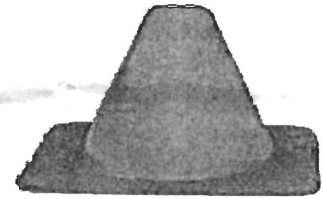
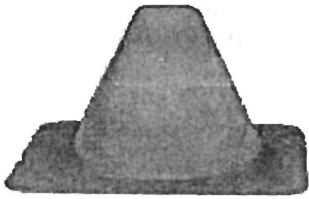


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Introduction

I wanted to put together a 'Rattle' for you guys that would sum up the latest events and news. I worked really hard to play catch up and find all the information that was forgotten about. I hope that you guys enjoy this issue of the 'Rattle', and look forward to the next issue.

-Brittany Kindle

"THE ROAD TO ROAM"

We are excited to announce our first event at ROAM Open Air Markets on 10/13/02. I believe this site will be of great value to Spokes in the days ahead.

As the name implies, ROAM is a modern market facility featuring areas for hundreds of retailers selling antiques, home décor, collectibles, arts & crafts, and all sorts of new and used items. Our initial contact with ROAM came through a fellow autocrosser, SASCA member, Tom Conklin. Tom has a booth at ROAM being an antique seller (and a VW Scirocco owner) himself. His acquaintance and conversation with the ROAM management lead to SASCA and Spokes. The ROAM management was looking for ways to gain exposure of their facility, and naturally, autocross was an appealing event drawing 100+ people. At the time, SASCA had Rivercity Raceway as their primary site so they had no interest in moving. Then our president Tommy

Regan received the site information from Tom, which was forwarded to the BOD. David Dillon initially checked out the site but was unsure of the feasibility. Then I made the trip to scope out the site and talk to the management. The parking area was not fantastic as we would prefer a "square" lot, but given our present situation, I thought it would be a vast improvement. My conversation with the management was met with surprising enthusiasm.

They were interested in the exposure we create and we were interested in their large area of asphalt! We are very fortunate to have such mutual interest, which made this pursuit much easier. I then reported my findings to the BOD and everyone appeared to be happy with this new site. Later, I made my second trip to ROAM to examine the lot in detail and spoke to the general manager Nick Chapman for details of holding our event. Here, we had to make sure that we completely agreed on what we do and what they can expect. We also had our Treasurer Steve Hudson negotiate the details of our insurance with Nick. Once all details were agreed upon, our official event announcement followed. It was a fairly easy road to ROAM. I hope all of

you will enjoy this new site!

Tak Inoue

Vice President, Spokes

September Nationals Recap

Nationals were held in Topeka, Kansas on September 9-13, 2002. Quite a few of spokes members competed at this event. This was almost a week-long event and everyone who went seemed to have had a great time (except for the few mishaps that happened). Everyone from Spokes did really well! Erik Strelnieks placed 1st in SS, Beth McClure-Strelnieks got 2nd place in SSL, Carolyn Feigenspan got 6th place in SSL, Kyung Wootton got another first place trophy in CSL, Ramsey Foster got 14th place in GS (He was less than 2 seconds behind First place), Iven Setiawan got 5th place in GSL, Denny Feigenspan got 5th place in FS, Andy Hollis got 12th place in CSP, Ann Hollis got 18th in CSP, Takao Inoue got 18th in DSP, Tommy Regan and Richard Windberg were disqualified per a protest ☹, Eric Hyman got 10th place in SM, Troy Dudley got 27th in SM, Laurie Hyman got 5th place in SML, Vitek Boruvka got 5th place in CP, Mike Hesse got 21st place in CP, Dan Pedroza got 4th place in SM2, Chris Williams got 14th in SM2, Dani Wheeler got 2nd place in SM2L. Congratulations to everyone who received a trophy, and best of luck to everyone next year. Way to go Spokes at Nationals!!!

As the Wheel Turns

- Congratulations to Dan and Dani Pedroza on their recent marriage.
- Board of Directors Officer Elections will be at the November Meeting on the 19th of November @ 8PM. The meeting is going to be at PokeJo's on 5th Street. We will have a bunch of open positions this year, so check out the positions and their duties in the rulebook to see if you'd like any.
- The October meeting is tentatively at Mr. Gattis @ Far West and Hart Lane on the 15th of October @ 8PM. Check the site for any updates regarding this meeting.
- The End of Year Banquet and Pinewood Derby Race will be held on Saturday, January 11th, 2003 @ the Clarion Hotel off of I-35 from 6 to Midnight. Check the website (www.spokes.org) for updates.
- It is that time of year.....Time for the 3rd annual 'Spokes Halloween Costume Party'. It will be Saturday, October 26th @ Steve Hudson's Lake Travis Place. It will probably start around 7:30 pm. More details will be available soon, so just mark your calendar.
- The Texas Rally Invitational Team will be hosting two days of rally racing on November 9th and 10th. Check out their site @ <http://www.snikt.net/rally> to find out more information.
- Our last event will be on November 17th, 2002 at a yet to be determined site. ☹

OUT'SPOKE'N

Introduction - After reading this initial publishing of my editorial some of you will say 'right on!' and some of you will be appalled. This is a place for you to learn about viewpoints that are afraid to be taken. I do not express these to most people face-to-face because of the delicate nature of the topics, but I love the opportunity to publish such views. After this first issue, I am sure I will get hate mail, but I would also like to get love letters to try and prolong my existence and to continue to be out'spoke'n! I have to put in the disclaimer that my views are not representative of any other member(s) and/or the Spokes Organization. Here is a dose of what you can look forward to in future issues.

Driving - Most people today think that driving is a right instead of a privilege. It is taken for granted and I think that we should have a system between vehicles allowing us to send messages to let others know how dumb and/or ignorant what they just did was.

Religion - I hate religious people that feel the need to 'spread the word.' It is like a disease that becomes infested in the weak. There is never an appropriate time to approach someone except when they come to the church (a completely different scam) or specifically express interest in learning. Hypocrisy will go here.

Computers - Some people are just so timid and act like they are going to bite them. They are afraid to even touch them and now, you have to be very ignorant to not be able to operate one. I don't expect everyone to be a pro on them, but basic knowledge is a must.

Education - Degrees are useless. The stupidest people have them. I own 2 businesses, have a house and cars, etc., but no degree. Oh my, that just makes no sense. In order to get a respectful job you generally have to have a piece of paper that says you wasted 4-8 years of your life; a model of inefficiency in the making.

Money - Money is the root of all evil. Happiness can't be bought. I will be taking donations at every event for those of you who believe these. I will also group bums into this article; they are the scum of the earth and feed off the previously mentioned weak. More to come after those.....Brittany told me I could only make it so long, so I must quit now, but I look forward to hearing the comments and since this will be given out at the event - I'll be watching you, so don't give me that dirty look. Deep down I am still a very happy person with much optimism, I'm just not afraid to say what I think. Insecurity, there's another one. - Until next time, Jeremy ☹

I would like to say thank you to everyone who offered advice and suggestions to me about putting together this issue of the 'Rattle'. Dan Pedroza was so very helpful in answering any questions that I had and offering ideas along with many others. I have gotten such positive feedback about me putting this together. It really means a lot to have such awesome support. Thanks a bunch guys!!!!!! -Brittany Kindle

Meet-A-Member or 2

Jonathan Jaynes



Class: stx #43 White Acura Integra Type R
2002 Carey Kriger

1) Brief description about yourself and hobbies other than autocrossing.

Well, I am married and have 3 children - two daughters, Jessica (11) and Emily (8), and a son named Maxwell (8 months). We moved to Austin from Boise, Idaho 3 years ago for a new job. I'm a Graphic Designer working at frog (<http://www.frogdesign.com>) in downtown Austin. Besides my Type R and love for motor sports, my other hobbies and interests include hockey (huge Calgary Flames fan), Russian literature (I got my Masters in Russian History), video games, science fiction, kung-fu movies, gadgets, ice-cream, and college football

2) How long you have been a member? How did you hear about Spokes?

This is my first year as a member of Spokes and my first year autocrossing. I heard about Spokes through a friend who used to autocross.

3) What do you like best about Spokes?

The cars of course! No just kidding - it is the people. I've always been able to find somebody willing to help me with figuring out a particular course, answering questions about car set-up, or to point me in the right direction when I looked lost.

4) What is something you would like other Spokes members to know about you?

I'm not trying to hit those cones on purpose, despite how it may look....And I'm planning on running in a few regional events next year and maybe even make the trip to Nationals.

Dan Pedroza



2002 Chris Williams

Class: sm2 #198 Emerald Green Miata

Previously: bs Miata, csp Miata, f125 shifter

1) Brief description about yourself and hobbies other than autocrossing.

1. Beagles! We've got two beagles, Emmie and Megan. you can learn about them here: <http://www.mroad.com/beagles.htm>

2. 4-wheelers! We have a total of 3 in the house:

- 96 Yamaha Warrior 350, 00 Yamaha Blaster 200, and a 03 Yamaha Raptor 660

We go mudding in them as often as possible. They're the most fun on 4 wheels a person can have (unless boosted)

3. anything outdoors. I was actually very heavy into competitive

outdoor volleyball for 10 years before I got into autocross. I got out of it, because it was just too stressful. I may get back into it since it's a ton of fun.

2) How long you have been a member?

I've been a member of Spokes since mid '98 immediately after I bought the Miata. I served as assistant tech inspector for a year and a half until I got conned into being president for another year and a half.

3) Spokes experiences?

Hmm.....nothing notable. Well, ok...it's technically where Dani and I spent time together initially and eventually started to date and then wind up where I am now. She actually started coming to spokes events

because She knew I'd have to be there (I was president at the time) and try to Spend time with me etc. I *just* now learned about that.

4) What is something you would like other Spokes members to know about you?

Anyhow, I've been to every Nationals since '99 with this past year being my only trophy finish (4th) in SM2. Next year I WILL be faster.

Tech Ridge Event #10

Texas Spokes Sports Car Club

Final Raw Time Results, #10 - 180/360 Bang - 9/22/2002

Total Entries: 116

Sunday, September 22nd, 2002 turned out to be a pretty eventful day. The event started around the normal time, and everything seemed to be moving smoothly. We got the first heat set up in grid and were just about to send the first car when an 18-wheeler comes zooming in. He drove in like we were not even there. It turned out that they were there to mow the grass. They asked if they could mow the grass outlining the runway. Assuming we really had no choice, we stopped to let them mow. After they were done, the first car was ready to go. Our next big problem of the day was the pesky cone placement near the finish. This created a hazard with the van parked so closely to the problem area. Basically, a few cars got to close for comfort to the van. So the van had to be moved. This meant that all the start equipment had to be moved. After the van was moved we were on our way. The First heat was finally over, and we had come to realize that the runs were not moving as quickly as we would like. The event was over and the van was packed up a little after 6 pm. Overall the event went pretty well for the amount of people that attended (116). Each competitor got 5 runs and got to enjoy a beautiful day, which is not anything to complain about.

Car	#	Driver	Car Model	Time	Car	#	Driver	Car Model	Time	
1m	xf125	146	Vitek Boruvka	Kartanar	41.844	59	xsts	32 Travis Rouse	Subaru OBS	49.880
2m	xcsp	1	Andy Hollis	Miata	44.102	60m	sm2	42 Shawn Gordon	MR2 turbo	49.920
3m	fp	29	Tom Holt	Datsun Z	44.499	61m	nds	36 Iven Setiawan	WRX Scoobies	50.114
4m	fp	15	Brian Taubman	The Wave	44.698	62m	bs	37 Diana Teoh	Honda S2000	50.149
5m	sm2	9	Dan Pedroza	Whoosh Miata	44.778	63m	xcsp	98 Dani Wheeler	Mazda Miata	50.244
6m	cp	46	Vitek Boruvka	'Nanar	44.812	64m	tcs	23 Adrian Iley	2001 MR2 Spyder	50.271
7m	xfsp	45	Richard Windberg	scioccoco	45.081	65m	sts	72 Stephen Froehlich	Civic EX	50.426
8m	f125	92	Tak Inoue	CR125/Interkart	45.281	66m	sm2	14 William Maroon	91 MR2 Turbo	50.479
9m	dp	182	Andy Hollis	Miata	45.451	67m	gs	55 Chris Williams	Acura Integra	50.499
10m	csp	18	Ann Hollis	Miata	45.691	68	fsp	18 Jason D Smith	Mazda Protege	50.551
11	f125	50	Rick Phillips	Shifter 125	46.137	69m	tgs	13 Martin Truemper	Integra GS-R	50.595
12m	xsm	91	Eric Hyman	'93 Supra	46.250	70m	sm	63 Billy Bryson	Camaro	50.620
13m	xdsp	17	Tak Inoue	Nissan 240sx	46.333	71m	cp	13 Ray Sissons	85 Camaro Z28	50.680
14m	ss	34	Troy Dudley	Z06	46.451	72	bsp	24 Shane Nicholson	Datsun 240z	50.683
15	cm	38	David Starman	Lola	46.604	73m	tcs	65 Christopher McChesney	MR2 Spyder	50.715
16	f125	2	Bill Dollahite	Kart	46.634	74m	stx	18 Allen Wilson	Subaru WRX	50.758
17m	tas	56	Carey Kriger	99 BMW M-Coupe	46.893	75	sts	562 David Crusoe	2002 Honda Civi	50.769
18m	sm	9	Rafal Lemanczyk	Subaru WRX	46.900	76	xsts	4 Danny Watkins	Acura RSX-S	50.777
19m	ds	71	Ramsey Foster	Scooby Rex	47.275	77m	sm2	27 Rodel Bautista	Nissan 300ZX TT	50.847
20m	fs	99	Danny Feigenspan	Camaro	47.338	78	xsts	27 Jeremy Kindle	Acura RSX-S	50.897
21m	xcs	99	Danny Feigenspan	Miata	47.419	79m	nsm	111 Shane Shepherd	Pontiac Trans A	50.959
22m	sm2	71	Russell Long	300ZX TT	47.589	80	xdsp	117 Iven Setiawan		51.197
23m	dp	82	Steve Hudson	Mazda Miata	47.612	81m	tsm	52 Craig Rouse	1998 Camaro Z-2	51.261
24m	cs	9	Carolyn Feigenspan	'96 Miata	47.709	82	stx	36 Jeremy Richard Gibson	Subaru WRX	51.325
25m	sm	27	Zachariah Myler	BMW M3	47.724	83	sm2	20 Steve Eisenhour	MR2 Turbo	51.336
26m	xcsp	198	Dan Pedroza	Screamn' green	47.744	84	nsm	216 Mark Ferguson	Mustang	51.735
27m	cp	1	Brian Siminski	96 Pontiac Tran	47.810	85	tgs	32 Justin Lindner	Impreza 2.5 RS	51.743
28	xf125	50	Rick Phillips	Shifter 125	47.903	86	dsp	60 Peter Scham	BMW 328i	51.887
29m	csp	66	Michael Hammond	'00 Miata	48.099	87m	sm	163 Shelley Bryson	Camaro	51.961
30m	sm2	98	Dani Wheeler	99 Turbo Miata	48.184	88m	ngs	23 Robert Jones	Sentra SE	52.164
31m	ds	25	Travis Rouse	Subaru WRX Wago	48.254	89m	sts	4 Danny Watkins	'02 Acura RSX Ty	52.212
32m	xcs	68	Michael Wootton	Miata	48.268	90	nfs	5 Joel Adams	'89 T-Bird SC	52.225
33m	bs	83	Kevin Fabec	S2K	48.386	91	xcs	3 Mitch Mitchamore	Miata	52.724
34m	sm2	91	Jeff Wirtz	Corvette	48.405	92	stx	37 Steven Tellman	Subaru WRX	52.897
35m	csp	7	Greg Ward	2000 SE Miata	48.481	93m	sts	27 Brittany Kindle	RSX-S	52.918
36	xds	52	Whit Elliott	WRX Wagon	48.481	94m	sts	132 Whit Elliott	2002 Subaru OBS	52.939
37m	xfs	96	Carolyn Feigenspan	Camaro	48.578	95	ndsp	10 Matthew Quan	Nissan maxima	52.976
38m	dsp	1	Stefan D. Haag	Plymouth Neon	48.605	96m	as	13 David Safely	84 Vette	53.102
39m	xfs	2	Morgan Dawdy	'94 Z28	48.783	97	sm2	28 Paul Matheney	'93 Mustang	53.407
40m	sm	19	Laurie Hyman	'93 Supra	48.867	98m	sm2	77 Mitch Mitchamore	280Z	53.484
41m	xds	36	Troy Dudley	WRX	48.874	99	fsp	9 Doug Wallingford	75 Cosworth TC	53.555
42	sts	38	Josh Price	Acura Integra	48.890	100	sm2	44 Logan Friedrich	91 MR2 Turbo Re	53.987
43	xfs	21	Donald Tseng	'94 Chevy Z28	48.912	101	csp	11 Ryan Cilek	83 RX-7	54.420
44m	cs	38	Jon Etkins	Miata 10AF	49.033	102	ndsp	92 Ryan Jeffords	1993 Honda del	54.614
45	fp	5	Phil Adams	Texas MR2	49.039	103	ndsp	333 Ryan Johnson	2002 Nissan SE-	55.168
46m	cs	33	David Dillon	Miata	49.187	104	nesp	41 Brent Musat	Eclipse GS-T	55.419
47	sm2	67	Christopher Casias	300ZX TT	49.308	105	ndsp	146 Nick Yim	Acura RSX Type	55.611
48m	bs	427	Aaron Martin	Honda S2000	49.325	106m	ncsp	2 Rick Dodds	1984 RX-7	56.741
49m	stx	6	Douglas Aleong	Subaru Impreza	49.339	107	ncsp	24 Matt Knopp	Mazda MX5	57.634
50	xsm2	77	David Dillon	Datsun 280Z	49.386	108	ndsp	71 Kevin Rodgers	Pontiac Fiero	57.665
51	dsp	3	Bill Agha	1989 VW Golf GT	49.527	109	tcsp	96		57.944
52m	dsp	948	Andy Nguyen	95 VW GTI VR6	49.559	110	nhs	34 George Chamales	Pontiac Firebir	58.909
53	tbs	20	Jim Edrington	Nissan	49.645	111	tesp	42 Rob Moore	'02 Chevy Z28	59.910
54m	stx	43	Jonathan Jaynes	Integra Type R	49.653	112	nhs	11 Chris Muenzer	Mazda Protege 5	60.032
55m	ss	49	Connie Hudson	Z06	49.665	113	ndsp	38 Corinne Noblett	240sx	61.006
56	bsp	5	Jose Alas	Honda S2000	49.693	114	nhs	32 Bryan Kilngner	Honda Civic DX	61.534
57m	sts	21	Jeremy Kindle	RSX-S	49.708	115	nhs	33 Doug Crowder	Pontiac Firebir	62.682
58m	tcs	31	Walker Clark	Miata	49.735	116	tss	81 Morgan Dawdy	'93 RX7	64.775