



The PitStop!



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March REport

My apologies to Gene for getting this report to him a few days late. I'm typing this on a plane to California because last week I was on vacation in Daytona and the week before that I was away on business. I know I shouldn't have any excuses after being the Editor of the newsletter for 4 years but what can I say? I will say that Bob was always timely with his RE report as was his predecessor Ken Andrew. This is just a fluke, Gene. I'll be on time in the future (famous last words).

In the February PitStop, at the last minute, I had Gene throw in a quick welcome to our new Activity Chairman, Darrin Bailey. I believe Darrin started coming to our events when his wife, club secretary Teresa, bought him a ride in Bob Sonntag's Datsun at the end of 2004. He must have liked it because Darrin and Teresa competed in autocross events last year in their Honda and also ran in a number of road rallies. Now he's decided to take over Gene's spot on the Board. He'll be responsible for keeping track of your points and getting people to be the chairperson for our events. For autocross it's not too hard to get someone to be the Event chair but Rallies are different. A Rallymaster has to put on the Rally and there's some work involved in doing that. The rest of the Board will certainly help Darrin with this task.

In case you missed it National has raised the dues by \$5.00. For the first time in four years, membership dues will increase beginning in February. A regular membership, not including regional dues, will increase by \$5, from \$55 to \$60. Spouse memberships will also increase \$5, up to \$20 and a family membership will increase by \$10 to \$95. First Gear and Military memberships remain unchanged.

Our first points rally was postponed for lack of a Rallymaster. We'll have to fit a rally into the schedule later in the year to make up for it. If you have any interest in putting on a rally please contact a board member and we'll help you put one on.

Our next Rally is Sunday March 19th. We'll know who the Rallymaster is by the beginning of the month. MyAutoEvents.com will be used for the sign up. You save a couple of bucks by signing up on the web.

On Saturday March 18th we'll be going to the Mid-American Air Center in Lawrenceville to work on the playground. The club is doing this as a "thank you" to the airport for letting us use the area for our autocrosses. We'd like to have help with our chores as we plan on putting a lot of mulch under the jungle gym while doing repairs/improvements to the other playground equipment. If you've got the time, let one of the Board members know. We'd love to have the help.

The second half of the SIR Bowling Tournament was held at Diamond Lanes South. Three members showed up to vie for the 1.5 million in monopoly money. Coming in third and receiving 400,000 was Tim Green. Tim rolled a 137 and a 112 for a total of 249. Carolyn Dornburg Got the 600,000 for second place with a 179 and a 152 for a 331 total. Taking home the cool 1 mil was yours truly with a 190, 186 for a total of 376. One can only speculate that the weather kept the attendance down.

March is a quiet month with only a Rally on the competition schedule but it's the last preparation month for the club road racers. This year we have 3 club members going road racing. Multi-time BMod Autocross champion Tom Bootz will join road racing veterans Tom Tipsword and Barry Schonberger on the racetracks of mid-America. Tom Tipsword will again run his VanDiemen Formula Ford in the Club Formula Ford class. Barry will be competing in GT2 with his Ford powered Tiger while Tom Bootz will venture into the DSR class with his new racecar. We wish them all a lot of luck and to be safe.

April starts off with our annual Snow Buster autocross at "The Centre" in Evansville (also known as the Civic Center). You can register on-line at MyAutoEvents.com and save yourself two bucks or you could pre-register for the whole season. Contact Gene Young if you are interested. I've registered for the National Tour Event in Arkansas that weekend so you'll be missing me again.

I want to congratulate Bob Sonntag for getting the club 1st place Gold Medal in the "SCCA Small Region - Region Achievement" in 2005, as he also did in 2004 and 2003. The awards were handed out during the breakfast meeting at the National Convention. Dr. Jim Butler was gracious enough to attend the meeting to pick up the awards and then attended the February club membership meeting to hand them out. (see Teresa's membership meeting minutes for what transpired)

Dr. Jim also collected my 3rd consecutive Bronze medal (plate) in the newsletter competition. Try as I did I couldn't get the silver or gold.

That's it for this month. Keep an eye out for any electronic bulletins about our events.

Racingly,
Paul Dornburg, Regional Executive
Team Owner, Incontinent Racing

2006 Berry Points

Darrin	Bailey	2
Teresa	Bailey	2
John	Coen	2
Mimsi	Coen	2
Terry	Davis	2
Michael	Freeman	2
Bob	Sonntag	2
Gene	Young	2
Kenneth	Andrew	1
Nancy	Andrew	1
Steven	Backer	1
James	Barrow	1
James	Butler MD MPH	1
James	Cannon	1
Gary	Heck	1
Frank	Totten	1
Glenn	Wior	1



SIR/SCCA February Membership Meeting Minutes

Call to Order at 8:03 pm Terry Davis, ARE filling in for Paul Dornburg who was out of town (Daytona)

Officer Reports:

- ◆ Secretary, Teresa Bailey - Read the January meeting minutes. Minutes were accepted
- ◆ Treasurer, Gary Heck - We still got money. Receipt for reflectors paid
- ◆ Advisor to the Board, Bob Sonntag shared daily life advice and humors. Ken added some advise back to the days of Adam and Eve
- ◆ Activities Chairman, by Darrin Bailey next events:
 - Feb. 26th Rally # 2 - canceled
 - Next event March 19 Rally #3 - need Rally Master
- ◆ Assistant Activities Chairman, Tim Green - unable to attend due to work
- ◆ PitStop, Gene Young - deadline is the Feb 18th.
- ◆ Assistant Regional Executive, Terry Davis - nothing to report.
- ◆ Regional Executive, Paul Dornburg - Not in attendance.

Committee Reports

Membership Count: 86 as reported at last Board Meeting

Old Business

- Comp regulations have been forwarded to the board members for review and received feedback.
- Taking orders SCCA Rules books
- Saturday March 18 Playground work day
- 3 Bowlers at the Owensboro event
- Gary investigating the Posey County School parking lot for an event
- Patch party scheduled for April
- Activities Chairman position has been filled by Darrin Bailey

New Business

- Attendance certificate winner Ken Andrews

Special Presentation

* Dr. Jim Butler presented awards from the SCCA national convention.

Dr. Butler began by introducing himself as a SCCA member for 32 years and active Medical Director of SCCA. He continued with general comments:

- Tri State Aero is a lead for an event location; speak to Gene Nelson at the airport.
- Rally Cross (auto cross in the dirt) expand our possibilities...
- New Heartland Park is awesome.

-Junior Achievement event June 23-25 - could use some volunteers (free food) Part of Freedom Fest next to the museum

*** Awards Presentation**

Newsletters:

PitStop Editor won 3rd place (bronze plate) - Paul Dornburg
SCCA key chain & bottle opener from Dr. Butler

Region Achievement:

Southern IN Region 1st place for small regions (gold plate) - Bob Sonntag
SCCA key chain & bottle opener from Dr. Butler

Points of Interest

-Ken Andrews, Division of the Year was won several years ago and the award had the wrong region name on it (S. Calif.)

-Introductions of members attending the meeting

- Trip to Rome - Joint safety meeting hosted by Father Phil Dehrea (former open wheel racing priest). Shared many stories about drivers.
Great Conference - new seat belt information, side nets, HANS device...

Meeting Adjournment 8:59 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Teresa Bailey, Secretary



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2005-2006 Schedule

Mar 06	Apr 06	May 06
6 – Board Meeting, Evansville	4.02 "Snow Buster" Fun Autocross Civic Center	5.01 Board Meeting
14 – Membership Meeting Lone Star Steakhouse and Saloon, just off Green River Rd.	4.03 Board Meeting Paul's House	5.07 Rally (3 of 7) Location TBA
19 – Rally #3 Location TBA	4.11 Membership Meeting ,Lone Star Steakhouse & Saloon	5.09 Membership Meeting
	4.15 Pit Stop Deadline	5.20 Pit Stop Deadline
	4.22 Saturday Patch Party #1 Lawrenceville	5.21 "Opening Bookend" Autocross (1 of 7)
	4.23 Sunday Patch Party #2 Lawrenceville	Lawrenceville
	4.28 Saturday Patch Party #1 -- Rain date, Lawrenceville	5.26 SCCA Tour Event (Peru)
	4.29 Sunday Patch Party #2 -- Rain date	Grissom Aeroplex, Peru, IN
		5.27 SCCA Tour Event (Peru)
		Grissom Aeroplex, Peru, IN
		5.28 SCCA Tour Event (Peru)
		Grissom Aeroplex, Peru, IN

Autocross Events:

9:30 A.M. - Course set-up begins

11:00 A.M. - Registration and Tech open
 12:30 P.M. - Registration and Tech close!!!
 12:45 P.M. - Driver's meeting
 1:00 P.M. – First car off

Rally Events:

12:30 P.M. -- Registration and Tech open

1:00 P.M. -- Registration and Tech close
 1:15 P.M. -- Driver's meeting
 1:30 P.M. – First car off

Membership Meetings:

6:30 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. – Socializing

7:00 P.M. – Dinner
 8:00 P.M. -- Business meeting

Arriving late? Contact Paul Dornburg in advance by E-mail or phone by 6:00 PM the preceding day or register at myautoevents.com
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 Lawrenceville Autocrosses are at Mid-American Air Park near Lawrenceville, IL
 Centre Autocrosses are held at the Evansville Civic Center parking lot
 Owensboro Autocrosses are at Owensboro/Daviess County Airport, Owensboro, KY