

# Clutch Chatter

## Indianapolis Region SCCA



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### Road Rally

First Indy Region Road Rally of the season is Sat. April 10<sup>th</sup>. Free food and drinks at the end of the Rally

### SCCA Board of Director

Make sure that you read the information from our Area 4 Director towards the end of this Clutch Chatter.

### Clutch Chatter Editor – Raleigh Boreen

Hopefully most of our Indy Region members got a chance to read the February issue of the Clutch Chatter. Here is the April issue. As I said last issue, I will be putting out a Clutch Chatter every other month for 2021. I hope everyone is staying safe and healthy. Velma and I have had both of our shots so we are looking forward to being able to get back closer to normal this year.

In March we were able to get away and participate in the first two National Solos of the year in Georgia and North Carolina. It was great to get away for a few days. Neither one of us had even sat in the Solo car since last fall. The enhancements we did to the car over the winter really felt good. Looking forward to seeing our Indy friends as the weather gets nicer.

### Important!!

Work day at Grissom. Saturday April 17<sup>th</sup>, fixing the surface at Grissom. Need workers for the One Lap on May 1<sup>st</sup> at Grissom.

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## RE REPORT – JOEL HARLEMAN

Hello everyone and happy spring to the Indy Region! I hope everyone stayed warm, healthy, and safe over the winter. I also hope you are looking forward to many activities that include fun with cars! The schedules have been posted on the website so you can start planning on which events you are able to attend. I'm planning to try to attend at least one event from each of our specialties of Road Rally, Solo, and Time Trials and I hope to see as many of you as possible at our events.

This year is the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our club! Amazing that it started in 1946 and is still going strong! We have almost 600 members in our Region. The board of directors is planning some activities to celebrate our 75<sup>th</sup> and hope you can attend.

The 2021 SCCA Runoffs will be at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway again this year. In 2017 almost 1000 racers ran for national championships in 26 individual races. With an event this big in our region we will be asking for and needing volunteers to help the SCCA national office staff another amazing week of racing. I've already

heard from the chief of grid and she will be needing help for the test days which are on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday before qualifying starts. I'm sure we can find some way for you to volunteer at this event if you desire. You can enter these volunteer days on the SCCA website for a credit towards your annual dues. This volunteer participation program also extends to working other areas in club racing such as being a steward, tech, corner worker, timing and scoring, pace car driver, starter, and other fun jobs. If you want to be close to racecars let me know and I can help get you in touch with the right people.

Let's get this season started!!

Joel Harleman

Regional Executive

## INDY REGION MEMBERSHIP REPORT:



### Membership April 2021 – Josh Kikta Membership Chairman

There are 26 new members from 1/15/2021 to 3/9/2021. All but four are new to SCCA.

First Name	Last Name	City	State	SCCA Join Date	Region Join Date
John	Casey	Noblesville	IN	01/30/2021	01/30/2021
Amos	Clifford	Celina	OH	02/25/2021	02/25/2021
Nathan	Doyle	Cincinnati	OH	02/02/2021	02/02/2021
Brookelynn	Godar	Indianapolis	IN	01/15/2021	01/15/2021
Max	Grau	Port Byron	IL	01/06/2014	03/04/2021
Shelby	Hall	Kokomo	IN	02/05/2021	02/05/2021
Don	Holliday	Martinsville	IN	01/29/2021	01/29/2021
Nicholas	John	Danville	IN	01/26/2021	09/03/2010
Megan	John	Danville	IN	09/03/2010	09/03/2010
Nick	John	Plainfield	IN	01/26/2021	09/03/2010
Cameron	John	Plainfield	IN	01/26/2021	09/03/2010
Patrick	Kelleher	Cicero	IN	02/24/2021	02/24/2021
Maria	Krudy	Mooresville	IN	01/29/2021	01/29/2021
Jim	Leo	Indianapolis	IN	03/08/2021	03/08/2021
Pippa	Mann	Indianapolis	IN	02/26/2021	02/26/2021
Jerry	ONeill	Danville	IN	03/02/2021	03/02/2021
Brandon	Reed	Ingalls	IN	02/03/2021	02/03/2021
Chris	Roegner	Kokomo	IN	02/04/2021	02/04/2021
Rebekah	Scott	Riverside	OH	03/27/2019	03/27/2019

Greg	Settle	Bloomington	IN	02/26/2021	02/26/2021
Duncan	Taylor	Indianapolis	IN	01/15/2021	01/15/2021
April	Taylor	Indianapolis	IN	01/15/2021	01/15/2021
Preston	Taylor	Indianapolis	IN	01/15/2021	01/15/2021
Britain	Taylor	Indianapolis	IN	01/15/2021	01/15/2021
Michael	Wagner	Mooreville	IN	01/29/2021	01/29/2021
Jerry	Weida	West Lafayette	IN	05/12/1992	05/12/1992

## SCCA Membership Anniversaries:

### 5 Years w/SCCA

Dave Brzozowski  
Bridget Clifford  
John Clyne  
Devin McCuen  
Loren Schmierer  
Kevin Taylor  
Tony Van Dongen

### 10 Years w/SCCA

Paul Fox

### 15 Years w/SCCA

Mackenzie Baten  
Zachary Baten  
Will Lahee  
Robert Lennon  
Denise Schober  
Charles Smith  
C. Walgamuth

### 20 Years w/SCCA

Cynthia Baten

### 25 Years w/SCCA

Linda Edwards  
Les Schober

### 40 Years w/SCCA

Cliff Cook

## ***SOLO UPDATE:***



April 2021 Solo Newsletter Article

Title: 2021 Solo Starting Line

By: James DaPuzzo

We are at the starting line of the 2021 Indy Region Solo Season. Our 2021 Region Schedule is out on the website <http://www.indyscca.org/> To start the season we need approx. **20 people to help with our Grissom Work Day on Saturday 04/17** to repair concrete, pick up trash, blow off the site, etc. This is a very important date as this will ensure the site is ready for the upcoming season. Please consider joining us for a day of labor and time with fellow competitors. Lunch will be provided.

Next up is the One Lap of America Event on 05/01. This is a chance to see at Grissom some of the very best in our sport of Solo and Time Trials. **We need approx. 25 people to help with Registration, Grid, Timing,**

**Course, etc.** For those in attendance I am working on special thank you for giving of your time and talent for the day. Watch Facebook and our Website for added details.

Final item – How do we get your Wife, Husband, Girlfriend, Boyfriend, or adult children to come to our events and have a good time? I am looking for suggestions from you to get more folks to be a part of our events. Some of the things that have come to mind is: Class only for the New Drivers (ND), School for the New Drivers (possible we could do this after One Lap Event and during Fun Days), finding a car with an automatic to have available to give an event a try, etc. Please send me your thoughts to [james.dapuzzo@gmail.com](mailto:james.dapuzzo@gmail.com)

Below is a copy of the current 2021 Solo Season

May 1, 2021	One Lap of America	Grissom Aeroplex
May 2, 2021	Fun Event	Grissom Aeroplex
May 15, 2021	Test & Tune	Grissom Aeroplex
May 16, 2021	Points # 1	Grissom Aeroplex
June 4-5-6, 2021	Champ Tour	Grissom Aeroplex
June 19, 2021	Points # 2 / GLDS	Grissom Aeroplex
June 20, 2021	Points # 3 / GLDS	Grissom Aeroplex
July 10, 2021	Fun Event & 75 <sup>th</sup> Anv. Party	Indiana State Fairgrounds
July 24, 2021	Points # 4	Grissom Aeroplex
July 25, 2021	Points # 5	Grissom Aeroplex
August 6-7-8, 2021	CAM Challenge	Grissom Aeroplex
August 28-29, 2021	Test & Tune	Grissom Aeroplex
September 12, 2021	Points # 6	Indiana State Fairgrounds
October 9, 2021	Fun Event	Grissom Aeroplex

October 10, 2021	Points # 7 / Hoosier Challenge	Grissom Aeroplex
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A picture from 1967 when some Regions used baskets instead of cones for Solo's

Bruce and Colin Faucett in Lincoln, NE. for the 2015 Solo Nationals



# ROAD RALLY UPDATE:

## Road Rally Report

Spring has sprung, the grass has riz and we are itching to hit the road! Fortunately, we don't have long to wait. The first rally of the year is on April 10. Velma Boreen has put together a fun Game Tour Adventure (GTA) rally centered near Westfield, IN. In addition, we have two new Time Speed Distance (TSD) rallies on the 2021 schedule. The Monte Redeux Tour Rally will be held on May 1 and the Main Road Course Rally will take place on June 13. Both of these are being mastered by Chuck Hanson. Following is the revised 2021 schedule. Registration for the first three rallies is already open on MotorSportReg.com The cost for these three rallies is \$30 per car with a \$10 per car discount if the driver and/or navigator is an SCCA member.

Date	Name	Registration
4/10/2021	What are we doing on the north side of Indy?	<a href="http://msreg.com/NorthSideIndy">msreg.com/NorthSideIndy</a>
5/1/2021	Monte ReDeux	<a href="http://msreg.com/MonteRedeux">msreg.com/MonteRedeux</a>
6/13/2021	Main Road	<a href="http://msreg.com/MainRoad">msreg.com/MainRoad</a>
9/18/2021	Hoosier Byways: Bridges of Indiana	
10/30/2021	Halloween Rally	
12/4/2021	Holiday Shopping Shuffle	
2/2/2022	Christmas Lights Trek	

The clocks that we offered for sale in the last issue of Clutch Chatter sold quickly. The Road Rally committee is deciding the best way to use the funds to upgrade our equipment.

Hope to see all of you down the road.

Wendy Harrison  
Road Rally Chairperson

## **MAY AND JUNE ROAD RALLIES**

There are two Time Speed Distance (TSD) rallies coming up this quarter. Both rallies will start at the BP / MacDonald's at the corner of High School Road and SR-67 (which is just south of I-465 on the southwest corner of Indianapolis). Basic information for these events is posted on the Region website and can be found on MotorsportReg.com. General Instructions will be posted on the Region Website on or before April 15 for the May rally and May 28 for the June rally. Please register and pay on [MotorsportReg.com](http://MotorsportReg.com) using the following links:

<http://msreg.com/MonteRedux>

<http://msreg.com/MainRoad> Preregistration is required to assure that we have enough printed instructions for everybody! We will gather at 1:30 PM and there will be a Q & A session at 1:45 PM with first car starting at 2:01 PM.

Both rallies will use the new Richta GPS scoring App on a smartphone. This is a free application for either the Android or Apple series of phones and tablets. Among the advantages of this system is that the Rallymaster and the Safety Steward are the only persons who are not allowed to compete in the event, i.e. there is no need to have checkpoint workers sitting out on the course. From the competitors standpoint; there is a live clock display that helps you stay on time, you will see your score within a few seconds of passing a control, and you will see your total score. Please load the latest version before arriving at the event.

### Indy Monte ReDux

The first event will be on Sat. May 1 and is specifically designed for beginners. It is described as a Monte Carlo Tour style rally. You will be given the mileage from each restart point to the subsequent checkpoint. In addition, you will be given the exact time in minutes, and seconds that you should take to get there. At each restart point you will re-zero your trip odometer and leave at the beginning of the next minute as observed on the App. A few hundred feet down the course the App will tell you what minute you started on. Add the leg time to your start time and you know exactly what time to arrive at the next control. You want to pass a timed control (PCP) in motion and you do not want to stop within 200 feet before a control. It takes some practice, but with the clock in front of you, it is quite possible for Novices to score very near zero on controls. And if you just like food and comradeship, the event will end at Squealer's BBQ in Mooresville.

### Indy Main Road

The second event will be on Sat. June 12 and is slightly more complicated. It is described as a Course style rally and will require the use of some logic and observational skills to follow the correct route. Because each leg of the rally will have an On Course route and an Off Course route it will not be possible to give you either the precise mileage or time for controls, so it will be necessary to do your own calculations. The rally is set up so that even if you take the Off Course route, you will arrive at the On Course control, just at the incorrect time. These rallies use a concept called Main Road Determinants (MRD's) and the rule that the execution of a route instruction must cause you to leave the main road. There will be both lettered and numbered instructions used. And if you just like food and comradeship, the event will end at Tomato Pie Pizza in Paragon.

## **The Richta App**

### **GENERAL INFORMATION FOR ALL PHONES ABOUT USING THE RICHTA APP**

You cannot run any other apps on the device that is running the Richta app during the rally. If you are planning to use any other app during the rally, you'll have to do so on a different device.

Your phone will NOT need to have cell phone service during the rally in order for this app to work. The app will have downloaded all necessary information prior to starting the rally. During the rally it only needs a GPS signal.

You will know that the app is running by noticing the running time-of-day clock. If the app should stop during the rally, simply pull off the road in a safe location, reboot the app and then continue to rally. Take a time allowance if necessary (TA+). The app will simply resume where it left off. No data will be lost, **but you must notice if the app stops**. If you pass a control while the app is not running, you will not be timed at that control and you will be scored as a max. It is

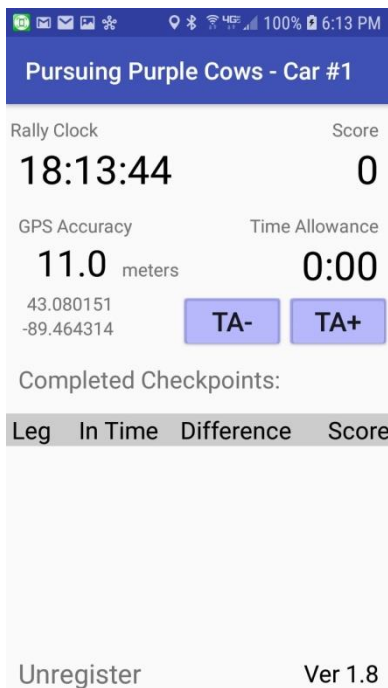


your responsibility to pay attention and make sure that the app continues to run on your smartphone. You must keep a watchful eye on this app to make sure that it remains visible on your smartphone during the rally. If your phone is displaying something other than the Richta app, it will not record your arrival time at controls.

**This app uses a fairly large amount of battery power due to its use of GPS. You should plan to have your smartphone connected to a power supply during the rally, otherwise you may run out of battery during the rally.**

#### USING THE RICHTA APP ON AN ANDROID SMARTPHONE OR TABLET

Contestants with Android smartphones must go to the Google Play Store and download the 'Competitor – Richta GPS Checkpoints' app. There is no cost to you to download this app. Press "Accept" to grant permission to use Location services. Open the app. Accept the Privacy Policy. You'll be asked to select an event. Choose "Indy Monte Redux".



Enter the password **Monte**. (**Note that you cannot do the next step until you have registered for the event. Go to [www.motorsportreg.com](http://www.motorsportreg.com) find the event and register. I will reply with your Car # so you can complete the download, but it might take a while depending on whether I am at home to receive the notification that you have registered. This password is for the May rally only. I will give you the June password with your car number.**) Then you'll then be asked to enter your car number and a password. This password is your own personal password that you create for this event. Enter the car number you've been assigned and enter a password of your own choosing (**remember this password!!**). After you've done that, press "Save". Then press "Add" when it appears. You should see a screen that looks similar to this. You're all set for March Monte.

I have noticed that my screen goes to sleep rather quickly if I am not touching it. My fix for this is to go to **Settings/Developer Options/Stay Awake** and turn it on. This will keep the screen on if you are following the recommendation made under General Information.

An alternate approach is **Settings/Display/Screen Timeout** and set it to the maximum time. (Note that I have not confirmed that this is as effective as the former recommendation.)

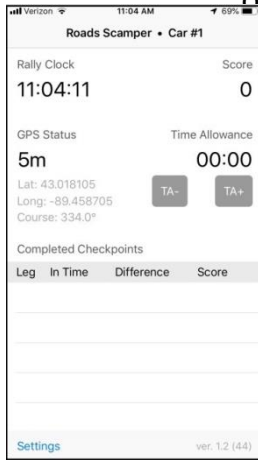
Richta app on an Android smartphone

#### USING THE RICHTA APP ON AN APPLE SMARTPHONE OR TABLET

If you're using an Apple smartphone, go to the Apple App Store and download the "Competitor Richta Checkpoint" app. There is no cost to you for this app. Open the app. Choose "Indy Monte Redux". Enter the password **Monte**. (**Note that you cannot do the next step until you have registered for the event. Go to [www.motorsportreg.com](http://www.motorsportreg.com) find the event and register. I will reply with your Car # so you can complete the download, but it might take a while depending on whether I am at home to receive the notification that you have registered. This password is for the May rally only. I will give you the June password with your car number.**) Press "Continue". On the next screen, enter your car number.

The next password is one that you create for yourself for this event. Create

one and enter it (**remember this password!!**). Press “Done”. Press “Continue”. Press “Submit Info” (ignore whatever other fields show on this screen). Choose “Always Allow”. You should see a screen that looks milar to this.



Richta app on an Apple smartphone

# ACTIVITIES REPORT – JUSTIN RITTER



## Winter Karting 2020

This winter we had a wonderful karting experience despite the roadblocks we had with COVID requirements. Going into the season, we made sure to implement measures that would lead to us having a safe, and fun karting season. We hosted at Fastimes Indoor Karting as we usually do.

While we expected a drop in attendance, we had a total of 22 participants throughout the 2020-21 season. Our top 10 competitors all attended at least three events throughout the season.

At the end of the season, our top competitors were Chris Finnigan, Jordan Holloway, and Kevin Burns. Only 0.03 points separated our top two at 299.62 and 299.59 points respectively, while Kevin finished with 293.13 with a late season push into 3<sup>rd</sup>. Justin Ritter and Ian Vanderwater rounded out our top 5 at 288.75 and 287.22 points each.

*From left: Jordan Holloway (2<sup>nd</sup>), Chris Finnigan (1<sup>st</sup>), Kevin Burns (3<sup>rd</sup>)*

I want to thank all of our competitors for making this a wonderful season. We look forward to seeing you all next season.



## **SECRETARY REPORT – CLUB MEETING MINUTES:**



### **February 9, 2021 – Indianapolis Region/SCCA Board Meeting – Dawson's in Speedway**

Meeting called to order at 6:33 p.m.

Present: Joel Harleman, Mike and Kitina Young, Ben Drexler, Chuck Hanson, Wendy Harrison, Ashley Heyman, Raleigh and Velma Boreen

Present via call-in: John Clyne, Josh Kikta, Vinnie Taibi, Charles Tashiro, Lou Savino, James DaPuzzo

Approval for January 30 meeting minutes – motion by Mike, second by Charles - passed

#### **RE Report – Joel**

- Charter and updated bylaws sent to SCCA
- Entity Report for Indiana – taken care of by Dick Powell

### **Membership - Josh**

- January membership at 589 – includes 23 new members
- Indy Region was first in growth in the Large Region category for 2020

### **Treasurer - Kitina**

- Kitina and Colin will work on getting banking information transferred on Friday, 2-12
- Credit card info will be changing
- Request to get the books audited with the changing of treasurer will be taking place
  - Mike and Jim will check on person to do the audit

### **Website - John**

- Continue sending information to John Wilmoth
- Prefers PDF format

### **Clutch Chatter - Raleigh**

- Clutch Chatter will be published every other month starting with February
- Info for the April issue needs to be to Raleigh by the end of March
- Asked everyone to review for correct spelling and information
- There will be 2 sets of minutes in each Clutch Chatter
- Editor is open to suggestions – story ideas
- Will continue to send to board as each issue is ready

### **Activities - Justin**

- Next karting event is February 21

### **75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Information - Velma**

- Received pricing on banners
  - Ben will help with set-up on banners
- Decals and license plate holders will be here soon. Can purchase more if needed
- Joel will be checking with Deanna and Eric at the National Office on putting the banners up at IMS during the Runoffs

### **Road Rally - Wendy**

- 2021 Schedule is set, with Chuck helping
  - Published in Clutch Chatter
- Sanction forms will be filed soon
- Working on a budget
- The Region had 9 clocks that have been sold
  - Oregon Region, New England Region and two individuals
  - Kitina will get account information to Chuck so he can make a deposit for the clocks
  - Clocks will be shipped after the checks clear

### **Solo – Jim**

- Hoosier Challenge has been moved to October 10, hosted by Indy Region

- October 9 will be a fun day for Indy Region
- Seven points events
- Will be going ahead with the purchase of a helmet scanner and bar code printer
  - This budget item was approved in 2020 but due to COVID-19, purchase never took place
- Loaner helmets from the SCCA Foundation
  - Will check to see if there are any still available to purchase
  - These are Snell 2020 helmets
- There is a shop in Brownsburg that also has good pricing on Snell 2015 helmets
  - Joel and Jim will check on those helmets
- Junior Kart Program - Josh
  - Currently there are no Regions in the country running the Junior Kart program
  - Pilot program will be for 5-10 Regions
  - National events will not have Junior Kart participation
  - Option of a number of kart facilities for the junior karters to run at
    - CERAland, Whiteland, New Castle
      - John Clyne questioned the format for a pre-determined track format
  - Josh will make a post on Facebook
    - How many parents want Indy Region to pursue the JDP in 2021

#### **Road Racing – Joel**

- Joel will visit IRP on the viability of Road Racing at that facility

#### **Time Trials – Vinnie**

- Review of licensed workers needed
  - Tech, Driver Coach, Safety Steward (2)
- Also need Grid and T/S workers but licensing not needed
- Incentive to workers to run a session at a discounted or free rate
- 10-12 workers are needed for Time Trials
  - Wendy, Kitina and Ben will be available to help
- Schedule has been set for Putnam
  - June 26-27 – with Western Ohio Region
    - Make sure we stay in touch with WOR for set up
    - Saturday would be a practice day for Indy Region
    - Sunday would be the track day for Indy Region
  - August 28-29

#### **Unfinished Business**

- Discussion continued on compensation/free events to board members
- Track time at Putnam
- This should be looked at as a way to get members to cross over to another discipline
- Joel will collect ideas from the board
- Will need to put a budget together

#### **Old Business**

- No old business

## **New Business**

- Kitina would like those who have expenses for the Region to use the app called “Smart Receipt”
  - She can help if someone needs help with the app

Next meeting is March 9<sup>th</sup> at Dawson’s and a call-in number for those not attending in person will be sent out prior to that date.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Mike, seconded by Wendy at 7:48 p.m.

Velma

## **March 9, 2021 – Indianapolis Region/SCCA Board Meeting – Dawson’s in Speedway**

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Present via call-in: John Clyne, Josh Kikta, Vinnie Taibi, James DaPuzzo, Ben Drexler, Mike and Kitina Young, Justin Ritter, Ashley Heyman

Approval for February 9 meeting minutes – motion by Mike, second by Jim - passed

### **Membership - Josh**

- February membership at 588 – includes 8 new members

### **Treasurer – Kitina**

- All treasurer information has been switched to Kitina
- Email address for her should now be [indysccatreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:indysccatreasurer@gmail.com)
- Will get reimbursement to Chuck for Rally radio shipping
- New bank cards will be coming with a change to Kitina’s address
- Received records for the Region from Colin dating back to the 1980’s.
  - Motion by Wendy, seconded by Velma to shred any records that are more than 6 years old – motion passed
- Kitina requested that a laptop and software be purchased just for use by the treasurer
  - Motion by Jim, seconded by Justin to purchase computer and software, with the intent to keep the price around \$1,000 – motion passed
    - Suggestion was made to check for not for profit Quick Books program
- Kitina once again requested that Smart Receipt app be used for submitting expenses

### **Website - John**

- Continue sending information to John Wilmoth
  - He has requested items come to him in a timelier manner

### **Clutch Chatter – Raleigh**

- April issue will go out the first week in April
- Still in need of a couple of articles from the program chairs.
  - Raleigh will send a reminder to those chairs

#### **Activities - Justin**

- Next karting event is March 14
  - Awards will be given out, compliments of Fastimes

#### **75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Information – Velma**

- The license plate holders and decals have come in
  - Gave plate holders and decals to those at Dawson's
- Will send out the banner choices for a final vote from the board
- Joel is checking with SCCA Gear about adding the new 75<sup>th</sup> logo to the Region portion of the SCCA Gear website, along with Time Trials logo for the Region

#### **Road Rally - Wendy**

- 2021 Schedule is set, with Chuck helping
  - Published in Clutch Chatter
  - 4-10 Rally is on MSR
  - Vinnie will post on social media

#### **Solo – Jim**

- One Lap of America on for 5-1
  - Brock Yates has requested a contract from the Region
- Schedule for the season is on the website
  - Workday at Grissom
  - Potential "school" on 5-1 after the One Lap competitors are finished
- Will be working on the scanner and printer for bar codes
- Pronto invoice needs to be paid
- Much discussion ensued about the events and setting up registration for walk up people

#### **Road Racing – Joel**

- Nothing to discuss

#### **Time Trials – Vinnie**

- Vinnie, Joel and Mike had a Zoom call with WOR regarding 1<sup>st</sup> Time Trials event at Putnam
  - Saturday will be WOR's event, Sunday will be Indy' event
  - Expenses will be worked out after the event
- An Indy Car driver, who is a member of Indy Region, will be approached about working at the August event as an instructor, working with the novice group

## Old Business

- Josh had posted a question on FB about the JDP program and only got one response
- JDP will not be in Indy Region's plans for 2021 right now

## New Business

- A request to all program chairs to have their written budget for 2021 out to all board members by April 6<sup>th</sup>. This gives the rest of the board time to review prior to meeting on April 13<sup>th</sup>.
- Mike will be checking in to getting a Zoom account for the Region

Next meeting is April 13<sup>th</sup> at Dawson's and a call-in number for those not attending in person will be sent out prior to that date.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Velma, seconded by Kitina at 7:45 p.m.

Velma

## ***SITTING IN THE GARAGE***



## ***Sitting in the Garage with:***

*(Conversations with Indy Region Members and other significant SCCA members with Raleigh Boreen)*



***This month's conversation is with Howard Duncan.***

Howard is the Sr. Manager, National Solo Field Operations. I have known Howard since we met in 1985 at the Solo Nationals in Salina, KS. Howard and his wife Linda just moved to Central Florida to be back where they grew up. They spent the last 30 years with SCCA in Colorado and Kansas working out of the SCCA Corporate office. *Some of Velma's and my best vacations over the years have been with Howard and Linda.*

***How long have you been a member of SCCA?***

I became a member of SCCA in 1981 because I wanted to go Road Racing. I went to a driver's school at the Daytona Speedway. I soon found out racing was very time consuming and very expensive. I Road Raced on and off until 1990 and then again between 2005 and 2015. However, I have continually participated in Solo events for the last 50 years as it was fun and less expensive. The same can be said for RallyCross which we have been doing for the last 15 years off and on.

***How did you get started in Solo?***

I saw my first Solo when I was 11 years old. I was mesmerized by the sports cars driving around the parking lot. Ten years later when I was in school at the University of South Florida driving my new to me MGB I was approached about joining the college car club. The hook was set and I have been doing Solo events ever since.

***How did you get interested in cars and the SCCA?***

As a kid my family looked at cars as if they were an appliance but my parents loved going to Circle Track races. I was hooked on going fast. In the 70's and 80's there were probably 10 different car clubs in central Florida doing autocrosses. It was easy to find an event year-round. I became the Solo Chair for Central Florida Region in the 80's and to set ourselves apart we only did 3-4 events a year but they were big 2-day events. In 1985 I went to my first Solo Nationals and I loved it. After that I became a member of the National Solo Events Board. In 1989 and 1990 I was the manager of the Pro Solo Series. In 1990 I became a full-time employee of SCCA managing the Solo Department.

***What would you like to see happen in 2021 and coming years?***

My feeling is 2021 is a "Wash Rinse Repeat" year. 2020 threw all of us so many things that I think we should take the things we learned in 2020 and do them again. We should not make any major changes to what we did or what we had planned to do. Save our ideas for changes and put them into our 2022 and beyond plans.

***Outside of SCCA, what is something you really enjoy doing?***

I have a boat that I love to take out for rides and fishing. I have 2 grand kids that love to join me in the boat. I am lucky that both Linda's and my mother are close to us and my son and his family live only a few miles away. I am enjoying the "No Snow" winters.



## *Sitting in the Garage with:*

*(Conversations with Indy Region Members and other significant SCCA members with Raleigh Boreen)*

***This month's conversation is with Rich Bireta.***

*Rich is well-known in the Road Rally circles in SCCA and has become a hero for Rally Masters all over SCCA because he has created the "Richta GPS Check Point" system. Now when an SCCA Region puts on a Road Rally they no longer need to have many people working check points and the Richta GPS Check Point system helps speed up Timing and Scoring. It was fun talking with Rich as I found we had several friends in common throughout SCCA. I also found out how valuable his new system is for helping Indy Region and others with Road Rally's*

***How long have you been a member of SCCA?***

*I have only been a member of SCCA since 2003 but have competed in or managed Road Rally's for over 45 years. I started my love for cars when I was 12 years old and convinced my parents to let me go to the drag races near my home on the south side of Detroit. I spent many hours at Detroit Dragway. When I turned 16 and got my first car, I was introduced to Road Rally. It was inexpensive and fun. In College at the University of Michigan I joined the SCCAA, Sports Car Club of Ann Arbor. They were a very active Rally group. I experienced regular road rally's in Michigan and even got involved in some Pro Rally's in Michigan. For me Rally is a passion. I enjoy running a Rally and I enjoy being a Rally Master. When I joined SCCA I jumped in with both feet helping Kansas Region initially and even getting to be on the National Rally Board for 6 years. I have lived in Lawrence, KS. for the last 40 years and am now a member of both Kansas City Region and Kansas Region.*

***Tell us a little bit about yourself from the days in Michigan to today.***

I am now retired after spending 40 years with IBM working in Information Technologies. My wife and I will celebrate our 44<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary this year and we have six children. We moved to Kansas shortly after we got married.

### **Why did you design the Richta GPS Check Point System?**

After running Rally's for many years and being a Rally Master I found that two things could kill a Rally Program: trying to find enough Check Point workers and slow timing and scoring at the end of a Rally. *There had to be a solution. I talked with many friends that Rally and even designed a couple of systems to correct the problem but they did not work out to my expectations. I talked with a Rallyist from England named John Broughhall to compare notes. My greatest help with the new system was a friend from Madison, Wisc. Jim Crittenden. Jim used the Richta GPS System at a Rally in Wisconsin in early 2019 and it worked flawlessly. Since then, I have been tweaking it and it has really become a great tool for Regions. You no longer need Check Point workers. All the competitors need is a smart phone. As a car drives past a certain point the phone registers the event and gives the timing and scoring person your info. When a Rally car arrives at the end of the Rally scoring is completed in a matter of minutes.*

### **What are your plans for 2021?**

I hope to do some Rallying with my co-driver and work on making the RICHTA GPS Check Point System better. I will also be helping both KC Region and Kansas Region with their Rally program in 2021. Hope we can get back to something closer to normal.

## **IMPORTANT CAR RELATED EVENTS:**



- 1) First Cars & Coffee of 2021 at Graham Rahal's in Brownsburg on April 3rd
- 2) The first Indy Region Rally will be April 10<sup>th</sup> on the North side of Indy
- 3) Work day at Grissom on April 17th
- 4) One Lap of America at Grissom May 1<sup>st</sup>
- 5) First Indy Solo of 2021 at Grissom on May 2<sup>nd</sup>
- 6) National Solo - Chicago Champ Tour at Rt. 66 Speedway May 21-23
- 7) National Solo – Champ Tour at Grissom hosted by Indy Region June 4-6
- 8) National Solo – CAM Challenge event at Grissom Aug. 6-8
- 9) SCCA Road Racing Run Offs comes to Indianapolis at IMS Sept. 25 -Oct. 3

*Stay tuned for the date to celebrate Indy Region's 75th Anniversary*

## DID YOU KNOW ?



Did you know? The Indianapolis Region was one of the first Regions in the “New” Sports car Club of America that was founded in 1944. The very first organized event that the SCCA held in 1945 was a road trip from Connecticut to attend the Indy 500! 2021 marks the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for the Indianapolis Region of the SCCA. Wow!! Think about it our Region has been Around for 75 years. In honor of the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary the club will be offering some items to members during the year. These will be available at no charge at events thru out the year.

### 3 Inch Diameter Screenprinted Decal



We are hoping to have a fun event or a possible picnic to honor the club for the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. More details to follow as get see how things progress with the Covid regulations.

### Meet Ben Drexler, a new Board Member for Indy Region in 2021.

“Hello all. My name is Ben Drexler, but some may know me better as “Corey Olah” which is the parody name for my car (Corolla) and FB account. In addition to being a Member At Large for 2021 I’m also the Chief of Waivers for Solo this year. If I can be of assistance please feel free to reach out to me. I’m still

learning the ropes, but I'll do what I can to help. Facebook (Corey Olah) or my email ([Ben@BenjaminDrexler.com](mailto:Ben@BenjaminDrexler.com)) are the best ways to reach me outside of events.

I'm an Eastside resident of Indianapolis, and have lived in central Indiana the vast majority of my life with a few stints out of state in the UP of Michigan, Missouri and Alabama. I graduated from Pike High School in 2001. I also attended the Art Institute of Indianapolis studying photography – Someday I'd like to finish that just to say I did.

I fell in love with autocross and the community in October of 2019 when I went to my first event at Grissom. The SCCA had been on my "Todo" list for quiet a while. My first exposure was while running a copy center after high school, and printing a newsletter that is familiar to us all by the title of "Clutch Chatter". After being invited to come out, I did - just 15 or so years later. I worked grid at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Time Trials last year and am volunteering out there again this year. I'll also be attending my very first Road Rally this month on my birthday. Thank you Wendy for picking the 10<sup>th</sup>. Every year I'm asked what I'm going to do and I've never had an answer before. I'm not sure what else to say about myself other than I'm happy to be a part of this fantastic club and honored to join you all in the making of our 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary season. I wish everyone the best in a successful year both on and off the tarmac.

## TIME TRIAL PROGRAM



The Indy Time Trail program for 2021 will have some changes. First of all, Vincent Taibi will be the co-Chairman for the Indy Program in 2021. The second thing is we will have two events and both are two-day events. The first one we will share with Western Ohio Region on June 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. Saturday will be hosted by WOR and Sunday will be hosted by Indy Region. The next event will be August 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. Both days will be hosted by Indy Region. The great thing about the new program is you can run as many of the days as you want. You could run one in both weekends or more. Looking forward to seeing everyone at Putnam. Remember that the Time Trails Nationals will be held at NCM in 2021 on June 10-13.

## 2021 WHAT'S NEW?



**Congrats!!! Josh and Emily are getting married in June 2021**



**The SCCA Foundation received this Daytona Coupe as a donation in late 2020. It was sold by the SCCA Foundation at the Mecum Auction in January for \$45,000.**

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## Notes from the Director's Chair

### Area 4 Director Update for March, 2021

With the racing season looming on the horizon, February started getting “real”. Schedules for Club Racing, Pro and Champ Tour Solo, Track Night in America, etc. were coalescing and my summer schedule could start to gel around those dates. Preparation continued for GLDiv Spring Training meeting and I sat in on a few more SCCA Convention sessions and various other meetings.

My tentative schedule for the summer looks like this (for now):

1. 4/29-5/2: STC @ PIRC (Super Tour)
2. 5/22, 5/23: OVR @ MidOhio (Major)
3. 6/4-6/6: Champ Tour Solo @ Grissom
4. 6/19, 6/20: WMR @ Grattan (Double Regional)
5. 7/16-7/18: Time Trails National Tour @ GingerMan
6. 7/24, 7/25: SBR/DET @ GingerMan (Major)
7. 7/30-8/1: Pro Solo @ Wurtsmith
8. 8/21, 8/22: WMR @ Grattan (Major)
9. 9/6: WMR Solo @ Grattan
10. 9/24-10/3: Runoffs @ Indy
11. 10/31: MBR Covered Bridges Road Rally

That should keep me busy and off the streets causing havoc. Obviously, this could change for any number of reasons (C-19, weather, “honey do” list, etc.) but I’ll do my best to represent our division at as many different types of events as possible. I need to throw in a Rally Cross event or two as well. If I have time, I may slide over to Lincoln, NE and visit the Solo Nationals.....I’ve never been and I would really like to see this event in person.

By now you should have seen some emails from Val McCammon about the GLDiv Spring Training meeting. She is doing a fantastic job at herding the cats and coordinating this event. You can register for the event through motorsportreg.com (MSR) at this [link](#). Reach out to her via [email](#) if you have any questions.

I am also starting to gain some traction in my “Ask the Director” appearances at regional meetings. These are so much fun and this is one of the few upsides to the pandemic. There’s no way I could visit Cincinnati, Dayton, Cleveland, Louisville, Charleston, etc. if these meetings were held in person.....but in our new virtual world, it’s as easy as logging into my office PC.

To that end, I was invited to sit in on the NEOhio Region virtual meeting on 2/2. As the convention was going on that evening, their meeting had to wrap up by 8p. This meant my portion was pretty short. But it was productive and that’s all that matters. I look forward to visiting with them at future meetings.

I followed up the NEOhio meeting by sitting in on a CRB meeting later that evening. There was a lot of discussion about Miata front hubs. And since the Miata can compete in so many classes, this was germane to a wide variety of competitors. There were also dozens of other rules debated. For info on what was finalized and promulgated, visit the latest Fastrack update [here](#).

I sat in on my first Budget, Finance and Risk management committee meeting on 2/4. This was a very short meeting (15 minutes?) hosted by the Chairman (K.J. Christopher) to let us know about a budgeting issue that had popped up. Nothing serious but he wanted to let the rest of us know about it. I’d try to explain it but I’m only a chemist and I haven’t been allowed near the home checkbook for 30+ years..

We had a BoD meeting on 2/22. It was pretty straightforward with no fires to put out. We were re-introduced to Jeff Dahnert. He is the new financial guru for the Club. As a past President, he certainly knows his way around the “ins and outs” of the SCCA. He gave us a brief overview of the financial status of the Club. Considering all we’ve been through in the past year, the National Staff has done a GREAT job responding to the situation. We briefly discussed and ultimately OK’d one minor rule change for Club Racing (FYI.....I voted for it). We are still trying to coordinate a face to face meeting during the summer.

I also sat in on a RXB meeting on 2/23. The team was working on several ideas on how to grow the sport. They discussed their rules updates, heard from various committees (RallySprint, National Championship, Divisional Stewards, Growth & Development, etc.). They reviewed the presentations made during the SCCA Convention. Everyone was very pleased with the event and the turnout.



March will be busy with a CRB meeting on 3/2, the GLDiv Spring Training meeting on 3/7, a BoD meeting on 3/22 and an RXB meeting on 3/23. I'm sure other things will pop up too.

Thank you for your time and I look forward to hearing from you soon

## **Notes from the Director's Chair**

### **Area 4 Director Update for April, 2021**

Another busy month as we all get ready for the upcoming season.

Probably the biggest highlight of the past month was our GLDiv Spring Training meeting held on 3/7. Due to continued pandemic restrictions, the event was held remotely. Many kudos go to Val McCammon as she made all the arrangements. She had a lot of help from her husband Pat and Velma and Raleigh Boreen. The four of them acted as moderator and guided a flawless day of sessions. There were over 100 people who attended a session during the day.

Work continues on the revised GLDiv website. If you are an RE, Race Chair, etc. and want your event posted on the divisional website's calendar, please send the pertinent details (date, location, contact person, registration link) to Rob Dietz ([gldscweb@gmail.com](mailto:gldscweb@gmail.com)). He's the webmaster and will be able to collate the divisional events into the calendar.

The usual monthly meetings occurred in March. It started off with the Club Racing Board ([CRB](#)) meeting on 3/2. There was the usual agenda of 100+ letters that the CRB dealt with.....most fairly mundane. The biggest item was the introduction of the tentative schedule for the Runoffs. Eric Prill said a survey of drivers indicated that over 1000 will attend the Runoffs at Indianapolis Motor Speedway ([IMS](#)) this year. This puts pressure on them to generate a schedule that meets a wide variety of criteria (multi-class drivers, track limits, daylight hours, etc.). It has since been released and can be found [here](#). There's nothing quite like IMS and I know I'll be there. I had the pleasure of racing there back in 2017 when the Runoffs first visited the facility. Please consider attending in some form (worker, spectator, crew, etc.) as I am sure you will have an excellent time. It'll be held from 9/28 to 10/3 and other details about the event can be found [here](#).

We had a [BoD](#) meeting on 3/22. As usual, there wasn't anything too flashy that came from this meeting. We discussed the financial report submitted by Jeff Dahnert. Things look pretty good so far this year. The steps taken last spring as the pandemic was taking hold have continued to bear fruit. The President (Mike Cobb) submitted his update to us a week beforehand and we discussed that a bit during the meeting. There were a couple of "hush, hush" items that I cannot comment on at this time. Nothing too terribly earth shattering and I'll let you in on it when the time is appropriate.

One nice thing to come from the meeting is that we are planning on meeting face to face in late July (7/30 – 8/1). By then, it will have been well over a year since that occurred. We'll be heading to Kansas City for this,

and I can't wait to see my fellow Board members. I've only met four of them over the years (Albin, Dowie, Isley and Jankovskis) so this will be quite exciting for me. Another BoD meeting will take place in December (12/3 - 12/5) and it will also be held in Kansas City.

The next night (3/23), there was a RallyCross Board ([RXB](#)) meeting. This group is diligently working on expanding and raising the profile of the program. Among other things, they are working on coordinating their National Championships which will be held in our backyard. They'll be held in Chillicothe, OH on 10/15-10/17. Details about the event can be found [here](#).

On the next evening (yes.....I had SCCA meetings three nights in a row), we held the first meeting of a committee dedicated to electric vehicles (EVs) and how they will be folded into every level of all competition programs within SCCA. We are charged (get it...charged about EVs....I know, don't quit my day job) with not only incorporating EVs into competition but also the safety and liability aspects of bringing them into the fold. The SCCA wants to be the leader for the current (yet another pun) and next generation of automobile enthusiast and EVs will definitely be a part of that future. As an EV owner and competitor, I am VERY excited to be in on the ground floor as we move into this realm.

Events of the past month have had an impact on my summer schedule. Here's my revised (and still tentative) schedule:

12. 4/29 - 5/2: STC @ PIRC (Super Tour)
13. 5/22, 5/23: OVR @ MidOhio (Major)
14. 6/4 - 6/6: Champ Tour Solo @ Grissom
15. 6/19, 6/20: WMR @ Grattan (Double Regional)
16. 7/16 - 7/18: Time Trails National Tour @ GingerMan
17. 7/23 - 7/25: Pro Solo @ Toledo
18. 7/30 - 8/1: BoD meeting in Kansas City, MO
19. 8/21, 8/22: WMR @ Grattan (Major)
20. 9/6: WMR Solo @ Grattan
21. 9/24 - 10/3: Runoffs @ Indy
22. 10/15 - 10/17: RallyCross Nationals in Chillicothe, OH
23. 10/24: WMR Solo @ Grattan
24. 10/31: MBR Covered Bridges Road Rally
25. 12/3 - 12/5: BoD meeting in Kansas City, MO

Woof! This will keep me busy. See you at the track.

Thank you for your time and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

*Dayle Frame*



**140 days in lockdown. I'M  
FINE. Thanks for asking.**

***Enjoy the spring in Indiana. See you at an Indy event soon!!!***