



THE PIT STOP

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Merry Christmas

December RE Report



I thought the off season was supposed to be relaxing. There is no time for relaxing at the Crowe house during Christmas season. Starting the week of Thanksgiving and ending around the first of the New Year I am tied up with the "Claridge and Crowe Christmas Show." What started as a prank on my neighbor has morphed into almost 300 inflatables spread through 8 yards. All the surrounding neighbors like it

so much they allow us to use their property because we have outgrown ours. Follow us on Facebook@ Claridge and Crowe Christmas Show

I really don't have much to write about the club at this point in the year. All of our points events are over, tires are worn out, brakes are fading, and windshield washer is low. We have our awards banquet tomorrow which by the time you read this is over. I assume it will be great fun as it always is.

The year is almost over, but right after the new year we swing right into scheduling events of the 2023 season, and what a season I am sure it will be. We had a good competition in

autocross this year, but the rally competition was very tight and came down to almost the very end. Congratulations to all of our winners in the 2022 season, it was well deserved.

When you make your New Year's resolutions, add in, coming out to try new events with us in the SIR SCCA. We have plenty of events to try like autocross, board meetings, patch party days, membership meetings, rallies, with many more to come. This club will only survive if our members, friends, and guests come out and play cars with us.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all who read this letter.
Jr. Crowe - 812-629-8237

2022 Board Members

Regional Executive	Jonathan Crowe	812-629-8237	re@sirsgca.org
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SIR.SCCA BOD Meeting Minutes

November 1st, 2022, at 6:31

Call to Order RE: Jr. Crowe
Visitor Introductions & Welcome

Officer Reports

- Secretary: Ernie Roales accept minutes as posted in Pit Stop
- Treasurer: Bob Sonntag 7769.47 includes Rally #6 and waiver fee
- Activities Chair: Dave Lehrschall NTR
- Assistant Activities Chair: Barry Beaman NTR
- Pit Stop: Paul Dornburg deadline is the last Wednesday of the month, 11/30
- Women's Chair: Dawn Sturgeon NTR
- Advisor to the Board: Terry Davis insurance is current for next 2 events
- Assistant Regional Executive: MacKenzi Payne-Crowe NTR
- Regional Executive: Jonathan "Jr" Crowe NTR

Old Business

- Awards Banquet?
 - Rolling Hills, we will be in the big room this year, \$600 room deposit
 - MacKenzi suggested polling the members for either Smitty's or RHCC about site choice
 - Smitty's, buffet style, \$700 minimum, \$100 room fee, could make evening less expensive
 - "The Game" – Mary Harl has retired; Bits & Bytes closed; no shopping/wrapping workforce.
 - Ernie to bring gifts Sue is buying to club meeting, Paul to procure clothing after the winners present coupons from gifts
 - Deposit this year for next year?
 - Reservations will be made through MSR with note to contact Bob if any problems. Motion made by Bob to accept MSR reservations, Paul to finish details on MSR, board members to register 1st, then other

members

- Next year, the 2023 vote for board members will be done using MSR.
- Trailer update: nothing to report
- Other

New Business

- Don Kelley RT66 2 60 Rally. It was a good rally.
- Rally design class suggested by Dave.
- Ballot Tabulation: Ernie can use a spreadsheet to tabulate results, 28 responses so far. Bob is waiting to mail his response on Friday to gauge mail delivery time. Ernie and Bob to do tabulation.
- SIR Business Cards with QR codes, Bob explained card layout he has put together, and will proceed with procuring cards.
- SIR Clothing sales at <https://www.sccagear.com/> Paul wants to get some t-shirts for the Game. They will have SIR logos.
- Bring service plaques and trophies to Dave at the November club meeting.
- Board meeting December 13th at Dave and Suellyn's house!!!
- Annual waivers are available to anyone. All they have to do is create an account at my.scca.com. They do not need an SCCA license.
- Autocross trailer class in the future.
- 50-year anniversary celebration at the November club meeting, present special pins.
- Cars and Coffee this Sunday.
- Other

Next Meetings

- Board Meeting, December at the Lehrschilds
- Membership Meeting – November 8, 2022 @ 5:45 P.M. at Smitty's

Adjournment at 8:08 pm

SIR/SCCA November Member Meeting 11/8/2022

Call to Order at 7:05 PM by Regional Executive, Junior Crowe

Officer Reports

- **Secretary** - ERnie Roales- Motion by ERnie, 2nd by Terry Davis, to accept previous meeting minutes as published in the most recent Pit Stop. Motion passed.
- **Treasurer** - Bob Sonntag- Balance on-hand \$7,592.86, also presented our new informational business cards. Motion to accept treasurer's report passed.
- **Activities** - Dave Lehrschild- Christmas/Awards Banquet- Turkey's Revenge autocross are our coming activities.
- **Pit Stop** - Paul Dornburg- Deadline is Wednesday, 11/30.
- **Advisor** - Terry Davis- All insurance/sanctions and event site requests have been approved.
- **Women's** - Dawn Sturgeon - Turkey's Revenge fliers- scheduling a work party to wrap for "The Game."
- **RE** - Junior Crowe- Has access to grill for possible picnic next year.

Old Business

- New to SIR Trailer- Junior Crowe is working on getting new tires and getting it cleaned out.

New Business

- Elections- ERnie counted the votes and read the results
- The Assistant Regional Executive was the only contested race. Jeff Jackson won over Jason Epley by one vote.
- Steve Backer is the new Activities Chair
- Jim Cannon is the new Assistant Activities Chair
- All others retain their positions
- New Business Cards with QR codes distributed by Bob Sonntag. The cards have QR codes that link to our sirsgca.org website and our events on motorsportreg.com as well as a place to put your name and phone number for future contact.
- Dave Lehrschild presented results of Punch Line rally
- Paul Dornburg presented the results for Don Kelley's Rt 66 to 60 rally.
- Results for both are on SIRSCCA.org and in the November Pit Stop.
- Paul Dornburg announced that SIR/SCCA clothing can now be ordered via SCCAGear.com.
- **Upcoming Events**
 - Turkey's Revenge fun autocross on the Sunday after Thanksgiving. Registration via MSR. NO TRAILERS limit of 50 entries.

- The Awards/Christmas Banquet at Rolling Hills with reservations being done on MSR. Please do not arrive before 6:30 P.M.

Other: 50-year members, Terry Davis, Mike Freeman, and Tom Bootz were acknowledged.

- Mike Freeman:
 - He went to the National Solo Championships 5 times with a best finish of 13th place in B Modified.
 - 2-time SIR Rally Champion
 - Divisional Champion in D Modified
 - Created the Food Rally and hopes for its return.
 - Mike shared several entertaining stories from the past.
- Terry Davis:
 - He's been to 24 National Solos Championships with a best finish 9th in D Prepared.
 - 15-time SIR Rally champion
 - 2-time SIR Autocross champion
 - 9-time SIR Berry point champion
- Tom Bootz:
 - A 10-time Solo National Champion in 28 attempts
 - 3 Championships in E Prepared, 1981-1983
 - 2 Championships in C Modified, 1985 & 1989
 - 5 Championships in B Modified, 1993, 1994, 1995, 2001, 2002
 - 2011 DSR Road Racing National Champion
 - 28-time SIR Autocross champion
 - 10-time SIR Rally champion
 - 17-time SIR Berry points champion

Next Meetings:

- 12/2 Christmas/Awards Party at Rolling Hills Country Club at 6:30 P.M.
- 12/13 board meeting at Lehrschaal's

Attendance Drawing: The free entry was won by Junior Crowe.

Adjournment at 7:55 P.M.

Ballot Tally Sheet

SIR/SCCA 2023 Board Ballot Tabulation

Ballots	Total Ballots Received
Received by Mail 47	51
Received at Smitty's 4	0
Total Ballots Received 51	

Invalid - Not Signed 0
Ballots Accepted 51

Note: 5 signed ballots were returned without any candidates marked. Assumed these ballots to be 1 vote for each candidate.

Regional Executive	Cir All	Cir Ind	Othr	Blink	Total
Jonathan Crowe	43	2	1		46
[write-in]					0
Total Votes Cast					0

Activities Chair	Cir All	Cir Ind	Othr	Blink	Total
Steve Backer	43	2	1		46
[write-in]					0
Total Votes Cast					0

Assistant Regional Exec	Cir All	Cir Ind	Othr	Blink	Total
Jason Epley		19	1	3	20
Jeff Jackson		21		3	21
[write-in]					0
Total Votes Cast					0

Assistant Act Chair	Cir All	Cir Ind	Othr	Blink	Total
Jim Cannon	43	2	1		46
[write-in]					0
Total Votes Cast					0

Secretary	Cir All	Cir Ind	Othr	Blink	Total
Ernie Roales	43	2	1		46
[write-in]					0
Total Votes Cast					0

Pit Stop Editor	Cir All	Cir Ind	Othr	Blink	Total
Paul Dornburg	43	1	1		45
[write-in]					0
Total Votes Cast					0

Treasurer	Cir All	Cir Ind	Othr	Blink	Total
Bob Sonntag	43	1	1		45
[write-in]					0
Total Votes Cast					0

Women's Chair	Cir All	Cir Ind	Othr	Blink	Total
Dawn Sturgeon	43	1	1		45
[write-in]					0
Total Votes Cast					0

Notes/Messages:

2 Ballots voted for 144 candidates including both Asst RE
9 Ballots were uninformed spoiled

Legend:

- "Cir All" -- Circled all candidates.
- "Cir Ind" -- Circled less than all candidates.
- "Othr" -- Selection marked by something other than a circle.
- "Blink" -- Signed ballot with no markings for any candidate.

Years with
the club

December Anniversaries

18 yrs.	David Lehrschall	12/07/2004
6 yrs.	John Whitaker	12/01/2016
6 yrs.	Michele Whitaker	12/01/2016
3 yrs	Chase Reising	12/30/2019
3 yrs	Jeff Reising	12/30/2019
1 yr.	Thomas Donaldson	12/15/2021

December Birthdays

Dennis Duke	12/5
Josie Crowe	12/12
Jonathan Grutza	12/12
Jeff Reising	12/13
Rob Minton	12/16
Jonathan McGregor	12/17
Eric Lookofsky	12/20
Paul Dornburg	12/24
Chase Reising	12/28

We have 142 members as of 12/1/2022.

SIR/SCCA 2022 Calendar

November			
11.01	Tue	6:30 PM	Board Meeting (guests welcome) - ZOOM
11.06	Sun	12:30 PM	Pt Rally (7 of 7) "Seek Another Opportunity" Terry Davis/Bob Sonntag - Hardee's 4400 Covert Ave, Evansville
11.08	Tue	7:00 PM	Membership Meeting in Person, Socializing at 5:45 at Smitty's Restaurant
11.24	Thu		Thanksgiving
11.29	Tue	End of Day	Awards Banquet Reservations Are Due! Respond to treasurer@sirscga.org
11.27	Sun	7:00 AM	"Turkey's Revenge" Fun Autocross Roberts Park, Evansville
December			
12.02	Fri	6:30 PM	Awards Banquet & Holiday Party Rolling Hills Country Club, Newburgh, IN
12.13	Tue	6:30 PM	Christmas Board Meeting (guests welcome) - ZOOM
12.25	Sun		Christmas
12.31	Sat		New Year's Eve

2022 Rookies

Rookie Name	Rookie Points	Percent Captured	Meeting	Autocross	Rally	SCCA Join Date
Daniel Evenson	11	24%	1	10	0	4/26/2022
Spencer Skaggs	4	9%	0	4	0	4/5/2022
Tim Suddarth	4	9%	0	4	0	2/1/2022
Ryan Pearsall	3	7%	1	0	2	4/22/2022
Bradley Anderson	2	4%	0	2	0	9/17/2021
Samuel Reshad	2	4%	0	2	0	8/21/2021
Paul Walker	2	4%	0	0	2	9/24/2021
Marcus Bitner	0	0%	0	0	0	2/27/2022
Thomas Donaldson	0	0%	0	0	0	12/15/2021
Kyle Finney	0	0%	0	0	0	4/2/2022
Jonathan Grutza	0	0%	0	0	0	2/28/2022
Chris Hill	0	0%	0	0	0	10/16/2021
Eric Lookofsky	0	0%	0	0	0	5/7/2022
Luke Phillips	0	0%	0	0	0	8/16/2021
Robert Reagan	0	0%	0	0	0	10/06/2021
Nathan Reshad	0	0%	0	0	0	8/21/2021
Gary Scarbrough	0	0%	0	0	0	1/28/2022
Eric Shade	0	0%	0	0	0	4/27/2022
Patrick Stealey	0	0%	0	0	0	4/4/2022
Robert Toerne	0	0%	0	0	0	7/6/2021
David Woods	0	0%	0	0	0	8/1/2021
Zachary Woods	0	0%	0	0	0	3/12/2022
Mary Jane Woods	0	0%	0	0	0	8/1/2021

Rookie of the Year

The Rookie of the Year title belongs to Daniel Evenson. Spencer Skaggs and Tim Suddarth tied for 2nd.

Daniel earned the bulk of his points at our autocross events. He attended all but the first event in his Mustang and ended up 16th in autocross points in his first year. He competes in F Street a class that is deep in local talent. The least number of cars was 4 at any event. He started to show good improvement at event 6 where he was 3rd in the class of 6. In the last event he was 2nd of 4, his best class finish. We hope he comes back next year so he can pass the trophy on to the 2023 Rookie of the Year.



Points as of 12/1/2022

- This results sheet is broken down by points earned at events so you can keep track of your totals.
- If you have any questions about your scores, contact Dave Lehrsall at events@sirsgca.org.
- If you want to know how points are dished out, go to [SIR SCCA Competition Regulations](#) and read up on our Competition Regulations.
- Did you notice the errors in the previous December edition?

Berry Points		Total Berry Points	Meeting Berry Points	Work Berry Points	AX Berry Points	Rally Berry Points
1	Paul Dornburg	91	10	25	35	21
2	Jim Cannon	80	3	25	26	26
3	Ernie Roales	79	11	25	18	25
4	Bob Sonntag	76	10	20	17	29
5	Terry Davis	73	9	25	10	29
6	Dave Lehrsall	72	9	20	20	23
7	Dawn Sturgeon	56	10	15	27	4
8	Jeff Jackson	53	10	25	18	0
9	Carolyn Dornburg	52	10	20	17	5
10	Barry Beaman	51	7	15	29	0
10	Larry Pearsall	51	8	25	12	6
12	Jr. Crowe	49	10	0	23	16
13	Steve Backer	43	6	20	17	0
14	Jon Schwartze	41	2	5	34	0
15	John McCarthy	40	6	15	19	0
16	Richard Grav	39	1	15	23	0
17	Don Beaman	36	2	10	24	0
17	Michelle Deutsch	36	7	5	20	4
19	Jason Epley	35	5	0	30	0
20	Don Kelley	30	5	15	5	5
21	Harold Davis	29	3	0	0	26
22	Susan Roales	27	2	0	0	25
23	Brent Sturgeon	25	7	5	13	0
23	Cooper Wink	25	0	10	15	0
25	Suelyn Lehrsall	24	1	0	0	23
26	Karen Davis	22	1	0	0	21
27	Jacob Campbell	17	2	0	15	0
27	Josie Crowe	17	1	0	0	16
27	Rob Minton	17	1	10	2	4
27	Graham Wink	17	1	10	6	0
31	Drew Gerth	16	0	5	11	0
32	Daniel Evenson R	15	1	0	14	0
33	Tim Suddarth R	14	0	10	4	0
34	Spencer Skaggs R	12	1	0	11	0
35	Jeff Metz	11	0	0	11	0
36	Corey Marts	10	0	0	10	0
36	Morgan Metz	10	0	0	10	0
36	Brandon Porambo	10	0	0	10	0
36	Randall Price	10	0	0	6	4
36	Samuel Reshad R	10	1	5	4	0
36	Yancy Smith	10	0	10	0	0

Berry Points cont.		Total Berry Points	Meeting Berry Points	Work Berry Points	AX Berry Points	Rally Berry Points
42	Kyle Finney R	9	0	5	2	2
42	Darwin Graham	9	0	0	9	0
44	Scott Campbell	8	2	0	6	0
44	Darlene Cannon	8	0	0	0	8
44	MacKenzi Crowe	8	2	0	6	0
44	Dean Fehribach	8	4	0	0	4
44	James Hum	8	0	0	0	8
49	Bradley Anderson R	7	0	0	7	0
49	Stacey Metz	7	0	0	7	0
49	Ryan Pearsall R	7	1	0	0	6
49	John Warren	7	7	0	0	0
53	Chase Reising	6	0	0	6	0
54	Marci Backer	5	1	0	4	0
54	Kurt Krodel	5	0	0	5	0
54	James Nichols	5	0	0	5	0
54	Gary Scarbrough R	5	0	0	5	0
54	David Woods R	5	3	0	0	2
59	Eric Shade R	4	2	0	2	0
59	Danny Woodard	4	0	0	4	0
61	Noah Fehribach	3	1	0	0	2
61	Jeff Reising	3	1	0	2	0
61	Barry Schonberger	3	1	0	2	0
61	Mary Jane Woods R	3	3	0	0	0
65	Marcus Bitner R	2	0	0	0	2
65	Gabe Fehribach	2	0	0	0	2
65	Larry Ferguson	2	0	0	0	2
65	Eric Marts	2	0	0	2	0
65	Jamsheed Reshad	2	0	0	2	0
65	Nathan Reshad R	2	0	0	2	0
65	Caleb Scarbrough	2	0	0	2	0
65	Wanda Schwartze	2	0	0	2	0
65	James Shade	2	2	0	0	0
65	Patrick Uebelhor	2	0	0	2	0
65	Paul Walker R	2	0	0	0	2
65	Zachary Woods R	2	0	0	0	2
77	Cathy Condi	1	1	0	0	0
77	Paul Condi Jr.	1	1	0	0	0
77	John Luke Crowe	1	1	0	0	0
77	Mike Freeman	1	1	0	0	0
77	Stacey Grav	1	1	0	0	0

Paul Dornburg is the 2022 Berry Points Champion. Jim Cannon got 2nd by 1 point over last year's champ Ernie Roales. Bob Sonntag got 4th with Terry Davis 5th. Dave Lehrsall is 6th followed by Dawn Sturgeon in 7th, Jeff Jackson in 8th, Carolyn Dornburg in 9th, and tied for 10th, Barry Beaman and Larry Pearsall.

Did you know? By Paul

- How to join the SCCA? Go to my.scca.com. In big blue letters it says **Join SCCA!** Click and follow the prompts. On the main SCCA page, scca.com, there's a link to my.scca.com
- Annual waiver renewal begins December 2nd. Here are the instructions for you and anyone else. <https://tinyurl.com/AnnualWaiver> Anyone can get an annual waiver, even non-club members.
- Car classification for SCCA autocrosses can be difficult for new autocrossers. The **rule book** is a daunting read. The easiest way to determine your class is to pick up the phone and call Paul Dornburg, or Dave Lehrschall, or Jr. Crow. Their phone numbers are usually on page 2 of this newsletter. They will walk you through a series of questions that usually begin with, "Have you changed anything on your car?"
- The usage fee for the autocross pad at NCM Motorsports Park in Bowling Green is \$2,000 a day. The cost for us using the site at Lawrenceville Airport is \$5.00 per car per day, not counting the springtime repairs.
- We have been told the cost for an SCCA sanctioned event, a rally or an autocross for us, is going to go up in 2023. The Board has not discussed raising entries fees for next year.
- The SCCA puts out a monthly bulletin called FasTrack, and it includes the latest rules updates of the club. <https://www.scca.com/pages/fastrack-news>
- Next year is the 50th Solo Nationals. Who wants to go? I'll organize things.
- If you are a new member and want to know about SCCA programs you can start at our website, sirsgcca.org, or the scca.com website. There are links to all the programs and explanations of them. Just poke around.
- You can be an autocross course designer. Drop me a line and I'll fill you in on the details. a911sc@gmail.com

The 2023 PAX numbers are out.

Here's a chart of the classes we usually see at our events.

The left column is the new number

The values in orange are less favorable than the 2022 value in the right column.

A green shade means the change was favorable to that class.

On a 40 second course each .001 change equates to about .04 (4 hundredths) of a second. On a 50 second course that is about .05 (5 hundredths) of a second.

	2023	2022
SS	0.832	0.830
AS	0.823	0.821
BS	0.818	0.818
CS	0.811	0.810
DS	0.808	0.807
ES	0.792	0.792
FS	0.813	0.814
GS	0.794	0.794
HS	0.786	0.786
HCS	0.793	0.793

	2023	2022
STH	0.812	0.812
STS	0.814	0.813
STX	0.817	0.817
STR	0.831	0.828
STU	0.830	0.829
SST	0.837	0.841
CAM-T	0.816	0.816
CAM-C	0.819	0.819
CAM-S	0.839	0.838

	2023	2022
XS-A	0.842	0.842
XS-B	0.848	0.851
EV	0.838	0.835
SMF	0.847	0.845
SM	0.868	0.868
SSM	0.879	0.883

Club participation has waned through the pandemic years but appears to be rebounding. Here's some participation numbers for the last 5 years.

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Berry	86	94	65	70	81
Autocross	62	74	41	44	56
Rally	35	35	22	26	31
Rookie	14	24	5	17	23

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		Total - Low Score	AX1	AX2	AX3	AX4	AX5	AX6	AX7	Low Score
Autocross Points										
1	Paul Dornburg	5999	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	999	980	980
2	Jon Schwartze	5897	979	991	997	955	955	1000	975	955
3	Jr. Crowe	5861	960	987	986	973	988	0	967	0
4	Barry Beaman	5764	972	969	955	939	958	971	0	0
5	Jim Cannon	5738	991	982	987	0	982	914	882	0
6	Don Beaman	5733	950	958	962	931	961	970	932	931
7	ERnie Roales	5726	963	971	953	0	972	960	907	0
8	Steve Backer	5675	944	962	964	932	0	966	907	0
9	John McCarthy	5673	916	945	965	952	946	949	0	0
10	Jeff Jackson	5631	943	0	937	933	943	949	926	0
11	Carolyn Dornburg	5552	918	918	927	897	938	928	923	897
12	Jason Epley	5454	0	919	888	883	928	923	913	0
13	Dawn Sturgeon	5453	898	909	918	903	902	923	878	878
14	Jacob Campbell	5421	910	925	925	880	926	0	855	0
15	Bob Sonntag	5270	852	868	885	879	877	886	875	852
16	Daniel Evenson R	5195	0	873	875	851	858	895	843	0
17	Michelle Deutsch	5139	804	829	872	820	878	888	852	804
18	Richard Grav	4737	964	899	961	959	954	0	0	0
19	David Lehrschall	4560	0	887	922	908	890	953	0	0
20	Spencer Skaggs R	4554	879	913	924	912	0	926	0	0
21	Terry Davis	4552	920	0	0	896	922	932	882	0
22	Larry Pearsall	3837	804	750	783	0	0	750	750	0
23	Morgan Metz	3773	0	750	759	764	750	750	0	0
24	Drew Gerth	3596	881	917	0	888	0	910	0	0
25	Graham Wink	2940	975	987	0	978	0	0	0	0
26	Cooper Wink	2919	977	956	0	986	0	0	0	0
27	Brent Sturgeon	2849	944	958	0	947	0	0	0	0
28	MacKenzi Crowe	2706	0	922	901	883	0	0	0	0
29	Jeff Metz	2665	0	869	0	0	903	893	0	0
30	Darwin Graham	2618	0	897	854	0	0	0	867	0
31	Randall Price	2487	858	0	0	0	879	0	750	0
32	Chase Reising	2410	0	0	0	750	845	0	815	0
33	Brandon Porambo	1987	0	0	987	0	0	0	1000	0
34	Bradley Anderson	1918	956	0	0	0	962	0	0	0
35	Corey Marts	1874	937	0	937	0	0	0	0	0
36	Danny Woodard	1782	913	0	0	0	0	0	869	0
37	Samuel Reshad R	1663	822	0	0	0	0	841	0	0
38	Tim Suddarth	1645	0	0	0	0	0	829	816	0
39	Marci Backer	1516	0	0	0	750	0	766	0	0
40	Don Kelley	974	974	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
41	Patrick Ubelhor	949	0	0	0	0	0	949	0	0
42	Kurt Krodel	935	0	935	0	0	0	0	0	0
43	Jamsheed Reshad	925	925	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
44	James Nichols	922	0	0	0	922	0	0	0	0
45	Caleb Scarbrough	904	904	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
46	Gary Scarbrough R	902	902	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
47	Scott Campbell	892	0	0	0	892	0	0	0	0
48	Barry Schonberger	861	0	0	0	0	0	0	861	0
49	Kyle Finney R	858	858	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
50	Eric Shade	858	858	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
51	Rob Minton	855	855	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
52	Nathan Reshad R	848	848	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
53	Wanda Schwartze	790	0	0	0	0	0	0	790	0
54	Stacey Metz	781	0	781	0	0	0	0	0	0
55	Eric Marts	778	778	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
56	Jeff Reising	760	0	0	0	760	0	0	0	0

Competition Event Results: "Seek Another Opportunity" Rally

Seek Another Opportunity
Terry Davis, Rallymaster
Bob Sonntag, Assistant Rallymaster
November 6, 2022

		Scores								Total
Driver / Navigator (car #)	Class	Ckpt 1	Ckpt 2	Ckpt 3	Ckpt 4	Ckpt 5	Ckpt 6	Ckpt 7	Ckpt 8	
1 Harold Davis / Paul Dornburg (#2)	A	-1	0	+25 *	-10 *	-171 *	0	+29 *	-4	240 T
2 Dave Lehrschall / Suellyn Lehrschall (#6)	A	+120 *	+13	+32 *	+4	+94 *	+13	+11 *	+6	293
3 Dawn Sturgeon / Michelle Deutsch (#4)	A	-26	+1	+1800 *	+11	-12	+12	+258	-10	2130
1 Jim Cannon / Carrie Moore (#3)	B	+11	0	+8	+4	+25	+11	+61	0	120 T
2 Ernie Roales / Sue Roales (#1)	B	+16	-2	+26	0	-46 *	+18 *	+26 *	+9 *	143
3 James Hurm / Jim Hurm (#5)	B	+38	0	+50 *	-27	+1800	+1800 *	+432 *	+30	4177

Early: - Late: + Time Allowance: *
Maximum Checkpoint Score: 1800

Perfect Leg Time

Ckpt #1: New Hope Baptist Church sign on US 60.	38:24.0	This checkpoint was not identified in the route instructions.
Ckpt #2: Thorn Ridge Estates on US 60.	00:40.2	
Ckpt #3: River navigation marker outside of Owensboro.	38:24.0	
Ckpt #4: Ken-tron sign in Owensboro.	08:58.2	
Ckpt #5: Guardrail between 200W & 100W near Rockport.	11:03.6	This checkpoint was not identified in the route instructions.
Ckpt #6: Larkin Baptist Church sign.	07:06.0	
Ckpt #7: Yankeetown Elementary sign.	27:47.4	
Ckpt #8: River Ridge street sign.	05:10.8	

Terry Davis and Bob Sonntag put on the last points rally of 2022, the "Seek Another Opportunity" rally.

The rally started on a perfect fall afternoon in Evansville at the Hardees on Covert Ave and made its way south into Henderson County KY, east to Daviess County KY, into Owensboro, north out of Owensboro into Spencer County, IN, and then west to Newburgh, IN where it gathered at Turoni's Pizza Place.

In Class B Jim Cannon and Carrie Moore bested Ernie and Sue Roales by a scant 23 seconds over the 70+ mile route. The Son/Father team of James and Jim Hurm finished third after having some issues when leaving Owensboro.

In the A Class Harold Davis teamed up with Paul Dornburg because Harold's usual navigator, Karen, was at home recovering from a broken leg. The "Fastest Prius in SIR" team was on its way to an event low score until the 5th leg where the "Pause" instruction messed them up. They bought time that gave them 171 penalty points on that leg. Had they not bought time they would have scored around 90 points total. Harold could have used Karen's navigating skills because Paul's aren't as good. Second in A Class was Dave and Sue Lehrschall just 53 seconds behind the winning team. They did some excellent time buying to finish with a score of 293. The Mom/Daughter team of Dawn Sturgeon and Michelle Deutsch finished 3rd after experiencing some problems with the 3rd leg but persevered to make it to the finish.

Two "zero" scores were recorded by Davis/Dornburg and Cannon/Moore. Single "zero" scores were recorded by team Roales and team Hurm.

		Total -									
Final Rally Points		Low	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	Low	Total
		Score									
1	Bob Sonntag	27	5	5	2	5	5	2	5	2	29
1	Terry Davis	27	5	5	2	5	5	2	5	2	29
2	Jim Cannon	24	5	4	4	2	4	2	5	2	26
2	Harold Davis	24	5	2	5	2	2	5	5	2	26
3	Ernie Roales	23	4	5	5	5	2	2	2	2	25
3	Dave Lehrschall	23	2	5	5	4	5	0	2	0	23
3	Susan Roales	23	4	5	5	5	2	2	2	2	25
3	Suellyn Lehrschall	23	2	5	5	4	5	0	2	0	23
4	Paul Dornburg	21	2	2	2	5	0	5	5	0	21
4	Karen Davis	21	5	2	5	2	2	5	0	0	21
5	Jr. Crowe	16	2	0	0	4	5	5	0	0	16
5	Josie Crowe	16	2	0	0	4	5	5	0	0	16
6	Darlene Cannon	8	0	0	4	2	0	2	0	0	8
6	James Hurm	8	0	0	2	0	0	4	2	0	8
7	Larry Pearsall	6	0	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	6
7	Ryan Pearsall R	6	0	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	6
8	Carolyn Dornburg	5	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	5
8	Don Kelley	5	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	5
9	Dawn Sturgeon	4	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	4
9	Michelle Deutsch	4	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	4
9	Rob Minton	4	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	4
9	Randall Price	4	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	4
9	Dean Fehribach	4	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	4
10	Kyle Finney R	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
10	David Woods R	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
10	Noah Fehribach	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
10	Marcus Bitner R	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
10	Gabe Fehribach	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
10	Larry Ferguson	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
10	Paul Walker R	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
10	Zachary Woods R	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2

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Notes from the Director's Chair

Area 4 Director Update for December 2022

The "off season" arrives and I wholeheartedly chortle.....it's really the beginning of the next season for those of us working behind the scenes.....there really is no "off season" folks so I continue to work to help our divisional programs prepare for the upcoming year.

Video Conference Meetings:

- Club Racing Board (CRB) (11/1): The CRB met and continued to move forward on a variety of topics. Some are very long term, strategic in their nature. I'm glad to see that they've moved on from extended discussion about minute rules questions and are leaving that to the Ad Hoc committees. The results of CRB rules changes can be seen [here](#).
- Board of Directors (BoD) (11/7): We met off schedule with the Rally Cross Board (RXB) Chair (current and incoming) to discuss the future of the program. Once they gave us the "State of the Program", they left and were able to have a conversation about the program. Some decisions were made, and we passed those along to the President (Mike Cobb).
- Electrified Vehicle Advisory Committee (EVAC) (11/9): After a couple of months of stagnation, things are starting to move quickly. Our SCREV is getting some final revisions and will be presented to the BoD on 12/3. Our rules packages for Club Racing (P2EV, ESPEC) are getting some last-minute polishing and should be ready for publication to the membership very soon.
- Budget & Finance Committee (11/15): We received a preliminary budget from the President. After he outlined the details for us, we had some time to discuss the overall package. We met in Executive Session (only BoD members) and had a chat about how to move forward in these trying economic times.
- Budget & Finance Committee (11/25): We met in a short session (45 minutes) to iron out some financial topics on the 2023 budget. As we are meeting on 12/3, we wanted Mike to juggle some of the budget items so the entire BoD could discuss the complete 2023 package.
- EVAC (11/28): I decided that we needed an additional "off schedule" meeting to iron out some revisions to the rules packages before I head off to the BoD meeting.

SCCA Events:

- None since it is our off season.

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A quick reminder that the GLDiv Spring Meeting will occur on 3/3 and 3/4 at the same site as last year (Manchester University). Friday (3/3) will be a social event that evening and 3/4 will be the meeting. 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.

I will be introducing our new Club Racing Executive Steward at this event. Her name is Lauri Burkons and she will be taking over the reins from Duane Harrington. She has some large shows to fill and a

lot of work to do so the expectations are high. But I know she's up to the task as we move forward. She and I have already been working together to ensure that she hits the ground running in 2023. As usual, Val McCammon is coordinating the event. She will send a "call for sessions" email soon. She also asked that I remind folks to contact her (pyramid@bluebirdview.com, 260.437.6707) with any topic or session ideas they would like to see.

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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.

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 have plenty of free time and would thoroughly enjoy the chance to visit with your members.

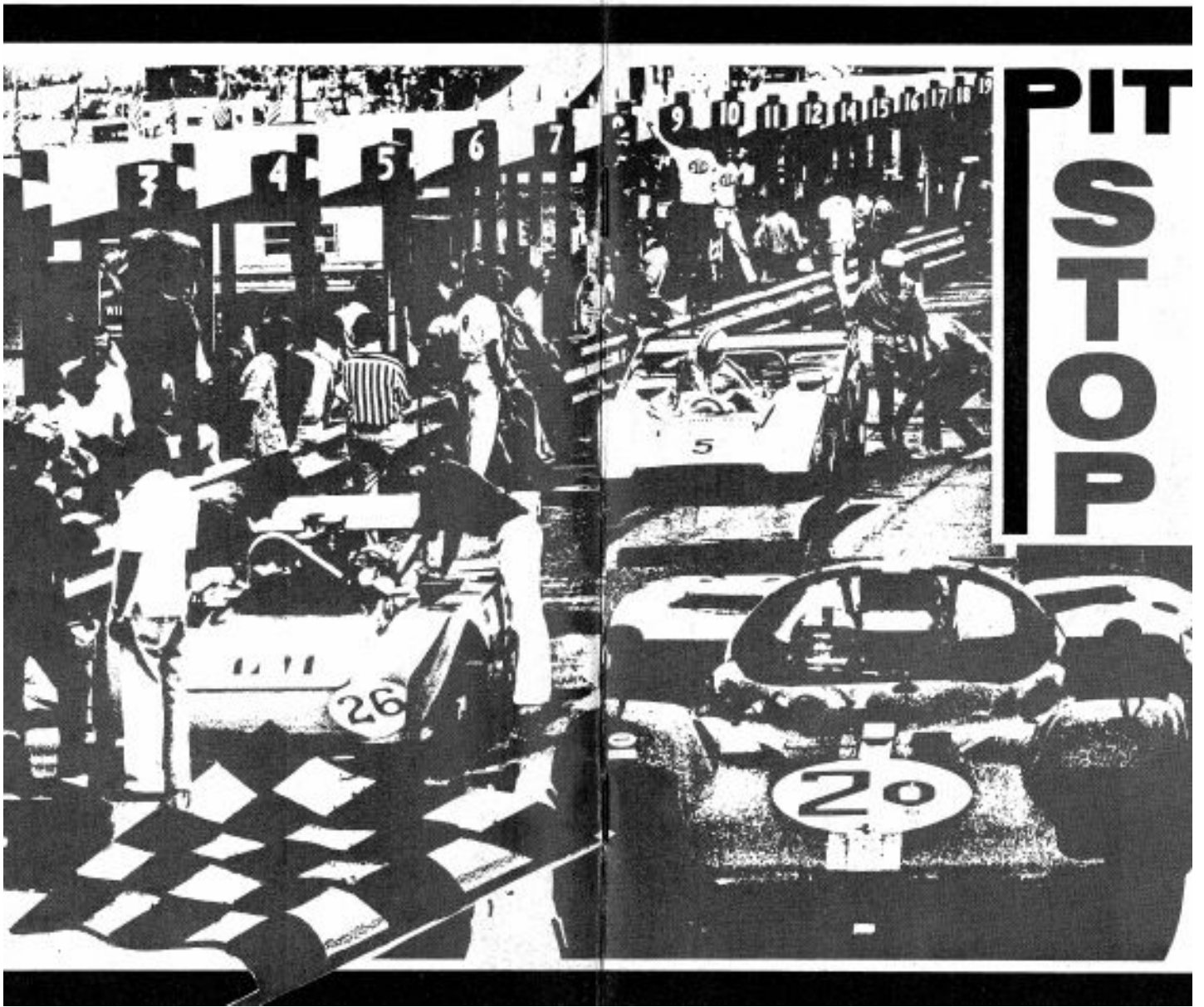
Thank you for your time and I look forward to hearing from you soon. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or comments you may have about any facet of the GLDiv. I want you to make the most of your membership and I will help out in any way possible to make that happen.

Dayle Frame



Dawn Sturgeon in her alternate ride.

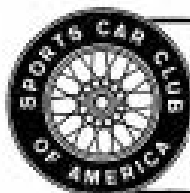
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SIR IS 25 YEARS YOUNG !

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REporting:

Congratulations to the newly elected board. After reflecting on the new board members, their background and time in the club, I feel there will be an excellent mix of views and ideas next year.

I'm proud to be associated with a bunch of people who think enough of their club to stand up and run for an office--willing to invest their time and energy for us, and fighting for the chance to show they mean business.

For the club to have the foresight in getting new members and then putting them to work, keeping ourselves young and progressive in the process, is the greatest asset to come out of this election.

Let's all back them 100% this coming year. I think with all that is planned and with the commitments made this year, they're going to have their hands full.

Did you know SIR was 25 years old as of Aug. 7, 1978? We just discovered it at the board meeting. It took a lot of work to get us here, but here we are--stronger than ever and looking for another 25. It looks like we passed the 100 member mark for the first time this

year. Pretty good timing, huh? More about this at the Christmas Party.

Last, but by far, not least. Thank you all - members, workers, and board - for a job well done in 1978. It was an honor to serve as your R.E. this year; maybe you'll let me try again sometime. During the year, at all the different events I've attended, I've learned that SIR is a respected region and it's a great feeling wearing that R.E. badge. I'm going to miss it. Thanks.

George Groenert
R.E.



Channel 7 Tunes In SIR

If you've been watching the 10 PM news on Channel 7 (WTVW), you may have noticed a couple of spots about SIR by Dave Westermann.

So far Mr. Westermann and sports director, John Buren, have introduced SIR to the community during one sports segment, and have provided excellent taped coverage of the Great Pumpkin Rally on another evening. Dave has been very clear and accurate, something that's hard to do when one is describing the sport of rallying.

Mr. Westermann has promised to cover Jim Sutton's TSD rally as a participant, and I don't think that's been done before.

Remember, Channel 7 is watching us, and we appreciate it.

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ACTIVITIES

The activities, with the exception of the Christmas Party, have all ground to a halt for this year. Now it's time for me to thank a lot of people. At the top of the list is Ron Groenert, who as Ass't AC handled tech and his other assorted duties for the year so well. Dash plaques and trophies were his responsibility, and these are very visible items we enjoy. Also, thanks to all of the people that worked events--you are the life blood of the club--nothing happens if you're not there. Hats off to event marshalls, who year in and year out come thru with events that are super. I have now been associated with this club for seven years and I want to thank all of you for the pleasure of working with such a great group of people.




Mike Freeman
Act. Chrmn.

Interserie Celebrities

A peek inside the back page of Indy's "Clutch Chatter" will expose nine snapshots of nine smiling faces - the '78 class champions in the Valvoline Interserie State Autocross Championship. A closer look reveals that two of those beaming faces resting under nifty Valvoline Caps look quite familiar. They should. They belong to Bobbie Brown and Joe Voyles, SIR's two state champs. Joe dominated a competitive F stock class, while Bobbie had to battle to the wire in Ladies Sports class, winning the title on her last run at the last event.

4 Congrats! We're proud of ya!

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DECEMBER 78 / JANUARY 79						
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7	8	9 MTG.	10	11	12	13

Dec 9 Annual SIR/SCCA
 Christmas Party/Awards Banquet
 Jackson House Imperial Room
 Cocktails 6:15pm, Dinner 7:15pm
 Ya'll Come!

Jan 9 Membership Meeting
 Scorpio's Restaurant
 Dinner 7pm, Mtg. 8pm

PIT STOP wishes all a

MERRY CHRISTMAS
 and
 a **happy new year**

'79 Board Debuts

Pit Stop would like to introduce you to the newly elected 1979 board. As George says in his article, the balance of experience and eager new faces should pay off handsomely next year.

Regional Executive: Don Johnson has a lot of experience with SIR. He's been a member for 11 years and has been Activities Chairman, Asst. R.E., Secretary, and Membership Chairman. He is the Cen-Div E-stock Solo Champ and drives a Sprite. Don is married, and he and Sharon have 2 children. Don is the manager of operations for Atlas Van Lines.

Asst. Regional Executive: Mike Johnson joined SIR 7 years ago. He has held office as Treasurer and Asst. Activities Chairman. He's married to Patti, and is currently driving a very quick Lotus 7. Mike is the sales manager at Central Machine, Inc.

Secretary: Jan Bootz has been a member of SIR for 5 years. She's married to Tom, who will also be an officer next year. Jan has served on several committees in the past. She is a realtor with Kattmann Realty and she shares a 240Z, a MGB, and a Chevy with Tom.

Treasurer: Mark Roethemeier is a bright new face. Mark joined in '78 and took on the job of Pit Stop Ad Manager very shortly thereafter. He's single and is the manager of Audio Consultants. He drives a Toyota, a Fiat, and a Sprite.

Activities Chairman: Tom Bootz, husband of our Secretary-elect, has been in SIR since 1971. He has served as Activities Chairman and Asst. Activities Chairman in previous years. Tom is em-

played as plant engineer with Bootz Manufacturing.

Asst. Activities Chairman: Fred Pendley joined SIR in 1972 and has been co-ordinator of the Freedom Festival event for several years. Fred is single, and an electrical engineer with Biagi-Hannan Consulting Engineers. He drives a '70 Mustang or a '57 Chev.

Publication Editor: Jeff Jackson is another rookie who has come to the forefront. Jeff has been an active participant, and will add new insight to the board. He's single, and is employed in New Car Sales at D-Patrick Imports. Jeff drives a 914.

Board Advisor: George Groenert, '78's R.E. gets this post as immediate past exec. George joined the club in '75, and has served as R.E. and Activities Chairman. He is married to Dot, and they have raised 3 other SIR members. George drives a 240Z, a Lotus 7, or an LTD.

Now that you've met the board-elect for '79, don't be afraid to pitch in and help. As you can see, they make an excellent group, and we can expect great things.

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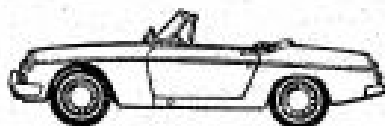
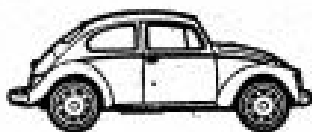
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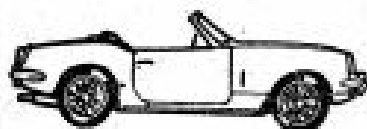
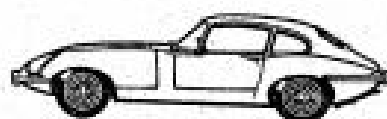
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the Great Pumpkin Rally

A Halloween treat was in store for all those in attendance at Bob Rothermel's Halloween rally. The rally was one measuring shortest distance traveled, combined with a poker hand assembled from cards picked up at check stations.

Along with a cameraman from Channel 7, there was an excellent turnout for the rally and many new faces were present. Competition was keen with most cars finding a very short path that ended at the Freeman's house for chili and other goodies.

This particular driver, inspired by the aura of it all, decided the shortest distance to the first checkpoint would be, not around, but through Mead Johnson. All that was needed was to conspire with the Mead Johnson guards by explaining that we were on a rally and were looking for a "competitive edge" in driving the shortest distance. After some discussion and a few questions, they were soon coaxed into the "spirit" and decided to open the Mead gates, allowing us to drive through the parking lot onto the adjoining road. Maybe it worked.

All in all, it was a very good time and a fun event. I think hats should be off to all those people involved in the rallies this year. We are building what appears to be a growing and enthusiastic rally group. It is rallies such as this and others that have eager members running and attending the events that will make good things even better.

Mark Roethemeier

BEZULTZ**GREAT PUMPKIN RALLY**

Members	Mlg Points	Env. Points	Poker Points	Total
+*Roethemeler/Gentry	990	300	185	1475
+*Winslow/Winslow	980	300	195	1475
*Myers/Hood	955	300	180	1435
*Rosenthal/Perkins	989	300	125	1414
VanCleave/Clodfelter	967	300	130	1397
Jackson/Hill	903	300	190	1393
Simpson/Engel	919	300	170	1389
Johnson/Johnson	910	300	175	1385
Brown/Brown	987	300	85	1372
Barrow/Barrow	914	300	150	1364
Groenert/Betz	982	300	80	1362
Groenert/Groenert	949	300	110	1359
Burke/Burke	1000	300	50	1350
Sutton/Ohl	945	300	95	1340
Majors/Memmer	934	300	90	1324
Zehner/Freeman	882	300	135	1317
Kathman/Kathman	950	300	65	1315
Boots/Boots	928	300	55	1283
Johnson/Davis	840	300	140	1280
Wasion/Wasion	881	300	70	1251
Groenert/Lochall	886	150	75	1111
Ancona/Cohon	833	200	60	1093
Powell/Carter	-	-	-	DNF
GUESTS				
*Taylor/Whitledge	981	300	165	1446
*Shipley/Shipley	978	300	145	1423
Burke/Burke	973	300	100	1373
Walters/Walters	964	300	105	1369
Harbison/Harbison	913	300	155	1368
Hughes/Hughes	928	300	115	1343
Menke/Menke	942	200	200	1342
Leach/Zirko	876	300	180	1336
Boyd/Boyd	899	300	85	1319

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Year-End Whing-Ding

On Saturday, December 9th, SIR will hold its annual combination Awards Banquet and Christmas Party. The evening's festivities will include presentation of the year-end awards, installation of the 1979 officers, and perhaps a visit from that jolly old elf himself. All this will be preceded by a sumptuous buffet dinner and followed by lots of merriment. Distilled spirits will be available. If you haven't made reservations yet, call Tammy Groenert at (812) 476-6535.

Great Pumpkin Speaks

This is to thank those people who so generously gave of their time and talent, and helped me put on the GPR. To Mike & Mary Freeman for the use of their house, their time in checking the odor route, and their helps and hints. To Fred for his P.R. help on the tube, handing out cards, and the chili; to Larry & Carla Head for their time sitting out in West Nowhere, handing out envelopes; to Patti Johnson for her time and talent on the trophies; to the club for the beer; and to the participants for their interest and good spirit.

As SIR winds down and hibernates until late January, the new members should look to next year. My rally was a "fun" rally--no Berry points for either rally-master or participants--and therefore, no pressure. It's a neat way to get your feet wet, rookies. (Also you "old timers", who have yet to put on a bash.) I had to turn down offers of help from other members - so don't be hesitant. Just ask; we have a great club membership that will jump at the chance to have a party and bash around the countryside or a parking lot.

The response to the GPR was great, and I hope to do it again next year. If you'd like to put on an event, see Tom Bootz. It needn't be on the schedule--just say you want to do it and Tom will find space.

Again, thanks to all associated with the GPR.

Bob Rothermel





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A note from Mrs. Pit Stop

Pit Stop Editor, 1978. Actually, the year started in December '77. The realization that I was going to be living with "the editor" hit me at the Christmas party when 1977's editor, Bob Rothermel, handed over all the paraphernalia that goes with the office. So much for clearing out the front bedroom - in went our house guest for 1978.

Pit Stop number 1 was a definite challenge, especially since Mr. Editor contracted the "bug" and had to dictate to the typist by phone. Was this an omen of the year to come?

"Where's the article on the Freedom Festical Auto-x? Have you seen the scissors? What did I do with the postage receipt? Does that cartoon look alright? Remind me to call Mike." There were days when everytime Larry opened his mouth, out came words about Pit Stop. I do recall answering "I will" several times at our wedding, but I honestly do not remember Pit Stop in the vows at all!

Every month, after PS went in the mail, Larry would say, "Next month I'll get a head start so we won't have to do it all in a rush." HA!!! "Next month" we were always typing eight to ten hours on a week-end and Larry would stay up til three or four in the morning putting it all together for the printer.

I finally learned to hurry and clean the house before ed. started working on PS. It was impossible to clean around him, 'cause he was everywhere - dining room, kitchen, living room, and bedroom. Once I had only the vacuuming left to do;

but, alas, I was too late--the Eureka was buried under paste-up sheets.

I will say one thing - this year went by very rapidly and since our marriage survived it - well, I guess we must have a good thing going after all. So, good-bye Pit Stop and hello World.

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Get 'em
'fore it's hot!



New SIR T-Shirts

Those who attended the November meeting witnessed the unveiling of SIR's new T-shirt logo. The nifty new design was executed by Gary Perkins and the project was co-ordinated by Bobbie and Ron Brown. The shirts will be available in the following color combinations: yellow/black logo, dark blue/white logo, black/white logo, red/white logo, and kelly green/white logo. Sizes run small, medium, large, and xtra large. The shirts will be good quality, made of 50% polyester/50% cotton for less shrinkage. Price will be five bucks a shirt (not bad!). If you've a hankerin' for one of these new shirts, contact Bobbie Brown; she's already accepting orders. Order early to guarantee color and size.

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White Knuckle IV Rally

tu-lip (too'-lip) Any of various bulbs,
plants, etc. WEBSTER
tulip (2-lip) Enter at dot, exit at
arrow. GEORGE

A rose by any other name is still a rose, but a tulip by another name is FUN! Ask any of the 17 rally drivers (except possibly the Plymouth Arrow), and most of the navigators, who turned out November 18 at the Beckerman Aerodrome, Mt. Carmel, Illinois, for the running of White Knuckle IV, hosted by George and Doris Beckerman.

From the looks of all the extra lights mounted, I was wishing I had bought stock in Cibie'. Remember when it was considered trick to mount aircraft spots instead of Hi-Beams? Now the trick is to have cibie conversions plus as many extra driving lights as you can BBB (beg, borrow or buy). One car had 6, although it's rumored he unplugged 2 before starting to have enough battery to run his heater (seems no one wants to rough it anymore).

After tech, getting our instructions, and running the odo check (that's a switch, huh?), we gathered around the funny radio that kept beeping out the time every 60 seconds and marvelling at George's ability to hand-letter 15 pages of route instructions with all those funny little dots and arrows.

8:01 came and left, so did car #1, and we all followed in 1-minute intervals--most of us anxious to get

outside city limits to try our many lights, and also hoping that George left at least a little of his previous years' rallies for us to enjoy. As we soon found out--the speeds were quick enough to be enjoyed and slow enough to make me wish Sharon had come along to navigate instead of Terry (prettier and a better navigator).

The neat thing about the tulip diagram is that it gives the navigator the ability to keep the driver posted constantly on the upcoming road conditions, i.e., pass old house at B8.64, oil tanks on right at 47.61, and so on. As a matter of fact, my navigator was keeping me so posted on road conditions we forgot to turn right on 1875W!! Personal experience, plus knowledge gained at the post rally seminar (party), taught me that driver and navigator need to determine a positive way of communicating tulip diagrams. We started with Terry pointing his finger--graduated to a series of arm waving and other various gestures. When I complained of the ineffectiveness of these methods he started sticking the route sheet in front of me and shining the flashlight on it! None of them very neat while bouncing along gravel roads at 40 m.p.h. and looking for the pedestrians of Crawleyville. We finally settled on forgetting all about trying to stay on time, concentrated on staying on course, and relaxed and enjoyed the sliding habits of a Volvo on gravel.

Everyone twisted and turned around the back roads, many times running from 2 to 6 cars in a row--driving both the checkpoint workers and all the coon hunters crazy! (I picked up a call

from a checkpoint worker on the C.B. trying to get a "rent-a-cop" to direct traffic)

We all made it to the end, with possible exception of 1 MGB. Hope they didn't try to teach that B to swim! A great party awaited us at George's and Doris' with plenty of suds and nibbleys to help us unwind, slow down, and brag about our many cornering skills. These conversations allowed the time for scoring to pass quickly, and we all gathered around to pay compliments to the team of Waison and Lee for a 1st in A class and to the parents of Stevie and Emily Freeman for another triumph in "B".

There may be another Burke in SIR's future with Mike's brother Tom and his navigator, Doughnut, taking 1st in Guest Class.

The best way to sum up the rally is this: Fun! Thanks George and Doris.

Don Johnson

P.S. Did anyone ever see Crawleyville?



white knuckle iv

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Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
A Class					
*Wasion/Lee	-13	-51	-16	+10	90
Brown/Brown	-19	-105	-33	-120	277
Pendley/Graninger	-20	-87	+212	-87	406
B Class					
*Freeman/Freeman	-40	-46	-73	+7	166
*Bootz/Bootz	+25	+35	+117	+10	187
*Sutton/Ohl	+6	-151	+8	-64	229
Burke/Burke	+21	-138	-8	-120	287
Wilson/Lineback	-22	-37	+36	-229	324
Groenert/Betz	-59	-23	-203	-163	448
Johnson/Davis	-81	-202	+144	-181	608
Freeman/Zehner	-77	-180	-234	-211	702
Winslow/Winslow	+2	-205	+416	-235	858
Taylor/Simpson	-329	0	+491	+214	1034
Pullium/Norton	-59	-302	-3000	-891	4252
Agnew/Burton	+149	-2764	-3000	-3000	8913
Guests					
*Burke/Doughnut	-7	+69	+306	+85	467
Wood/Wittman	-69	-399	+431	-222	1121
* trophy	+ early	- late			

SIR RACING WRAP-UP

I've mentioned several times that SIR has a low profile when it comes to racing. However, we do have a member who has purchased a car for Showroom stock in '79, and we have a good part of a very active and successful IMSA team as members.

SIR's Tom Ashby has campaigned a Porsche on IMSA road courses this year and has done an excellent job, especially considering his rookie status. Tom's crew, including SIR's Denny Elliott and Joe Sikora, has performed beautifully, and they've been recognized by some of the best in the sport. Tom has driven to some very respectable finishes against some very formidable fields. He and Denny are trying to land some sponsorship for the car in '79. If they do, look out. They're heading for the front row!

John Coen, of Olney, Ill., has applied for a novice permit, purchased a car, and is preparing to go racing in showroom stock next year. We wish him the best and hope to hear from him in next year's PS.

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Sly Sutton's Soggy Saga

Rain. On the surface, this would seem to be the right word to use in describing Jim Sutton's "78 Finale TSD Rally", held on Nov. 26. However, altho the participants were definitely aware of Mother Nature's constant drizzle, they were even more concious of the challenges that Sly Ol' Jim had waiting in ambush.

Mike and I fell prey to Jim's most devious trap, one that occurred on the second instruction after the odo check: the "Imaginary Dead-End". The instruction called for a "left fourth opportunity". Sounds downright simple, right? However, when one examined the "first" fourth opportunity, one was peering at a mud covered new street in a new subdivision, barricaded a few hundred yards from Green River Rd. If we'd looked thru the raindrops a little harder tho, we would have noticed a left opportunity (the next instruction) about a block away. However, we didn't. So after an excursion thru McCutchanville and a couple of roadside conferences, we discovered our error, chucked the watches, and played catch-up to the tune of 9000 plus "bonus" points, surprisingly good enough for 4th B.

We were not the only team to make an off-course excursion. Throughout the day we repeatedly saw Bootz/Bootz, Burke/Rigg and Wasion/Wasion, to name a few. Some of these cars seemed to suddenly appear in front of us, disappear just as quickly, and then magically re-appear in our mirrors a few miles later.

Navigators had their hands full with 18 CAST's, no two of them the same speed,

and some of them occurring in rapid succession. Drivers were also quite busy, looking for signs that seemed to pop out of the mist at the last minute, while trying to follow winding roads on wet pavement.

Due to a lot of rambling around, almost everyone seemed to amass a pile of points. There was one notable exception, however. Brown/Brown drove the course flawlessly and ended with a grand total of only 18 points after 5 checkpoints, on a rally where everyone else had over a grand. Second best time went to Stirrsman/Westermann, our guests from Channel 7. Randy Simpson took home 1st B, running solo - no navigator. He has sworn off rallying with navigators in the future.

Jim put on an excellent event, the Browns did an excellent job, Vicki cooked up excellent "sloppy-joes", and everyone had an excellent time. Finis.
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Help Stuff Santa's Sack

Santa Claus is accepting gifts to be presented at the SIR/SCCA Christmas Party. If you'd like to donate a gift or see that Santa delivers that "special" gift to someone, contact Fred Pendley at 477-0055 or 423-4407.

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'78 finale tsd rally

<u>Team</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Class A</u>						
*Brown/Brown	-2	+4	+3	+3	-6	18
Boetz/Boetz	3000	3000	2904	2795	1659	13358
<u>Class B</u>						
*Simpson/No Nav	-233	-371	-453	-537	-759	2353
*Wood/Whitman	-541	-941	-560	-505	-499	3046
*Graninger/Pendley	3000	-1533	-1252	-1165	-1179	8129
*Freeman/Head	-2542	-2102	-1894	-1880	-1313	9731
Hughes/Zehner	-2428	-2225	-2013	-1913	-1448	10027
R. Groenert/No Nav	-1839	-1487	3000	3000	-2381	11707
T. Groenert/Lochall	3000	3000	3000	3000	-124	12124
Burke/Rigg	-2602	-2484	-2366	-2353	-2381	12186
Betz/Cason	3000	3000	3000	3000	+943	12943
Groenert/Groenert	3000	3000	3000	3000	+1479	13479
Wasion/Wasion	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	15000
Taylor/Bush	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	15000
Rosenthal/Perkins	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	15000
Parish/Pullium	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	15000
Roethemeier/Gentry	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	15000
<u>Guest Class</u>						
*Stirsman/Westermann	+735	+184	+195	+168	-58	1340
*trophu + early - late						

SportsCar Reads Pit Stop

We've hit paydirt again. Mike McCarville is still reading Pit Stop. He is also reading Clutch Chatter. It seems Mike picked up Indy's coverage of SIR's "Gemultlichkeit VII" Freedom Fest 'cross, and since Indy had given our event front page coverage with xtra bold headlines, he assumed the event was theirs. Nonetheless, the event did make Sports Car, with mention of our TV coverage.

Mr. McCarville also quoted Pit Stop again, this time the editorial page. It seems that all my hats seem a wee bit small now!

Thanx Mike; you're doing great.
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**Joe Voyles shows us the wrong
line around the pylons.**

BERRY POINTS

Sutton, J.	69	Tipsword, T.	15
Pendley, F.	66	Voyles, J.	15
Bootz, T.	64	Mathias, J.	14
Brown, B.	54	Hill, D.	13
Freeman, M.	54	Wink, C.	13
Brown, R.	51	West, D.	13
Groenert, Rn.	51	Rosenthal, M.	12
Bootz, J.	50	Johnson, S.	10
Zehner, C.	50	Perrin, J.	10
Freeman, C.	49	Walker, D.	10
Groenert, G.	49	Davis, S.	9
Burke, M.	48	Pullium, R.	9
Ohl, V.	45	Hood, K.	8
Davis, T.	44	Myers, T.	8
Wasion, St.	42	Becker, J.	7
Head, L.	38	Elliott, D.	7
Johnson, M.	36	Ellis, T.	7
Groenert, D.	35	Glesne, R.	7
Johnson, D.	34	Meier, G.	7
Simpson, R.	34	Wright, D.	7
Graninger, M.	33	Crimm, P.	6
Smith, M.	31	Groenert, Rk.	6
Jackson, J.	30	Kelley, B.	6
Burke, D.	29	Kelley, K.	6
Winslow, H.	28	Moore, R.	6
Groenert, T.	27	Myers, J.	6
Beckerman, G.	26	Voyles, M.	6
Wasion, Sh.	26	Barrow, D.	5
Johnson, P.	22	Kington, B.	5
Roethemeier, M.	21	Meier, P.	5
VanCleave, J.	21	Rogers, J.	5
Betz, T.	20	Glesne, S.	4
Self, A.	20	Hagensieker, L.	4
Smith, W.	20	Self, J.	4
Rothermel, B.	18	Siler, D.	4
Majors, B.	17	Wood, K.	4
Agnew, B.	16	Barrow, Jm.	3
Beckerman, D.	16	Buente, M.	3

(BERRY POINTS CONT'D)

Taylor, J.	3	Taylor, C.	2
Wall, B.	3	Walden, J.	2
Welborn, B.	3	Ancona, T.	1
Barrow, Jn.	2	Taylor, B.	1
Lineback, W.	2		

RALLY POINTS

Bootz, J.	11	Brown, B.	3
Bootz, T.	11	Brown, R.	3
Graninger, M.	11	Freeman, C.	3
Pendley, F.	11	Simpson, R.	3
Freeman, M.	8	Zehner, C.	3
Ohl, V.	7	Groenert, R.	2
Sutton, J.	7	Wood, K.	2
Head, L.	5	Agnew, B.	1
Wasion, St.	4	Groenert, Rk.	1
Burke, D.	4	Wasion, Sh.	1
Burke, M.	4		

AUTO-X POINTS

Bootz, T.	18	Meier, G.	3
Sutton, J.	18	Moore, R.	3
Brown, B.	14	Rogers, J.	3
Johnson, M.	12	Simpson, R.	3
Pendley, F.	11	Winslow, H.	3
Groenert, G.	9	Jackson, J.	2
Brown, R.	8	Kington, B.	2
Burke, M.	8	Mathias, J.	2
Davis, T.	8	Roethemeier, M.	2
Freeman, C.	8	Voyles, J.	2
Majors, B.	7	Voyles, M.	2
Zehner, C.	7	Glesne, R.	1
Freeman, M.	6	Ohl, V.	1
Groenert, RN.	6	Meier, P.	1
Perrin, J.	6	Rothermel, B.	1
Beckerman, G.	5	Self, A.	1
Bootz, J.	5	VanCleave, J.	1
Johnson, D.	5	Wall, B.	1
Tipsword, T.	5	Welborn, B.	1

ROOKIE POINTS

Roethemeier, M.	1.62	Hood, K.	.42
Simpson, R.	1.55	Meier, P.	.42
Jackson, J.	1.25	Myers, T.	.42
Rosenthal, M.	1.09	Wall, B.	.33
Betz, T.	.95	Glesne, R.	.32
Mathias, J.	.67	Becker, J.	.27
West, D.	.62	Myers, J.	.23
Meier, G.	.58	Glesne, S.	.18
Hill, D.	.52	Barrow, Jn.	.16



Membership Goes Over 100 !

SIR would like to welcome 4 new members to our organization.

Don Wilson, who joined at a recent event, is 31 and married. He and his wife, Susan, live at 3800 Kathleen Ave. in Evansville.

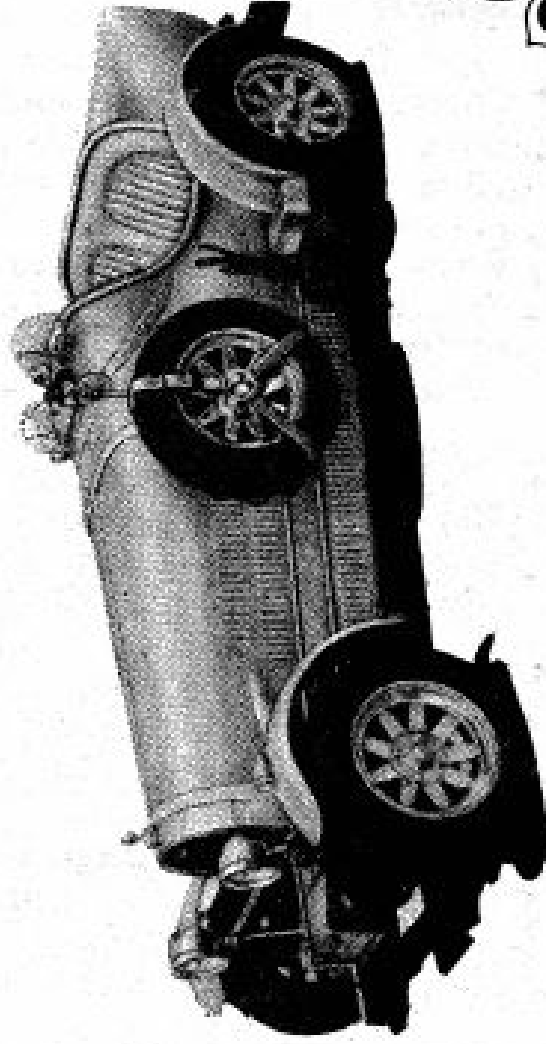
John and Katie Kathman also joined at an event. They live at 2503 Koring Rd. in E'ville. John is a geologist with the Department of the Interior.

Jeff Taylor, who joined at the last meeting is 19, single, and a tool designer. He lives at 5122 Chadwick in Evansville, and drives an Arrow.

We welcome you all. SIR now has over 100 members, a number we've never had before. We broke the barrier in the club's 25th year. Now let's get that 2nd hundred.



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Tullius, Pickett Top TRANS-AM

DENVER--When the last car had turned its final lap on the Ricardo Rodriguez Autodrome in Mexico City, the roar of racing engines heard for the last time and the memory of battles won and lost carried home, Bob Tullius and Greg Pickett were crowned Sports Car Club of America Trans-Am Championship Series category winners and Chevrolet and Jaguar the marques with the most in 1978.

That, in a nutshell, is the year that was in Trans-Am '78.

The record books will show Tullius winning the last seven Category I races in his British Leyland-Quaker State Group 44, Inc. Jaguar XJS, tying a series record set by Mark Donohue between May 12, 1968 and August 4, 1968. Pickett's heady success in the Pickett Racing Corvette 427, winning three of the last four Trans-Ams and finishing second in Mexico to clinch the title at the very last moment, ended two years of Porsche dominance as the American marque was clearly the class of the field in '78.



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would have been wasted were it not for the event marshalls, participants and readers who make the news we print. Pit Stop can only be as good as the copy it has to publish. If you have liked what you've read, it's because you've done things worth writing about. Thanks to all of you!

Larry Head
editor

FINISH LINE

All year I've used this page as a place to express my opinion on matters I felt important to SIR. I would like to take this final opportunity to thank those whose help has made this year as editor rewarding and enjoyable.

First of all, I must thank my wife, Carla. She has typed almost every word you've read in PS, and she's saved my editorial neck more than once by editing my editing. She has somehow become tolerant of the mess I tend to spread throughout the house for half a month at a time.

Secondly, I'd like to thank Sharon Johnson, the Circulation Manager, and Mark Roethemeier, the Advertising Manager. Although their offices were created somewhat late in the year, both have pitched in with enthusiasm and have done fantastic jobs.

Next I'd like to thank my predecessor, Bob Rothermel for showing me the ropes and pointing me in the right direction early in the year. Thanx to Denny Elliott for once again coming up with PS covers and envelopes. Kudos also to George Groenert and Mike Freeman who have suffered thru my monthly demands for material. They've always come through (although they've had me worried a time or two). I must also tip my hat to all the advertisers whose "donations" have made the expanded format possible. Thanks to all who have contributed articles so that PS has had something to print between the ads. What you've written is Pit Stop; keep it up for Jeff.

However, the efforts of all the above

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I autocrossed a Miata with the club several years ago and I have the following for sale. Four (4) like new Kumho XS 205/50/15 street slicks mounted on Konig Helium 15X6.5 Silver 40mm offset wheels with hub centric rings to fit a Miata. I probably ran this set up about 6 sessions at Lawrenceville. Purchased new \$1000.00+...asking \$500.00 for local pick up in Boonville.

Ray Graham

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Last Lap by your Editor, Paul Dornburg.

I hope you are enjoying the new look of the Pit Stop. As you can see there is a lot more room for club stuff. If you have club stuff, just send it to me at pitstop@sirscga.org. It can be pictures, with an accompanying explanation, a story about your SCCA adventures, or anything you think the club would like to read about. Send me a shot of you and your car. It can be an action shot like on the cover of this month's edition or a static shot. Nothing will be refused.

Attend our membership meetings that are always on the 2nd Tuesday of every month and join in the conversations. Tell us about your experiences at any event. We'd like to hear your stories.

Come to our events and bring a friend. Drag them if you have to. We welcome everyone!

Guess who we'll have an article about next month? Nobody, unless someone wants to share their story with me.

SPORTS CAR CLUB OF AMERICA

SCCA: A club with many interests

Many faceted in its endeavors, the Sports Car Club of America (SCCA) might best be described as a service organization. It serves over 50,000 members throughout the United States by sanctioning and administering a variety of automotive related activities through more than 115 independently chartered regions. No other single motor sports organization in the world conducts more events than the SCCA. These events range from amateur and professional road racing to road rallies, autocrosses, rally crosses, hill climbs and auto shows. The SCCA is an ever-growing organization for automotive enthusiasts. Because the SCCA is member oriented, the club stresses participation on a broad basis. Regardless of your experience or background, if you are an automotive enthusiast there is a place for you in the SCCA. The avenues available range from amateur or professional road race driver to weekend rally or autocross driver to race worker or official. In order to successfully sanction and conduct a comprehensive autocross/rally/road racing program many experts in timing and scoring, communications, safety inspection, medical, flagging, course/race control and other skills are needed. Schools are held to train the drivers and workers and various degrees of licenses are awarded based on knowledge, ability, and experience.

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