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## August 2018

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Pictures by Jason Camp and Ben Newburn



### Race Car for Sale

Lee Miller would like to sell his Lotus 7

# RE

by Chris Brake



Last month I was a little sour in my words for the clutch chatter, but it was what I felt needed to be said. I don't like to focus on things that are wrong, but I also don't want us to step back in the quality of our club and events, which is what will happen without some more people not only helping at events, but we need more

people to learn how to help and run things. I know we are all busy with life outside the club, but we need more people coming to the planning and training days. If you are someone that wants to help more but can't make those days, tell us how and when work for you, and we can try to make it happen. I don't want to seem like I am blaming everyone for not being there, I just want to know how to make it easier for people to be able to help more.

I'll get off that soap box for this month, but I would like to say that this year our programs are all doing great. We have had great numbers from solo, Rally has hosted some fun local rallies and did well with the national, and Mike Young has some promising pre registration numbers for the Track Event coming up in a couple weeks. If you have only been involved

with one area of the club, please check out some of the other programs. We're all a big family, and you'll have a good time.

As we approach the end of the summer, keep in mind elections are coming up, if you would like to help shape the future of the club and would be interested in a board position, talk to anyone on the board about how to run for an elected position or to throw your name in the hat for an at large position. We love to have fresh faces and ideas, and even if you aren't on the board, you are welcome to come to meetings and contribute.



# Rally



By Wendy Harrison

\*No Article this month\*





# Solo

by Stefanie Brake



In July we hosted a Points Event at the Indianapolis Speedrome. There were 91 competitors in attendance. I was very excited with this turn out as generally this is one of our lower turn out events. The Speedrome always stiffens the competition within classes. The unique layout of this venue really helps to equalize our competitors.

This past weekend (Aug 5th) was the annual Hoosier Challenge. This year the challenge was hosted by Indiana Northwest Region. There were 192 competitors registered and 188 that made timed competition runs. INR did a great job hosting the event and all ran very smoothly. After tabulating challenge results at the end of the day, First and Second place were only separated by 6 points! The final Hoosier Challenge standing were as follows: CSCC with 26 points, FWR with 30 points, SBR with 72 points, INR with 97 points and Indy taking the win with 103 points. Next year the Hoosier Challenge is coming back to Indy Region. I already have some plans in the works as to how to make the event even better.

The rest of August will bring us the CAM Challenge on Aug 10-12 at Grissom Aeroplex. This is one of the largest (if not the largest), muscle car event in the country. If you want to see some awesome American Muscle tear up the track, this is the event for you. We are also having a Test N Tune event on Aug 17-19 at Grissom Aeroplex. Thank you to Carol and Clemens Burger for stepping up to Chair this event! Please remember that Test N Tunes are pre-registration/pre-payment ONLY as space is limited.

Good luck to all Indy members that are going to be competing in the Tire Rack Solo Nationals in September!!!

## **\*Additional Announcement\***

I am looking for a Solo Chair trainee. I am looking at 2019 to be my final year as Solo Chair (at least for now). I would like to spend a year working with the next chair to make sure the transition goes as smoothly as possible. Remember we start scheduling for next year in Oct/Nov, so I would like to have someone lined up then so they can begin learning how we set up a season. If you are interested in potentially chairing and have more questions on what is involved please email me ([indysccasolo@yahoo.com](mailto:indysccasolo@yahoo.com)) or call me 765-366-3870. I have had an AWESOME time Chairing for Indy Region and am not running away. You will all still have to see me at events!

## **\*Schedule located at the bottom of this issue\***

# Secretary

By Joel Harleman

July 2018 Indy SCCA BOD  
Meeting Minutes

**Attendee's** – Joel Harleman, Chris and Stefanie Brake, Dick Powell, Sam Crites, Bruce and Colin Faucett, Vincent Taibi, Lee and Reba Miller, Catherine Justiniano, Matt Adams, Jim DaPuzzo, Michael Young, and Wendy Harrison.

**Approval of June Minutes** – Motioned by Jim and seconded by Bruce. Motion approved.

**Old Business** – New venue. Dawson's on Main in Speedway has a meeting room that we can use reserved for next month. Motioned by Matt and second by Jim and was approved. Online storage best bet appears to be Google Drive. Five years is the target for uploading previous budgets and minutes.

**Website Report** – No Report.

**Clutch Chatter** – Andy Weldon passed away and we need to get an article together for Clutch Chatter.

**Membership** – We have 527 members with 11 new. The numbers are still going up and down due to the Green Power memberships falling off as we gain new members. Having a few issues with weekend members being converted to full members and being missed by the national office. Going to try separating them into a different envelope for submission.

**Treasurer** – Need receipts. Accounts all still looking good.

**Activities** – Going to check with FastTimes about the karting league for this winter.

**Social Media** – Facebook advertising appears to be working well. Advertising going out for upcoming solo, rally, and track events.

**Solo** – The Champ Tour had 284 competitors. We received the proceeds from running the test n tune. National Office will be reimbursing us for hosting the event and expenses. Divisional weekend with a Friday Drag Cross. Probably won't do another Friday Drag Cross with only getting 14 entries. Divisional event drew 113 on Saturday and 108 on Sunday. Charity was for the Peru Kg unit this year and we received a very nice thank you letter. Upcoming events are the Speedrome, Hoosier Challenge and CAM Challenge.

**Rally** – Had two rally's since the last meeting. Superhero rally to the Indian's game saw some new faces and we would like to do more of these social type rallys. Then we hosted a National event on a Saturday and Divisional event on Sunday. Going to have a rally in September. Thanks to all that came out to help with checkpoints. Plan on hosting a National event next year.

**Track Events** – Second event is on August 25<sup>th</sup>. Starting to get more email inquiries. Grant money has been approved for an iRacing league. National office wants us to be a pilot program to

see what interest there would be and what demographic of people would show up to run these types of events. Prizes could be gift cards on iRacing, entries to local events, or other ideas.

**New Business** – Colin has talked to places about catering services for the Annual Meeting. Need to start thinking about a non board member to be the election chairperson.

**Motion to adjourn by Joel was approved.**

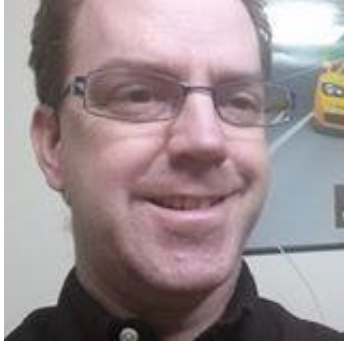
Respectfully Submitted,

Joel Harleman

Indy SCCA Secretary

# Membership

By Matt Adams



I'm happy to report a uptick in membership for the month of August! Total number is 538 with 21 new members added in July. Seeing a lot of weekend membership conversions this year which is a great indicator of the club doing it's best to be welcoming and inclusive, great job!

## *July new members*

Tom Farrington Mooresville IN

Debbie Farrington Mooresville IN

Ian Brown Indianapolis IN

Sam Goldsmith Avon IN

Kenneth Bonnema Lebanon IN

Linda O'Keefe Pittsboro IN

Christopher Dayley Bloomington IN

Kirk Davis Richmond IN

Josh Griggs Indianapolis IN

Jason Kintner Attica IN

Srivathson Nagesh Indianapolis IN

Paul Tulungen Culver IN

David Hubler Westfield IN

Corey Barnett Fishers IN

Mikko Kikta Cicero IN

Nathan Wilson Mooresville IN

Jacob Marshall Indianapolis IN

Kyle Matson Greenfield IN

Grant Britzke Lafayette IN

Mick Trompen Westfield IN

Curt Biro Greenwood IN

## *Indy Region August Anniversaries*

Larry Ellis New Palestine IN 30 yrs

Cynthia Baten Indianapolis IN 5 yrs

David Elmore Westfield IN 5 yrs



# PDX

By Michael Young



\*No Article this Month

## \*\*Solo Schedule\*\*

By Stefanie Brake

August 17-19	Test N Tune** Nationals Preparation	Grissom Aeroplex
September 15	Solo Trial	Grissom Aeroplex
September 16	Points Event #7	Grissom Aeroplex
September 30	Points Event #8	Indiana State Fairgrounds
October 13	DragCross #3	Grissom Aeroplex
October 14	Final Fun Event Car Swapping Fun	Grissom Aeroplex

\*\*\*Schedule is subject to change. Please check the website for all updates and details.

\*\*Test N Tune events and Driver's School are Pre-Registration ONLY and have limited spaces available.

## “CHECKERED FLAG”



### Andy Welden

October 24, 1954 - June 28, 2018

Andy Welden, 63, born in Atlanta GA, passed away June 28, 2018 in Indianapolis, IN. He will be fondly remembered by his wife of 31 years Sue Young, her family, Youngs and Quinlins, his family, Weldens and Sledges, and friends, including many in the Sports Car Club of America. As a 42 year member of SCCA, he held many positions, steward, scorer, treasurer, starter, and worked many years in the SCCA Pro Racing division traveling to auto race tracks around the country. In addition to enjoying all forms of motor racing, Andy also loved hockey and SEC college football, specifically the University of Georgia. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the charity of your

choice. A celebration of life will be Saturday July 21, 2018 from 2pm to 6pm at Conkle Funeral Home, [4925 West 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Speedway, IN.](#)

<b>SCCA Membership</b>						
Association	Mbr Type	Mbr Status	Join	Effective	Expire	Terminate
SCCA	Regular (G)	Active	01/01/1976	02/01/2018	01/31/2019	

<b>SCCA Region Membership</b>						
Chapter Name	Mbr Type	Mbr Status	Join	Effective	Expire	Terminate
Indianapolis Region	Regular	Active	01/01/1976	02/01/2018	01/31/2019	

<b>Region of Record</b>				
Region Name	Region Desc	Division	Area	
Indianapolis Region	Reg-13_Indianapolis Region	GL	4	

<b>SCCA License</b>			
License	Medical Expires	Last Renew Date	Expiration Date
National Steward		01/29/2018	01/31/2019
Sr T & S		01/29/2018	01/31/2019
VIP Card (incl Ann Waiver)		03/23/2018	01/31/2019
Annual Waiver		03/23/2018	12/31/2018
Crew		01/02/2014	01/31/2018
VIP Card (incl Ann Waiver)		04/01/2016	01/31/2017
Nat Ser Chief Stwrd		04/29/2008	12/19/2008
Nat Chief Steward		01/18/2005	05/17/2005

<b>Probation and Suspension</b>	





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Thank you!**





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**Fresh Motor (only run at Indianapolis Motor Speedway Runoffs)**

**New Alternator**

**New Battery**

**9) 17X7 spare wheels**

**5) 245-40X17 A7 stickers mounted**

**4) 245-40X17 A7 scuffs mounted (qual at Indy)**

**2) 245-40X17 R7 unmounted**

**4) 245-45X16 rains mounted (only used as roll a rounds)**

**4) 245-45X16 A6 stickers (some mounted, some not)**

**14) 16X7 OEM wheels**

**1 spare motor (6 races)**

**Many-Many spare parts including; new Frt. struts, fuel pump, brake sensors, O2 sensors and much more.**

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The [mail in entry form](#) allows you to print it out and send it in to the address on the flyers below.

Date	Host Region	Event Title (Link to Flyer)	Results	Index	Sound	Points
March 10	All	<a href="#">Spring Training - Findlay, OH</a>				
June 3	#1-SBR	<a href="#">Grissom Aeroplex</a>	<a href="#">Sun</a>	<a href="#">Sun</a>		<a href="#">Points</a>
June 30 - July 1	#2&3-Indy	<a href="#">Grissom Aeroplex</a>	<a href="#">Sat Sun</a>	<a href="#">Sat Sun</a>		<a href="#">Points</a>
July 15	#4-FWR	<a href="#">Allen County Coliseum, Ft Wayne, IN</a>	<a href="#">Sun</a>	<a href="#">Sun</a>		<a href="#">Points</a>
August 18-19	#5&6-SVR/DET	<a href="#">Oscoda, MI</a>	<a href="#">Sat Sun</a>	<a href="#">Sat Sun</a>		<a href="#">Points</a>
September 15-16	#7&8-Cincy	<a href="#">Trader's World, Cincinnati, OH</a>	<a href="#">Sat Sun</a>	<a href="#">Sat Sun</a>		<a href="#">Points</a>
TBD, 2019	Awards / Spring Training	<a href="#">Findlay, OH - Hotels</a>				
<b>Central/Great Lakes Area Championship Tours</b>						
May 26-28	SCCA	<a href="#">Spring Nationals - Lincoln, NE</a>	<a href="#">Results</a>	<a href="#">Index</a>		
Jul 27-29	SCCA	<a href="#">Toledo Champ Tour - Toledo, OH</a>	<a href="#">Results</a>	<a href="#">Index</a>		

<b>Central/Great Lakes Area Match Tours</b>				
Jun 4-6	SCCA	<a href="#">Bristol Motor Speedway, Bristol TN</a>	<a href="#">Results</a>	<a href="#">Index</a>
<b>Central/Great Lakes Area CAM Challenge powered by SCCA</b>				
Aug 10-12	SCCA	<a href="#">Grissom Aeroplex, Bunker Hill IN</a>	<a href="#">Results</a>	<a href="#">Index</a>
Aug 31-Sep 2	SCCA	<a href="#">Lincoln Airpark, Lincoln NE</a>	<a href="#">Results</a>	<a href="#">Index</a>
<b>Central/Great Lakes Area Pro Solo</b>				
Apr 27-29	SCCA	<a href="#">Arkansas Aeroplex - Blytheville AR</a>	<a href="#">Results</a>	<a href="#">Index</a>
May 24-26	Spring Nationals	<a href="#">Lincoln, NE</a>	<a href="#">Results</a>	<a href="#">Index</a>
Jun 15-17	SCCA	<a href="#">Toledo, OH</a>	<a href="#">Results</a>	<a href="#">Index</a>
Aug 3-5	SCCA	<a href="#">Oscoda Wurtsmith Airport - Oscoda MI</a>	<a href="#">Results</a>	<a href="#">Index</a>
Aug 31-Sep 2	Pro Solo Finale	<a href="#">Lincoln, NE</a>	<a href="#">Results</a>	<a href="#">Index</a>
<b>SCCA Solo National Championships</b>				
Sep 4-8	SCCA	<a href="#">Lincoln, NE</a>	<a href="#">Results</a>	<a href="#">Index</a>

## Year Two is Better

By: James DaPuzzo

On 06/18/17 I rolled into the Indiana State Fairgrounds for my first event ever ... what a difference a year makes!!! That first year was tough. From the start the time on course was a roller coaster of ups and down. I enjoyed some success behind the wheel but honestly a lot more disappointment than I would care to admit.

The part that keeps me coming back was the people!!! Watching the board members and competitors working together to ensure a safe/fun event for all in attendance was a group I wanted to be a part of. Anyone I asked a question of ... got a straight answer or they found someone who knew more about the topic. Sometimes advice came unsolicited ... "try this or change this" ... it was never misleading. Add over the past two seasons I have had several talented drivers give me a ride or ride with me ... each time something was learned.

At the start of this year I felt like there was a decent base of knowledge and had several trusted club members who could help with questions. The one thing I added was sharing my car at events with an experienced club member. That gave me instant feedback on my driving and car's performance. From there the performance improved again.

So for all the new folks and anyone that feels like they are struggling ... remember to:

1. Enjoy the event and people
2. Ask for help if you have question or concern
3. Focus on improving your time and **not** where you compare against the others

Combine these three and I am sure your experience will improve.

## OPT IN/OUT

A complete, printable, electronic format copy of Clutch Chatter (including back issues) is available in Adobe PDF format for downloading on the Indy Region website at [www.indyscca.org](http://www.indyscca.org) Paper copies are only mailed to those who have sent the "Opt-In" form. Due to rising costs, the BOD requests that you only opt-in if you cannot access the online version.

When an issue of Clutch Chatter is completed and ready for publication, the PDF file will be posted on the Indy Region website and a **special notice email** will be sent to the Indy Region e-group with a link to the download page. This should be available several days before the mailed copies arrive since it won't have to go through the printer or mail.

**New members** of Indy Region will receive Clutch Chatter in the mail for two months, after which they are expected to view or download from the website. They will be able to opt-in by filling out and mailing in the form below.

**Non-members:** Our plan is add non-member competitors to the mailing list for one month. If they compete in another event, they will be added for another month.

### OPT – IN FORM

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