Bob Hill puts three cars on the Summit of Pikes Peak

2011 marked the 89th running of the Pikes Peak International Hill Climb-Race to the Clouds. Again this year, the Pikes Peak Hill Climb organizers allowed a select group of historic and vintage cars to race Pikes Peak right alongside the million dollar competitors. This year RMVR was represented by a group of 13 cars from the 40s to the 70s. From four-cylinder to fire-breathing V8s. This year’s winner, Ralph Murdock, flew up Pikes Peak in 12:51.004.

The major story behind the success of this year’s event was not the weather or the record of 9:51 set by Nobuhiro Tajima but rather the vintage spirit and generosity of RMVR longtime member Bob Hill.

Bob spent much of his spring and early summer preparing his own 66’ Shelby Mustang (old 6S110) for its first ascent up Pikes Peak. At the same time, Bob also prepared and sold to racer Jim Hodgeson from Australia a 66’ Mustang coupe. All of Bob’s race preparations and his work assisting Hodgeson to become acclimated to the car and the environment were proceeding well in the last days before the Pikes Peak Hill Climb when an emergency arose.

Famed rally racer Ralf Christensson from Stockholm, Sweden had prepared his car abroad and arranged for its shipment to Colorado Springs for this year’s running of the Race to the Clouds. Unfortunately, the geniuses with US Customs trapped the car in customs hold in the port of Los Angeles along with every bit of Ralf’s safety gear and other race equipment. Ralf was here without a car or the means to compete in this year’s event despite months of planning and preparation. Literally 24 hours before the tech inspection was to begin, Ralf contacted Bob Hill through a referral from Walt Hane and inquired about the possibility of renting a car from Bob. Bob did not have a third car ready and available to race on Pikes Peak. What he did have was RMVR member Stu Harding’s old red Mustang Coupe that Bob had acquired some time ago. It was sitting in Bob’s shop in running condition but by no means ready to race up Pikes Peak. No roll cage. Safety equipment missing. And of course no race gear for Christensson to use. In the space of 24 hours, Bob modified the red coupe, cajoled his friends into working around the clock and into loaning helmets and gloves and shoes and fire suits and whatever else was needed in order to fulfill Christensson’s dream of racing up Pikes Peak in 2011. By 2:00 p.m. on the day of tech inspection, the red coupe was ready. The needed equipment was accumulated and the car was ready to go. It passed tech inspection with flying colors.

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Help Needed
The club needs help in three important positions:

● Secretary
● Merchandise Chief of Specialty
● Timing & Scoring Chief of Specialty

RMVR is a volunteer club, so please step right up and contact Pat Hogan.

Race Entry Deadlines and Late Registration!
Race entry deadlines have changed. Late registration now begins 10 days before the start of an event. Please make note of this. This change will be in effect for all 2011 events.

RMVR Board Meeting Location Has Changed!
Starting with the May 2011 Board Meeting, the new meeting location will be:

Garcia’s Mexican Restaurant
5050 S. Syracuse St.
Denver, CO 80237
303-779-4177

Meetings will still be the 3rd Wednesday of the month and will start at 7:00PM.

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This summer seems to fly by – even with our limited events in July! If you participated in the 24 Hours of LeMons, then maybe you had your racing fix for the month.

Currently, BJ and I are anticipating the Race Against Kids’ Cancer on August 6th-7th, 2011. It is definitely going to be an event different from the rest! I hope you are there to enjoy all the amenities offered. There will be great food and live music to boot.

Our next one is in Hastings, Nebraska: the 2011 Showboat Grand Prix. If you are planning to come out and play in Nebraska, keep in mind that we offer $100 for your traveling costs. The folks from Heartland Vintage Racing will be joining us. We will not need as many people as usual, so sign up early! We will be staying at the Quality Inn and Convention Center in Hastings, just as we have in the past. To get there take Interstate 80 to Highway 281 South. Go to the second stop light in Hastings, which is North Shore Drive and take a left hand turn there, and then a right hand turn heading back South on Osborne Drive East. The property is located on the right hand side of the road. Traveling North on Highway 281, then you will drive north until you get to 16th Street and take a right hand turn which will take east. Follow this road and it will go over an overpass and curve north. The property will be on the left hand side of the road.

Other clubs are also looking for workers for their events. The Porsche Club is needing people for August 13th & 14th. Go to http://www.pca.org/Activities/ClubRacing.aspx to find out more info. You can send Roger Buswell an email if you are interested at roger@rogerbuswell.com.

When you sign up for a race, please sign up early. BJ and I would love to accommodate you with your preference of corner. If you have to cancel, also do it early so we do not incur the cost of your room and we can make plans for others. We understand if you have issues that will limit you in anyway and will try to help you out in those cases. We appreciate each and every one of our volunteers!

In case you have not had enough racing for the year, RMVR decided to add on a race at the end of October! You saw it right – besides the usual Enduro, we will be having a Halloween race. Make sure to check the website for more information on this race!

Please send in response to the appropriate chief listed below.

If you have any preferences as to whom you share a room with, please be sure to let your chief know. Remember that all specialties are limited as to the number of workers for whom they can provide accommodations, so send in your reply form before the deadline.
EVENT • Race

SHOWBOAT GRAND PRIX
MOTORSPORT PARK HASTINGS
September 2, 3 & 4, 2011

CHAIRS:      Roger Hively  (303) 816-0618 or (303) 829-0990
Diane Hively   (720) 563-7292
STEWARD:    Tony Peak   (303) 750-0360 tonypeak@q.com
ASSISTANT STEWARD:  Christy Hopkins  (303) 716-4866 christy_hopkins@q.com
RACE ENTRY FEE:  
$375.00 for all three days.
$275.00 for Saturday and Sunday.
Steak dinners are not included with the entry. Cost will be $18 per steak dinner.
LATE ENTRY FEE:   $25.00 after August 23, 2011 (at the track $50.00)
DEADLINE:  August 23, 2011
Fuel WILL be available.

***To reserve an RV or Big Rig site call Diane***

EVENT SCHEDULE

PADDOCK OPENS AT 10:00 AM ON THURSDAY

TECH(at the grid):  Thursday  2:00-6:00 PM
                    Friday  7:00 AM
REGISTRATION (at the Stiehr Trailer):
                    Thursday  2:00-5:00
                    Friday  7:00-12:00 1:00-3:00
                    Saturday  7:00 AM
STEAK DINNER  Saturday  5:00 PM
COBALTCHALLENGE Saturday after dinner.

The complete schedule will be handed out at registration.
All drivers and crew must sign a waiver at registration.
Any driver that has not signed in, by the above specified time will not be allowed on the track.
All drivers must attend the Driver’s Meeting.

CANCELLATION POLICY:  Total reimbursement of race fee will be issued if registrar is notified of cancellation no later than 72 hours prior to race dates.
Cancellations later than 72 hours or no shows will be assessed a $25 cancellation fee.

A pair of Lola T-70s are expected to race at the Showboat Grand Prix!

Friday Evening Reception
“Business After Hours” mixer with local business leaders at the Guardrail Club House, Friday 6:00 PM.
Accommodations:

**Comfort Inn of Hastings**
2903 Osborne Dr. W.
Hastings, NE 68901 US
(402) 463-5252

**MPH Official Host Hotel**
ask for Harry Dworak (Mgr & Friend of the Track)
(800) 228-5150

**Super 8 Motel**
2200 N Kansas Ave
Hastings, NE
(402) 463-8888

**USA Inns of America-Hastings**
2424 Osborne Dr E
Hastings, NE
(402) 463-1422

**Rainbow Motel**
1000 W J St
Hastings, NE
(402) 463-2989

**Holiday Inn Hastings**
2205 Osborne Dr E
Hastings, NE
(402) 463-6721

**Best Western North Shore Lodge**
203 W 33rd St
Hastings, NE
(402) 461-4076

**Midlands Lodge**
910 W J St
Hastings, NE
(402) 463-2428

**X L Motel**
1400 W J St
Hastings, NE
(402) 463-3148

**Grand Motel**
201 E J St
Hastings, NE
(402) 463-1369

**Midlands Lodge**
Highway 6 34 281
Hastings, NE
(402) 463-2428


Hotel listing from www.raceMPH.com
Classifieds

For Sale- 1995, 20 Foot Haulmark Race Trailer Model #G820RT2-102.030 Smooth Black Ramp Door w/EXT. (Beaver Tail) - Full Diamond Plate, 48” Flush Lock Side Door, 3-Dome Lights, 2 Roof Vents, 1 Underfloor Tire Storage 2-Diamond Plate Runners in Interior. F&C Colorado Title. $5,000.00 OBO Contact Dale Thero speedster156@gmail.com

For Sale- 1970 BOSS 302, extremely rare, special order paint color, asa appraisal, shaker hood, front & rear spoilers, rear window slats, 3.50 traction lock, power steering/slats, fold down rear seat, magnum 500’s, upgrade interior, factory 8 track/radio stereo system, marti report, one of 26 with this trim/paint code, car is untouched original except for correct, color repaint, new front seats and crash pad, available: rev limiter & complete smog system, $52,000 brucefus@mac.com

Service records to 1988, original dealer sheet, original owner’s manual (perfect), original Don Farr BOSS 302 book (very good), two different versions of original dealer booklets (very good), original collapsible spare tire, center console (fair), oil and amp gauges with housing, three dozen or so 8 track tapes, rare color not accounted for in appraisal because there are no comparables, Smog system and rev limiter not accounted for in appraisal because they are not now installed in car. May be a replacement block, incorrect distributor and carburetor, shaker hood not original to car, previous three accounted for in appraisal.

FOR SALE- 1980 911 SC Targa. Beautiful condition. We are the second owners. 119,000 miles. Please contact Reah or Bonnie Mortimer 303-790-8676 edzink88@aol.com

Wanted- I am new in the club and in need of a hard wire transponder. If anyone has one they are looking to sell, please call John at 303-356-8313. Thanks


For Sale- Spridget vintage racing items. Your chance to own a piece of Vintage Racing history or make some of your own. • Aluminum Radiator & Electric Fan $300, Davis Custom Aluminum Radiators Ron Davis Racing Products, Phoenix, AZ, SPAL 11” puller fan and mounting brackets • 1275cc Competition Oil Pan $150, extra quart capacity powder coated, Tom Colby Speedwell Racing • Quaiffe Limited Slip Differential $800 Rebuilt 2009 used only 3 race weekends 2010, Taylor catalog item number 0200031, 4:55 differential gear set • Fuel cell, fuel gauge & sending unit $800, new bladder April 2010 certified conformant, tank powder coated red & out, Measures 29” x 16” x 8” 4.5 gallon capacity, custom made for a Spridget • Fiberglass racing seats & pads, $40/pair includes both shells and pads • “Headlite” set duct and screen aluminum • Roll bar video camera mount • Traxx 260 transducer direct power • Billet steel flywheel cut for 7” Tilton clutch w/ clutch, plate and disc used • Vernier adjustable tooth belt drive system with new belt and seals • Dampener “S” type with toothed drive, water alternator w/ alternator • Auto Meter black face water gauge 2 ¾” hole • Stewart Warner Vacuum gauge oil temp F° • 2 1/3” oil temp manifold for gauge • Oil thermostat control • Weber 45 DCOE body only • MSD 6200 don’t use w/ Mallory coil • Speedwell panhard bar kit for ¾ elliptic cars • Elgin race cam (2 ea.) w/ matching lifters used/good • A/F monitor 3-wire sensor, new • Halon 12” fire system 5# w/ tubing and 2 heads • Spax front tube shock kit • More competition components and parts available…………call Joe Hallauer 816-454-2504 to inquire.

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