

# Clutch Chatter

## Indianapolis Region SCCA



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### **Clutch Chatter Editor – Raleigh Boreen**

The picture above is of Bob Miller, Chris Kinnaman and Chris Brake. All are members of Indy Region who took a Mercury Gran Marquis and turned it into a sports car to compete and win the Grass Roots Motorsports magazine \$2,000 Challenge. The annual competition is held in Florida. The guys spent a year building the car on free minutes from their regular jobs. See more pictures and details in the January Clutch Chatter.

If you are interested in being more involved with the club please email me at [rvboreen@gmail.com](mailto:rvboreen@gmail.com). We are looking for people to run for the Indy Region Board of Directors. Club meetings are the second Tuesday every month at Dawson's in Speedway.

### **75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Banquet**

Put January 16<sup>th</sup> on your calendar for the Year end Banquet and 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary party.

### **Road Rally**

On December 4th we have the "Holiday Shopping Shuffle Rally" It is great fun and your entry fee is a Toy to be donated

### **Election of Indy Region Officers for 2022**

Watch your email for the ballot for election of new Club Officers for 2022

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## RE REPORT – JOEL HARLEMAN

Hello again to all of the members of Indy Region. Most of our events for the year have been completed, we have one December Rally before Christmas left to do in 2021. The planning for the Awards Banquet and 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary party is completed. I hope everyone got a chance to attend as many events as possible in 2021. I did not get to many events in 2021 trying to recover from my work accident in January. Between recovery and then getting back to work with lots of mandatory overtime the year got away from me. The Formula Ford needs to be exercised so I am looking forward to the 2022 Solo season. Hopefully I will also have my Time Trials car ready for the new season.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the Awards Banquet and 75<sup>th</sup> Celebration in January. It is only \$10.00 per person and kids are free. Put Jan. 16<sup>th</sup> on your calendar. Happy Holidays!!!

*Joel Harleman – Regional Executive*

# 2022 Indy Region SCCA Awards Banquet and 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

**Sunday, January 16<sup>th</sup>  
4:00 to 9:00 (dinner at 5:00)**

**The Sycamore at Mallow Run  
7070 Whiteland Rd.,  
Bargersville, IN 46106**



## INDY REGION MEMBERSHIP REPORT:



### Membership July – Nov. 2021 – Josh Kikta Membership Chairman

Here are the inputs for the next Clutch Chatter. There are 62 new members from 7/27/2021 (last date I used for the CC) to 11/4/2021.

First Name	Last Name	City	State	SCCA Join Date	Region Join Date
Jack	Banker	Carmel	IN	09/26/2021	09/26/2021
Michael	Barnes	Louisville	KY	03/28/2017	08/30/2021
Stephen	Best	Yorktown	IN	02/01/1974	02/01/1974
Philip	Blomgren	Indianapolis	IN	09/27/2021	09/27/2021
Barrett	Boatner	Fort Worth	TX	09/08/2021	09/08/2021
Mike	Bymaster	Plainfield	IN	04/28/1999	05/05/2009
Cameron	Christian	Indianapolis	IN	09/23/2021	09/23/2021
Adam	Cox	Indianapolis	IN	09/22/2021	09/22/2021

Elliot	Cox	Indianapolis	IN	08/27/2021	08/27/2021
Amanda	Cox	Indianapolis	IN	08/27/2021	08/27/2021
J	Cox	Indianapolis	IN	08/27/2021	08/27/2021
Isabel	Cox	Indianapolis	IN	08/27/2021	08/27/2021
Anthony	Dean	Indianapolis	IN	10/02/2021	10/02/2021
James	Dunn	Greenwood	IN	08/17/2021	08/17/2021
Eric	Eckman	Fishers	IN	08/01/2021	08/01/2021
Mitchell	Egan	Indianapolis	IN	10/02/2021	10/02/2021
Dominick	Ferrara	Indianapolis	IN	08/16/2021	08/16/2021
Rick	Fiege	Zionsville	IN	09/11/2021	09/11/2021
Dr. Angela	Fiege	Zionsville	IN	09/11/2021	09/11/2021
Christopher	Finch	Indianapolis	IN	09/09/2021	09/09/2021
Joe	Gault	Avon	IN	08/09/2021	08/09/2021
Robert	Gobeli	Indianapolis	IN	09/09/2021	09/09/2021
Garrett	Hall	Terre Haute	IN	09/24/2021	09/24/2021
Joseph	Hildalgo	Westfield	IN	04/19/2017	10/19/2021
Brian	Hitze	Lafayette	IN	09/04/2021	09/04/2021
Matthew	Hunt	Indianapolis	IN	10/28/2021	10/28/2021
Soheil	Hussain	West Lafayette	IN	06/27/2021	08/03/2021
Soheil	Hussain	West Lafayette	IN	08/03/2021	08/03/2021
Rebecca	Hutton	Indianapolis	IN	09/09/2021	09/09/2021
Michael	Janssen	Lexington	KY	04/10/2001	09/21/2021
Haley	Janssen	Lexington	KY	03/08/2021	09/21/2021
Myra	Jeffers	Lafayette	IN	08/31/2021	08/31/2021
Karen	Jones	Greenfield	IN	09/19/2017	09/19/2017
Greg	Knight	Columbus	IN	08/14/2021	08/14/2021
Nathan	Kuipers	Fishers	IN	09/09/2021	09/09/2021
Shaun	langhorne	Indianapolis	IN	08/17/2021	08/17/2021
Bradley	Larsen	Whiteland	IN	08/27/2021	08/27/2021
Jacob	Martin	Indianapolis	IN	09/14/2021	09/14/2021
Ryan	McIntyre	Connersville	IN	09/09/2021	09/09/2021
Larry	Nash	Lebanon	IN	09/07/2021	09/07/2021
Parker	Neale	Carmel	IN	09/15/2021	09/15/2021
Jake	Paholski	Indianapolis	IN	09/09/2021	09/09/2021
Liam	Parkes	New Albany	IN	05/13/2018	09/16/2021
John	Petrie	Indianapolis	IN	08/29/2021	08/29/2021
James	Phelps	Plainfield	IN	09/28/2021	09/28/2021
Dylan	Raad	Indianapolis	IN	09/09/2021	09/09/2021
Kyle	Rehmer	Mooresville	IN	10/13/2021	10/13/2021
Darren	Reighard	Indianapolis	IN	08/03/2021	08/03/2021
Abigail	Ross	Lexington	KY	03/08/2021	09/21/2021
Kevin	Ruble	Indianapolis	IN	09/28/2021	09/28/2021
Shahab	Sakha	Brownsburg	IN	09/23/2021	09/23/2021
Billy	Sauce	Carmel	IN	04/29/2009	09/21/2021
Derek	Saul	Indianapolis	IN	10/13/2021	10/13/2021

Benson	Schurtter	Indianapolis	IN	09/24/2021	09/24/2021
Roger	Serna	Mission Viejo	CA	08/12/2021	08/12/2021
William	Smith	Yorktown	IN	08/06/2021	08/06/2021
Ameya	Tiwari	Indianapolis	IN	09/09/2021	09/09/2021
Max	Turner	Indianapolis	IN	09/15/2021	09/15/2021
Marc	Weidman	Danville	IN	09/01/2021	09/01/2021
Nick	Woloshin	Speedway	IN	09/09/2021	09/09/2021
Donald	Yager	Kokomo	IN	09/12/2021	09/12/2021
Jonathan	Zaritz	Bristol	IN	09/01/2021	09/01/2021

I look forward to seeing everyone at the Indy Region events coming up. Safe travels to the Indy Region events.

*Reminder: January 16<sup>th</sup> is the Indy Region Annual Banquet and the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration. Looking forward to seeing everyone at the event.*



**Photo by John Wilmoth at the 2021 SCCA Runoffs at IMS**

# ROAD RALLY UPDATE:



## December Road Rally Report

It was a dark and stormy night... well, actually, it was cold and overcast, but that didn't stop 9 teams from competing to find the most gravestone markers, Halloween houses, and haunted bridges to try and win this year's annual Halloween RoadRally, Werewolves of London. Rallymaster, Jeff Alexander, planned a fun course with cemeteries spread over a large portion of Shelby County. While it was possible to get to all of the cemeteries in the three-hour allotted time, it took some strategizing if you were going to stop and search for any markers.

The three-person team of Sida Guo, Deshun Coomer, and Andrew Meyerhoff finished in first place overall with a score of 58. This is the third Halloween rally they have participated in. The two-person team of Todd and Jennifer Koerner came in second with a score of 49 and third place overall was awarded to Travis Hartwell, Shawna Fenley, Cassidy, and Tanner with a score of 43.

The rally ended at Cagney's Pizza King in Shelbyville where participants shared stories, filled out surveys and snacked while waiting for awards. Alice Greenburg won the drawing for the Halloween Cat decoration by completing a post-event survey. Many thanks for the surveys that were turned in. They are a big help in planning for future RoadRally events.

Speaking of future RoadRallies - be on the lookout for more details about this year's Holiday Shopping Shuffle. It will start at Casey's General Store in Shelbyville on December 4 at 5pm. Entry is free with the donation of a new toy. You will be shopping for a holiday feast and all items will be donated to a local food pantry. The tricky part is that each item must be purchased in a different town which is assigned randomly at the start of the rally. In addition to a phone (or other device that can take a selfie), a flashlight, and a navigation device (the rallymaster uses Google Maps), you will want to bring money for purchasing food items and a good sense of humor to complete the tasks that the rallymaster gives us to help improve our scores. Tasks in past years have included taking a selfie with an elf, singing jingle bells in front of holiday decorations, and trying to find snow on a 50-degree evening. Who knows what we will need to do this year!

See you down the road,

*Wendy Harrison*

## ***SOLO UPDATE:***



December 2021 Solo Newsletter Article

Title: 2021 Solo Season Finish-Line

By: James DaPuzzo

So many great season long battles for the top step of the podium. You can start with Darren Daubenspeck as the winner the highest Solo honor ... The Jack Tovey Solo Competitor of the Year Award ... over Matthew Guido and Alan Hamson.

Here is a list of our 2021 Class Champs:

- Super Street - Jim Johnson
- A Street - Darren Daubenspeck
- B Street - Jim Robbins
- C Street - Kevin Kent
- D Street - Gary Crispin
- D Street Ladies - Cathy Kenny
- G Street - Matthew Guido
- H Street - Aldrin Natividad
- Super Street R - Jerry Strope
- Street Touring Ultra - Dale Brier
- Street Touring Xtreme - Curtiss Malicout Jr.
- Street Touring Sport - David Currey
- A Street Prepared - Thomas Grawcock
- C Street Prepared - Vincent Taibi
- F Street Prepared - Andrew Dashiell
- Street Modified Street Tire - Dallas Reed
- X Prepared - Todd Green
- D Modified - Stephen Brinkerhoff
- D Modified Ladies - Wanda Brinkerhoff
- E Modified - Gordon Kinney
- CAM-C - John Clyne
- CAM-T - Raleigh Boreen
- CAM-S - Bill Hughes
- CAM-S Ladies - Rachel Burch

- Pro - Alan Hamson

As we close out 2021 season, I want to say Thank You to our chiefs. THEY are the people make each event a success!!!

- Chief of Safety - John Clyne & Lou Savino
- Chief of Waiver - Ben Drexler
- Chief of Registration - Dale Brier & Kevin Kent
- Chief of Tech - Kyle Cooney
- Chief of Timing and Scoring - Sarah Cooney & Kevin Burns
- Chief of Course - Ron McManus
- Chief of Equipment - Chris Brake is TBD
- Chief of Workers - Darren Daubenspeck
- Chief of Novices - Alan Hamson

Also thank you to the members for your patience this year as we worked through Live Timing and using the Helmet Scanner issues this year. Both of these improvements are a result of many after-hours work by Kevin Burns.

Another group of folks that we owe a tip of the hat are the course designers this year that included Raleigh Boreen, Alan Hamson, Vincent Taibi, Tyler & Faith Rush, and Ralph Ford.

There is so many others not listed in this note ... the ones that came early or stayed late to knock needed tasks ... to you I say Thank You!!!

Please let me know if you have an interest in helping with a course design or being a Chief / Co-Chief next season

I look forward to 2022 as the focus will be on Improvements to the Bus and our Audio Systems.

*James*

## ACTIVITIES REPORT – JUSTIN RITTER



The Indy Region would like to once again invite our members to our annual winter karting league! As usual, we will have 5 events from November through March, tallying points in a time trial format as we go. The event is \$35 entry, and we have 2 heats each. We begin every event at 10am. Please sign up through msreg, links can be found at the Indyscca.org website for the full schedule and results from prior seasons. Our current reigning champion is Chris Finnigan, clearing the top spot last



season by only 0.03 points! Come out and give your best shot to dethrone our champion and have fun karting alongside of us throughout the winter, while we have our cars put away for the snow.

#### Schedule

November 21<sup>st</sup>

December 19<sup>th</sup>

January 23<sup>rd</sup>

February 20<sup>th</sup>

March 20<sup>th</sup>

#### Venue Info

Fasttimes Indoor Karting

3455 Harper Rd

Indianapolis, IN 46420

Thank you to all who have helped with this league and kept it going, as well as a huge thank you to Fasttimes for allowing us to come out and compete!

*Justin*

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



### **September 14, 2021 – Indianapolis Region/SCCA Board Meeting – Dawson's in Speedway**

Meeting called to order by Mike Young at 6:42 p.m.

Present: Chuck Hanson, Sam Crits, John Clyne, Vinnie Taibi, Sue Young, Ben Drexler, Bryan Deane, Wendy Harrison, Kitina and Mike Young, Raleigh and Velma Boreen

Via Call In: Josh Kikta

Approval August 10th meeting minutes - motion by Kitina, second by Ben. Motion passed.

**Membership – Josh**

- August membership is at 647, with 31 new members
- Continuing to contact members whose membership has lapsed.

#### **Treasurer - Kitina**

- The credit card situation is still being worked on.
- Large expenses have been taken care of, including a deposit to Mallow Run for the annual banquet scheduled for January 16, 2022.

#### **Website - John**

- Continue sending information to John Wilmoth and keep an eye on dates listed on website

#### **Clutch Chatter - Raleigh**

- The October issue will be sent out before the Runoffs.
  - Please continue to get program reports to Raleigh.

#### **Activities - Justin**

- Tentative Karting schedule was reviewed.
  - November 21<sup>st</sup>, December 19<sup>th</sup>, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, February 20<sup>th</sup>, March 20<sup>th</sup> are the tentative dates.
  - Will contact FastTimes to reserve these dates
  - Board was fine with dates proposed.
  - Will continue to take payment both in advance and on site.
- Justin has volunteered to help Wendy if there is anything extra that she would like to include with the Halloween Rally
- Banquet in January will be at Mallow Run
  - Smokehouse Catering will be taking care of the food for the banquet.
  - There is a committee of four that will be meeting on 9-20 to finalize the plans for the banquet regarding pricing and food to be served.
  - The banquet will be the time to celebrate Indy Region's 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

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

- See plans above for annual banquet in January 2022 for 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary plans.

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

- August 21<sup>st</sup> Rally was cancelled due to low entry.
- The Divisional Tour Rally is scheduled for September 18<sup>th</sup>.
  - Currently there is only 1 car registered for the event.
  - E-mail blast via MSR will be sent to any people who have run with us this year.
  - Will make a final decision on 9-15 on whether or not the Rally can take place.

- Wendy will run with 4 entries. If it needs to be cancelled, she will go to the starting point to let those know who may show up and have not registered that the event is cancelled.

### **Solo - Jim**

- September 11-12 Fairgrounds event
  - 82 unique drivers over the course of the weekend.
    - Attendance most likely was affected due to Solo Nationals and the first home game for the colts
  - Saturday's Fun Day was by committee - good time had by all.
  - Sunday's Points #6 by Alan Hamson - well done.
    - 13 newbies to this event
    - Donation will be made to the City Life Wheels Charity.
- Last two events are at Grissom on October 9-10, with the 10<sup>th</sup> being the Hoosier Challenge
- The Bus Condition
  - Bus received a bath, removed all the old decals
  - Needs new tires as they are approximately 9 years old
  - Working on the invoice to get to SCCA this week for reimbursement of expenses from the CAM Challenge in August
- October 9-10 - Grissom
  - Saturday is Fun Day
  - Sunday is the Hoosier Challenge

### **Road Racing - Bryan Deane**

- Runoffs scheduled for September 24<sup>th</sup> through October 3<sup>rd</sup> at IMS
  - Volunteers are still needed
    - Driver Information, Competition Services, Test Days
  - 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Banners will be put up at IMS

### **Time Trials - Vinnie**

- The August event had 70 unique drivers
- Options for 2022 are being discussed.
  - Gingerman, Autobahn are 2 sites being looked at
  - Conduct a 5 events series, with needing 3 to count for year end.

### **Unfinished and Old Business**

- Nothing

### **New Business**

- Vinnie feels we need to focus on communication with people.
  - Facebook just is not working the best for us
- Banquet Committee has been formed

- Charles Tashiro, John Clyne, Kitina Young and Velma Boreen will be meeting on 9-20 to finalize plans for 2022 banquet.

Motion was made by Kitina, seconded by Wendy to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:32 PM.

Next meeting is October 12<sup>th</sup> at Dawson's in Speedway.

*Velma*

## **October 12, 2021 – Indianapolis Region/SCCA Board Meeting – Dawson's in Speedway**

Meeting called to order by Mike Young at 6:32 p.m.

Present: Mike and Kitina Young, Sue Young, Ashley Heyman, Ben Drexler, John Clyne, Charles Tashiro, Wendy Harrison, Raleigh and Velma Boreen

Via Call In: Josh Kikta and Justin Ritter

Approval September 14th meeting minutes - motion by Charles, second by Wendy. Motion passed.

### **Membership - Josh**

- September membership is at 649, with 20 new members
- No weekend memberships processed

### **Treasurer's Report - Kitina**

- Currently no outstanding bills
- There will be payments to be made before the end of the year for track events and banquet expenses

### **Website - John**

- Continue sending information to John Wilmoth and keep an eye on dates listed on website
- Will contact John to see how many views there are of the website

### **Clutch Chatter - Raleigh**

- The next issue will be the November issue
  - Results from the Halloween Rally
  - Election information
  - Banquet information
- Program chairs to continue sending reports to Raleigh

### **Activities - Justin**

- Indoor karting schedule is a go

- Justin will finalize with Fastimes Karting

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

- Banquet budget presented to the board
  - A motion was made by Mike, seconded by Charles to approve the year end banquet budget. Motion passed.
  - The banquet committee will meet to finalize all details
  - Information will be in the November issue of the Clutch Chatter

### **Road Rally - Wendy**

- September Divisional Rally was cancelled
- Halloween Rally with Jeff Alexander as Rallymaster is on MSR
  - E-mail blast done today
  - Wendy making Tik Tok videos
  - Wendy will do a survey at the end of the Halloween Rally
  - Will also look into Constant Contact as a way of touching base with members
- 2022 plans include a Divisional Rally in July but no National Rally in 2022
- Toys for Tots Rally is scheduled for Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup>.

### **Solo - Jim**

- October 9-10 Grissom event - Hoosier Challenge
  - 160 unique drivers over the course of the weekend.
  - Good courses by Ralph Ford and Raleigh and Jim
  - Columbus Sports Car Club won the challenge - Indy Region came in 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Region bus suffered a mechanical failure at the end of competition on Sunday
  - Ken Studebaker, an Indy Region member in Kokomo will be checking everything out and will report back to Jim.
- Dates to put on the calendar for 2022
  - One Lap of America at Grissom - April 30
  - Time Trials Nationals at NCM - May 11-15
  - Champ Tour at Grissom - June 10-12 \*
  - CAM Challenge at Grissom - August 12-14 \*
    - \* Dates are subject to change as the National schedule starts to get set
- Charles will touch base with Subaru about the Subaru event
- Jim will touch base with PAPA and invite them again in 2022
- Jim will reach out to local marque clubs and invite them to run, with classing specifically for their clubs

### **Road Racing - Velma**

- The 2021 Runoffs were a success
  - Thanks to the Indy Region members who came out and volunteered their time

- Look for a report in the CC on how Indy Region drivers finished

### **Time Trials - Vinnie**

- Vinnie has been in contact with *Gingerman* in Michigan
  - Approximately same cost as Putnam
    - Cost may be lower if track purchases its own ambulances
  - We have first option on August 27-28 at *Gingerman*
- Vinnie has been in contact with neighboring Regions on how to grow the TT events and possibility of a series
- Putnam event in June
- No August event at Putnam
- Possibility of a joint event with Chicago Region at Autobahn
- Working to have a 5 events series, with TT Nats at NCM as a fallback for the 5<sup>th</sup> points event
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### **Unfinished and Old Business**

- Nothing

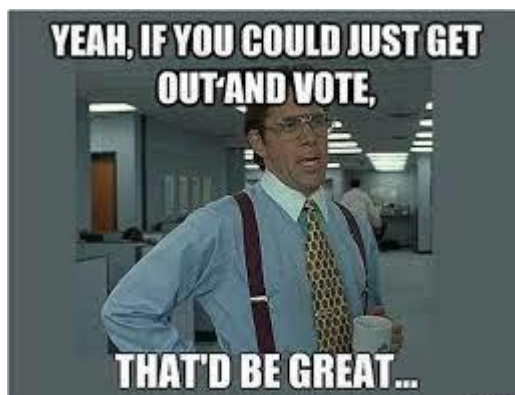
### **New Business**

- Congratulations to Ashley Heyman and Will Lahee on the Solo Nationals Championships!

Motion was made by Jim, seconded by Charles to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:32 PM.

Next meeting is November 9<sup>th</sup> at Dawson's in Speedway.

*Velma and Ben*



*Remember to vote for the 2022 Officers for the Indy Region Board of Directors*

# ***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 Jerry Strobe.***

He has lived in the Ft. Wayne area all of his life. He and his wife Shirley just celebrated their 34<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. I have known Jerry for over 20 years and I always smile when I see him pull into Grissom or any Solo event with his beautiful Black Z06 Corvette on his trailer. Jerry has helped maintain the Grissom site over the years. He has always helped when we have work days at Grissom. Jerry retired in 2012 and is really enjoying his retirement. He is definitely one of the "Good Guys".

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

I have actually been a member of SCCA twice. I started doing Solo's in 1975 and became a member in 1977. In 1988 I let me membership lapse. I rejoined in 2000. I am a member of both Ft. Wayne Region and Indy Region. I am also an active member of the Corvette Club.

***What activities do you participate in with Indy Region?***

The only activities that I am involved with in the club are Solo events. I am at all of the Solo events at Grissom. I like to design courses for both SCCA events and the Corvette Club events.

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

I got interested in cars as a young child. I always loved being around cars and working on them. I started painting cars in high school and that became my career. I worked for GM and a couple of GM dealers over the years painting cars. I have a college degree but enjoyed painting cars so much that I stuck with it. I always liked sports cars. I have owned a couple of Austin Healy 3000's, an MGB and two Bug Eyed Sprites. I got a ride in an original 427 Cobra many years ago, the power was unbelievable. I was hooked!! I heard about Solo and have not looked back. My current Solo car is a 2004 Corvette Z06 with 3200 miles on it. I have driven it less than 600 miles on the street.

***What would you like to see Indy Region do in 2021 and coming years?***

Indy Region puts on great Solo events. We need to always remember the new people at Solo events. We want them to come back. Anything we can do to help them have a good time will help the club. Lining the course, allowing riders and making the people feel welcome is so important. We do a good job on this but we can always improve.

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

Outside of SCCA Shirley and I enjoy gardening together. I am also a big collector of Lionel Trains. Most of my train cars and parts are from the 50's and 60's. When I was young I couldn't afford to collect trains but now I am having a lot of fun with the trains.

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

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

***This week's conversation is with Lou Savino.***

Lou and wife Annie have lived in Greenwood for the last nine years. Moving from New Albany Indiana to be closer to both their family's. Lou went to high school in Berwyn, Illinois and was enrolled in their Vocational Auto Mechanics program. Competing in the Chrysler Plymouth Troubleshooting contest in 1967 and advancing to state finals. Graduated from Triton College with a certificate in Automotive Technology. Hired as a fleet mechanic for Illinois Bell Telephone in 1970 maintaining a wide variety of equipment. Transferring into the Data & 911 side of the business in 1990. Married Annie in 1999 and retiring from ATT in 2000. Picked up a job as a vending machine mechanic for the Hoosier Lottery in southern Indiana, for tire money, before moving to Greenwood.

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

I am a 30-year SCCA member this year. Starting in the Chicago area after attending my first autocross in Utica, IL and learning about the "Secret Car Club of America". Driving a recently purchased a 1988 corvette. Wanting a car without having to deal with rust issues on vehicles of that time. And low insurance



rates for a 40-year-old driver. I could now drive the vehicle the way it was designed to be driven and not be arrested.

*What activities do you participate in with Indy Region?*

I participate in the "Driver Skill Test" of the Solo program. I love to Solo my car. I have Auotcrossed several Corvettes and I had one Miata. My current car is a 2019 Corvette Gran Sport. I came for the cars and stayed because of the people.

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

My interest in cars came from my Uncle George while living in Illinois. Uncle George always had neat convertibles with "two smokers" dual exhausts. Tinkering and cleaning always. Taking our families to Soldier Field in Chicago to watch the Stock car races there. Also going to Santa Fe Speedway in Willow Springs, a half mile clay oval where cars competed on weekends and motorcycles raced mid-week. Both no longer in operation for automotive competition. I love cars and motorcycles.

*What would you like to see Indy Region do in 2021 and coming years?*

I would like to see the possibility of hosting a teen Street Survival driving program.

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

Besides eating the many wonderful home cooked meals and desserts Annie makes. I am involved in the Central Indiana Youth for Christ, "CIYFC". One of their programs is City Life Wheels, mentoring Differently Abled youth. Giving life skills and self-confidence to be employed in a job they enjoy. Taking donated vehicles to teach basic automotive repair and troubleshooting. Having these vehicles available to those in need or cars go to auction with proceeds supporting the many programs.

## **IMPORTANT CAR RELATED EVENTS:**



- 1) Muscle Car and Corvette National Indoor Car Show in Chicago Nov. 20-21
- 2) Indy Region December Rally, December 4<sup>th</sup>
- 3) PRI Show in Downtown Indy, Dec. 9-11
- 4) Indy Region Banquet and 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party Jan. 16<sup>th</sup>
- 5) Spring Training for the Great Lakes Division in Ft. Wayne, March 5<sup>th</sup>

# ***SPRING TRAINING 2022!***

*Saturday, March 5*

*(with a Friday Evening Social March 4)*

*Manchester University, Fort Wayne, IN*

We're planning to be back in person on Saturday, March 5, 2022, for a Spring Training day filled with activities and specialty meetings to kick off the 2022 season! The day will be hosted at Manchester University in northern Fort Wayne, Indiana, where the nearly-new building offers state-of-the-art conference rooms, auditorium, open spaces, and dining area.

Saturday will be jam-packed with learning sessions, full-group meetings, and guest speakers ready to share a ton of expertise. Planning is now underway - if you have an idea for a session or want to lead one yourself, connect with Val McCammon and share your ideas; e-mail her at [pyramid@bluebirdview.com](mailto:pyramid@bluebirdview.com), or give her a call, 260-437-6707.

Watch for more announcements on the Great Lakes Division website ([gldscca.com](http://gldscca.com)) and on the Division's Facebook page ("Great Lakes Division of SCCA"). Online registration will be easy through MSR again, too.

Manchester University is located at 10627 Diebold Rd, Fort Wayne, IN 46845, just off I-69. Numerous hotels and restaurants surround the facility, and a group-rate guest room at one or more of the hotels will be secured.

Whether you're already active or want to be more involved, mark your calendar for Saturday, March 5, and plan to join the fun at the Friday evening social on March 4. Then, watch for more info and an MSR registration link to be posted early in 2022!

## ***75<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY INFO***



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



Indy Region 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary wearables are available through Shirts 101. Check the Indy Region website for more details.

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## Notes from the Director's Chair

### Area 4 Director Update for November, 2021

I apologize for not getting an October edition of this out to you, but I was REALLY busy at the Runoffs (see more details below). I was a reserve pace/safety car driver, I crewed for a few drivers (we had six in our compound), I had some BoD meetings, I gave away some trophies in Winner's Circle and I actually got to watch a few sessions and races along the way. Our group also hosted the Prod/GTL party and raised almost \$2000 for the Worker Corps. If nothing else, the Runoffs is the one place where you can see your racing friends each year. The folks that, due to distance, you only see once a season.

First off the bat, I have a couple of quick announcements:

1. GLDiv Spring meeting will be on Saturday March 5<sup>th</sup> with a casual gathering the night before. Details will be announced as they are finalized on the [GLDiv website](#).
2. Mike Cobb will have his next Presidential address on 11/3 at 8p. More details can be found [here](#).

Video Conference Meetings:

- Club Racing Board (CRB) (9/7): The last meeting before the Runoffs was uneventful as no rules changes can occur. Most of them would be at the event so they could observe the fruits of their labor. The results can be seen [here](#).
- Electrified Vehicle Advisory Committee (EVAC) (9/8): Our first document (SCREV) was sent up the food chain for review. We viewed this as a major step forward and were proud to be able to develop something of this caliber so quickly. We continued with rules review and policies concerning interaction with tracks, regions, etc.
- GLDiv BoD meeting (10/7): I was more than happy to sit in on the GLDiv BoD meeting so we could focus on budget, rules, schedules, website, etc. We also worked on the Spring Training meeting. It'll be scheduled for 3/5 and details will be announced on the [GLDiv website](#) soon.
- EVAC (10/13): We continued work on other rules sets and had several wide-ranging discussions on several topics (car prep costs, battery safety, etc.).
- CRB (10/19): Due to the Runoffs, we slid back our regularly scheduled meeting from 10/5 to 10/19. As most of the advisory committees had not met since the Runoffs, the agenda was fairly thin but was completed. In addition, a broad discussion about policies and procedures in post session and post-race impound were examined.
- BoD (10/25): We had more good news about the financial position. Once again, we are ahead of the curve. Our Track Night in America, Time Trails and Solo events are hosting record entries. Unfilled positions are also helping keep costs down. As for me, I gave an EVAC update and reported on my visit to the Rally Cross national Championships. We also decided to cancel our November meeting (11/22) as we would be meeting in person a few days later (12/4).
- Rally Cross Board (RXB) (10/26): As this group just held their Championship event, they did some "post mortem" on the event and started looking forward to next season (events, rules changes, etc.).

#### SCCA Events:

- WMR Solo @ Grattan Raceway (9/6): I competed in this event in my new 2020 Chevy Bolt EV. I decided to stay in the H Street class and not classify myself in the EVX class so I'd have some competition. Other than one run, I got faster with each run and had a great time. I finished 8<sup>th</sup> of 13 so I didn't feel too bad about that. The video is on my [YouTube channel page](#).
- SCCA National Championship Runoffs (9/24-10/4): Boy was this a busy week. As Director, I had a few responsibilities during the event. I had volunteered to give away trophies in Winner's Circle ceremonies for three races (HP, BSpec, EP), I had a few meetings (both scheduled ahead of time and some that were impromptu) and I was a reserve driver for the Pace/Safety car team.

As a "non Director", I had some stuff on my plate too. My group of friends have always thought that the mantra "there's safety in numbers" was true at the Runoffs, so we've generally set up compounds with several drivers. We've been doing this for years. This year we had six drivers all paddocked together. We shared meal prep, living quarters (Air B&B), infrastructure (power, compressors, welders, etc.) and generally worked together to help each other out. We had cars in HP (5), BSpec (1) and GT3 (1). In general, it was a pretty good week but a couple of DNFs and a visit to the hospital cast a bit of a cloud over the event.

- SCCA Rally Cross National Championships (10/15-10/17): I went to this event purely as an observer. I was not an official in any way. I wanted to see how they made their sausage, as it were. It was a blast and I had a great time. This event reinforced that notion that I need to try this type of competition to understand it better. Now if I can only find someone who will let me co-drive their car.....

- WMR Solo @ Grattan Raceway (10/24): I had usually entered my Bolt EV in Solo events in the H Street class. But I decided to help the EV national numbers by entering in the EVX class this time. Would have finished 7<sup>th</sup> of nine in HS.

November has me, once again, driving to Kansas City, MO for another BoD meeting (11/30-12/6). I'll use the trip to visit some family who lives nearby in Lawrence, KS.

Thank you for your time and I look forward to hearing from you soon. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or comments you may have about any facet of the GLDiv. I want you to make the most of your membership and I will help out in any way possible to make that happen.

*Dayle Frame*



## DID YOU KNOW?



- 1.) Q: What's the only car to appear simultaneously on the covers of Time and Newsweek?
- 2.) Q: Where did the name " Pick Up Truck" come from?
- 3.) Q: Where was the first Drive-In movie theater opened and when?
- 4.) Q: Where was the world's first three-color traffic lights installed?
- 5.) Q: What type of car had the distinction of being GM's 100 millionth car built in the US?  
(Answers on the back page of this Clutch Chatter)

## FOR SALE



**Winning Solo Car for Sale Low-Cost LOTUS 7**

**Built in '02, in possession since '05, Price Reduced!! Asking \$8,000  
If there are any questions, please call Lee Miller @ 765-620-7712.**



**Single stall garage heater for sale. Asking \$25. Raleigh Boreen 317-442-8500.**

Answers:

- 1.) 1965 Mustang
- 2.) Ford, who made the first pick-up trucks were shipped to dealers in crates that the new owners had to assemble, using the crates, as the beds of the trucks. The new owners had to go to the dealers to get them, thus, they had to: "pick-up" the trucks.
- 3.) Camden, NJ. 1933
- 4.) Detroit, MI. 1919
- 5.) March 16, 1966 saw an Olds Toronado roll out of the Lansing, MI. plant with that honor



"Since you're a car enthusiast, let me put in terms you would understand...I'm looking to hire a Corvette. You're more like a Ford Pinto."

**Hope to see everyone at the Celebration in January!!!**

