

Clutch Chatter

Indianapolis Region SCCA



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Thanksgiving

From all of the officers of the Indy Region: I hope everyone has a great Thanksgiving!!

Indy Road Rally

Mark your calendars for Dec. 3rd. That will be the last Rally of the season. See details on the Rally in Wendy's Rally Report in this issue

Clutch Chatter Editor – Raleigh Boreen

This past weekend I attended the MCACN Car Show in Chicago. Several people from the club have gone up to this car show over the years. This year people were busy so my good friend and a club member, Manny Papandreas, and I went to the show. It is the largest indoor Muscle Car show in the country and it is always the weekend before Thanksgiving. It was great with over 450 cars on display. Manny and I had a great time, but it is always sad going to this show. It means the Solo season is over and winter has come to central Indiana. The good thing is Velma and I have a list of things to do to the Camaro to make it better in 2023. Working on the car will help make the winter go by fast. Stay warm!!!

Save the Date

January 7th

Indy Region Banquet at the Sycamore at Mallow Run

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RE REPORT – MIKE YOUNG

Welcome to the Indy Region!! Hopefully I am not the first person to say that to you. As I have said before I want everyone in the Indy Region to feel welcome and have a lot of fun. The club has Solos, Rallies and Time Trail events to help you have fun with your cars and meet people. The up coming 2023 season will be filled with opportunities to meet fellow club members and have “Fun with Cars”.

Please make sure you vote for officers for Indy Region. The new board will take over in January after the Indy Region Banquet. I hope to see as many people as possible at the Indy Region Banquet on January 7th.

Mike Young – Regional Executive

INDY REGION MEMBERSHIP REPORT:



Membership – Josh Kikta Membership Chairman

December Indy Membership Report

We currently have 612 members! There are 6 new members from 10/11/2022 (last date I used for the CC) to 11/8/2022.

First Name	Last Name	City	State	SCCA Join Date	Region Join Date
Shawn	Harbert	Fishers	IN	11/01/2022	11/01/2022
Wade	Harshman	Indianapolis	IN	10/30/2022	10/30/2022
Emily	Harshman	Indianapolis	IN	10/30/2022	10/30/2022
Matthew	Murfitt	West Lafayette	IN	10/12/2022	10/12/2022
Ely	Navarro	Fishers	IN	10/26/2022	10/26/2022
Xinzhi	Ong	Indianapolis	IN	11/07/2022	11/07/2022

Milestone anniversaries are for December.

Fifteen Years - Jeff Edmonds

Josh Kikta – Membership



There were over 30 winged cars at the MCACN Show, in one area there were 12 Superbirds and 12 Daytonas together.

****The cover photo is of the Corvette driven by John Finch to 1st place in class and 8th overall in 1960 at Le Mans****

SOLO UPDATE:



December 2022 Solo Article

Title: Plans for the 2023 Season

By: James DaPuzzo

Indy Region 2022 Solo season was a lot of fun!!! We had great competition in our seven local points events, One Lap of America cars visited in April, hosted a driver's school, our members had two National events at Grissom Aeroplex (June Champ Tour and August CAM Event), hosted a pair of Great Lakes Divisional events, and had a pair of Fun Events at the bookends of the season.

Work has begun on building out the 2023 solo season. The season will have a similar list / number of events but looking to bring back a pair dates in Indianapolis, IN to add to our Grissom Schedule. Working with some of our prior sites but also a few new ones as well. My goal is to have scheduled published prior to the banquet in January 2023.

I am looking for feedback on the 2022 season and suggestions for 2023. Please send me an email james.dapuzzo@gmail.com on your thoughts to improve the upcoming season.

Finally ... always looking for members to raise their hand to be a chief or co-chief. We have several members that have been in role for several years and are looking to share their knowledge with other members.

James DaPuzzo

ACTIVITIES REPORT – JUSTIN RITTER



December Activity Report

Here are the dates for the Fall – Winter Karting Season at Fast Times

Nov. 20, Dec. 18, Jan. 15, Feb. 19 and Mar. 19

The 2023 Indy Region Banquet dates has been set. It will be Saturday January 7th

I will not be able to be the Activities Chairperson for 2023. Some work and personal commitments will prevent me from being the Chairperson. I hope someone puts their name in the hat to be the Activities Chair for 2023.

Justin



Ron Conrad running in STS at the Peru Champ Tour in June

ROAD RALLY UPDATE:



December Rally Update:

The History of Morgan County Recap

Seven teams joined us on a beautiful fall evening to run the History of Morgan County RoadRally. Rallymaster, Jeff Alexander had a list of 30 sites to visit and teams strategized to get to the sites where they could get the most points in the three-hour time limit. The winner of the event was the team of Burns/Burns with a score of 80 – that is the highest score in recent history. For comparison, last year’s high score was 58 and the year before that was 30.

Following are total scores for the event. (**Note:** The Gyger/Gyger team had a toddler on it, so they opted to head on home when she got tired and we weren’t able to tally their score at the end point. However, they were the only car in their class and still earned 1st place.)

Place	Class	Car #	Score	Driver Name	Navigator Name
1	GTAN 2	1	80	Eric Burns	Allie Burns
2	GTAN 2	2	61	Kenna Edwards	Cai Fox
3	GTAN 2	4	42	Charles Hanson	Kay Tawney
1	GTAN 3	6	61	Jeff Barton	Emily Hyde
2	GTAN 3	5	53	Klay Hauser	Mason Wild
3	GTAN 3	7	38	Braydon Vaal	Skye Dickenson
1	GTAN 4	3		A.K. Gyger	Mary Gyger

Holiday Shopping Shuffle December 3, 2022

The last RoadRally of 2022 is the Holiday Shopping Shuffle on December 3, 2022. Please note the date – it was originally publicized as December 4, but this event needs to be run on a Saturday, so Saturday, December 3 is the correct date. Registration is currently open at msreg.com/ShoppingShuffle2022

We will start at La Herradura Grill - 361 Grand Valley Blvd, Martinsville, IN 46151

Gathering Time/Check-in: 5:00 – 5:30PM

Safety/Drivers meeting: 5:45PM

First Car Starts Rally: 6:00PM plus car number

If you've run this Rally in the past, the concept is the same this year. You will be given a random list of towns and will be tasked with buying 1 food item from each to contribute to the holiday feast. All food items collected will be donated to a local food pantry after the Rally. In addition, the \$20 entry fee is waived if you bring a new toy to donate. Rallymaster, Craig Beidelman, is picky about the food items being back on time, so you need to keep an eye on the clock to try and beat the other Rallyists by getting back at exactly the correct time. Craig is also a fair sport, so he gives you tasks to perform in addition to the shopping to add minutes to your time and make it a more relaxing trip. Last year some of the tasks were to get a picture of the team shopping together and to get a picture of the team with a town sign. Each of these added 10 minutes to your trip time.

Indianapolis Region RoadRally Championship update

If you are an Indy Region SCCA member and compete in two Indianapolis Region RoadRally events in 2022, then you are in the running for the 2022 Indianapolis Region SCCA RoadRally Championship award. If you've only run one RoadRally, then you will need to run the Holiday Shopping Shuffle to be in the running. Details about the award can be found in the RoadRally Award Rules Document on the IndySCCA.org website. If you have questions or want clarification of the rules, please e-mail me at IndySCCARoadRally@yahoo.com.

Following are the current points accumulated for the top RoadRally participants this year.

Name	2022 RoadRally Points (as of 11/1/2022)
Jeff Alexander	24
Chuck Hanson	19
Mark Finch	15
Allie Burns	12
Bob Sonntag	12
Emanuel Martin	12
Emily Hyde	12
Eric Burns	12
Jeff Barton	12
Paul Dornburg	12
Rob Umland	12
Cai Fox	9
Deanna Papai	9
Kenna Edwards	9
Klay Hauser	9
Mason Wild	9
Steve Papai	9
Ted Halsey	9
Braydon Vaal	7
Jacob Hirsch	7
Jeff Boris	7
Kay Tawney	7
Maegan Burkart	7
Skye Dickenson	7
Vinnie Taibi	7
John Wills	6
Katz Finch	6
Megan Wills	6

Hope to see a good turn out for the December Rally.

Happy Rallying!!! Wendy Harrison

SECRETARY REPORT – CLUB MEETING MINUTES:



10-18-2022 – Indianapolis Region/SCCA Monthly Board Meeting – Dawson's in Speedway

Meeting called to order by Assistant Regional Executive, Ben Drexler, at 6:30 PM EDT.

Present: Ben Drexler, Tyler and Faythe Rush, Raleigh and Velma Boreen, Kevin Burns, Charles Tashiro, Vinnie Taibi, Wendy Harrison, Jim DaPuzzo, John Clyne, Lee and Mickie Miller.

Motion to approve the September meeting minutes made by Charles, seconded by Kevin. Minutes approved and will be published in the next Clutch Chatter

RE Report – Mike

Membership – Josh

- Currently at 626 members
 - 10 new members and 24 that didn't renew
 - 30 weekend members
- Emails have been sent out to remind members to get information to Josh for the Involved Members Awards

Treasurer – Kitina

Website – John

- Up to date information on website
- Switching to GoDaddy needs to be completed before elections
 - John needs to take care of switching
 - Ben will work with him

Clutch Chatter - Raleigh

- November issue will be out by Tuesday, October 26

Activities – Justin

- Karting dates are set
 - 11-20, 12-18, 1-15, 2-19 and 3-19
 - Jim will verify with Justin and get registration set up with MSR
- Charles indicated an interest in helping out and then taking over the activities position for 2023

Road Rally – Wendy

- Halloween Rally is set for 10-29

- Jeff Alexander is the Rally Master
- Rally will start at 5 and end by 8 to be more family friendly
- Wendy has done a safety check and all is good

Solo – Jim

- Season is complete and successful
 - We were down 3 events but some of the additional events we picked up – Corvette event – helped financially
 - Will work with the other programs on year end awards to make sure that we align with a single supplier.
- Timing bus needs a spot to be stored
 - Working with Ken Studebaker in Peru
- Meeting on 11-6 at Raleigh and Velma Boreen’s home to talk about 2022 season and plans for 2023
- Jim encouraged all programs and chiefs to be working on a succession plan for their specialties
- National dates are not yet set but Raleigh has suggested to the National office the dates that we would like for our National Tour and for the CAM event.
 - We need to make sure we stay off Time Trial dates
- Will be doing One Lap of America again for Brock Yates in May, 202

Time Trials – Vinnie

- Last event at Nelson Ledges and 10 cars from Indy Region were there
 - Working on getting a Divisional series going with them to encourage them to come to Putnam
- Working on 2023 schedule
 - Milwaukee Region, Kentucky Region may be a part of the series as well.
- Sponsorship partners still being pursued.

Old Business

- Elections for 2023 – committee needs to be non-board members
 - John Clyne has indicated interest in treasurer position
 - Charles Tashiro for Activities
 - Several other names were discussed
 - Raleigh and Faythe will work on the election ballot
 - Jim DaPuzzo will get information on the Indy website
- World of Wheel
 - Scheduled for March 24-26, 2023
- Year End banquet
 - Scheduled for 1-7-2023 at Mallow Run
 - Details being finalized
- Year End awards for programs and the special awards need to be finalized

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 PM.

Next meeting is Tuesday, November 8, 2022 at 6:30 PM ET at Dawson’s in Speedway and via Zoom.

Velma Boreen



2022 Indianapolis Region SCCA Awards Banquet

Saturday, January 7, 2023

at the Sycamore at Mallow Run

6964 West Whiteland Road

Bargersville, IN 46106

(on Whiteland Road, two miles east of SR 37 and 10 miles west of I-65 (about 20 minutes south of downtown Indianapolis.)



Schedule:

5pm - Guest arrival, CASH BAR opens

6pm - Dinner Service

Awards Ceremony following dinner

9:30pm - BAR CLOSED

10pm - Event Ends

Dinner catered by Grafton-Peek:

"Italiano Buffet: Caesar Salad with house made Caesar Dressing, fresh baked Croutons, Cheese

Fresh Baked Garlic & Butter Breadsticks

Boneless Breast of Grilled Chicken with Asiago & Artichoke Heart Cream Sauce

Italian Meats Lasagna with Roasted Tomato Marinara

Sauteed Zucchini, Squash & Carrots

Coffee, Lemonade & Water Station

\$20 per person, Registration will be on MSR starting on December 1st.

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 George and Dee Schweikle.

George and Dee are what people in Solo call 100% er's. George and Dee live in Lexington, KY. and are members of Central Kentucky Region. They have been to every Solo National Championship since SCCA started having Championships in 1973. In 2023 they will attend the 50th running of the SCCA Solo National Championship. Velma and I have known George and Dee since the early 80's, so they are very good friends of ours. Both of them are retired now. George was a mechanical engineer and Dee was a dental hygienist. They have been to Grissom many times over the years so many of you may have seen their Red Alfa Spider running in FSP/FSPL. In fact, they have run a "Red" Alfa Spider in 48 of the 49 National Championships so far. One year their car was broken and they used our "Red" Miata to compete at the Solo Nationals.

How long have you been a member of SCCA?

Dee and I are both 50 years plus members of SCCA. I joined in 1962 and Dee in 1967. Our first date was a Solo in 1966. A side note is when we first started running Solos our Region, CKR, could not afford to buy cones so we used peach baskets from a local grocery store. Also no one wore helmets until the early 70's.

What activities do you participate in with Central Kentucky Region?

George and I have participated in Solos and Road Rallies over the years. Solo has always been our main interest. We were involved with the beginnings of Rally Cross. Our Region, Central Kentucky joined with two other Regions back in the late 60's to do Solos in the dirt. We called our series event the White Lightning Run. It was something to see new at the time Porsches, MGB's and Triumphs running in the dirt. When we went to the first Solo National Championship in Wentzville, MO., we had a long and a short course to run. At the event we had to buy course maps for \$1.00. The crazy thing was they were not accurate to the actual courses.

How did you get interested in cars and the SCCA?

Both Dee and I have always loved cars. Her first car was a new Red Falcon convertible. In fact, when we got married in 1968, her car was a 912 Porsche. In my case I always liked cars. I had a high school friend purchase an MG TD. I fell in love with the car and was hooked on sports cars. I have owned two Austin Healey 100's and we have owned 13 different Alfas over the years. Our current Solo car is a 1976 Alfa Spider. It runs in FSP. We also have a 1991 Alfa Spider as one of our street cars.

What would you like to see SCCA do in 2023 and coming years?

We would like to see fewer classes in Solo. When a new person comes to their first event it is a little overwhelming to try and find a place for their car. Fewer classes could help. Both of us think having street tires in the Stock classes was one of the best moves by SCCA. It has helped in attendance at local events and National events.

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

We enjoy going to the National Alfa conventions each year. We have been to over 30 of those over the years. We enjoy doing motorhome trips all over the country and have travelled 400,000 RV miles. We have had 5 motorhomes over the years starting with a Class C back in 1977. We love doing driving excursions in our 1991 Alfa Spider in the countryside around Lexington, KY., where we live. It is fun to explore the area, find new spots to eat and just enjoy the scenery.

The next Sitting in the Garage is a little different. My wife Velma wanted to do an interview for the Clutch Chatter. Her first Sitting in the Garage is with me.

Sitting in the Garage with:

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

This month's conversation is with Raleigh Boreen

Raleigh is the Editor of the Indianapolis Region Clutch Chatter and aka the Godfather of CAM. He has lived in five different states and has belonged to four different SCCA Regions. He married me in 1971 while still attending the University of Minnesota, graduating with a degree in Elementary Education. He taught for two years, went into sales with a PPG distributor for 5 years and then got an offer he couldn't refuse - a position with Andersen Windows. He worked for Andersen for over 32 years, retiring in 2012. There are a couple of special awards that have been given by SCCA. In 2008, Raleigh and I received the Solo Cup, the highest award given in the National Solo Community. Raleigh has also received the Woolf Barnato Award, the highest award given in SCCA.

How long have you been a member of SCCA?

We have been SCCA members since 1976 but our exposure to SCCA started in 1970. My dentist at the time dabbled in Formula Vee and Showroom Stock racing. During a visit to his office, he asked if we would be interested in seeing races - FOR FREE! Free is always good when you are in college so Velma and I attended a driver's school at Donnybrook in Brainerd, Minnesota. The next regular event that we worked after that was a Trans Am race at Brainerd. We were hooked! We continued to work Timing/Scoring until 1984, schlepping the timing equipment needed between Donnybrook, Road America and Mid-Ohio on back to back weekends. It was a great time and we got to meet many drivers at the worker's party on Saturday night after the races. Paul Newman. Peter Revson. Mark Donohue. Roger Penske. Can't take away those memories. Our first experience in Solo was with Northwestern Ohio Region in 1981. In 1983, we purchased a VW GTI, got hooked on Solo and never looked back.

What activities do you participate in with Indy Region?

Currently Solo takes up our weekends - on a Regional, Divisional and National level. We participate and work at 15+ events per year and have for almost 40 years. We try to do 1-2 Indianapolis Region Road Rally events a year. We work the Runoffs in Pit/Tech and also work the Time Trial Nationals. I am finishing up my second year as the editor of the Clutch Chatter. After retirement, we started working as consultants with SCCA on Regional Development and on site acquisition. We are really looking forward to the 50th running of Solo Nationals in Lincoln in 2023. Both of us are on a committee to help make that event special. We encourage as many Indy Region members as possible to participate in the 50th.

How did you get interested in cars?

My dad always loved cars. The first car that I remember was a 1955 Chevy Bel-Air, 2-door hardtop, V8 and 3 speed on the column. My parents always had nice cars and cars that were fun to drive. When my parent's friends were out purchasing that "other" pony car, my folks bought a 1965 Formula S Barracuda. That was the car that I started driving when I turned 16. I am fortunate that Velma loves cars just as much as I do. We have had lots of fun cars through the years. We have one car that we still own that many people may

not have seen. In December, 1972, we ordered a 1973 Corvette. We didn't have any money, we didn't owe any money and we both had jobs. It seemed like a good time to get that car. We took delivery on April 17, 1973 and we still have it. We don't put many miles on it but still manage to take it on road trips and to Cars and Coffee.

What would you like to see Indy Region do in 2022 and coming years?

Like many in the club, I would like to see more participation by members in all of our programs. We are fortunate to have a successful Solo program, a solid Road Rally program and very good Time Trial program. With over 600 members, I would like to see more people come out and enjoy the fun that Indy Region has to offer.

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

We enjoy traveling - and not just to see the parking lots of America! Hawai'i holds a very special place in our hearts. We have been there many times over the years. We have friends all over the country and enjoy spending time with them - especially Arizona and Florida in the winter! There is always work to be done on the race car so that is also on the calendar.



One of my favorite Mustangs of all time is the "Bullitt Mustang" this is the one used in the movie back in 1968. Velma and I love Mustangs. Over the years we have had 7 Mustangs including 2 Bullitt Mustangs, a 2001 and a 2008 version.

DID YOU KNOW ?



INDIANAPOLIS REGION
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Indianapolis Region SCCA members

December is soon upon us. The weather is changing and it is turning cold. But for Indy Region SCCA, it means the end of the racing season, the end of the Solo season and the final Rally for 2022 before the snow flies. More importantly, December is the beginning for Indy Region; it is the beginning of the process to elect our officers to run the club's business side for the coming year. The process is a simple one. Members get nominated or put their name in the hat in November. In December a ballot is available for all members to look at and evaluate. This year we are asking members to respond electronically to vote for the people they want to represent them in the club. The vote will be announced in January at the Annual Meeting of the club on January 7th.

For 2023 I am asking for help. We need to have someone, anyone or everyone, step forward to help direct our club to a successful year. We have people to run for positions on the Indianapolis Region Board as officers. We have four (4) positions called "Member at Large". These people are chosen from a list of people who have put their names in the hat by the Indy Region Board of Directors. We need people to step up and say they want to help guide the success of the club.

If you are interested in being on the Indy Region Board of Directors, please contact me.

Raleigh Boreen – rvboreen@gmail.com or (317) 442-8500 or by mail: 1177 Windsor Estates Ct. Westfield, IN. 46074

What is this?



The car on the other page is a 1963 Chrysler Turbine car. There were 50 built and they were given to people around the US for a 90-day trial period in 1963 and 1964. I am showing my age but in 1963 one of my neighbors had a Turbine car for 90 days and I got to ride in it several times. It was a neat experience. 47 of the 50 cars were destroyed. Today two of the cars are in Museums and the third is owned by Jay Leno.

TIME TRIAL PROGRAM



The 2022 Time Trial Season was a huge success at all three venues. The 2023 Time Trail Season is shaping up to be more exciting and more track time than we have had in the past. Here are the first two confirmed dates for 2023. Watch the Indy Region website and the Clutch Chatter for more dates.

Dates for the 2023 Time Trial Season:

June 24-25 @ Putnam and July 23-23 @ Gingerman

Vinnie & Tyler



Alan Hamson holding the Drivers meeting at the May 2022 Solo School. We will be doing another Solo in May of 2023.



Dayle Frame – Area 4 Director Representing the Great Lakes Division on the SCCA National Board

Notes from the Director's Chair

Area 4 Director Update for December 2022

Dayle is on his way back from the SCCA BOD meeting as we go to publication. He will have comments in our next Clutch Chatter.

Dayle adds: 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

FOR SALE

Nothing for Sale this month from our members. Ads in the Clutch Chatter for members are at no charge.