

Clutch Chatter

Indianapolis Region SCCA



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World of Wheels

March 24 – 26 at the Indiana State Fair Grounds. Come check out the Indy Region display or volunteer to work the show.

Indy Region Go Karting

Check out the 2023 schedule later in this Clutch Chatter. March 19th is the last event of the indoor season.

Clutch Chatter Editor – Raleigh Boreen

Anniversaries and celebrations are always fun. Velma and I will celebrate our 52nd wedding anniversary in 2023, the Chevy Corvette is celebrating its 70th Anniversary in 2023, SCCA will celebrate the 60th running of the RunOffs in 2023 and the SCCA Solo program will celebrate the 50th running of Solo Nationals. 2023 will mark the 14th year that we have held the Solo Nationals at the Lincoln Airpark in Lincoln, NE. We use over 121 acres of concrete for the courses, the grid and paddock. If you have ever thought about attending the Solo Nationals, this is the year to help celebrate the 50th running. It is truly a milestone; 50 years of anything is pretty special. Hope to see many Indy Region members in Lincoln in September 2023.

1st Road Rally of 2023

April 23rd is our first Road Rally of the year. See more info in the Rally portion of this Clutch Chatter. Come join the fun!!

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RE REPORT – MIKE YOUNG

Indy Region Members:

Volunteers are the life blood of our club and we have a lot of successful events because of our program leaders and volunteers. I saw an article that was in our Clutch Chatter in 2006 and I think we need to have it published again. Here it is.

From 2006:

It is with deep regret that we announce the loss of one of our most valued families. Mr. and Mrs. Someone Else have moved away, leaving a vacancy that will be hard to fill. The Elses have been with us for many years and for each of those years they did far more than their share of work.

Whenever there was a job to do or a meeting to attend, their name was on everyone’s list. “Let Someone Else do it.” This wonderful family was looked to for ideas, inspiration and results. Someone Else will bring in the members; inspire the members to attend meetings and help with the work. When there were contributions to be made, the Elses were the biggest contributors. “Let Someone Else make up the difference.”

The Someone Elses were wonderful people, but they were only human. They could only spread themselves so far and so thin. They did the best they could, but people expected too much of them. And now, the Someone Elses are gone and we wonder what we are going to do. They left us a wonderful example to follow but who is going to follow it? Who is going to do the things that Someone Else did? How about you?

Our club has a lot of activities planned for 2023 with Solos, Road Rallies, Time Trials, monthly meetings and social activities. Come and join us for fun with Indy Region.

Mike Young – Regional Executive

INDY REGION MEMBERSHIP REPORT:



Membership – Josh Kikta Membership Chairman

March 1st Membership Report

We currently have 612 members! There are 18 new members from 1/13/2023 (last date I used for the CC) to 2/28/2023.

First Name	Last Name	City	State	SCCA Join Date	Region Join Date
Logan	Adams	Greenfield	IN	02/08/2023	02/08/2023
Margi	Anderson	Indianapolis	IN	02/08/2023	02/08/2023
Don	Armenoff	Indianapolis	IN	01/08/2002	01/08/2002

Brad	Brewer	Indianapolis	IN	04/21/2017	04/21/2017
Eric	Cayton	Greenwood	IN	01/23/2023	01/23/2023
Tanner	DeFabis	Avon	IN	01/23/2023	01/23/2023
John	DeFabis	Avon	IN	01/23/2023	01/23/2023
Staci	DeFabis	Avon	IN	01/23/2023	01/23/2023
Dawson	DeFabis	Avon	IN	01/23/2023	01/23/2023
Mark	Dismore	Indianapolis	IN	02/08/2023	02/08/2023
Molly	Karrer	Louisville	KY	02/14/2023	02/14/2023
Andrew	Miller	Indianapolis	IN	02/17/2023	02/17/2023
Donald	Miner	Indianapolis	IN	01/30/2023	01/30/2023
Robert	Reisinger	New Palestine	IN	01/18/2023	01/18/2023
Bob	Shutt	Indianapolis	IN	02/13/2023	02/13/2023
Jimmy	Simpson	Cicero	IN	01/20/2023	01/20/2023
Joey	Vallone	Avon	IN	02/13/2023	02/13/2023
Jeremy	Wills	Louisville	KY	02/14/2023	02/14/2023

Milestone anniversaries are for March & April.

Five Year – Michael Blinn, Daniel Brindley, Rachel Burch, Norm Currey, Jacob Hirsch, Christian Jensen, Marty Kenny, Charles Phillips, Michael Willoughby

Ten Years – Matthew Adams, Cameron Bidwell, Ronald Moore

Fifteen Years – Jennifer Weida

Twenty Years – Kevin Kent, Joseph Kniesly

Twenty-Five Years – John Brotbeck, David Gardner

Thirty Years – John Larue

Fifty Years – Lee Miller

Josh Kikta – Membership



Pictures of kids having fun at a Grissom Solo in 2016 (Our Future)



A grocery getter and race car at the Indy SCA booth at the World of Wheels



The Indy booth at the World of Wheels in 2018



The grid for the 2022 One Lap of America Autocross put on by Indy Region. We are doing it again in 2023 on May 6th at Grissom. Come join us for the fun.

SOLO UPDATE:



March /April 2023

Title: Almost Time to Go!!!

By: James DaPuzzo

Indy Region 2023 is close to getting underway. I am happy to announce a 2nd Indianapolis event at the Speedrome. This will be a Friday Night Under the Lights Fun Event. Our 2023 Indy Region will host the One Lap of America cars in May, another Driver's School, two national events at Grissom Aeroplex (June Champ Tour and August CAM Event), a Great Lakes Divisional event, Fun Events, a Saturday Indiana State Fairgrounds Vs. the Columbus Region event with a social event afterwards, and a season ending showdown Vs. the Columbus Region at their site in October. At the time of going to press ... the INR is hosting the Hoosier Challenge and we are working on finalizing their date.

Here is snapshot of the 2023 Solo Schedule.

Date	Location	Name	MSR Link
05/07/23	Grissom Aeroplex	Fun Event #1	http://msreg.com/IndySCCAFun1
05/20/23	Grissom Aeroplex	Driver's School	http://msreg.com/IndySCCADriverSchool
05/21/23	Grissom Aeroplex	Points Event #1	http://msreg.com/IndySCCAPoints1
06/10/23	Grissom Aeroplex	Points #2	http://msreg.com/IndySCCAPoints2and3
06/11/23	Grissom Aeroplex	Points #3 - GLDS	http://msreg.com/IndySCCAPoints2and3
07/08/23	Indiana State Fair	Indy Vs. Columbus Points #4	http://msreg.com/IndySCCAPoints4
August TBD	Grissom Aeroplex	Points #5 - Hoosier Challenge	INR is Hosting / Working Finalizing Date
08/26/23	Grissom Aeroplex	Nationals Test & Tune / Limit 50	http://msreg.com/IndySCCATestTune

08/27/23	Grissom Aeroplex	Nationals Test & Tune / Limit 50	http://msreg.com/IndySCCATestTune
09/15/23	Speedrome	Friday Night Madness	http://msreg.com/IndySCCASpeedromeFun
09/30/23	Grissom Aeroplex	Fun Day #3	http://msreg.com/IndySCCAFun3Point6
10/01/23	Grissom Aeroplex	Points #6	http://msreg.com/IndySCCAFun3Point6
10/08/23	Columbus	Points #7	http://msreg.com/2023CSCCP10

We are working a few Pre-Season events

- Pick Your Number MSR Link – This will allow you to lock in your case and number for 2023 Season <http://msreg.com/IndySCCA2023Numbers> ... watch our Facebook / Website for an update
- Pre-Season Annual Tech Event – will pick a place to meet for a beverage, get your car tech sticker for 2023, and get in some bench racing ... watch our Facebook / Website for a date and time
- Pre-Season Training Event – training on how to work with the Timing Equipment and in the bus during an event ... watch our Facebook / Website for a date and time

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.

The Indy Solo Team for 2023

Solo Chair – James DaPuzzo

Chief of Safety – John Clyne

Chief of Waivers – Lee & Mickie Miller/Wanda & Stephen Brinkerhoff

Chief of Registration – Dale Brier/Chris Carson

Chief of Tech – Ben Drexler/TBD

Chief of T&S – Kevin Burns/TBD

Chief of Course – Chuck Nienhouse/TBD

Chief of Equipment – Ken Studebaker

Chief of Workers – Darren Daubenspeck/TBD

Chief of Novices – Alan Hamson/Josh Kikta

2023 will be a great year for the Indy Solo program, come join us!!!

James DaPuzzo – Solo Chair

ACTIVITIES REPORT:



Hello, fellow Clutch Chatters!

February was my first full month as being your new Activities Chairman and again, I thank you for your support!

Coming up on March 24, 25, and 26, will be the World of Wheels at the Indiana State Fairgrounds. We'll have four cars on display as lures to interest folks to our events as well as a mock Auto-Cross course, lots of posters, and continuous videos on a display. We're still needing volunteers to man our display, to take questions and explain about our events, so please either contact me for the link to the on-line sign-up Google Sheets form.

We also have a tentative agreement with the Cars and Coffee organizers to have our Club's presence with either a table and/or booth at their events during this year. In return, they've asked for up to five (5) volunteers to help with traffic, organizing, or whatever they need. Once a formal agreement is in place, I'll be posting dates, but we'll need help from our members for those volunteers. Once posted though, please contact me for sign-up or questions.

Yours truly,

Charles Tashiro – Activities Chair



Ken Studebaker at Grissom

ROAD RALLY UPDATE:



Indianapolis RoadRally Regional Championship

Congratulation to Chuck Hanson for winning the 2022 Indianapolis Region RoadRally Championship. He was presented with a trophy and embroidered jacket. Jeff Alexander received a trophy for 2nd place in the 2022 championship.

We will be revising the championship rules for 2023 to make it a little simpler. Among the items modified will be the date by which you need to be an Indy Region member to win the championship, relaxing the worker requirement to win an award, and, also, the way points are accumulated among the different styles of rallies. The new rules will be posted to the website by the middle of April.

2022 Holiday Shopping Shuffle Recap

Four cars competed in the 2022 Shopping Shuffle, bought food for a local food pantry, and donated toys to Toys for Tots. The food collected was donated to a local a food pantry just across SR 37 from our start/end point. The toys almost filled a collection box at a local Toys for Tots donation site. A BIG thank you to everyone who participated and so generously donated to both of these causes.

The competition was stiff and only 1 point separated the first and second place teams. Congratulations to Grant Gourley and Richard Hammack for winning the event. Also, congratulations to Kenna Edwards and Cai Fox for their very close second place finish.

Place	Score	Car #	Driver Name	Navigator Name	Class
1	55	3	Grant Gourley	Richard Hammack	GTA2N
2	54	4	Kenna Edwards	Cai Fox	GTA2N
3	32	2	Charles Hanson	Kay Tawney	GTA2N
4	8	5	Jeff Alexander	Marcia Alexander	GTA2N

Based on surveys, we will probably run this event earlier in the day this year so that we have more daylight.

2023 RoadRally Schedule

There are four events scheduled so far for 2023.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event Type</u>	<u>Event Name</u>	<u>Start Location</u>
Sunday April 23, 2023	Regional Tour	Dogwood Daze	4906 Kentucky Ave, Indianapolis, IN 46221
June 24 and 25, 2023	Regional Tour	Tour Rally	Cloverdale
Saturday, October 28, 2023	Regional GTA	Halloween Road Rally	TBD
Saturday, December 2, 2023	Regional GTA	Holiday Shopping Shuffle	TBD

First up is Dogwood Daze scheduled for the afternoon of Sunday, April 23. The rally will start on the southwest side of Indianapolis and end in Paragon Indiana. It is a Tour style rally, so simple instructions and the challenge is to stay on time. Registration is open at msreg.com/DogwoodDaze. More detail will be in the next issue of Clutch Chatter.

People had a great time running the 4 Indy Region Rallies in 2022. We will have at least 4 Rallies in 2023. Watch the Indy website and future Clutch Chatters for the dates. See you on some fun roads in 2023. The attached Rally School by Chuck Hanson will help you for the April Rally.

Rally School – April 23 Rally

Let's start by answering the question: What is a car rally? First of all, a car rally is another way to "have fun with your car." There are three basic types of car rally, one of which is subdivided into two further categories. They are Game-Tour-Adventure (GTA), Trek, and Time-Speed-Distance (TSD) which is divided into the sub-categories Course and Tour. GTA and TSD type rallies are competitive events that have winners and trophies. TSD rallies are scored on the basis of absolute error from a perfect time, not the fastest time as in Solo, Time Trials, or Races. By absolute error we mean that if you are 2 seconds early or 2 seconds late, you get the same 2 points. Also, being 2 seconds early on one control and 2 seconds late on another does not result in them canceling each other; they sum and you have 4 points and low total wins, just like golf. This is why one of our National competitors has the license plate "SEEK O'S" to indicate his objective.

On a competitive rally you only get one pass through the course, and in general, you are not told specifically where the "controls" are located. In fact, you are following a set of written instructions to find a course that you have never seen before. This is why there is a requirement that each car have a driver and a navigator; so that the driver can concentrate on following the course and the navigator can help, while keeping the team on time. The April rally will be a TSD Tour put together by Chuck Hanson and ending with a social event at Tomato Pie Pizzeria in Paragon, IN. It will feature all paved roads and clearly worded instructions with mileages and elapsed times to ensure that you remain on route and relatively close to on time. Each segment will have multiple GPS timed "controls" to measure how closely you are following the prescribed speeds.

So, this month we will talk about the Odometer Calibration Zone and why it is always provided at the beginning of a Time / Speed / Distance (TSD) rally. You are car people, so you are aware that the tread on a tire wears away as you put miles on it. What you probably have never considered is how much difference that can make in the mileage that you measure. Consider a typical passenger car tire which has 12/32-inch tread depth when it is new and a legally mandated wear limit of 2/32 inch tread depth. That is 5/16-inch radius and 5/8 inch on diameter which works out to almost 2 inches in circumference over the life of the tire. Most passenger car tires make about 800 revolutions per mile which computes to nearly 131 feet difference (0.025 miles) between new and worn out. An average speed of 30 mph is 2.0 minutes per mile, which times that mileage difference is 0.05 minutes (3 seconds) per mile traveled at that speed.

It is advised that you have what is called a cumulative split action watch for TSD events. This is a watch that allows you to stop the display at a point on the course, such as an instruction, and compare your elapsed time to the time that is given in the route instructions so you can determine if you are ahead or behind, and then release the display to show the current time. During the odometer calibration there will be several points identified as time checks to allow the navigator to establish how closely their clock is synchronized to the GPS clock; i.e., you split at the referenced location and the GPS app. tells you the time of day, which minus the time of day that you started is the elapsed time that your clock will display.

Since most of you will be running your first rally, other purposes of the calibration zone are getting you familiar with the rally master's format for instructions, and used to looking for landmarks from a moving vehicle. Think of it as being a lot like going into an unfamiliar neighborhood and looking for a new store or restaurant. I can assure you that you will be a whole lot better at the latter after you have run a rally. Track time and Solos help you develop your reaction times. Rally helps you develop your observation skills and total awareness of your surroundings. The combination of disciplines makes you a more complete driver.

By the end of March, we will have the General Instructions for the rally posted on the Region website. We strongly recommend that you read them. Among other things they give detailed instructions for obtaining and installing the Richta Competitor App for both Android and Apple phones or tablets. You absolutely must have this app running on a phone in the car to be scored.

Since modern electronic odometers only have a resolution of 0.1 mile, I need to give you a method of estimating a distance that is intermediate between digital readings so that you can calculate an odometer correction factor for each event that you run. As you approach the end of the odometer calibration zone, stop at a point where your odometer increments, have the navigator step out of the car and stand by the front axle. Drive forward and stop when the odometer increments to the next tenth of a mile. The navigator then paces off the tenth mile and writes down the number of steps. (If you have planned this well, you have bracketed the actual end of the OCZ and can do a simple proportion to get the measurement to 0.01 mile.) The OCZ on this event is exactly 10.000 miles, so your factor will be really easy to calculate as your measured miles divided by 10. If yours is really close to the magic 1.0 you can be pretty safe ignoring it for today's rally where most of your competitors are as inexperienced as yourself

Each section of the rally begins with a Flying Start / Truncated (FST) initial control and is done as follows. You drive up to the referenced starting point and stop. When you are ready to start, watch the time on the app and launch at about XX:56 (not a solo type launch). At about 0.1 mile out the app will ding and tell you that you left at XX+1:00 minutes (truncated time). Important note: If you leave too early and get to the 0.1-mile reference point before XX+1 minutes, it will give you a start time of XX:30 instead of the XX+1 that you were expecting and this makes your subsequent arithmetic more complicated. IMPORTANT: At each section start point you need to zero your trip odometer.

This event is described as a "jogularity" which means that I will prompt you with the elapsed time at each numbered route instruction (for instance the next instruction might be a left and I will tell you that it will occur 2:15 after you left the start of the section). This helps you check your pace along the course. In order to help you between instructions, I will also give you information on running speed such as CAST 30 (12 seconds/0.1 mile) at a correction factor of 1.0. If you have a significant factor error, multiply the given number by the factor.

At each control the app reports your arrival time and the error as early or late. If you are early, slow down. Conversely, if you are late, speed up. The app also reports your running total.

I will now describe how to do a jogularity style event providing a cut from the route instructions for a previous event. In addition to the "Jogularity times" shown in the route instructions, the General Instructions will include a short table of times that tell you how many seconds it should take you to go each 0.1 mile at the given CAST. For this example, section, the CAST's are 35, 25, and 32. Converted into seconds per tenth mile, these are respectively 10.3 seconds; 14.4 seconds; and 11.3 seconds.

NRI 33 occurs at a T; so note that in addition to zeroing your trip odometer, it includes the instruction to turn left, what speed to drive, and the information that you can drive any legal speed until a subsequent instruction tells you to end the free zone. Note that the "jogularity time" at this point is given as zero, which means the time is that which will be assigned to you by the Richta App as was described above. In the example, assume that the App tells you that you have restarted at 14:15 (2:15 PM for us civilians). At NRI 34 your odometer will be reading 0.5 miles and your stopwatch should be reading less than 54 seconds (the Richta clock should read less than 14:15:54) because you should have taken advantage of the free zone to drive ahead (faster) in anticipation of needing time for the speed change coming up in NRI 35. This will be useful because NRI 35 occurs within sight of the big axe that marks the end of the free zone. Try to pass the "20 M.P.H." at 2:31.6 on your stopwatch (14:17:31 on the Richta App) and at 25 MPH on your speedometer. You want to leave NRI 36 at 3:43.3 on your stopwatch (14:18:43 on the Richta App) and at 32 MPH as quickly as possible after the Stop. You will note that your trip odometer switches to 2.0 miles very quickly after you have made the turn, and you want to regulate your speed to cover each tenth of a mile in just over 11 seconds. NRI 37 is another Flying Restart Truncate.

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33) Flying Restart Truncate at "NEW HARMONY". **CAST 35.**

(CP 17)

Left. (One car at the top of the minute as before.) **BFZ**
(Means any legal speed) Jogularity time 0
min. 0.0 sec.

There are "X" controls in this section.

0.525 34) Right on Banta. EFZ at big axe in stump. Jogularity time 54.0
sec.

1.474 35) **CAST 25** at "20 M.P.H." Jogularity time 2 min. 31.6 sec.

1.972 36) **CAST 32** at Stop. Right. Jogularity time 3 min. 43.3 sec.

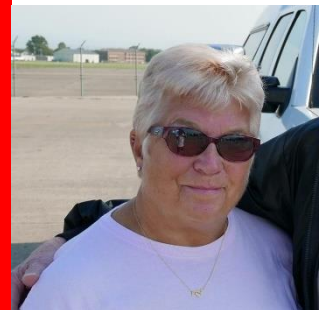
There will always be a free zone of 0.3 miles after every numbered route instruction for you to make up (or scrub) time before you reach the first control. There will be "X" (number) of controls in each section, where you will be told X at each restart (It varies). I may include identifying information for controls in the instructions, but some may be unidentified. Sections will be longer than last July because there aren't as many places where it is safe to have multiple cars waiting to restart on separate minutes.

Follow these procedures at each FST and you will get reasonable scores at the timed controls. And enjoy another way to have "fun with your car." I hope that spring doesn't finish too quickly because this route is normally quite spectacular with flowering trees and bushes (as I write this, I already have daffodils blooming in my yard).

Happy Rallying!!!

Wendy Harrison

SECRETARY REPORT – CLUB MEETING MINUTES:



1-7-2023– Indianapolis Region/SCCA Monthly Board Meeting and Annual Banquet

January meeting was held at Mallow Run Winery.

Present: Mike and Kitina Young, Velma Boreen, Charles Tashiro, Ben Drexler, James DaPuzzo, Wendy Harrison, and Josh Kikta.

First order of business was to select those members that will be serving as Members-At-Large on the board for 2023. After discussion about names that were submitted, motion was made by Charles to have the following members selected: John Clyne, Kevin Burns, Alan Hamson and Lee Miller, with Norm Curry as an alternate. Josh seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Motion to approve the December meeting minutes.

RE Report – Mike

- Mike was unable to attend the meeting in person but did attend via Zoom during the awards ceremony.

Membership – Josh

- Currently at 597 members
6 new members and 9 that didn't renew

Treasurer – Kitina

- A deposit has been sent to Putnam for the Time Trials event, with the balance due in May.

Website – John

- Transition to the new site continues to be worked on.

Clutch Chatter - Raleigh

- A combined January/February issue will be published after the annual banquet. New officials will be included in that issue.
- Raleigh requested that all programs get articles to him by January 15th.
- Also, any photos that were taken during the banquet would be helpful

Activities – Charles

- Karting dates are set
 - There are still 3 dates set for karting. Registration is open on the Indy Region website and on MSR.
- Charles has suggested that we get our banquet for 2024 on the calendar at Mallow Run. He has talked to Amy and all Saturdays in January 2024 are currently open. Wendy has requested that we schedule for no earlier than 1-13-24. This gives her enough time to finalize the Road Rally awards for the end of the year.
- Charles has contacted the World of Wheels organization and has requested a 20 x 20 booth for World of Wheels on March 24-26. He has sent registration forms to four members to display their vehicles during the show. Lee Miller – Miata, John Clyne – Mustang, Faythe Rush – BRZ and Mike Young, Corvette. World of Wheels has requested a picture of each car to be displayed. Charles needs this information by 1-16-23. Charles will work on a sign-up sheet for members to help work the booth. Discussed giving discounts at events during the season for those who work the show.
- Discussed having people attend Cars and Coffee during the summer. Have contact info and flyers available at those shows.

Road Rally – Wendy

- Wendy is working on the Road Rally schedule in conjunction with Jim DaPuzzo to avoid events on top of each other. She should have it finalized by the next board meeting in February.

Solo – Jim

- Working on building the 2023 Solo schedule, working with other Regions in Indiana
 - Events that are already set – One Lap of America, SCCA National Tour, CAM Challenge, Hoosier Challenge
 - Continue to work on having 2 events in the Indianapolis Area.
 - Fairgrounds with a social after that event
 - Facility in Westfield that Raleigh is currently working on.
 - Our season ending event will be with the Columbus Sports Car Club in Walesboro
 - The idea of a spring training was brought up, with site TBD
 - Opportunity to do some cross training with other programs, annual tech for Solo
- Jim will need to have a deposit sent to Roger for Grissom
- Bus plans and what we need to do in the future will be part of the budget discussion in February.

Time Trials – Vinnie

- Deposit has been made to Putnam with the balance due in May. Contract has also been signed.
- Schedule is out and will be on the Indy Region website along with MSR.

Old Business

- Election results were announced and the officials and programs chairs are as follows:
 - RE – Mike Young
 - Assistant RE – Ben Drexler
 - Treasurer- Kitina Young
 - Secretary – Velma Boreen
 - Activities – Charles Tashiro
 - Membership - Josh Kikta
 - Road Rally – Wendy Harrison
 - Time Trials – Vinnie Taibi
 - Solo – James DaPuzzo
 - Members at Large – John Clyne, Kevin Burns, Alan Hamson, Lee Miller with Norm Curry as an alternate
 - Clutch Chatter Editor – Raleigh Boreen
- SCCA Virtual Convention
 - Online registration is now open for the SCCA Virtual Convention.
 - Most of the presentations will be done later in the day and into the evening for those that are working during the day.

New Business

- Program budgets will be presented and approved at the February board meeting. Request that all program chairs have their 2023 budgets ready for discussion

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:11 PM

Next meeting is Tuesday, February 14, 2023 at Dawson's in Speedway.

Velma Boreen – 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 Mike Morehead.

Velma and I have had the fun of knowing Mike for over 15 years. Mike is a fixture at Grissom. He attends every event at Grissom but doesn't compete. He is there to cheer on his friends and meet people at the events. Mike was born in Indianapolis, IN. When he was in High School, his family moved to Kokomo, IN. for his Dad's job. He married his high school sweetheart Kitty and they moved into a big two-story house her family had owned since the Civil War. Kitty's Great Grand Father was a Civil War veteran and he built the two-story Victorian home. Kitty has now passed away but Mike still lives in the big house on the north end of Kokomo. Mike worked at Chrysler in Kokomo after High School. After several years at Chrysler, he got into outside sales. In the mid-80's, he went to work for a Cellular Phone company getting in on the ground floor of the cellular business. He was with them until his retirement. You cannot miss Mike when he pulls into Grissom in his 1972 240 Z Datsun, the "Yellow Zonker".

How long have you been a member of SCCA?

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Tom O'Gorman won the 2022 One Lap of America


TIME TRIAL PROGRAM




ROUND 1
NCM MOTORSPORTS PARK MAY 6-7



ROUND 2+3
PUTNAM PARK JULY 1-2



ROUND 4
GINGERMAN JULY 22 -23



ROUND 5
TBA

INDYTRACKDAYS.COM

A large, tilted graphic containing the details of the 2023 Time Trial program. It is divided into five horizontal bands of different colors: red, blue, green, and yellow. Each band contains the round number, the track name, and the dates. To the right of each band is a small white line-art diagram of the track layout. At the top left of the graphic is a smaller version of the Indy SCCA Time Trials logo. At the bottom of the graphic, the website "INDYTRACKDAYS.COM" is written in a bold, white, italicized font on a black background.

Watch for more information to come on the 2023 Time Trial season. We look forward to seeing people at the tracks this year. Have a great winter getting ready for the TT events.

Check out: INDYTRACKDAYS.com for more info.

Vinnie & Tyler

DID YOU KNOW?



1953 was the first year for the Chevrolet Corvette. They were all built in Flint, MI. Production did not start until June of 53' after the January introduction in New York City. The reaction was so good that they started plans to make the car right away in 53' and not wait until 1954. They built 300 cars in 1953. They were all white, black top and red interior. All of the cars had a 6cyl. Engine with an automatic transmission. A V8 finally showed up in 1955 and so did a three-speed stick. A 4spd. And fuel injection did not show up until mid-year in 1957. The new C8 Corvettes for 2023 mark the 70th Anniversary for "Americas SportsCar".



Notes about 1953

- January – Hank Williams died; Lucy gave birth to little Rickie on I Love Lucy
- April – Ian Fleming wrote his first James Bond novel, Casino Royale
- May – Sir Edmund Hillary was the first person to summit Mount Everest
- June – Queen Elizabeth was coronated
- July – Hot Dogs cost \$.19 per pound, great for picnics
- August – Drive In-Movies cost \$1.00 per carload
- October – World Series tickets cost \$7.00
- December – Cigarette smoking is reported as causing lung cancer



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Notes from the Director's Chair

Area 4 Director Update for February 2023

I apologize for the tardiness of this edition but I just returned from attending the Rolex 24 at Daytona and it was quite a week down there. A few adult beverages were consumed and I got a bit of a sunburn.

As you can see from the number of items below, January was a very busy month for Zoom calls on my calendar. As I mentioned last month, there's no such thing as an off season.....there is just the preparation for the next season.

Video Conference Meetings:

- Club Racing Board (CRB) (1/3): We finalized plans for a second face to face meeting in 2023 which would be held in March (3/24, 3/25). The group reviewed changes in the data acquisition program. We also discussed ways to streamline the flow of information to and from the CRB and the BoD. The results of CRB rules changes can be seen [here](#).
- Electrified Vehicle Advisory Committee (EVAC) (1/5): We added an additional meeting to consider the letters that had been sent to the EVAC through the CRB letter portal. There were several letters the EVAC had received about the SCREV and our Club Racing rules packages that needed extended conversation. The good news is that the members are asking serious questions of us and this proves they are engaged on the topic.
- EVAC (1/11, 1/16): Due to some technical difficulties, our meeting was cut short on 1/11 so we were forced to add another meeting on 1/16 to continue the discussion. We chatted about the EVAC update session for the convention. We also got an update about safety training that would be required for the members who would interact with EVs at competition events.
- Board of Directors (BoD) (1/17): This was an additional meeting convened to deliberate on one topic. We discussed how to alleviate the turmoil in the Rally Cross program and the best way to right the ship.
- Great Lakes Division (GLDiv) (1/18): Several of us met to discuss the planning and schedule for the GLDiv Spring Training Meeting in Fort Wayne next month. Val McCammon updated us on what she had done so far and we chatted about how to enhance the experience for the members.
- SCCA Convention (GLDiv Meet & Greet Session) (1/21): Several of us hosted a convention session for the GLDiv members. The idea was to give out information about the division officials and allow them to dispense aspects of each of the competition programs in the division. I started by showing

slides of the officers and officials for the division. I was followed by Lauri Burkons as she chatted about the Club Racing program. Ray Jason, Velma and Raleigh Boreen reviewed the details of the upcoming Solo season. Vinnie Taibi passed on specifics about the Time Trails program. According to post event statistics, we had 80 people attend the session. If you'd like to view it, you can watch the session by following this [link](#).

- SCCA Convention (EVAC Session) (1/23): I hosted a session where we updated everyone on what the EVAC has been up to as well as where we are headed. 154 people tuned in for this one and it can be seen by following this [link](#).
- BoD (1/30): As this was our first "normal" meeting of the year, we discussed items on a wide variety of topics:
 1. The reorganization of the RallyCross Board (RXB)
 2. Addition of a member to the SCCA Foundation Board
 3. The revised Enduro rules package
 4. The Dallas, TX meeting of the Solo Events Board (SEB)
 5. We approved the members of the Time Trails Board (TTB)

We also looked for ways to enhance communication between the Club Racing Board (CRB) and the steward corps.

SCCA Events:

- Rolex 24 Hour Race: While not strictly speaking an SCCA event, part of my rationale for going to this event was to see how the SCCA supports this race. I saw many SCCA members there and conducted some business during the race too. Like a lot of pro races, the SCCA supplies most of the corner workers. With a "4 hours on, 8 hours off" regimen, there needs to be scores of workers for this event and the vast majority are SCCA members. I roamed the grounds and spoke with the staff at several corners and found out they were from all corners of the country and even a few from overseas.

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A quick reminder that the GLDiv Spring Meeting will occur on 3/3 and 3/4 in Fort Wayne, IN at the same site as last year (Manchester University). A link for registering for the event can be found [here](#). The registration cost is \$30. An additional \$10 gets you a really nice pasta, salad and dessert dinner from Casa D'Angelo on Friday evening. The meetings will be across all programs, so I encourage all members to attend. With more programs under the SCCA banner these days, we need to focus on teamwork to help each region put on the best events they can.

As usual, Val McCammon is coordinating the event. She told me the agenda will be posted on MSR in a few days. She asked me to let our members know that seven SCCA National Staff will be attending our meeting to aid in enhancing our divisional programs.

She also asked that I remind folks to contact her (pyramid@bluebirdview.com, 260.437.6707) with any questions you may have about the meeting.

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Just a quick reminder, if any region out there wants to have an "Ask the Director" session during your monthly meetings, please do not hesitate to contact me so we can schedule a visit. I retired last summer so I have plenty of free time and would thoroughly enjoy the chance to visit with your members.

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.

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Notes from the Director's Chair

Area 4 Director Update for March 2023

February is always a brief respite as we gear up for the oncoming season. Region officials are working on their events, competitors are reviewing the schedule to see when and where they want to race.....and both are carefully reviewing budgets to see how it will play out financially.

On a personal note, I was asked by two regions in our Area to attend their annual banquets. I was extremely flattered. With the possibility of a nice meal, great conversation and the chance to schmooze with members on the table, I jumped at the opportunity to accept (as much as a 61-year-old man with a 'soon to be replaced' hip is capable of jumping). Both regions (Cincinnati and Detroit) are populated with folks I know and so both evenings were a lot of fun.

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

Video Conference Meetings:

- Club Racing Board (CRB) (2/7): We continued to work on plans for the first of two face to face meetings in 2023 which would be held in March (3/17, 3/18). This meeting would concentrate on long term, strategic questions about the Road Racing program (What will the runoffs look like?, What will the class structure entail?, etc.). A review of the “hot” letters showed that very few have percolated to the CRB for discussion. This is a good thing as it shows the advisory committees are doing their jobs better. This, in turn, allows the board to prioritize more serious issues. The results of CRB rules changes can be seen [here](#).
- Electrified Vehicle Advisory Committee (EVAC) (2/8): The Training and Education Advisory Committee (TEAC) has continued to work on content for the Learning Management System (LMS). The EVAC has maintained its focus on responding to the many letters we receive through the CRB letter portal. Its great news that we have so many interested folks willing to write to us. Nearly all of these letters are very supportive and ask deep questions about safety and technological advances as well as offer advice for future protocols.
- Board of Directors (BoD) (2/27): We received preliminary, year-end financial numbers. Considering all that’s happened recently, we ended up in a pretty strong position. The next step is for the auditors to do their thing (which they do annually). We were also briefed that convention conversation will start soon. We need to figure out if the membership wants to meet face to face, virtually or a combination of the two. Start thinking about that and let me know what you would like to do. We reviewed proposed rules changes for the Hill Climb program as well as additions to the RallyCross Board (RXB).

SCCA Events:

- Cincinnati Region Banquet (2/4): I finished my high school years and started college in Oxford, OH which is just 30 minutes northwest of downtown Cincinnati. Throw in that Melinda and I know quite a few members from the Cincinnati Region, and you have a recipe for a nice weekend jaunt down for their annual banquet. I was asked to say a few words by the outgoing and incoming REs. I kept my remarks short (and clean!) since the agenda was full that evening. I made mention of the fact that they ran the second most events in the division and only solid leadership could foster an atmosphere where so many programs thrived. The meal was very nice (great green beans!) and the awards ceremonies were a lot of fun.
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Important update – Waivers and Event Safety

SSS Training Update

Please review the solo rules online

Solo Rules

Para 1.3.2.D. A passenger is allowed provided he/she:

1. Is no younger than twelve (12) years old or is at least 57” tall
3. Is wearing properly fitted seat belt and a properly fitted helmet
4. has completed and signed the required participant waiver(s) including parents/guardians as appropriate (Sect 4.1.3)

Para 1.3.2.O. Children under twelve (12) years of age and pets shall be prohibited in the staging, grid, start, finish, and course areas.

(Remember, key is being friendly as most people who “violate” these rules are unaware of them. Judgement should be used to assess the potential safety issues.)

Para 2.5.1. “...Participants in “hot” areas must sign the event waiver or hold an annual waiver. Additionally, all people in “hot” areas should be SCCA members...This includes passengers.”

(Membership can be via annual, weekend, or trial membership)

Para 2.5.2

...Spectators in “cold” areas do not require a waiver and minor spectators do not need to have a minor waiver.

...If a minor enters a site that requires a waiver, BOTH parents/guardians AND the minor must sign the minor annual waiver.

...Minors under 12 years of age are not permitted in “hot” areas.

(If the minor has a parent/guardian with full custody, only that parent has to sign.)

Kent Weaver – GLDIV SSS



Rachel Burch at Grissom

FOR SALE

2000 Chevrolet Camaro SS – Asking \$10,000

Purchased the car in the spring of 2022 and it has been a blast

1. Mileage 155,000
2. LS1 Motor / Automatic
3. Powertrain is Stock (Motor & Transmission)
4. Have a good oil sample completed prior to fluid flush
5. All Fluids have been Flushed in the spring of 2022
6. Exhaust is Stock
7. Wheels: Stock SS Wheels and set of Corvette wheels for Autocross 18 X 10.5 Falken 615
8. Body and Interior are in Stock and Great Shape
9. Have a car cover

Prior owner upgrades include ... Danny Popp installed the following Parts:

1. UMI – Upper Adjustable control Arms
2. UMI – Full Rear Suspension / Watts Link set-up / Less Torque Arm
3. AFCO Single adjustable Co-Overs Front 600 lbs. Rear 200 lbs.
4. Rear End was upgraded to 3.90
5. Corvette Wheel Bearing Installed in the front
6. Set the Alignment

I made a few upgrades:

1. Front springs are now 850 lbs.
2. Strano Master Cylinder Brake Booster Brace
3. Strano Front Sway Bar and End Links

Ran in SCCA Autocross / CAM-T / You can have Magnet Numbers

With the Suspension Mods ... it is a good Autocross with a lot of potential and could be a good Drag / Bracket Car

Needs to go to a good home, Asking \$10,000

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