



# NORTH TEXAS S2000 OWNERS CLUB

First Quarter Newsletter - 2003

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

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| <b>January</b><br>Dinner Social - 18 <sup>th</sup>   | <b>July</b><br>July 4 <sup>th</sup> at Temmings' – 4 <sup>th</sup> (Director meeting prior)<br>Autocross at Mineral Wells – 19 <sup>th</sup> |
| <b>February</b><br>Dyno Day – 1 <sup>st</sup><br>Saturday Drive – 8 <sup>th</sup><br>Dinner Social – 22 <sup>nd</sup>  | <b>August</b><br>Indoor Karting – 9 <sup>th</sup><br>Saturday Drive & Lunch – 23 <sup>rd</sup>   |
| <b>March</b><br>Autocross at Mineral Wells – 1 <sup>st</sup><br>Dinner Social – 15 <sup>th</sup>   | <b>September</b><br>BBQ at the park – 13 <sup>th</sup><br>Autocross at Mineral Wells – 20 <sup>th</sup>                                      |
| <b>April</b><br>Austin Drive – 5-6 <sup>th</sup><br>Ennis Bluebonnets & Lunch – 19 <sup>th</sup>   | <b>October</b><br>S2KDays '03 National Meet in Austin – 3-5 <sup>th</sup><br>Arkansas Fall Colors Drive – 18 <sup>th</sup>                   |
| <b>May</b><br>John Eagle at TWS – 3-4 <sup>th</sup><br>Autocross at Mineral Wells – 10 <sup>th</sup><br>Dinner Social – 17 <sup>th</sup><br>Arkansas Drive with Z3 Club – 23 <sup>rd</sup> | <b>November</b><br>Autocross at Mineral Wells – 8 <sup>th</sup><br>Dinner Social – 15 <sup>th</sup>  |
| <b>June</b><br>Lake Day at Tees' – 7 <sup>th</sup><br>Saturday Drive & Lunch – 28 <sup>th</sup>  | <b>December</b><br>Holiday Party at Temmings' – 6 <sup>th</sup>  |

\*Events are subject to change – check the North Texas forum at [www.S2Ki.com](http://www.S2Ki.com) for event details and/or changes.\*

## SIGN UP NOW FOR 2003 MEMBERSHIP

The North Texas S2000 Owners Club is now collecting applications for 2003 membership.

**A copy of the application can be found on the last page of this newsletter or online at:**  
<http://www.s2000.org/nts2koc/app2.shtml>

In addition to showing your pride in the S2000, membership in the North Texas S2000 Owners Club provides great membership benefits and services including: (continued on next page)

- Club Newsletter (Quarterly): Regular updates on club happenings, S2000-related tips, and event reports with pictures.
- Club Activities: Designed to help you maintain, drive, and maximize your enjoyment of the S2000!
- Vendor Discounts:
  - John Eagle Honda: 15% Parts
  - Intercrew: 10% Parts & Labor
  - Autoscope: 10% Labor
- Discount Tire: Match Tire Rack Prices, Free Shipping, Free Mounting
- Club Event Discounts: \$5 off NTS2KOC autocross registration
- Internet Web Page: Internet Web Site ([www.s2000.org](http://www.s2000.org)) devoted to the North Texas S2000 Owners Club and its members. Has interesting articles, projects, and photo gallery.
- Distinctive club decal and membership card
- Help with Technical and Maintenance Issues

How dues are utilized:

- Club Insurance
- Event Hosting
- Drive/Autocross Equipment
- Membership Cards/Decals
- Website Hosting
- Printing/Postage

## AUTOCROSS CHAMPIONSHIP SEASON

Over the past two years the club has sponsored seven autocrosses at Mineral Wells with great success. Our attendance has risen to the point where at our last event we decided to cap the attendance at 40 drivers. That is a good thing! To make things event more exciting this year we've decided to turn our autocrosses into a championship season complete with points, awards, and trophies. We are pretty excited about it and invite everyone to come out to race for points, fun, or maybe just to watch and hang out.

**POINTS:** The club will award points during each of the five autocross with a final championship being awarded at the end of the 2003 season. The cars will be divided into two classes to provide reasonable competition. The default classes are S2000 Street and S2000 Race. (The only differentiation being R-compound tire choice.)

Classification of other models will be based on attendance. A quota of at least five of a particular model is required for points to be awarded at an event. Tire choice will only be a factor if there are five each of street and race tired cars. In order for a championship to be awarded, at least 75% of the events need to meet the quota.

First through fifth places will be awarded five through one point(s). During individual events, 1st, 2nd and 3rd place finishers will each get a certificate award. At the end of the year the top three points positions in each class will each get an undetermined type of trophy. The best four out of five finishes for each participant will be used to determine the championship.

\*Preregistration will be two weeks prior to each autocross. For more information please see: <http://www.s2000.org/nts2koc/autox.shtml>

## NEW DIRECTORS AND ASSITANTS!

We had a nice turnout for the directors meeting and elections on January 18. As you can see from our current director listing below we've got lots of help this year. If you see a position that you would like to help out with feel free to let us know. This is a volunteer organization and it is people like you that make it run smoothly!

## CURRENT DIRECTOR LISTING/CONTACT INFORMATION

| Position                     | Name                  | E-mail   |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| Executive Director           | David Smart           | <a href="mailto:dsmart@s2000.org">dsmart@s2000.org</a>               |
| Assistant Executive Director | Mark Lang             | <a href="mailto:elistan@elistan.com">elistan@elistan.com</a>         |
| Membership Director          | Greg Esmond           | <a href="mailto:greg.esmond@alcatel.com">greg.esmond@alcatel.com</a> |
| Communications Director      | David Smart           | <a href="mailto:dsmart@s2000.org">dsmart@s2000.org</a>               |
| Photo Director               | Jo Temming            | <a href="mailto:jotemming@yahoo.com">jotemming@yahoo.com</a>         |
| Track Events Director        | Mark Lang             | <a href="mailto:elistan@elistan.com">elistan@elistan.com</a>         |
| Assistant Track Events       | David Rierson         | <a href="mailto:davidrierson@attbi.com">davidrierson@attbi.com</a>   |
| Social Events Director       | Dave Temming          | <a href="mailto:temming@mail.com">temming@mail.com</a>               |
| Assistant Social Events      | Ivan Freire           | <a href="mailto:ivaanstorm@yahoo.com">ivaanstorm@yahoo.com</a>       |
| Treasurer                    | Al Tees               | <a href="mailto:atees@probex.com">atees@probex.com</a>               |
| Secretary                    | Molly Woolridge       | <a href="mailto:mwoolrid@swbell.net">mwoolrid@swbell.net</a>         |
| Webmaster                    | Todd Marcucci         | <a href="mailto:todd@s2000.org">todd@s2000.org</a>                   |
| Assistant Webmaster          | Greg Esmond           | <a href="mailto:greg.esmond@alcatel.com">greg.esmond@alcatel.com</a> |
| Drive Coordinator            | Gene Bricker          | <a href="mailto:genebz3@sbcglobal.net">genebz3@sbcglobal.net</a>     |
| Photo Coordinator            | Jo Temming            | <a href="mailto:jotemming@yahoo.com">jotemming@yahoo.com</a>         |
| Assistant Photo Coordinator  | Robb & Canadice Stein | <a href="mailto:robb.newman@lmco.com">robb.newman@lmco.com</a>       |

## MORE MEMBERSHIP STUFF

- Membership is effective January 1 – December 31<sup>st</sup>. Membership dues are \$35.00
- New members who join between April 1<sup>st</sup> and September 30<sup>th</sup> can join for \$20.00 for the balance of the year.
- New members who join between October 1<sup>st</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup> pay the full \$35.00 but roll-over to the next year's membership.
- Renewals are due by the end of 1<sup>st</sup> quarter each year.
- For questions regarding membership, contact the Membership Director – Mark Lang

Note: We're always looking to add to the membership family. If you would like club information cards to leave on S2K's you see out and about, please contact Mark Lang and we will get cards to you. Be a membership booster - Spread the word!

## CAR CARE TIPS

This continues to be a commonly brought up question so we thought we'd share again, for the new guys/gals!

Question: How can I get the plastic back window clear again?

Answer: The plastic back window will never be completely clear again once you drive the car off the show-room floor. One of the improvements that Honda made to the New 2002 S2K was to make the back window glass. If your S2K pre-dates 2002, you can have the back window switched out to glass (just see the car modifications section below). If you don't want to spend the big bucks to change out the window to glass, one of the best products for cleaning the back window is Plexus. For serious scratches and discoloration polish first with Meguiars Plastic Cleaner. Both Plexus and Meguiars are available on-line at [autofanatics.com](http://autofanatics.com) and other on-line car care product suppliers.

If you have a car care question, please submit to [dsmart@s2000.org](mailto:dsmart@s2000.org). Your question and an answer from a car care expert may make it into the next newsletter!

## CAR MODIFICATIONS

Featured Modification: Installing 2002 Glass Convertible Top on 2000-2001 Frame

Submitted by: David Smart, e-mail [dsmart@s2000.org](mailto:dsmart@s2000.org)

Rating: Easy      **Average**      Difficult      Leave it to the Professionals

Time:    Less than 1 hour    1-2 hours    2+ beer breaks    **Get a Six Pack**

Average Cost: \$800-1,000 for 2002 glass top, \$80 for OEM harness and switch.

Part Resource: \$800 from Jeff at Ganley Honda, e-mail [ganleyphparts@ameritech.net](mailto:ganleyphparts@ameritech.net)

Due to the length of the install we have decided to post a link to the installation instructions and pictures: <http://members.aol.com/hyperdimensions/2002glassconversion.pdf>

## ODDS & ENDS

- If you have questions or a contribution for the newsletter, please e-mail to David Smart at [dsmart@s2000.org](mailto:dsmart@s2000.org)
- Make sure to check out North Texas S2000 Club website at [www.s2000.org](http://www.s2000.org)
- Also, check out the North Texas Forum on the National S2000 Website at [www.s2ki.com](http://www.s2ki.com)



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## 2003 Membership Application

(Mail completed application and dues check to above address. Your membership card will be mailed back.)

### About You

|  |                  |
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| Name   | S2Ki Name        |
| Phone Number                                   | E-mail           |
| Address  | Suite or Apt     |
| City /State                                    | Zip              |
| Drivers License                                | Spouse / Partner |
| Profession                                     | Age              |
| Racing License or Performance Driving Training |                  |

### About Your S2000

|                          |                  |
|--------------------------|------------------|
| Serial Number / Year     | Colors (Ext/Int) |
| Date Purchased           | Dealer           |
| Current Odometer Reading | Performance Mods |
| Audio Mods               | Aesthetic Mods   |
| Other Mods               |                  |

### About Your Preferences

|                    |                 |
|--------------------|-----------------|
| Meet and Drives    | Track Days      |
| Technical Seminars | Dinners/Socials |

### Payment of 2002 Dues

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| Check for \$35.00 made out to David Smart | Renewal? |
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**WARNING:** Motorsport events are inherently dangerous. Driving can result in injury or even death in the event of an accident or collision. Your signature on this form indemnifies the North Texas S2000 Owners Club and its officers, members and all other participants from any and all liability.

I agree that I am responsible and liable for my own actions and decisions, and to abide by all North Texas S2000 Owners Club rules and regulations.

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| Signature | Date |
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