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Solo II Talk

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How was everyone's Mothers Day? We all know not to interfere with the moms. Thus, the autocross was held on the 3rd Sunday this May. In the beginning of the day, not many people were showing up. That was until the Honda/Acura group arrived all at once! Then gradually more and more people started arriving. Like last month, the registration booth could not put the tent up because of the winds. That's okay, everything went well anyway.

The course designers really utilized the whole track. It went from one end to the other. Interesting enough was the fact that they installed a nine-cone slalom. In addition, there was also a widening slalom further down the track. The track had many tricky turns that suddenly decreased in radius or had a tight kink in the end. Although you could enter the decreasing radius turns fast, you had to give up some speed in order to be properly positioned for the next turn. These turns caused a lot of people to "DNF" because they were not willing to sacrifice the speed. I think the nine-cone slalom really emphasized the concentration needed to get through the

course efficiently and fast.

We had plenty of novices join us in the May event. A total of eight novices participated, mostly in CSP, where most of the "in" sports cars are now classified. **Landen Prochnow** competed in HS and **Ran Paty** raced in EP while **Mark Sakihara**, **Nevin Chung**, **Craig Ginoza**, **Barry Lai**, **Melanie Boudar** and **Ryan Unten** drove in CSP. **Ron Mishima** came out in his 500E Mercedes representing the featured car club of the month. **Ken "Stormin" Van Orman**, driving for the first time on a set of BFG R1 autocross tires, set a blistering time of 62.299 on his 3rd run in CSP to take the win in his class.



Ron Mishima, FS

If you haven't already heard, the City and County will be taking over Barbers Point within 2 years. This means that our track is in jeopardy. Ed Kemper is circulating a petition to ask the City and County to allow us to continue racing at our current site. So, if you would like to continue racing here at Barbers Point, please make it a point to sign the petition. Remember to support the club by buying some of the soda and snacks that the SCCA offers as a fund-raiser. All proceeds go back to the club. See you at the races!