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Occasionally, the Mid Ohio weather throws us a curve ball. Once again we were not disappointed. Saturday, as the club course was being employed, the rain threatened in the afternoon. Practice and qualifying went well in the dry. Shortly before the race, a thunderstorm came through producing an ongoing torrential down pour along with two lightning strikes on the Mid Ohio grounds. The club course race was called and changed to a pro course event first thing Sunday morning.

PTD – A repeat of the competitors from the previous month brought an exciting day of racing. Patrick Smith, in his supercharged Mazda Miata, Ron Dodson, in his Acura Integra and Matt Johnston, in his Mazda RX-7, all came back to play. Sunday morning's race went off in wet conditions and the lap times reflected the situation. Dodson's Integra pulled out at the beginning and never looked back. Smith's Miata clearly had no traction and struggled most of the race. Johnston's RX-7 overtook Smith's Miata and held second place until the track dried at the very end. Smith's Miata ended in second as he ran out of time to make a run towards the front. The second race of the day went off in mostly dry conditions. Smith's Miata had a clear lead on the Integra and the RX-7. A black flag in the middle of the race brought everyone in and gave hope to second and third place. Dodson chased Smith down on the last lap, which was the Integra's fastest, only to lose by .106 seconds. That is exciting racing from two very competitive racers!

PTE – Brian Makse, driving the Pakistan Express Honda Civic, ran unopposed all weekend. Had the conditions been better, he would have challenged his own track records. We are glad to have Mr. Makse competing, as he is always impressive to watch on the track.

Big thanks to all competitors for their participation! The next race is at Autobahn Country Club, September 11th/12th, and is a crossover event. Hope to see everyone there!

For complete results and lap records, please see www.nasagreatlakes.com
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