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## Solo II Talk

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### Editors Note:

This month the featured car club is the Corvette Club. Their members qualify for a discounted admission fee of \$10.00. So watch out for a lot of Super Stock racers!

Please remember the June autocross is a part of the Aloha State Games, you'll need to register before the event. (see Lindsey's note on page 6)

Big trucks. Normally one wouldn't see too many of them at the autocross, but two showed up to plow down the track. In a Nissan Frontier, Richard Crabbe ran very consistently in the mid 70's without hitting any cones! Martin Barrozo on the other hand had loads of fun killing all the



*Earl Huang once again won his class, only this time it was the new Street Touring S class for cars with street tires. He's doing something right because he was over 3 seconds quicker than the next closest*

cones in sight during fun runs. I wonder what class Martin's truck would be in.

Speaking of classes, the new 2000-2001 season has introduced a few new classifications. Street Touring S, Street Touring R, and Street Modified are three new classes that have already been filled with competitors, mostly from CSP. It might be a good idea to check the rulebook to see if your car has been moved to another class. Many changes have been made to all classifications. Do it soon since it's still the beginning of the season and class points are tallied for the each race.

A new season brings new faces. **Chad Bulacan, Mark Cruz, and Richard Takaba** were April's novices.

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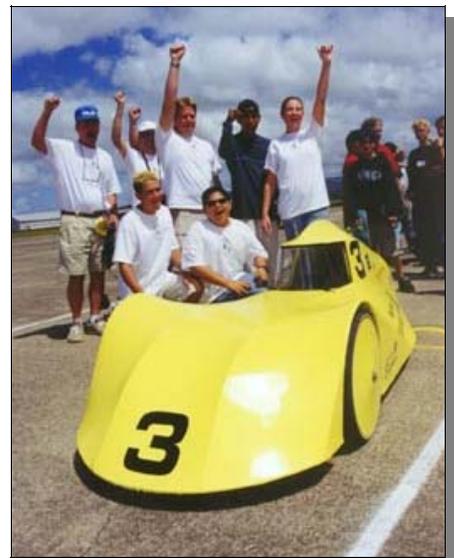
## Hawaiian Electric's Electron Marathon 2000

By Lindsey Akamu

Once again SCCA, Hawaii Region was called on by Hawaiian Electric to run the race for the Fifth Annual Electron Marathon. The Electron Marathon is an electric car race with all the cars built by the students at various high schools in the state.

The day started with the usual speeches by the dignitaries from Hawaiian Electric, the military and the schools. The first race of the day was between the Army, Navy, Air Force and Marines. I was only able to give them a brief rundown on how to race and the flagging rules. Needless to say, they had a poor start. As soon as the pace car pulled off, they all started racing without waiting for the green flag.

We gave them a yellow flag and tried to



The West Hawaii Preparatory Academy winner.

## Solo II Talk

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Showing them how it's done was fastest time of the day, Keith Greer in his FM F440 with a stealth time of 55.818. April's track was a very even one indeed. Frankly, I had a lot of trouble getting the shifting right in at the start. After a horseshoe turn in the beginning came a hard left leading to a killer right that opened up into a short slalom. Following this were some



*The last weekend on my original stock tires and I finally won A Stock. 8000 miles, 6 autocrosses, and 1 driver training event and the tires are gone! What a hobby huh? ...the wife rolls her eyes!*

offset gates and an increasing/decreasing slalom. Up ahead came a fast 180 turn setting up the driver for a speedy 2-cone slalom. Next, a smoothly curved arc flowing into the end of the track. There were many places to put the pedal to the metal but also to test technical skill.

If you haven't already heard, the Aloha State



*Ron Mishima piloted his 911 to a first place in a E Modified class that has lots of experienced drivers including Lindsey, Wes and Harvey!*



*Reid Morimoto took 1st in G Stock with his Acura Integra Type R., to compliment a good day for the stock Honda/Acura family.*

Games are coming up in June. Everyone must pre-register in order to compete. The price is \$20 per person and event. This event will be counted as June's race. For your money you will receive, if you qualify, a gold, silver, or bronze medal and a participation T-shirt. Good deal, huh? Forms will be available at May's event at the registration booth and the trailer. Also at the trailer are SCCA Hawaii Region shirts for sale. Just \$13 each, sizes come in



*Panos Prevedouros used his new "sticky" tires to good effect posting the best time in B Stock. Hmmm, new tires...he seems to be getting serious!*

medium through XXXL. Pick one up while you still can.

A big MAHALO goes out to Panos Prevedouros for graciously posting the Solo II results at his web site. Your service is greatly appreciated. If you haven't already been to his site, you can get there from our Hawaii SCCA site: [www.hawaiiis.com/scca](http://www.hawaiiis.com/scca). I hope everyone had a fun time in April and I'll see

## Hawaiian Electric's Electron Marathon 2000

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get them in position for a restart that was a little more acceptable. I believe it was the Army that won the ten lap race. This was a complete turn around from last year's race, where they had trouble finishing even one lap.

I reminded the drivers from the nineteen schools not to do what the military just did on their start. The students paid attention and had a beautiful start. Nineteen cars is more than our usual number of cars we control in a single race and with the short 1/3 mile track, the cars were all over the track. We were expecting fast cars, slow cars, disabled cars and car crashes. We weren't disappointed. We had yellow flags waving from the second minute to the second to the last minute of the race and every minute in between. We had dying batteries, parts falling off, flat tires, blown fuses and who knows what else. Credit the students keeping

the cars on the track though, only they were allowed to fix the cars. Congratulations to West Hawaii Preparatory Academy for their fine win.

I would like to thank all the volunteers that came out to help on Saturday. I have to say, of all the Electron Marathons we did, this was the best job we did in making a safe and fun race. Thanks to Wesley Aihara, Robert Bickley, Jack Evans, Keith Greer, Laureen Halemano, David Heard, Ed Kemper, Curtis and Jennifer Lee, Gerald Luke, Alicia May, Mark and Joyce Murray, Harvey Okamura, Colin and Franceen Sato, Paul Schwartx, Richard Shimakukuro, Shaunna and Tim Tabor and Halford Tome. Thanks to the Hawaii Corvette Assn. members Phil and Merle Becker, Jim and Kathy Welker and Bill and Gail Bartenstein for also helping out on the corners.

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### Huila Classifieds

(See page 7 for submission guidelines)

For Sale, 1976 Porsche 911S. Complete except for headlight buckets. Good body, garaged since 1984. Great car for start-up racer. \$1,500 obo. 371-3622, gk99@hawaii.rr.com

For Sale, SCCA race-legal ITC Fiesta. (Formerly raced by MG Lewis). Low cost racing or Solo! \$1000.00 Call Blaine @ 732-1812.

For Sale, 4 Michelin XGT V4 tires, 195/55 -R15. Less than 500 miles, original equipment for Integras, \$95 each, regular over \$150! Call Colin @ 255-1255 or e-mail colin@satoauto.com

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### The Eighth Annual All British Car Day

The eighth annual All British Car Day will be held on Sunday, May 21, 2000. The location is Kapiolani Park in the parking lot on the corner of Paki and Monserrat, just mauka of the Waikiki Shell. This is not really a car show as such, but rather an informal gathering of British cars and the people who enjoy them. It is open to all British cars of any condition and any vintage.

Last year we had over 50 cars and are hoping to double that number this year. There is a nominal entry fee of \$5 per car, but people are free. If you own a British car, please bring it, if you don't, just come to look. There is plenty of free parking for non-British cars in the adjacent Waikiki shell parking lot. For further info, call Harvey Henderson at 545-3030 days or 395-4514 evenings.

SCCA SOLO II Results  
Barbers Point NAS

4/9/00

Name	Make	Model	Run1 C	Run2 C	Run3 C	Run4 C	Best	OA	PAXTime	PAX
<b>SS</b> Class Average : 64.596										
Joyce Murray	Mazda	RX-7	67.204	67.682	65.224	64.596	64.596	26	53.615	26
<b>AS</b> Class Average : 66.187										
Colin Sato	Honda	S2000	65.496 1	63.169	DNF	DNF	63.169	16	51.483	10
Collyer Young	Porsche	911 Carrera	74.062	65.852	64.573	64.194	64.194	24	52.318	17
Yi-Wen Ting	BMW	323i	70.049	67.970	74.086 1	70.974	67.970	39	55.396	33
Egmar Klemmer	Porsche	968	70.245	70.229	69.415	71.522 2	69.415	44	56.573	39
<b>BS</b> Class Average : 68.587										
Panos Prevedouros	Mazda	Miata	69.137	68.500	67.103	67.513	67.103	37	54.488	30
John Newton	Mazda	Miata	DNF	DNF	71.619	68.917	68.917	43	55.961	36
George Atkins	BMW	Z3	75.841 1	72.863	69.741	69.800	69.741	45	56.630	40
<b>CS</b> Class Average : 531.366										
Jason Dovgan	Mazda	Miata	65.412	64.092	63.870	63.732	63.732	20	51.241	9
Kenny Cabal	Mazda	RX-7	DNW	DNW	DNW	DNW	999.000	70	803.196	70
<b>DS</b> Class Average : 68.385										
David Petruska	Alfa Romeo	GTV	DNF	DNF	68.385	68.787	68.385	42	54.640	32
<b>ES</b> Class Average : 72.567										
Jessie Weinberger	Plymouth	Laser RS	DNF	DNF	73.989 1	72.567	72.567	55	57.038	44
<b>FS</b> Class Average : 74.370										
Larson Kiyabu	Chevy	Camaro	77.647	74.370	74.448	76.172	74.370	61	60.017	59
<b>GS</b> Class Average : 71.151										
Reid Morimoto	Acura	Integra Typ	73.539 2	69.430	68.284	68.369 1	68.284	41	53.876	27
Ray R. Smith	BMW	328i	71.192	70.555	70.308	70.360	70.308	47	55.473	34
Scott Pires	Mercury	XR-7	75.141 1	74.641 1	72.473	72.323	72.323	54	57.063	45
Ryen Watanabe	Subaru	Impreza	DNF	DNF	73.688	74.367	73.688	59	58.140	52
<b>HS</b> Class Average : 73.560										
Richard Crabbe	Nissan	Frontier	76.412	75.906	74.320	73.560	73.560	58	57.450	50
<b>ASP</b> Class Average : 62.096										
Richard Shimabukuro	Mazda	RX-7	DNF	66.252 1	62.734	61.620	61.620	7	52.500	19
Kevin Ham	Porsche	Carrera	68.251 2	63.760	63.498	62.573	62.573	11	53.312	24
<b>BSP</b> Class Average : 64.453										
Curtis Lee	Datsun	240Z	59.068	58.508	58.233	57.739	57.739	2	48.905	1
Garrett Chew	Datsun	240Z	61.794	61.130	60.887	59.992	59.992	4	50.813	5
Jennifer Lee	Datsun	240Z	64.643	63.489	65.624	62.649	62.649	12	53.064	22
Mark Murray	Datsun	240Z	72.538 1	63.828	66.930 1	64.137	63.828	21	54.062	28
Amy Lee	Datsun	240Z	64.713	64.167	65.487	65.052	64.167	23	54.349	29
Michael Parker	Datsun	280Z	99.507	78.342	93.049 1	82.972 3	78.342	66	66.356	67

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Barbers Point NAS

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Name	Make	Model	Run1 C	Run2 C	Run3 C	Run4 C	Best	OA	PAXTime	PAX
<b>CSP</b> Class Average : 68.736										
Ken Van Orman	BMW	M3	61.517	62.362	62.789	63.022	61.517	6	51.920	14
James Chen	Honda	Civic Si	75.033	1 70.445	72.281	1 70.353	70.353	48	59.378	55
Sang Luong	Toyota	MR2	DNF	80.765	1 88.516	1 74.339	74.339	60	62.742	63
<b>DSP</b> Class Average : 225.183										
Clifford Goto	Dodge	Neon R/T	61.786	63.400	1 61.446	61.979	61.446	5	50.324	3
Stacy Balbirona	Nissan	240SX	72.713	70.568	70.141	74.488	2 70.141	46	57.445	49
Pierre Felipe	Nissan	Sentra	72.268	71.519	71.238	71.002	71.002	50	58.151	53
Eddy Searfoss	Toyota	Supra	79.146	75.262	74.646	75.899	1 74.646	62	61.135	61
Lawton Lam	Volkswage	GTI	81.723	75.997	75.582	74.860	74.860	64	61.310	62
Ranjoe Banga	Nissan	240SX	DNW	DNW	DNW	DNW	999.000	70	818.181	71
<b>ESP</b> Class Average : 66.805										
John Pinero	Chevy	Camaro	64.555	63.272	62.729	62.772	62.729	14	51.563	13
James Rumler	Chevy	Camaro	64.951	66.202	1 65.344	1 DNF	64.951	28	53.390	25
Richard Takaba	Chevy	Camaro	72.823	73.207	73.425	72.734	72.734	56	59.787	58 N
<b>FSP</b> Class Average : 74.991										
Brian Kashiwamura	Suzuki	Swift	68.916	2 66.736	1 65.168	64.277	64.277	25	52.514	20
Jessie Raguine	Toyota	Corolla GT:	DNF	71.965	72.574	90.508	71.965	53	58.795	54
Kevin Bristol	Toyota	Celica	76.917	1 80.496	1 73.010	72.745	72.745	57	59.433	56
Jack Evans	Porsche	912	79.827	75.640	78.396	1 74.771	74.771	63	61.088	60
Elliot Loo	Volvo	740 Turbo	DNF	77.568	80.134	77.919	77.568	65	63.373	65
Frank Ching	Toyota	Corolla GT:	DNF	81.642	81.865	92.254	1 81.642	68	66.702	68
Kenrick Leong	Toyota	Corolla GT:	84.490	DNF	82.601	81.966	1 81.966	69	66.966	69
<b>BP</b> Class Average : 64.947										
Ken Matsumoto	Nissan	300ZX TT	66.146	65.978	66.253	64.947	64.947	27	56.764	41
<b>CP</b> Class Average : 66.974										
Halford Tome	Ford	Mustang	66.974	67.012	68.098	1 82.998	1 66.974	36	57.397	48
<b>EP</b> Class Average : 58.321										
Stephen Oliberos	Datsun	510	60.347	58.489	58.865	58.321	58.321	3	50.914	7
<b>DM</b> Class Average : 63.803										
Charles Lindemann	Volkswage	GTI	65.020	64.504	64.071	63.697	63.697	19	57.327	46
William Lindemann	Volkswage	GTI	68.607	65.590	64.418	63.910	63.910	22	57.519	51
<b>EM</b> Class Average : 64.468										
Ron Mishima	Porsche	Carrera	63.117	62.360	62.030	62.618	62.030	8	56.323	38
Wesley Aihara	Honda	CRX	63.726	62.669	62.526	62.778	62.526	10	56.774	42
Harvey Okamura	Datsun	240Z	65.172	63.491	63.142	62.709	62.709	13	56.940	43
Lindsey Akamu	Porsche	Carrera	66.083	64.119	DNF	63.171	63.171	17	57.359	47
Cory Tomoyasu	Honda	CRX	69.037	65.474	78.718	2 75.889	1 65.474	31	59.450	57
Chad Bulacan	Ford	Mustang C:	DNF	70.898	71.704	70.946	1 70.898	49	64.375	66 N
<b>FM</b> Class Average : 55.818										
Keith Greer	Red Devil	F440	57.222	56.687	55.818	56.416	55.818	1	50.459	4

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<b>STS</b> Class Average : 68.186										
Earl Huang	Subaru	Impreza	64.460	65.490	1 64.336	62.813	62.813	15	49.183	2
Francis Lining	Subaru	Impreza	65.884	65.860	65.003	65.816	65.003	29	50.897	6
William Cook	Subaru	Impreza	70.217	1 66.619	70.820	65.360	65.360	30	51.177	8
Tim Wolf	Subaru	Impreza	71.095	1 67.419	67.353	65.804	65.804	32	51.525	12
Russell Yamaguchi	Subaru	Impreza	69.776	67.971	66.983	66.639	66.639	33	52.178	15
Eugene Van Orman	Volkswage	Jetta GLX	71.589	68.527	67.855	66.672	66.672	34	52.204	16
Arian Yee	Subaru	Impreza	67.583	1 72.884	4 66.879	1 70.962	3 66.879	35	52.366	18
Joseph Battista	Subaru	Impreza	71.520	69.382	68.695	67.993	67.993	40	53.239	23
Ronald Ma	Honda	Accord	75.009	72.590	72.548	71.115	71.115	51	55.683	35
Franceen Sato	Acura	Integra GSI	74.483	76.121	1 73.430	71.514	71.514	52	55.995	37
Mark Cruz	Dodge	Neon	80.516	80.366	1 DNF	80.252	80.252	67	62.837	64 N
<b>STR</b> Class Average : 65.467										
Gavin Lee	Acura	Integra	66.992	65.245	64.241	63.562	63.562	18	51.485	11
Walton Ching	Subaru	Impreza RS	68.949	67.951	67.481	67.372	67.372	38	54.571	31
<b>SM</b> Class Average : 62.240										
Barry Lai	Honda	Civic DX	64.740	62.240	63.717	69.966	1 62.240	9	52.655	21

FTD: 55.818

Overall Average : 93.924

Standard Deviation : 154.190

N - Novice	PAXTime - PAX Adjusted Time
OA - Ranking based on Best time	PAX - Ranking based on PAXed Time
DNF - Did Not Finish Run	DNS - Did not Start
DNW - Did Not Work (No times will be recorded)	

The PAX Index is an autocross handicapping system designed to allow comparison between the various SCCA Solo II classes. The PAX numbers represent times that should be run by cars developed to the limit of the rules and driven by national caliber drivers. The PAX Index is updated each year to account for rule changes and is based on major events, including the SCCA Solo II Nationals, where there are plenty of fully prepared cars in the hands of top quality drivers.

To use the Index, multiply a given time by the class index number to get an indexed time. For example, if a CS car runs a time of 43.500, its indexed time is 34.887 (43.500 x .802). If on the same course, an ASP car runs a time of 41.000, its indexed time is 34.932 (41.000 x .852). In this case, the CS competitor performed the best.

## Notes from the Regional Executive

by Lindsey Akamu

Just a reminder to all those autocrossers, the Aloha State Games will take the place of our regular June event. It will be on the same day, the second Sunday and follow the same format. The Aloha State Games require advance registration and it must be through them, not us. I am debating whether to allow registration sign ups on the morning of the event. If I do allow late registration, it may mean you do not qualify to win any of the medals. Because the Games are under new management, the distribution of the booklets will not be through 7-11 as in previous years. We were given a large quantity and if you did not pick one up at the last autocross, let me know and I'll see that you get one. The deadline for entries is May 20<sup>th</sup>, the day before our next event. Late entries may not include a T-shirt and carries a \$ 10.00 penalty. The Aloha State Games will count toward the season points standing, so let's make it a good one.

We have implemented the three new classes that split CSP into smaller groups. So many people made the change, it left only three people in CSP. I will probably keep STS in the same heat as CSP, and move the other two classes to Stock and Prepared & Modified. Hopefully this will create a balanced heat schedule. Keep in mind, it is not the tech inspectors responsibility to determine your class or if your car is legal for that particular class. It is your responsibility to determine if your car meets the limits of modification or

## Solo II Heat Schedule for March 12, 2000

8:00 Track Set-up  
 9:30 Race / Work Registration, Tech Inspection, Track Walk  
 10:15 Track closed, Heat 1 Drivers and Workers Meeting  
 10:30 Start Heat 1  
     **Heat 1: A Prepared, BP, CP, DP, EP and all Modified**  
 Heat 2 Drivers and Workers Meeting  
     **Heat 2: Super Stock, AS, BS, CS, DS, ES, FS and GS**  
 Lunch Break, Awards Presentation, Track Walk  
 Heat 3 Drivers and Workers Meeting  
     **Heat 3: A Street Prepared, BSP, DSP, and ESP**  
 Heat 4 Drivers and Workers Meeting  
     **Heat 4: C Street Prepared, STS, STR**  
 Fun Runs: \$1.00 per run, Passengers welcome with a Helmet.  
     **Clean-up, Put away cones**

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## SCCA Hawaii General Membership Meeting May 24th

This month's meeting will be at **Pflueger Acura (1450 S. Beretania St.)**. We will be in the conference room behind the showroom. If you enter from Beretania St. use the driveway after the showroom. Parking is available towards the end of the lot. This meeting will start at 7:00, if you have any questions regarding the meeting agenda, please call Linsey Akamu at 595-3595. For directions call Colin Sato at 255-1255.

Huila welcomes all responsible comments, suggestions, editorials, and advertising. We have a deadline for publishing so please contact the editor for details. We reserve the right to edit all submissions as needed. All submissions should be e-mailed or on disk, we're not re-typing anything! Anything else must be camera ready.

This newsletter is non-profit, if you want to advertise here it's not expensive, just help us with the production costs!



## 2000 Schedule

January 9  
 February 13  
 March 12  
 April 9  
**May 21**  
 June 11  
 July 9  
 August 13  
 September 10  
 October 8  
 November 12  
 December 10



## 2000 Racing Schedule

February 27th  
 -Solo 1/ Regional  
 May 6th  
 - Drivers School  
**May 7th**  
**-Solo 1/ Regional**  
 June 25th  
 -Solo 1/ Regional  
 August 26 & 27  
 -Solo 1/ Regional  
 September 24th  
 -Drivers School  
 October 29th  
 -Solo 1/ Regional



coming soon...  
the Acura MD-X



This fall, Acura will unveil the all new MD-X. It will feature a 3.5 liter, 240 hp V-6 engine that delivers 95 percent of its peak torque between 2000 and 5000 RPM while meeting ultra-low emissions standards. The MD-X will provide 7 passenger seating in three rows and a fully automatic 4-wheel drive system, with a 5 speed automatic transmission. Filled with more luxury and safety features than there is space here, call me, Colin Sato at 255-1255 for more details.