



The Pit Stop



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April REport

Before I get started on Club business, Carolyn and I want to thank all of you for the cards, emails and the nice thoughts and prayers you had for us when Carolyn's Dad died. We really appreciate everyone's thoughts and prayers. Thank you so much.

We've had some setbacks in the autocross program after 2 of the sites told us we couldn't use their lots. It's affected everything including the Snow Buster. As announced on the email list the Snow Buster was cancelled. We couldn't get an answer in a timely manner from the Centre management so we decided to cancel the Snow Buster for 2008. Who knows, we may do a Fall Buster event in November to see who can survive in the cold and rain.

The school superintendent at Heritage Hills told Gary Heck that we had been notified last year that the lot would not be available for us in 2008. Turns out we hadn't received the faxed document and didn't know not to ask.

The Owensboro Airport situation was a bit different. Our champion at the Airport, Tim Bradshaw, took a job at the Louisville Airport leaving the Owensboro Airport Board looking for a replacement. In a phone call in the middle of February I was asked to not schedule any events at the airport in 2008. They want to wait until the new manager is in place before allowing us to run there again, so, at the earliest it'll be 2009 before we get back to the airport.

Also, we have asked the Southern Illinois Region if we can use their 2 autocross events as points events for us. Check the schedule for the dates of those events.

On the bright side a couple of members have been out looking for sites and have offered a couple of suggestions. Board members will follow up on the leads and perhaps we'll be using a different site soon. Thank you all for looking and suggesting.

The Owensboro Ice Cream Rally was postponed because Carolyn and I had to tend to family business.

It's been rescheduled for April 13th. It starts at the Dairy Queen on US 60E and ends at the DQ on US 231 in Owensboro. The times are listed in these pages. If you've been on this one before you should "Ace" it this time.

Bob, Gary, Tim and I went to the Lawrenceville airport on Saturday March 15th to do our annual survey of the concrete. We marked 35+ spots to patch including some new territory that could provide us with yet another course variation. Terre Haute competitor Yancy Smith told us he would provide all the equipment we need to do the repairs for free. (just kidding, Yancy) He said he could provide what we needed at a competitive price and he'd bring all the equipment on his flat bed truck. So everyone circle Sunday April 20th on your calendar as the day we'll be patching concrete. We'll need people to run concrete saws, water sprayers, jackhammers, shovels, brooms, leaf blowers, trowels and cement mixers. We'll be leaving from the east side Lowe's in Evansville at 9:00 AM. Start working those muscles!

As we were leaving the airport we decided to stop at Bowler Transmission and see if Mark Bowler was there to discuss the July Event they are planning. I could see him through the window but the doors were locked. I called the number painted on the side of his trailer and after talking to his answering machine for a minute or so and telling him I could see him through the window he picked up and agreed to talk with us. We came to a basic agreement to put on an autocross event for his companies' weekend carfest. It'll be a different kind of event for us as Mark wants to start the autocross in mid-afternoon and go for about 4 hours. It's a fun event for us so we intend to have fun putting it on. We've got some details to work out and we'll share those as we get them.

The Southern Indiana Region is part of the Great Lakes Division of the SCCA. In this issue you will see some information on a Great Lakes

Division Drivers' Event at Nelson Ledges race course in Ohio. If you are interested in going to the event either as a driver or a worker you'd do well to read the details. The road racing regions are always looking for drivers and workers at their events and it's a good way to get exposure to those activities.

Just to reiterate, the weekend membership program has started. At an autocross a non-member will pay an additional \$15 above and beyond the entry fee paid by club members. At Rallies the fee will be an additional \$20 for a non-member driver and a non-member navigator above and beyond the car entry fee. Two of those fees, \$60, can be applied towards an SCCA license. If you are thinking about inviting some friends to our events remember the extra costs.

Some car people in Western Kentucky have approached me about forming a Chapter of our Region in Western KY. The KY region owns the counties where these people reside but they've said they don't have room in their schedule for any more events and would not be opposed to our Region providing support. So I've been talking with one Richard Hall in Benton KY and Mike Dickerson of the SCCA to work out the details. I'll have more to report as we get things worked out.

Don't forget, registration for all events will be done on www.motorsportreg.com. You will have to setup an account with them much like you had to do on myautoevents.com. Once you are setup you can register for all our events. Bob Sonntag and I will begin setting up the events by the end of February. So get your account established so you can register for our events and save yourself the price of a big ice cream cone or 1/2 gallon of gas.

So that's it for this month. Come out to our events, have a good time and enjoy your car. Racingly,
Paul Dornburg, *Regional Executive*



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Sports Car Club Of America GLD Drivers School Nelson Ledges Road Course



Great Lakes Division, SCCA
c/o Dorothy Harrington
340 Bellaire Rd
Avon Lake, OH 44012
1-440-933-8420
e-mail: doubledlh@hotmail.com

Entry Fee:
One day school \$285.00
Two day school \$475.00
Over Crew: \$10.00
late fee after 4/14/08 \$40.00
**Make Checks Payable To:
Great Lakes Division, SCCA**

Date: April 19, 2008
Sanction: 08-DS-11-P
Date: April 20, 2008
Sanction: 08-DS-12-P
Held under 2008 SCCA General Competition Rules

Make	Model	Color	Class	Official Use Only
Desired Number:	1st	2nd	3rd	

Please Print:
 Drivers Name: _____ Member #: _____
 Address: _____ Phone: _____
 City/State/Zip: _____
 Competition License #: _____ Grade: _____ Region of Record: _____
 Email _____
 Entrant Name and Membership #: _____
 Crew Members: 1(free) _____
 2(free) _____
 3(free) _____
 4(pay) _____
 5(pay) _____
 6(pay) _____

Race #
Car #
Class
Postmark
Fee Rec'd
Check #
Cash

In case of emergency notify: _____ Phone: _____ At track? _____

I hereby agree that the car and driver as described above are to appear at this Race Meet to compete under the 2007 GCR, amendments of the SCCA, Inc and the supplementary regulations of this event. I affirm that the car entered complies with all requirements for the class and category in which it is entered and that all of the information provided on this entry form is valid on this date.

Signatures: Entrant _____

Driver _____ Date _____

Mandatory Timing and Scoring Information - Driver Must Complete

Car Class/Category: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____ Color: _____
 Drivers Region of Record: _____ Member #: _____ Grade: _____
 Driver Name: _____ Address: _____
 City/St/Zip: _____ Transponder # _____
 Sponsors: _____

Race #
Car #
Transp.#

A working AMB TRANX260 Transponder on each car is mandatory for this event.



Supplemental Regulations:
GLD Driver School April 18, 19, 20, 2008
Nelson Ledges Road Course
Sanction: 08-DS-11-P & 08-DS-12-P

General

1. This event will be conducted in strict compliance with the 2008 General Competition Rules and in accordance with these Supplemental Regulations.
2. This event will be open to all drivers holding a valid Novice Permit. License and proof of membership must be presented at Registration. Drivers needing license and/or membership confirmation from the National office must contact the Chief Registrar no later than 9:00 PM WEDNESDAY, April 16, 2008.
3. Telephone entries are **not official until the entry form is signed, accepted, and all fees are paid**. A \$50.00 charge will be assessed on any check returned for insufficient funds. Personal checks, money orders, or cash will be accepted at Registration. **THE CHIEF REGISTRAR WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY ENTRIES SENT BY A DELIVERY SERVICE WHICH REQUIRE A DAYTIME SIGNATURE OR SPECIAL PICKUP.**

Conduct of the Event

1. The Start/Finish Line extends through the pit lane and will be used for all timing and scoring.
2. Operation of 2-way radios on the following frequencies is not permitted: 151.625 MHz and 154.600 MHz. This is necessary to avoid conflict with the track communication.
3. **All cars will have a working Tranex 260 transponder.**

Track Policies and Services

1. There will be no running of any unmuffled engines between the hours of 8:00pm and 7:30am.
2. Pets must be on leashes and owners are responsible for cleanup.
3. Track Management requires all tires and used automotive fluids be removed from the premises by competitors. Please clean your area before departing the premises. Great Lakes Division and Nelson Ledges thanks you for your cooperation.
4. Racing fuel **MAY** be available at Kryderacing, located in the paddock area. Water and air will be available near the Tech building.
10. Motorsport Ministries services will be posted at the T&S tower.

OFFICIALS

Chief Instructors	Terrence Garrett, Mike Puskar
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Chief of F & C:	Ronda Knapp
Chief of Tech:	Mike Kowalski
Chief of Emergency Services	Denny Freeman
Chief of Grid:	TBA
Chief of Sound:	Larry Zuppan
Chief of Start:	TBA
Chief of Pits:	TBA

GROUPS

Group 1	Closed Wheel
Group 2	Open Wheel

SCHEDULE:

Friday April 18, 2008

6:30 pm -10:00 pm Registration Open
7:00 pm -10:00 pm Tech
7:00 pm- 9:30 pm Classroom Session

Saturday, April 19, 2008

7:00 am- 11:00 am Registration Open
7:30 am- 2:00 pm Tech
7:30 am MANDATORY DRIVERS MEETING AT TOWER
Attendance will be taken
8:30 am- Track rides or walks followed by (3) 20-minute on track sessions
12:00 pm (approx.) **Lunch**
12:30 pm Drivers Meeting
1:00 pm (approx.) 25 min. Track rides with instructors
20-minute on track sessions per group
45-minute on track sessions per group
followed by Practice starts and 10 lap races by group

5:00pm MANDATORY DRIVERS MEETING
5:00 pm (Approximate) **HOSPITALITY PARTY FOR STUDENTS, WORKERS AND CREWS**
Base of Tower

Sunday, April 20, 2008

7:00 am - 9:30 am Registration Open
7:00 am- Tech Inspection by appointment only
8:00 am MANDATORY DRIVERS MEETING AT TOWER
Attendance will be taken
9:00 am First cars on track 20 minutes sessions by group
12:00 pm (approx.) **Lunch**
12:30 pm Drivers Meeting
1:00 pm (approx.) 25 minute Track rides with instructors
20 minute on track sessions per group
45 minute on track sessions per group
followed by Practice starts and 10 lap races

Area Hotels & Motels

Newton Falls Ohio Turnpike Exit 14 (10 mi)

Rodeway Inn (330) 872-0988
Budget Motel, 330-872-3833

Aurora, OH (20 mi)

Aurora Inn of Mario's Intl, 330-5626121
Comfort Inn 330-626-5511

Niles, OH (20 mi)

Days Inn 330-554-1301
Park Inn, 330-652-1761

Girard, OH (25/30 mi)

Days Inn, 330-759-3410
Econo Lodge, 330-759-9820
Holiday Inn, 330-759-0606

Warren, OH (15 mi)

Riverview Motel, 330-898-1700
Best Value, 330-392-2515
Travelodge 330-369-4100
Holiday Inn Exp, 330-544-8807
Fairfield Inn, 330-554-5774

Date	Day	Activity/Event	Event Marshal	Location
4.00 APRIL				
4.08	Tuesday	Membership Meeting	Paul	Lone Star Steakhouse, Evansville
4.10	Thursday	Alternate Membership Meeting	Paul	El Toribio's, Owensboro
4.13	Sunday	Pt Rally (1 of 7) - "Ice Cream"	Paul & Carolyn	Dairy Queen, US 60 East, Owensboro
4.19	Saturday	<u>Pit Stop</u> Deadline	Gene	
4.20	Sunday	Patch Party #1		Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
4.27	Sunday	Patch Party #2		Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
5.00 MAY				
5.04	Sunday	Pt Rally (2 of 7)	Gene & Julie	TBA
5.04 or 5.05?	Sun or Mon?	Board Meeting	Paul	Pre/Post-Rally or Bob's house
5.10	Saturday	Test-N-Tune (Entry Level Justifying)	Board Event	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
5.13	Tuesday	Membership Meeting	Paul	Lone Star Steakhouse, Evansville
5.15	Thursday	Alternate Membership Meeting	Paul	El Toribio's, Owensboro
5.17	Saturday	<u>Pit Stop</u> Deadline	Gene	
5.17	Saturday	KYR Autocross Driving School	Kentucky Region	Papa John's Stadium, Louisville, KY
5.18	Sunday	"Opening Bookend" Pt Autocross (1 of 7)	Bob	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
5.23 - 5.25	Fri - Sun	Solo National Tour	- SCCA -	Hampton, GA
5.25	Sunday	Indianapolis 500	- IRL -	Indy Motor Speedway, Speedway
6.00 JUNE				
6.01	Sunday	Pt Rally (3 of 7)		
6.02	Monday	Board Meeting	Paul	Paul's house
6.08	Sunday	Southern Illinois Autocross (1 of 2)	So Illinois Region	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
6.10	Tuesday	Membership Meeting	Paul	Lone Star Steakhouse, Evansville
6.12	Thursday	Alternate Membership Meeting	Paul	El Toribio's, Owensboro
6.21	Saturday	<u>Pit Stop</u> Deadline	Gene	
6.22	Sunday	Pt Autocross (2 of 7)	Gary	- unknown -
6.22	Sunday	Ft Knox Autocross	Kentucky Region	Ft Knox, KY
6.27 - 6.29	Fri - Sun	SCCA Tour Event	- SCCA -	Grissom Aeroplex, Peru, IN
6.30	Monday	Board Meeting	Paul	Bob's House
7.00 JULY				
7.08	Tuesday	Membership Meeting	Paul	Lone Star Steakhouse, Evansville
7.10	Thursday	Alternate Membership Meeting	Paul	El Toribio's, Owensboro
7.13	Sunday	Pt Autocross (3 of 7)	Gene	- unknown -
7.18 - 7.20	Fri - Sun	SCCA Tour Event	- SCCA -	Milwaukee, WI
7.19	Saturday	<u>Pit Stop</u> Deadline	Gene	
7.19	Saturday	"Day At The Drags" Fun Autocross	Board Event	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
7.20	Sunday	"Day At The Drags" Drag Racing	Bowler Trans.	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
7.20	Sunday	Fun Rally	John & Mimsie	
7.20	Sunday	KYR Autocross	Kentucky Region	Papa John's Stadium, Louisville, KY
7.26	Saturday	<i>Street Survival Event?</i>	Paul	<i>Roberts Stadium, Evansville</i>
7.27	Sunday	Brickyard 400	- NASCAR -	Indy Motor Speedway, Speedway
8.00 AUGUST				
8.03	Sunday	Pt Autocross (4 of 7)	Teresa	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
8.04	Monday	Board Meeting	Paul	Paul's House
8.10	Sunday	KYR Autocross	Kentucky Region	Papa John's Stadium, Louisville, KY
8.12	Tuesday	Membership Meeting	Paul	Log Inn, Warrenton
8.14	Thursday	Alternate Membership Meeting	Paul	El Toribio's, Owensboro
8.16	Saturday	<u>Pit Stop</u> Deadline	Gene	
8.17	Sunday	Pt Autocross (5 of 7)	Paul	- unknown -
8.24	Sunday	Southern Illinois Autocross (2 of 2)	So Illinois Region	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
8.29 - 8.31	Fri - Sun	SCCA Tour Event	- SCCA -	Kansas City, MO
8.31	Sunday	"Sillyness Repeated" Pt Rally (4 of 7)	Bob & Terry	Café Court, Washington Sq Mall, Evansville
9.00 SEPTEMBER				
9.01 ??	Monday	Board Meeting (Resched - this is Labor Day)	Paul	Bob's House
9.07	Sunday	Pt Autocross (6 of 7)		Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
9.09	Tuesday	Membership Meeting	Paul	Lone Star Steakhouse, Evansville
9.11	Thursday	Alternate Membership Meeting	Paul	El Toribio's, Owensboro
9.13	Saturday	Solo II Nationals - Travel & Warm-up Day	- SCCA -	Heartland Park, Topeka
9.14	Sunday	Solo II Nationals - Travel & Warm-up Day	- SCCA -	Heartland Park, Topeka
9.15	Monday	Solo II Nationals - Off Day	- SCCA -	Heartland Park, Topeka
9.16	Tuesday	Solo II Nationals - Competition	- SCCA -	Heartland Park, Topeka
9.17	Wednesday	Solo II Nationals - Competition	- SCCA -	Heartland Park, Topeka
9.18	Thursday	Solo II Nationals - Competition	- SCCA -	Heartland Park, Topeka
9.19	Friday	Solo II Nationals - Competition	- SCCA -	Heartland Park, Topeka
9.20	Saturday	Solo II Nationals - Travel Day	- SCCA -	Heartland Park, Topeka
9.20	Saturday	<u>Pit Stop</u> Deadline	Gene	
10.00 OCTOBER				
10.05	Sunday	"Sillyness Returns" Pt Rally (5 of 7)	Terry & Bob	Washington Sq Mall (back lot), Evansville
10.06	Monday	Board Meeting	Paul	Paul's House
10.06 - 10.12	Mon - Sun	SCCA Runoffs	- SCCA -	Heartland Park, Topeka
10.12	Sunday	"Closing Bookend" Pt Autocross (7 of 7)		Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
10.14	Tuesday	Membership Meeting	Paul	Lone Star Steakhouse, Evansville

Berry Points	
(as of March 16)	
Name	Points
Davis, Terry	8
Sonntag, Bob	8
Dornburg, Paul	4
Young, Gene	4
Butler, Jim	3
Coen, John	3
Seeber, Julie	3
Bailey, Teresa	2
Brown, Tim	2
Cannon, Jim	2
Dornburg, Carolyn	2
Heck, Gary	2
Totten, Frank	2
Wior, Glenn	2
Backer, Steve	1
Bailey, Darrin	1
Bootz, Tom	1
Cannon, Darlene	1
Christy, Allen	1
Christy, Cathy	1
Coen, Mimsie	1
Freeman, Mike	1
Guzowski, Matt	1
Kelley, Don	1
Schonberger, Barry	1
Scott, Jonathan	1
Cannon, Jim	1
Coen, Mimsie	1
Dornburg, Carolyn	1
Freeman, Mike	1
Guzowski, Matt	1
Heck, Gary	1
Schonberger, Barry	1
Wior, Glenn	1

Rookie Points	
(as of March 16)	
Name	Pts
Jochum, Ron	0.000
Keating, Terry	0.000

On-Line Event Registration

SIR/SCCA on-line event registration moved to MotorSportReg.com. The change was made to save everybody some money. The price we pay is that everyone must first register with the new website. There are lots of neat features provided in the new system. Event organizers can send messages to those registered for event, to members of the on-line club, as well as some useful reports become available to event organizers. SIR/SCCA will continue to not expect payment at the time of on-line registration.

Here is an outline of the steps to get registered as a member of our on-line club.

- 1) Go to www.motorsportreg.com. (Think about creating a bookmark for this site.)
- 2) In the lower right corner of the first screen is a "Create an account now!" link. Click it.
- 3) Follow the prompts on the screen for your names, e-mail address, and ZIP code.
 - ✓ If more than one person uses the given e-mail address, enter the names accordingly.
- 4) Click "continue" after providing that information.
- 5) Supply the requested personal information and click "continue" when ready.
- 6) Supply the requested vehicle information. Supply a car number only if you've got a permanent number.
- 7) Add something about your driving experience if you wish. It is not required. Click the "Create My Account" button when ready.
 - ✓ If you hold a non-crew SCCA license, this would be a good place list the licenses you keep current.
- 8) In the upper right corner of the screen is a "My Account" tab. Click it.
- 9) Scroll to the bottom right of the My Account page to find the "Add Club" button. Click it.
- 10) Scroll to about the bottom of the list to find "SCCA – Southern Indiana Region" and click the checkbox.
 - ✓ If you're one of our more distant readers, you may need to change the mileage restriction to see our club. (Or by extension if you'd like to join some other clubs, the same adjustment will help you find them.)

- ✓ Anyone may be a member of more than one club.
- ✓ Notice that the club naming convention used by the site will keep SCCA regions together just as it will keep chapters and regions of other national clubs together.

11) Click the "Save Memberships" button.

12) From the "My Account" tab you may change your information and the information about your vehicles.

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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