

# Clutch Chatter

## Indianapolis Region SCCA



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

On Saturday March 9<sup>th</sup>, 16 people joined Velma and me to tour two large private car collections in the Indianapolis area. We visited Ray Skillman's collection in Greenwood which has over 150 cars on display. A great combination of Indy cars, sprint cars, classic cars, Muscle cars and Corvettes. Donnie, Ray and the guys at Skillman were great hosts. Next, we visited a collection of long time SCCA members Scott and Debbie Holley. Their collection of over 25 cars is impressive and very diverse. Cobras, Muscle cars, Jaguars and Former NASCAR race cars. A great "Thank You" goes out to Donnie at Ray Skillman and Scott at his collection for a fantastic time. Check out the "WOT" info in this month's Clutch Chatter.

#### **Tire Rack Street Survival**

On April 20<sup>th</sup> we are putting on a teen driver's education course in Indy. Come help us.

#### **Women on Track**

March is National Women's month. Check out the articles on women in SCCA in the Clutch Chatter.

#### **Indy Region**

Monthly meeting at City Barbeque, 621 W. 11<sup>th</sup> St. in Downtown Indy near IUPUI on at 6:30

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## RE REPORT – MIKE YOUNG

Indy Region Members:

April is going to be a very busy month for Indy Region. We are putting on a Tire Rack Street Survival course for teen drivers. We will have our first Solo of the season. We are hosting our first Road Rally of the year and the Time Trial season starts for Indy Region at Road America. Road America is an iconic track so we are very excited about that upcoming event. Join us for the fun. Hope to see lots of people out supporting the Indy Region programs.

*Mike Young – Regional Executive*

# INDY REGION MEMBERSHIP REPORT:



## Membership –Dustin Hitze Membership Chairman

We did not have an update this month for membership. We will get caught up next month.



*Dustin Hitze – Membership*





The happy group at the Ray Skillman car collection

## ***SOLO UPDATE:***



### **March/April Solo Newsletter Article**

**By: David Currey**

Things are starting to get exciting for Solo. Our first event is next month! I have been busy putting together the last pieces to ensure we have a great season. One of those things is the use of a new registration site called Trackrabbit.com. It functions much like MSR has in the past. It has a few features that promise to make our club run a little smoother. There may be some growing pains with this change so please be patient with our chiefs in the first couple of events. Links are on the Indy SCCA website and registration will go live as soon as we iron out the last few details.

I attended the Great Lakes Division Conference in Fort Wayne this past weekend and met some great folks from the area. I focused on groups about Solo of course, but also in marketing and recruiting. I learned about a few opportunities that the SCCA offers and some more ideas about how to gain some new members and volunteers.

This year I would like to see more course designers take part in building our courses. Either the evening before or early the day of events I'd like to find two other people who want to help design and build the course. Ideally these would be a veteran designer and someone who wants to shadow and become a veteran one day. Vinnie Taibi has volunteered for our April event. Several have told me they want to design, so if you are interested contact me!

For those who may not know me, which I am sure are many of you, I served in the Marine Corps from 2005 to 2009. I spent most of that time in Okinawa and had one deployment to Iraq. After my discharge from the service, I went to IU for a major in Linguistics and East Asian Studies. I found that I didn't much like sitting behind a desk and switched schools to Lincoln Tech (the same site as our Tire Rack Street Survival School and Fun Event #1!) I am now a Master Certified Technician at Nissan. You may have seen Dad and me making lots of noise in the 350Z that we had modified together.

I was featured in Raleigh's "Sitting in the Garage" in the Clutch Chatter issue for October 2023 if you would like to see more!

One small change to the schedule has been made since last month involving the Columbus hosted event. Please see the updated schedule.

04/20/24	Tire Rack Street Survival
04/21/24	Fun #1
05/04/24	Driver School
05/05/24	Points #1 @ Grissom
05/31/24	CAM Challenge @ Grissom
06/01/24	CAM Challenge @ Grissom
06/02/24	CAM Challenge @ Grissom
06/15/24	Points #2 – GLDS @Grissom
06/16/24	Points #3 – GLDS @Grissom
06/23/24	Indy Vs. CSCC Points # 4 @ Seymour or Walesboro
07/13/24	Indy Vs. CSCC Points # 4 – Fairgrounds
08/03/24	Points # 5 @ Grissom
08/04/24	Points # 6 - Hoosier Challenge- Grissom
08/09/24	SCCA National Tour @ Grissom
08/10/24	SCCA National Tour @ Grissom
08/11/24	SCCA National Tour @ Grissom
08/24/24	Test & Tune
08/25/24	Test & Tune

09/13/24 Friday Night Madness Fun # 2- Speedrome  
09/28/24 Fun Day #3 @ Grissom  
09/29/24 Points #7 @ Grissom

Looking forward to the 2024 season!!!

*David Currey – 2024 Solo Chair*



**The Ridler Award Winner at the 2024 Detroit Autorama. Car built by Kindig Design. Kindig does the TV show called “Bitchin Rides”.**



**All of us who live in the north like to see and watch car shows in the winter. I am ready for Spring!**

# ACTIVITIES REPORT:



## March / April Report

### Hello, fellow Clutchers!

Thank again for your attendance and participation at the year-end Banquet! And once again congratulations to the various winners!

I'd also like to thank you once again for electing me as the Activities Chairman for our Club! This will be my second year, having served two years previous as a member at-large. And since I work my regular job doing sales with automation within the automotive industry, it's easy for me to find and participate in activities that would further promote and add visibility to our Club.

The last event for the Winter Karting League #5 is 3/17. Please see registration and information through [MotorSportReg.com](http://MotorSportReg.com).

Also, in March (22nd~24th), our Club will have a booth and four cars at the World of Wheels on at the Indiana State Fairgrounds. Those cars will be Dave Currey's Honda Civic LX Special Edition, Chuck Smith's Tiga FFA-81, Mike Young's new C8 Z06, and my 2023 GR Supra. Volunteers will be needed to man the booth, about two to four people at a time so that it's not too crowded, to take questions and create interest about our programs. Please contact me for information about that.

As of this submission to the Clutch Chatter, the Tire Rack Street Survival at Lincoln Tech on April 20 is sold out! We will however, be taking registrants for wait-listing. For those who have committed to volunteer at this event, please continue to do the online training if you haven't done so already. We can use a few more volunteer coaches, too, because of the added number of entrants. (We initially had 24 openings, but increased to 30.)

Lastly, we will once again have presence at various Cars and Coffee gatherings. Instead of set dates though, we will go as a group and caravan to those C&C that are fluid, spontaneous, or independent of the corporately-organized events. Please keep in touch with the social media pages of for announcements and/or announcements at our various program's events.

And as always, let me know if you have an idea and/or would like to help promote our Club.

Yours truly,

*Charles Tashiro – Activities Chair*





**Race cars are always fun to see at Car Shows.**

## **ROAD RALLY UPDATE:**



### **March / April Road Rally News**

RoadRally is the simplest way to get involved in Sports Car Club of America (SCCA) events. You can compete with any street legal car. Rather than focusing on speed, RoadRally focuses on awareness and precision – both of which are critical in all forms of motorsports as well as on public roads.

### **The first RoadRally of 2024 is on Saturday, April 27!!**

Dogwood Daze II is a time speed distance (TSD) rally designed specifically for beginners, but fun for non-beginners as well. No tricky route instructions - just follow the directions given to you and arrive at the checkpoints at the correct time based on the speeds given to you in the route instructions.

### **DOGWOOD DAZE II ROADRALLY**

**Saturday, April 27**

**1pm-5pm**

Start: BP Gas Station, 4906 Kentucky Ave., Indianapolis, IN

\$40/car (\$15 discount for SCCA members)



## REQUIREMENTS

1. Street legal car
2. 2 people (driver and navigator)
3. Dedicated cell phone or GPS enabled tablet for checkpoint scoring
4. Desire to have fun

Registration will be open on Track Rabbit by March 13.

*Happy Rallying!!! Wendy Harrison*



Former Penske Dodge that Scott Holley now races in a Vintage NASCAR Series



Corvette Row at Ray Skillman's Collection

# SECRETARY REPORT – CLUB MEETING MINUTES:



## 1-13-2024 – Indianapolis Region Board Meeting

Annual banquet was held at Mallow Run Winery on Saturday, January 13 2024. After dinner was held, the meeting was opened by Activities Chair, N. Charles Tashiro. Reports were given by exiting Treasurer, Kitina Young, Clutch Chatter editor, Raleigh Boreen, current RE, Michael Young, and Chuck Hanson, standing in as Road Rally Chair. Reports and year end awards were given out by Vinnie Taibi, Jim DaPuzzo, and Chuck Hanson for the Time Trials, Solo, and Road Rally programs.

The new board members for 2024 were announced as follows:

Regional Executive: Michael Young

Assistant Regional Executive: Ben Drexler

Treasurer: John Clyne

Secretary: Faythe Rush

Membership: Dustin Hitze

Activities: N. Charles Tashiro

The chairs for each program (also part of the board) are as follows:

Time Trials: Vinnie Taibi

Solo: David Currey

Road Rally: Wendy Harrison

The four remaining voting positions on the board are Members at Large and were chosen by the new board members. They are as follows:

Natalie Corder, Joel Harleman, Joe Hirsch, Lyle Linville

These members met after the banquet ended.

Meeting called to order following banquet by Michael Young.

Present: Michael Young, Faythe Rush, Natalie Corder, N. Charles Tashiro, Vinnie Taibi, Lyle Linville, David Currey, Joe Hirsch, John Clyne, and Dustin Hitze.

Michael discussed new positions and opening up to ideas on how to make the club better moving forward.

New emails and contacts for board members were exchanged. Michael will be working with David and anyone who needs access to MSR account.

David motioned for a new laptop to run Solo programs. Michael found good deal for such laptop. Motion was unanimous and passe

*Faythe Rush – Secretary*

## ***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 the two ladies who started the "Women on Track" Program with SCCA.***

In 2017 there was a meeting in Topeka, KS. after the Tire Rack Solo Nationals to discuss the small number of women at the 2017 Championship event. In the meeting were Raleigh and Velma Boreen who were working with SCCA on Solo Program Development. Velma had good information on women's participation in the National Championship going back to 1973. In 2017 the women's participation was at 11%. That was down from a high of 20% and a consistent 15% or more in participation numbers. In 2018 Velma from Indy Region was asked to do a presentation on how to get more women involved in SCCA as competitors, workers

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or as organizers at the SCCA National Convention. After the meeting David Cook with Mazda approached Velma to let her know Mazda would like to help getting more women involved. As David and Velma were talking, a good friend, Linda Duncan with Central Florida Region, walked by. Instantly the conversation had three people talking and the rest is history. Out of that chance conversation the "Women on Track" program was started. The two ladies talked with Howard Duncan, the Head of Rally and Solo, and got his blessing to go ahead with the "Women on Track" program. Mike Cobb, the President of SCCA was also in agreement. Fast forward to the SCCA National Convention in 2024 and the "Women on Track" program is alive and well. Today there is an executive committee watching over the program and active committees representing all of the activities of SCCA. (Road Racing, Solo, Rally, Race workers, Time Trials and Rally Cross) In 2024 Velma and Linda are stepping down and passing the torch of leadership to Kelsey Karanges and Emily Brown.

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

Velma - I started working races in 1970 at the Trans Am race at Donnybrooke Raceway in Brainard, MN. I joined SCCA in 1976. I worked races consistently from 1970 to 1983. I started autocrossing in 1981 and really got hooked. Currently I am a member of Indy Region.

Linda - I started competitive driving while in college at the University of South Florida. I started in 1982 after I attended my first Solo with my husband Howard. I became only the 2<sup>nd</sup> women to be the president of the College Sports Car Club. I also worked races and I quickly realized I did not like running from out of control cars. I also did some Timing and Scoring and really enjoyed that. I am currently a member of Central Florida Region.

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

Velma - Most of my time with SCCA is spent at Solo's. I Solo a CAM T Camaro. I also have a license to work Road Races. I work at the Time Trail Nationals at NCM each year. I have worked 7 out of the last 9 Runoffs in Registration and Tech. I have been on two of the SCCA Hall of Fame committees and am still very involved in the Great Lakes Division Solo Series. I am the secretary for the SCCA Foundation and I am the treasurer for the Great Lakes Division. I was a member of the Indy Region Board but have stepped down for 2024.

Linda - Right now my time with SCCA is spent going to Solo's. I Solo an STR Miata. I am also trying to figure out what "Retirement is" as I just moved back to Florida where I grew up after being gone for over 30 years. I do enjoy Rally Cross events and try to help with the Street Survival program. Over the years I have done Solo, Rally Cross, Time Trial events, Road Rally and some Road Racing. I keep coming back to Solo.

***What was your first car?***

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Velma - The first car I drove was my mother's 1964 Plymouth Valiant. I then learned how to drive a stick shift on my brother's 1963 Falcon Sprint with a 4spd. The first car that I actually owned was when my husband, Raleigh, and I bought a new 1972 Pinto.

Linda - The first car I had was when I turned 16, I got a used 1963 Simca, an English Ford. It had a stick shift so I was ready to go. It only had 60 horse power so it had problems getting out of its own way.

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

Velma - I got interested in cars through my brother and my husband. I always liked cars and road trips but John and Raleigh had some fun cars. I also come by it quite naturally as my mom's favorite car was a 1970 Dodge Charger! An interesting fact, when Indy Region celebrated their 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2019 we had a picnic. Over 150 people came to the event. Everyone was asked to list all of the cars they had owned since they started driving. Raleigh's and my list had 69 cars on it. Our list did not make the top 10 that day.

Linda - My Dad loved cars. He would go to car shows as much as possible and I always went with him. We also went to the Roundy Round tracks as often as possible. We enjoyed stock car racing and midget racing. My Dad also owned a Hobby Shop and he had one of the biggest slot car tracks in the area. It was 8 lanes wide and I spent many hours racing slot cars. In fact, that is where I met my future husband. My husband, Howard, fixed my slot cars then and my competition cars now. I can hand him tools but the fixing is his job.

***What would you like to see the "Women of Track" program do in 2024 and coming years?***

Velma - We have handed off the leadership of the "Women on Track" program to two very energetic ladies so I know the program is in good hands. I hope it continues to grow and support women in SCCA.

Linda - I agree with Velma; the program is in good hands. It has grown so much over the last 5 years. It has grown well beyond my wildest dreams, even with the Covid interruption. I just hope we can see it grow more in 2024. The SCCA Foundation now funds the program with the help of Mazda so the sky is the limit.

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

Velma - Is there life without cars? All kidding aside I love to travel and doing lots of car stuff with my husband and our friends.

Linda - My time outside of SCCA is taken up spending time with my family. I love spending time with my three grandchildren who live close to me. I enjoy traveling with or without the car on the trailer following us. I enjoy my quiet time and I look forward to my walks every day. My quiet time revolves around long walks and doing some gardening in the hot

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# *Sitting in the Garage with:*

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

***This month's conversation is with Mandy Clyne***

Mandy Clyne is new to our club. She is also a newlywed, having married John Clyne who is currently on the Indy Region Board of Directors. John and Mandy were married in July of 2023. Velma and I have had a lot of fun getting to know Mandy. She is always a smiling face at the Indy Region Solos. It is great to see more women enjoying our Club. Mandy grew up in Zionsville. After High School she moved to Avon but has now moved back to Zionsville. She sold her home on the westside of Indy when she and John got married in 2023.

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

I joined the SCCA in 2021. I was dating John Clyne and started attending Solos at Grissom with him. I was talked into trying Solo and I am hooked. I knew how to drive a stick shift having learned on a "three on the tree" in High School but it had been many years since I had driven a stick shift car. I got help from John and from Velma Boreen to get better with the stick shift in John's Mustang. John always told me "1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> gear", easier than you think.

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

John and I go to all of the Solos. In fact, we now are bringing Luke, John's son, with us. The three of us are having a great time in the Mustang running CAM C. The Solo Drivers School that Indy Region puts on in the spring of the year really helped my driving. I have also done some rallies with John and the Boreen's. Indy Region has a fun Rally program. Somewhere down the road I would like to try a Time Trials event.

***What was your first car?***

My first car was a 1988 Ford Mustang. That is one car I wish I had back. It was a lot of fun. I am a Mustang girl at heart.

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

My family has always been into cars. My Dad now lives in Florida but he still has a collection of muscle cars. My Mom was into drag racing in high school. I grew up going to the drags every chance I had. My youngest son, Devon, still drag races his truck out at Lucas Oil/IRP on Wednesday nights during the summer. Growing up I had my share of tickets from street racing and speeding. I always tell my boys "do as I say not as I did". I am a bad influence on John as I know in the near future, our garage is going to grow in size and we are looking for a trailer for the CAM car.

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***What would you like to see Indy Region do in 2024 and coming years?***

Continue to hold great fun Solo events. I am looking forward to running a couple of National Solo events in the near future. I just hope we can continue to run fun Solo and Rally events with great competition and conversations. I truly enjoy being with the SCCA family, who offer advice and are willing to help. The people are fun to be around and I enjoy seeing all of the different types of cars. Car people are always fun to be around. I try to meet as many people as I can and say Hi to as many people as possible at our events. I love being able to ride with other Solists, I hope that never ends. I want all of our events to be welcoming and encouraging for other women to come out to beat the guys or have fun trying. The name of the game is having fun.

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

I am a "tomboy" at heart. I love playing in the dirt. I really enjoy yard work and gardening. I use my S10 pickup more like a wheelbarrow than for transportation. I still enjoy going out to Lucas Oil/IRP to watch events and my son run his truck. If we aren't doing something with the three boys or SCCA, I like to do some little weekend getaways.



On Velma's and my way back from spending a couple of weeks in Florida we stopped at a friend's Museum in Alabama. Tim has over 90 cars on display in his Muscle Car Museum. Over 70 of them are Mopars. He shows cars at the MCACN Show in Chicago in November each year. I grew up loving Plymouths and Dodges so I enjoy Tim's collection a lot.



# TIME TRIAL PROGRAM



## Indy 2024 Time Trial Schedule

**ROUND 1**  
APRIL 13-14  
INDY NATIONAL TOUR

**ROUND 2**  
MAY 18-19  
KENTUCKY NATIONAL TOUR

**ROUND 3+4**  
JUNE 29-30

**ROUND 5**  
AUGUST 9  
W/OVR

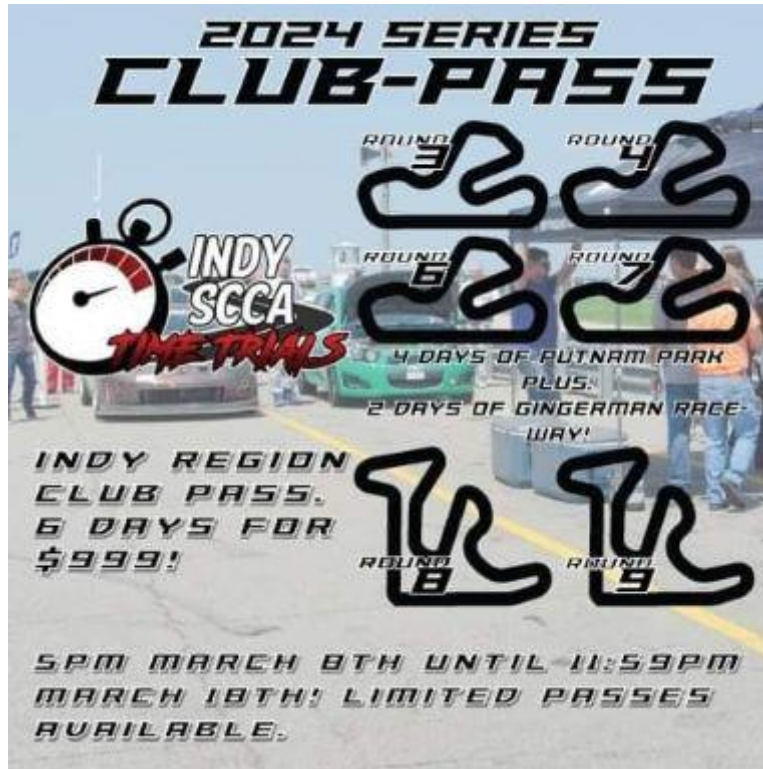
**ROUND 6+7**  
AUGUST 17-18  
INDIANA VS KENTUCKY

**ROUND 8+9**  
OCTOBER 5-6

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*Vinnie & Tyler*

## **DID YOU KNOW?**



### **Things to watch for:**

- The Cars and Coffee schedule for 2024 will be out soon. Watch for the ones that Indy SCCA will have a booth and table at several of them during the year. Always fun to look at cars on a Saturday morning.
- Watch for more car collection tours
- 4/12-13 – Run the first Time Trail of the season at the iconic Road America track in Southern Wisconsin. This is the same track that will host the 2024 RunOffs for SCCA amateur racing in October.
- 4/20 – Help Indy Region with the Tire Rack Street Survival School at Lincoln Tech in Indy.
- 4/27 – take part in the first Road Rally of the season. Wendy and company always have a fun time.



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

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## Notes from the Director's Chair

### Area 4 Director Update for February 2024

With no report for January, this one has a bit more content. The divisional leadership is gearing up for the upcoming season.

So, here's what I did this past couple of months....

#### Video Conference Meetings:

- Club Racing Board (CRB) (12/5): Due to a scheduling conflict, I was unable to attend this meeting. That said, the committee reviewed letters as usual and prepared for the upcoming season. The results of all of the CRB rules changes can be seen [here](#).
- Electrified Vehicle Advisory Committee (EVAC) (12/13): The Chair of the CRB requested that all of the sub committees host a "Town Hall" style Zoom meeting to allow constituents a chance to interact with the committee members. We would host that meeting as our regularly scheduled monthly meeting for December. We tried to reach out to members who would be interested in joining us. Several folks joined our meeting and we had a nice discussion with them on a wide range of topics.
- CRB (1/2): The CRB reviewed the strategy for data collection for 2024. Which tracks, what races, etc. They also had an involved discussion on the future of the Club Racing program. In the end, it was obvious that we need to have a strategic planning meeting in the spring. This will allow us to focus on the long-term planning of the program. I have already started working with John LaRue (CRB Chair) on this. Like every other monthly meeting, the open letters were reviewed as well. The results of all of the CRB rules changes can be seen [here](#).
- GLDiv BoD meeting (1/8): We met to discuss how the division could support the introduction of the Flagtronics system at our race events. This is coming in a couple of years and we need to be prepared so regions will be properly equipped to support the program. No decisions were made as this was just an informational meeting. We will discuss it further with the broader membership at our GLDiv Convention in March.
- EVAC (1/10): Final revisions of the latest SCREV update were discussed. These would be passed on to the BoD for review and promulgation. We reviewed pending letters. We also discussed hosting a

town hall type meeting for our December time slot so folks could query us about the committee and its work.

- Board of Directors (BoD) (1/29): As we were busy with the convention on our usual date (4<sup>th</sup> Monday each month), we slid this back meeting a week. We discussed a few items and received reports on a couple more. The financials for the past year are almost complete. Even with a poor start to the year (bad weather holding down car counts at big events), we managed to come out ahead of projections. Even SCCA Pro was ahead of the curve. A select committee was formed to update the BoD handbook and its output was reviewed. We will have a couple of weeks to look through it and offer comment.

#### SCCA Events:

None

The new year also means it's time for your GLDiv BoD to start working on the Convention. This year's event will be held at The Summit in Fort Wayne on March 2<sup>nd</sup> with a social portion held the evening before. Event details and registration information can be found [here](#). Many of our colleagues from the National Office will be in attendance. Please reach out to [Val McCammon](#) if you have any questions, comments or suggestions.

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Be sure and visit the [GLDiv website](#) for information about all of the SCCA programs within the division. We have schedules, official's contact info, standings, etc. for all the SCCA programs.

Please take a few minutes and make sure your contact information is accurate in the SCCA database. It's important to have the correct information there so the club knows how to contact you. Log in to your [my.scca.com](#) page and check.

As I mentioned previously, there is a new path to getting your annual waiver. You can now get it through the Member Account Portal (MAP). Follow this [link](#) to get the instructions. There is also a story about the program [here](#). I've done it and it only takes a couple of minutes. Be prepared to upload a headshot picture of yourself.

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# Notes from the Director's Chair

## Area 4 Director Update for March 2024

Our GLDiv program managers and regional leaders are gearing up for the coming season. Competition is just around the corner, folks. Please consider joining us at the Convention in Fort Wayne this weekend.

So, here's what I did this past month....

### Video Conference Meetings:

- Club Racing Board (CRB) (2/6): The group reviewed the locations for data collection at some of the Hoosier Super Tour events. The use of using a spec ABS system in BSpec was discussed. As the XCRB face to face meeting was approaching, conversations about topics and the agenda ensued. The results of all of the CRB rules changes can be seen [here](#).
- Electrified Vehicle Advisory Committee (EVAC) (2/22): I brought up two "out of left field" conversations I had over the previous month. One with a fellow from Texas who wanted to electrify a formula car. The other was from the manager of a race track who wanted to investigate if the SCCA could help him host EV only track sessions. We also discussed writing a 'fact sheet' to pass out to regions and venues who might be interested in having events that would hosting EVs. There's a lot of misinformation about EV safety and we need to educate our member regions and event venues on the true issues.
- Board of Directors (BoD): Due to scheduling issues, we postponed the February meeting.

### SCCA Events:

Cincinnati Region Banquet: Once again, our good friends at the Cincinnati Region invited me and my wife Melinda to attend their annual banquet. We had a great time last year so we enthusiastically accepted.

Like last year, the agenda was packed so I kept my remarks to a couple of minutes. I applauded the region membership and pointed out that the region's leadership provided the space to allow the members to enjoy a wide variety of well run events in many programs. The meal was excellent, and the awards ceremony portion of the evening was very nice. Melinda and I offer many thanks to the Region leadership for the invitation.

Melinda and I have also been invited to the Detroit Region banquet and we are looking forward to that event on 3/10. I attended that suare last year and thoroughly enjoyed myself.

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I have one last chance to promote the GLDiv Convention. This year's event will be held at The Summit in Fort Wayne on March 2<sup>nd</sup> with a social portion held the evening before at the Hilton Garden Inn. Event details and registration information can be found [here](#). Many of our colleagues from the National Office will be in attendance. Please reach out to [Val McCammon](#) if you have any questions, comments or suggestions.

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The BoD has proposed a Bylaws change. You can view the details of the proposal by following this [link](#). Voting has already begun (it started 2/13) and will close on 3/14. The proposed Bylaws change would strengthen term limits on members of the Club who are elected to the National SCCA Board of Directors. Currently, a member in good standing can hold a Director position for two consecutive elected terms before having to step down. However, after being off the Board for a term, the current Bylaws allow that same



person to then run for election to the SCCA Board of Directors again at a later date. The Bylaws proposal would limit members' eligibility to serving a maximum of two elected terms total.

I encourage everyone to vote for this proposal. Voting for this follows the same path as any other vote.

1. Go to [my.scca.com](http://my.scca.com) and log in.
2. In the horizontal menu, hold your mouse over "Member Resources" and select "Surveys and Voting".
3. Click on the button and cast your vote.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

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Indy Roadsters at Ray Skillman's



This streamliner ran the Indy 500 in 1954.

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