



# CLUTCH CHATTER

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Happy New Year all! I'm very excited about the participation in the "Involved Member Award" for 2017! First things first, the region stands at 561 members with 12 new members added - so essentially flat from December. I've been sending out feeler email messages to as many expiring members as possible. The number should pick up a few who missed their renewal notice. A few more have given some insight into their reasons for not renewing which have been passed along to the appropriate program chairs. The rest of the comments generally pointed at aspects the board has

been working on for most of 2017. I'm confident that the club will see positive improvement as 2018 gets started.

I will be recognizing the Involved Member Award recipients at the Banquet and then post the list here and on social media in February.

New Members:

John Quinn JR Carmel IN  
Dennis Vondersaar JR Sharpsville IN  
Michael Batchelor Mccordsville IN  
Anastasia Rosenow Peru IN  
Elise Rosenow Peru IN  
Andrew Rosenow Peru IN  
Kera Rosenow Peru IN  
Katelyn Rosenow Peru IN  
Karl Rosenow Peru IN  
Karl Rosenow Peru IN  
Thomas Bedsole Indianapolis IN

## **PDX- CJ Harleman**

\*No Article Available\*

## **ACTIVITIES- Vinnie Taibi**

Hello fellow IndySCCA Members,

I hope everyone had a great holiday and happy New Year! If you are reading this before January 20<sup>th</sup>, this will be your last chance to RSVP for the 2017 IndySCCA Awards Banquet. Please send all RSVP's to [IndySCCAActivities@gmail.com](mailto:IndySCCAActivities@gmail.com) prior to the 21<sup>st</sup>, so I have an accurate head count. This year, the banquet will be a nicer change of pace. It will be held at The Sycamore at Mallow Run Winery in Bargersville, IN on January 27<sup>th</sup>. Payments will be accepted at the door and you must be present to win any of the cool door prizes, including a FREE SEASON OF AUTOCROSS! Everyone will get door prize entries and a raffle ticket for every autocross or some various other IndySCCA events that you have attended. Don't miss out!

Quick Banquet Recap:

When: January 27, 2018 (5-9pm)  
Where: The Sycamore at Mallow Run  
7070 West Whiteland Road  
Bargersville, IN 46106  
How much: \$25/person at the door  
7 & under is free (based on age at beginning of season)

8-12 is \$10 (based on age at beginning of season)  
 RSVP: IndySCCAActivities@gmail.com by January 20th, 2018

December also saw the 2<sup>nd</sup> Winter Karting League Event and the results could not have stirred the pot any better for a fantastic season. In the absence of his girlfriend (event #1 winner), Wes Malusek took home the gold, catapulting himself from 6<sup>th</sup> to 2<sup>nd</sup> for the year. Despite missing out on a trophy spot, 2016-17 winner, Matt Geist climbed to 2<sup>nd</sup> for the year. Clemens Burger started the day off slow, but an impressive second stint allowed him to finish 2<sup>nd</sup> for the day and boosted him from 10<sup>th</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> on the year. The shocker of the year (so far) is that Kevin Berba is ahead of 2016-17 year-end trophy winners Will Lahee and Alan Hamson, as well as experienced CAM driver Travis Hartwell. I haven't taken the time to factor in any dropped events at this point, but quite a few people are still within striking distance of those top 5 spots. It will be an interesting finish, for sure. Fastimes recently resurfaced the track, so January will be very unpredictable as drivers search for what little grip the cold temperatures and the newly broken in surface offer. Hope to see you at the track!

#### 2017-18 Winter Karting League Event #2 Top 10 Results

Position	Driver	Heat 1	Heat 2	Best Time	Points
1	Wes Malusek	23.612	23.136	23.136	100.000
2	Chris Finnigan	23.277	23.180	23.180	99.429
3	Clemens Burger	24.055	23.208	23.208	99.066
4	Nick Myers	24.085	23.259	23.259	98.405
5	Vinnie Taibi	23.302	23.606	23.302	97.848
6	Matt Geist	23.481	23.321	23.321	97.601
7	Will Lahee	23.777	23.391	23.391	96.693
8	Jonathon Heck	23.951	23.411	23.411	96.434
9	Gabe Argenta	23.774	23.463	23.463	95.760
10	Dallas Reed	23.524	23.736	23.524	94.969

#### 2017-18 Winter Karting League YTD Top 10 Results

Position	Driver	Event 1	Event 2	Event 3	Event 4	Event 5	Total
1	Matt Geist	99.883	97.601				197.484
2	Wes Malusek	95.655	100.000				195.655
3	Vinnie Taibi	97.017	97.848				194.864
4	Jonathon Heck	96.537	96.434				192.971
5	Clemens Burger	92.944	99.066				192.011
6	Dallas Reed	94.501	94.969				189.470
7	Kevin Berba	93.658	93.685				187.343
8	Will Lahee	90.324	96.693				187.018
9	Travis Hartwell	92.581	92.246				184.827
10	Alan Hamson	92.607	91.157				183.764

## **RALLY- Wendy Harrison**

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