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## CSRG "Contact Patch"

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Dear Locke,



The poster features the CSRG logo at the top, followed by the text "Classic Sports Racing Group - Vintage Racing Since 1968". Below this is a shield-shaped emblem with "11TH ANNUAL" and "CHARITY CHALLENGE VINTAGE RACING". The main text reads "Buy a ride in a vintage race car. LAPS FOR CHARITY". It includes the event details: "SONOMA RACEWAY - OCTOBER 3-5, 2014" and a note: "This is a family event, so students of all ages & military are admitted FREE with appropriate ID." The central image shows a driver in a red helmet and racing suit in a red and white Ferrari Formula 1 car. Sponsors like "ROLEX", "AGIP", and "GOOD YEAR" are visible. At the bottom, it says "-featuring- HISTORIC FORMULA 1".

### CSRG's 11th Annual Charity Challenge

Wasn't that one incredible weekend????  
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Despite some notable incidents and the heat, I think the Charity Challenge weekend was a success. We had a lot of cars out there and it seemed like the spectators enjoyed what they saw.

Remember, the only way we know whether or not you support what we are doing is if you speak up, either by emailing the board (for a list of contacts, click [here](#)) or if you post something on Facebook:

[www.facebook.com/csrgacing](http://www.facebook.com/csrgacing)

**Don't be Caught Napping Like Ed!!!!**



## **Thunderhill Season Finale** **Oct. 31st-Nov. 2nd**

This will be on the traditional, three mile long Thunderhill track---a challenging, flowing layout with a wonderful blend of slow, medium and high speed corners that provide one of the best racing experiences there is. Some people have the incorrect impression that Thunderhill is not for rookies and nothing could be further from the truth. There's a lot of run off room and excellent visibility all around the track. Moreover, new experiences are a good thing, even if you have fewer years ahead then you have behind you.

This end-of-summer event also includes a Saturday night dinner at the stately Veterans Memorial building in downtown Willows. I've repeatedly said that there is no better venue or event on which to end a season. Throw in the fact that it's Halloween, so you get to dress up as your alter ego, what could be more fun?

At the risk of being blunt, we need a minimum of a hundred cars to make this event feasible. We usually get right around that number, but we need to be sure we reach it. Please don't just consider it, enter!!!! If your car is DOA, encourage somebody else to enter.

Here's some information on the event from the CSRG web site:

[Thunderhill Season Finale](#)

Enter by clicking on this link: [Enter Thunderhill](#)

If you prefer to do it the "Old School" way and want an entry form that you will have to mail in, click here: [Entry Form](#)

**Visit the New**  
**CSRG Web Site**

As mentioned last month, thanks to CSRG member Mike Vogel and his

company DCSPG, Design Centers Solutions Partnership Group, the new site is up and running, but it will always be a work in progress.

We need your help in filling out some of the years in our Gallery section. If you have photos from past CSRG events, or even racing photos that you think might warrant posting on the CSRG site, please forward them to [csrglocke@gmail.com](mailto:csrglocke@gmail.com)

## **Sedan Racers & Newer Production Cars**

As a reminder to all: Our races are open to all of the traditional CSRG racing classes which include Production, GT, Sports Racer, Formula, and **SCCA Sedans**. Information regarding these classes may be found within the Rules & Safety Handbook under "**Classification**" in **Section III, Paragraph B** here: [Rules & Safety](#)

**Note that last year CSRG created a Group 8 Production SCCA A, B, (Trans-Am owners pay attention) and C Sedan built to 1968 through 1972 SCCA Rules. Also welcome in that group are special sedans and compatible production sports cars.** If you know of somebody who has a car, but hasn't raced with CSRG for whatever reason, I would ask you to be an advocate for the club and encourage the individual to join.

## **Mazda Class is a No Go**

We tried to encourage the older, AARP Mazda owners into joining us with their own Race Group at Thunderhill, but the response was poor, despite our efforts to promote it on Miata forums and through direct email with race prep shops. That netted a single entry and very little other interest. We still want to pursue something like this for Thunderhill, so if you have a suggestion, please let us know.

## **SVRA Adds Coronado**

As with the Portland and Sonoma Historic Races, the Coronado Speed Festival is going with SVRA for 2015. As I said in last month's Patch, CSRG's approach to vintage race cars and racing is fundamentally different than SVRA's. Ultimately the success of our races and survival of our club will depend upon whichever approach you prefer. CSRG is a not-for-profit organization, run for the benefit of its members. Even with small losses we can continue to run a number of races. The same can not be said for a "for profit" organization. If they don't make money, they're gone.

## **Memberships**

Make sure you've renewed your membership for this season. Current members get preferential treatment if there is a car number conflict in a run group, as do people who enter early. To see if you already renewed, look at the membership expiration date in your Profile at [csrg.motorsportreg.com](http://csrg.motorsportreg.com). Even

if you renewed by mail, your Profile will have been updated. Alternatively, you can call or e-mail the Race Director at 888.268.7126/[race\\_director@csrgweb.org](mailto:race_director@csrgweb.org)

**Associate Member Benefits:** At its July meeting, the CSRG Board of Directors agreed to the suggestion that currently registered Associate Members should receive two complimentary gate tickets for CSRG race events (face value \$160 a year) and should have the opportunity to purchase additional tickets at the Guest of Entrant price, which is currently \$10. Two tickets will be mailed to all registered Associate members prior to the Charity Challenge. Additional tickets can be ordered from [Registrar@csrgweb.org](mailto:Registrar@csrgweb.org). If you are not certain whether you are registered as an Associate Member for 2014, e-mail either [race\\_director@csrgweb.org](mailto:race_director@csrgweb.org) or [Registrar@csrgweb.org](mailto:Registrar@csrgweb.org).

### **CSRG's 50th Anniversary Celebration:**

The 50th anniversary of CSRG is still a couple of years away but CSRG's Board of Directors want to pull out all the stops in recognition of this milestone. If you have recommendations how to properly observe this event, the Board would love to hear them. The Board has set up a fund, CSRG's 50th Anniversary Fund, and hope you or your business will make a contribution. Contact Locke at [csrglocke@gmail.com](mailto:csrglocke@gmail.com) if you have suggestions, questions or need donation information.

### **CSRG Board Meeting on October 16th, Location TBD:**

The next CSRG Board meeting will be October 16th at 5PM & the meeting will begin at 6PM. The location is TBD, so check with the Tom Franges as the date approaches. If someone who does not attend the meetings regularly plans to come, please notify Tom: [race\\_director@csrgweb.org](mailto:race_director@csrgweb.org)

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### **Miscellaneous Information**

Membership Renewals: If you can't remember whether you renewed for this season, you can check your Profile at [CSRG MotorsportsReg](#) or ask the Race Director.

### **Tech inspection sheets:**

You can get a head start on your Tech Inspection tasks by downloading the Pre-Tech Inspection Forms. These forms are not meant to replace the sheets you will receive by e-mail with your information packet but are provided as information and as a work sheet so you may inspect and gather all the data necessary to complete the official form. Click [Pre-TechWorksheet](#) to print your copy of the worksheet.

### **Event registration:**

Click here to be directed to [CSRGMotorsportReg](#) for online registration. Be sure to bookmark or save it as a favorite for quick access in the future. Mail-in forms can be obtained by clicking on the "Event Schedule" button on our home page at [www.CSRGracing.org](#) or by clicking on this link: [Event Schedule](#). Note: Mail-in entry forms are specific for each event and will usually appear on the site 6 to 8 weeks before an event.

### **Entrant Packets:**

All race entrant packets for CSRG events, including Tech Forms and gate tickets, will be held at Will Call outside the track security/ticket gate or at Registration. We are no longer mailing them to entrants. The packets are held in the name of the Entrant. We advise you to print a copy of the [Pre-Tech Worksheet](#) to make sure you have completed all the inspections and have all the information needed to complete the Tech Forms when you arrive at the track.

### **Download Medical Forms:**

Click on [CSRGmedform13.pdf](#) to download a copy of the form. You do not need to send in the original Medical Form with the "wet" signature to CSRG. You can now keep your original and either mail a clear photocopy or, better yet, scan the complete four page form and email it to: [Race\\_Director@csrgweb.org](mailto:Race_Director@csrgweb.org).

It would be wise to file the original until its medical certification period expires. The scan and email system is the preferred method, otherwise mail the forms to CSRG at P.O. Box 3223, San Rafael Ca. 94912.

Email [Race\\_Director@CSRGweb.org](mailto:Race_Director@CSRGweb.org) if you have problems or additional questions.

### **Mailing Address:**

CSRG, P.O. Box 3223, San Rafael, California 94912.

### **Medical Cards for Guest Competitors:**

CSRG recognizes current and valid medical cards as issued by FIA, SCCA (for drivers under 60 only), and all organization members of the Vintage Motorsports Council.

### **2014 Schedule:**

- April 4-6: The David Love Memorial Races, Sonoma Raceway  
June 28-29: CSRG June Races, Thunderhill West  
October 3-5: 11th CSRG Charity Challenge, Sonoma Raceway  
October 31-November 2: 47th Season Finale, Thunderhill East

### **Provisional 2015 Schedule:**

- April 10-12 David Love Memorial Races, Sonoma Raceway  
May 1-3 Thunderhill West 2 mi. Course  
October 2-4 12th CSRG Charity Challenge, Sonoma Raceway  
Oct. 30-Nov. 1 48th Season Finale, Thunderhill East 3 mi. Course

## New Members?

We welcome drivers who believe in the spirit of vintage racing. Curious? Do you want to join CSRG or need more info? Email [race\\_director@csrgweb.org](mailto:race_director@csrgweb.org) or go to [www.CSRGracing.org](http://www.CSRGracing.org).

[Join our Mailing List!](#)

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