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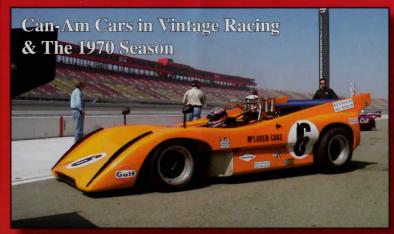


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#64 Lawrence Rayburn, Merlyn; #76 David Mock, Merlyn; #9 Mac Anderson, Crossle.

# **CVAR Marvelous May Vintage Races**

# **Eagles Canyon Raceway, TX**

May 14-16, 2010

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Eagles Canyon Raceway is a true purpose built road racing circuit only an hour's drive from Fort Worth, Texas. Owners David and Linda Cook have continuously improved Eagles Canyon Raceway since it first opened in November 2007, and this season is no exception. A large number of covered and paved paddock stalls were recently completed. The weather for racing on Saturday and Sunday was perfect, under blue Texas skies with wildflowers blooming on the rolling hills. Friday, the racers who chose this option were greeted with Springtime in Texas type exciting weather. The test/tune/practice sessions had to be curtailed early due to heavy

rains, high winds, flooded track conditions and the danger of lightning strikes in the area.

Race Chairman Dan Ruehs was all sunny smiles during the weekends. The Friday thunderstorms were quickly forgotten and had moved off into the distance. He did a fine job, and the weekend ran well. The bright idea of providing roving golf carts to shuttle drivers and crews around the paddock proved to be quite popular. CVAR's Timing and Scoring team, led by Margaret Walker, worked miracles all weekend while dealing with some missing and malfunctioning equipment. Without the superb efforts of our dedicated workers, we couldn't race, and CVAR sincerely appreciates the contributions of each and every volunteer.

Steve Coleman surprised everyone with a freezer-full of ice cream bars in the Tech Inspection shed, and the free services of a massage therapist. Both treats were the buzz of the paddock all weekend. Some mumblings were heard about how Steve was perhaps trying to add some weight to competitor's cars and help their drivers relax so he could drive off from them! As is usual with CVAR there was plenty of Saturday practice and qualifying on-track time.

Sunday's points races were run in numerical Group order, so the big iron rolled out first. All weekend, people stopped what they were doing to watch repeated David vs. Goliath battles at the front of the **Group 1** pack between the blue #31 Porsche RSR driven by Seth Higgins and the blue #67 Camaro driven by Sam LeComte. When the checkered flag fell after 10 laps, Seth crossed the line in first overall, and first in FIA class. Sam finished second overall and first in A Sedan. Daryl Gough brought his silver #64 Corvette in third overall, second in FIA class.

Just 0.6 seconds later, Roy Allen crossed the finish line to win B Production in his blue #189 GT-350R Shelby Mustang. The only DNF was Ted Filer's black #63 Corvette Stingray, just two laps from the checker.

Next, Herb Hilton won the **Group 2** points race overall in his F Production red #02 MG Midget. Just 0.6 seconds back, William Gardner took second overall and second in F Production driving his blue #0 Austin Healey Sprite. Mike Bond won C Sedan in his purple #85 Austin



# #67 Sam LeComte, Chevrolet; #31 Seth Higgins, Porsche.

Cooper S. CVAR drivers school instructor Bill Haga won E Production in his dark green #6 MGB.

In the **Group 3** race for Formula Vee and Spec Sprite, Bill Griffith took the overall win and the FV class win driving his red #5 Beach C. Team Geezer driver Mike Callahan finished second in his white and blue #68 Zink. Griffith's margin of victory over second place Callahan was only 1/4th of a second, making this the closest race to the wire of the entire weekend. Jeffrey Walker won SFP "Spec Sprite" class in his black and gold #27 Bugeye Sprite, finishing seventh overall.



#24 Tom Taff, Porsche; #33 Ed Cullen, Porsche; #58 Ralf Kuehnhoefer, Porsche.



#02 Herb Hilton, MG; #6 Bill Haga, MG; #73 P.D. Sohn, MG; #40 George Curl, MG; #71 Trevor Bond, Austin Healey Sprite; #47 Richard Fisher, Austin Healey Sprite; #8 Bill Collins, MG; #114 William Hill, MG.

In Group 4 (FJr, VA, VB, VC, and CM), Jim Yule took the overall win driving his green and white #9 Cooper T56 Formula Junior. Bruce Revennaugh was second overall in his frontengined green #150 Elva Formula Junior. John Page finished third overall and first in VB class in his white #61 Alfa Romeo Spider Veloce. The big red and white #76 Austin Healey was driven to the VA win by Fred Crowley. John Furlow, Sr. brought out his rare Dolphin to win DSR. Although unfortunately a DNF due to ignition problems, Dan Ruehs' white #51 (1959 283ci) Corvette was a real crowd pleaser in VA class during its first race weekend.

Scott Clark enjoyed a 42 second margin of victory in the Group 6 race driving his black #3 Lola T-540, taking the FF2 class win as well. Second overall and first FF1 was Robert Hoemke, driving his newly acquired #55 Winkelmann FF. Kent Liming took the FA class win, finishing fifth overall, driving his red #15 Centaur FSV.

The final race of the weekend, for Group 7, was won by Richard Reeves, driving his #78 Porsche 911. Richard, and the three Porsches finishing immediately behind him, were the first through fourth place finishers in the C Production class as well. Another German

marque, BMW, came home in fifth overall and first in B Sedan, in the form of Tim Woodruff's blue #74 BMW 2002. Behind Tim's BMW was six-pack of CP Porsches, then came Gary Bauer's red/white/blue #6 Datsun 510 taking second in B Sedan class. Right behind Gary was Bobby Whitehead, the unopposed winner in D Production, driving his yellow Triumph GT-6.

The friendly tradition of CVAR racing and hospitality was much displayed all weekend. Out of area racers are always welcome and have always commented on how much they have enjoyed racing with CVAR. Ya'll come!

4 FF2 M. Anderson/Crossle

7 FF1 D. Collins/Merlyn

#### RACE RESULTS GROUP 1

PL CL DRIVER/CAR 1 FIA S. Higgins/Porsche 2:01.243

1 AS S. Lecomte/Chevrolet 2:01.291 2 FIA D. Gough

1 BP R. Allen/Shelby 2:05.204

2 BP A. Shores/Ford

I AP B. Caudle/Chevrolet 2:02.290

2 AS J. Caudle/Chevrolet

3 AS J. Fershtand/Ford

3 BPS. Seitz/Ford

DNF BPT. Filer/Chevrolet



# #44 Steven Cole. Alfa Romeo.

#### **GROUP 2**

### PL CL DRIVER/CAR

1 FP H. Hilton/MG 2:14.300 2 FP W. Gardner/Austin Healey

1 CS M. Bond/Austin 2:14.993

1 EP B. Haga/MG 2:15.679

3 FP W. Hill/MG

4 FP M. Floyd/Mg

5 FP C. Tiras/MG

6 FP R. Fisher/Austin Healey

2 EP B. Collins/Mg

2 CS R. Soucy/Austin 7 FP A. McDougal/Austin Healey

3 EP K. Morris/MG

8 FP G. Reed/MG

9 FP P. Glawe/Austin Healey

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3 CS B. Barnes/Austin DNF FP P.D. Sohn/MG

DNF FP J. McClananhan/MG

DNF D. Demarah

DNF CS T. Bond/Austin

DNF EP J. Cecil/Porsche

GROUP 3

## PL CL DRIVER/CAR

1 FV B. Griffith/Beach C 2:19.818

2 FV M. Callahan/Zink

3 FV A. Summerville Jr./Zink C4

4 FV T. Stege/Formula Vee Beach

5 FV J. Ridings/Zink C4

6 FV J. Summerville/Zink C4

1 SFP J. Walker/Austin Healey 2:29,405

7 FV D. Calkins

2 SFP M. Vecellio/MG

8 FV D. Rolison/Zink

9 FV D. Harrison/Zink 10 FV F. Storer/Formcar

11 FV D. Etcheson

12 FV J. Revenaugh/Zink C4

13 FV R. Bailey

#### **GROUP 4** PL CL DRIVER/CAR

1 J. Yule 2:17.415

1 FFJr>1ltr B. Revennaugh/Elva 2:21.806

1 VB J. Page/Alfa Romeo 2:23.616

2 VA F. Crowley/Austin Healey

1 VB L. Marchant/MG 2:24.313

3 DSR J. Furlow, Sr/Dolphin

I VB J. McClanahan/Austin Healey 2:23.483

4 CM L. McKinstry

2 VB A. Johnson/Devin MGA DNF VA D. Ruehs/Chevrolet

GROUP 6

PL CL DRIVER/CAR 1 FF2 S. Clark/Lola 1:58.001



## #51 Dan Ruehs. Chevrolet.

1 FF1 R. Hoemke/Winkelmann 2:03.058

2 FF1 D. Fawcett/Lotus 61 FF

3 FF1 D. Salls/Lotus

1 FA K. Liming/Centaur FSV 2:03.553

2 FF2 S. Jacobs/Dulon

3 FF2 J. Macaulay/Crossle

4 FF1 J. Breidenbach/Lotus

5 FF1 D. Mock/Merlyn

6 FF1 L. Rayburn/Merlyn

#### 2 FA J. Tanner/Lola **GROUP 7** PL CL DRIVER/CAR 1 CP R. Reeves/Porsche 2:07.777

2 CP P. Sullivan/Porsche

3 CP M. Hanna/Porsche

4 CP T. Taff/Porsche

1 BS H.D. Woodruff/BMW 2:12,735

5 CP E. Cullen/Porsche

6 CP G. Morgan/Porsche

7 CP J. Bartos/Porsche

8 CP R. Kuehnhoefer/Porsche 9 CP J. Iturbe/Porsche

2 BS G. Bauer/Datsun

1 DP B. Whitehead/Triumph 2:25.586

3 BS D. Gwynne/Ford

4 BS G. Williams/Datsun

10 CP N. Cullen/Porsche

11 CP D. Piott/Porsche



#18 Mike Orlie, Porsche.

