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Rick Parsons and Steve Davis Take First Place in Class at Formula 5000 Race at July 2012- Road America Hawk Event

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Rochester Hills, MI – (7/17/2012) – The Formula 5000 Drivers Association is pleased to announce the results of its race at the Road America Hawk event with Brian Redman on July 15, 2012.

Leading the F5000 group and finishing in first place in Class B was Rick Parsons in his 1976 ex-Brian Redman Championship Lola T332. Parsons returns to the podium after a one-year absence from the F5000 group. In Class A (pre 1972 cars) Steve Davis took first in class in a 1969 Gurney Eagle Mk5. Davis continues to dominate in his class with a strong car and competent drive when participating at race events.

Second place in Class A went to Tony Adamowicz driving the 1969 Gurney Eagle in which he won the 1969 F5000 Championship. With his consistent podium finishes, Tony now leads in the 2012 Championship point standings.

Finishing second in Class B was Ken Petrie in a 1972 McRae GM1. Petrie who had pole position at the start of the race battled for the race lead with Parsons before the latter took control at mid-point in the race.

The third podium spot in Class A went to Bruce Leeson in a 1969 McLaren M10B, whose car was plagued with engine over-heating throughout the weekend. Finishing third in Class B was Jim Kelleher in a stunning 1975 ex-Jackie Oliver Shadow DN6. This was Kelleher first race in the F5000 revival series and he showed excellent temperament and racing skill.

The chase for the 2012 Formula 5000 Championship is still wide open with Tony Adamowicz leading the standings with 160 points and the top three drivers being within a spread of 24 points. Noteworthy is the team of Bruce Sevier and Bill Blake which holds third place in the standings driving a 1968 Lola T140, the oldest car in the group. The following chart shows the points standing for the top 10 drivers after Round 3.

The Formula 5000 group now focuses its attention to Watkins Glen for the September 6-9 SVRA U.S. Vintage Grand Prix event.

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Formula 5000 Championship Points Standings after 2012 Round 3:

<u>Driver</u>	<u>Car</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Standings</u>
Tony Adamowicz	1969 Eagle FA	A	160	1
Jim Stengel	1973 McRae GM1	B	144	2
B. Sevier/B. Blake	1968 Lola T140	A	122	3
Paul Wilson	1973 March 73A	B	120	4
Steve Davis	1969 Eagle Mk5	A	118	5
Seb Coppola	1970 Lola T192	A	108	6
Eric Haga	1970 Lola T190	A	82	7
Bruce Leeson	1969 McLaren M10B	A	80	8
Rick Parsons	1976 Lola T332	B	60	9
Barry Blackmore	1973 Lola T330/332	B	58	10

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