



The Pit Stop



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The "Terry Davis" Rally
This is the first points rally of the year.
Who got how many zeros?

The Eclipse at MAAC

<http://msreg.com/2024-ECLIPSE>

Scroll down to page 6 to read about how you can help out at the Eclipse at our autocross site.



Here's the March membership meeting. Jr., center standing up, is going through the agenda. Do you recognize any or all the faces?

April RE Report



Holy moly, we have had our first rally competition of the year. If you're looking for the big rally trophy and missed this event you

need to hit the rest!!! Terry and Bob put on a fantastic rally that started in Newburgh and ended in Evansville by way of Rockport, Reo, Owensboro, and Henderson. The weather was good, competition was great and the winners.... well, they were fantastic. Spoiler alert the Crowe's won B class. I am really partial to that team. Seriously, our rally program here in SIR is leap years ahead of anywhere around this area. We have a team

that comes 5ish hours from Ohio to participate because there aren't any rallies closer to them that they enjoy. Way to go SIR!!!!

We have several events coming up that folks can participate in if they are looking for Berry points. We are going to be working the solar eclipse at the MAAC. We have meetings and the awesome patch parties also on the horizon. The patch parties start around April 20th and run through the first week or so of May. The second points rally of the year is to follow on May 19th. Our first tire burning, brakes squealing, and onlookers wondering if the driver will make the corner autocross won't be here until June 1st and 2nd.

Honestly, I am a little sad that the autocross is so far away but hey it will be here

before you know it. I bet there will be some fierce competition this year as everyone is locked on our multi time champ Paul Dornburg. I will publicly tell Paul how great he is, and how proud of him we are, but we are coming for you, my friend.

Club members I am not sure what activities you like to do but reach out to the board and let us know if what we are doing is good, bad, or ugly. This club survives because of its awesome members, and the board would like to plan things that fit all walks of life. I hate to see anyone with a great idea not share it, who knows if it will turn into something great. I was not around for the first automobile race, but I am certain it was when the second car was finished being built. Have a great spring. Jr.

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SIRSGCA BoD Meeting March 5th, 2024

Call to Order RE: Jr. Crowe at 6:30 pm.

Officer Reports

- **Secretary:** Ernie Roales, absent.
- **Treasurer:** Bob Sonntag, we have \$6,831.72 on hand. Income from the road rally included. All bills are paid.
- **Activities Chair:** Steve Backer, nothing to report.
- **Assistant Activities Chair:** Jim Cannon, nothing to report.
- **Pit Stop:** Paul Dornburg, submission for the newsletter ae due on the last Wednesday of the month, the 27th.
- **Women's Chair:** Dawn Sturgeon, nothing to report.
- **Advisor to the Board:** Terry Davis, nothing to report.
- **Assistant Regional Executive:** Jarrold Davis, nothing to report.
- **Regional Executive:** Jonathan "Jr" Crowe, nothing to report.

Old Business (items not presented in order of discussion.)

- The Patch Parties need a leader.
 - Jr. and Steve agree to oversee the event.
 - They will contact people to do chores.
 - Paul volunteers to take care of getting the equipment on site.

New Business

- Bob and Ernie attended the “underwhelming” Great Lakes Division Spring meeting in Ft. Wayne.
 - Road racing had meetings all day.
 - There was a Rally/RallyCross meeting that Bob attended along with 3 or 4 other people.
 - Ernie and Bob attended the Solo meetings which were well attended but covered the same stuff as past meetings.
 - Ernie received his trophy for winning the 2023 D Street class in the GLD Solo Series.
- There was a long discussion about how points were to be awarded for a “Fun” event.
 - The Competition Regulations were consulted, and it was agreed that “Fun” events would award 5 Berry points to the organizers of the event and 2 points to all participants and workers.
 - “Fun” events that are designated “Board” events would award just 2 points to all participants.
 - Bob agreed to review the Comp Regs and rewrite the points sections to make it clearer.
 - The rewritten Comp Regs will be reviewed at the next Board meeting and presented to all soon thereafter.
 - Paul will review the scoring spreadsheet and determine how to award points when a member chairs a 3rd event during the year as in 1 Fun rally and 2 Points rallies.
- Bob was asked to provide a name for the upcoming point rally.
- Steve Backer and Dave Lehrschall won gift certificates for SCCA clothing at the awards banquet and submitted their clothing orders to Paul who placed the order. Paul will follow up with the vendor to get the status of the order.
- The documents for the club charter for 2024 have been submitted and approved by the national office.
- Paul worked with our website master to create another page of our event listings. He demonstrated the test site to the group. He will now get it loaded as a page on the website.
- Paul reminded the By-Laws committee that they need to make sure they get the document reviewed and propose changes before the May club meeting. Paul, Bob, Jarrod, and Dave are on the committee.
- The website (CJ) that pays the club a commission for Tire Rack purchases sent a link to a website to retrieve the 1099 the club will need to file the 2023 taxes. The ID number that was on the 1099 was not the club’s tax number. Paul went through the process of updating the CJ website, so they have the correct EIN.
- Paul reminded the Board that the SCCA has updated their By-Laws regarding the terms of the directors. One can vote by going to one’s member account portal, click on Member Resources, and click on Surveys and Voting.
- The Eclipse workdays are coming up on Sunday, April 7th and Monday, April 8th. Our work will consist of directing traffic and parking cars. A map of the site was shown and discussed. We estimate we will need about 20 volunteers both days.
- A motion was made to award 5 Berry points each Eclipse Day worked. Second was by Terry and all voted in favor.
- Jim told us he will not be able to do Tech Inspections on the autocross Test and Tune Day, but he would be there the next day for autocross #1. The Board agreed to find someone to help out.

Next Meetings

- Board Meeting – Tuesday, April 2nd, 2024, 6:30 P.M. via ZOOM.
- Membership Meeting – Tuesday, March 12th, 2023 @ 5:45 P.M. at Smitty’s for socializing. Business meeting to follow.

Adjournment at 7:55 pm. Respectfully submitted, Paul Dornburg

SIR/SCCA Membership Meeting, March 12th, 2024

- **CALL TO ORDER**
 - At 7 PM by RE Crowe
 - Visitors, George Lewis, and Zack Evans.
- **OFFICER REPORTS**
 - **Secretary:** Ernie Roales started to read minutes when interrupted by a motion by Jim Cannon to dispense with the reading of minutes, 2nd by Terry Davis, passed. Bob Sonntag then motioned to accept minutes as published in the Pit Stop. A 2nd by Dave Lehrschall, passed.
 - **Treasurer:** Sonntag reported a balance of \$6,891.72
 - **Pit Stop:** Paul Dornburg announced a deadline of 3/27 and read birthdays and club anniversaries.
 - All others had no report except Asst RE Jarrod Davis, who was absent.

- **OLD BUSINESS**

- Fun Rally and distribution of Berry Points
- Annual Waivers/Arm Bands everyone needs to get theirs.

- **NEW BUSINESS**

- Eclipse event at MAAC
 - We will be directing traffic and parking cars.
 - Fri 4/5 set up
 - Sun. 4/7 12 noon to 6 PM
 - Mon 4/8 8:30 AM to 3 PM
 - We need more people. Register on MSR
- Rally #1 by T. Davis Sun 3/17 Hardee's Newberg 12:30
- Patch Parties- Register on MSR. still need head honcho, survey date 3/28 10 AM
- Cars and Coffee in Evansville is the 1st Sunday of every month
- Cabin Fever Vaccine Drive results/trophies presented by Bob Sonntag, see website or Pit Stop for results.

- **OTHER BUSINESS**

- Next Board Meeting 4/2 via ZOOM at 6:30
- Next Membership Meeting 4/9 at Smitty's gather at 5:45 pm meeting at 7:00 pm.
- Attendance drawing won by James Cannon TS

- **Adjournment**

- Motion to adjourn by Jeff Jackson, 2nd by Terry Davis.
- 17 members present.

Reminder: Is your driver's license up to date in MSR? Here's how to update it.

- Sign in to MSR.
- Go to your account.
- Click on your Profile.
- In the area of the page titled "Memberships", click on edit for the Southern Indiana Region (it's on the extreme right)
- Update your Driver's License expiration date.
- Update your annual waiver status.
- Update your cell phone number.
- Done

Anniversaries and Birthdays

Don't see your birthday?

Maybe your information in the SCCA members access portal is not up to date.

You can update it at my.scca.com

The club has 147 members as of 4/3/2024.

April Birthdays

Jacob Campbell	4/4
Larry Pearsall	4/6
Matt Beasley	4/12
Richard Grav	4/18
Brandon Porambo	4/19
Gabe Fehribach	4/21
Daniel Evenson	4/22
Bob Sonntag	4/22
Steve Cruse	4/25
Patrick Uebelhor	4/28
Tim Green	4/30

April Anniversaries

Darlene Cannon	04/20/1995	29 yrs.
Carolyn Dornburg	04/09/1996	28 yrs.
Paul Dornburg	04/09/1996	28 yrs.
Julia Young	04/10/2006	19 yrs.
James Nichols	04/25/2010	14 yrs.
Dave Hostetter	04/07/2016	8 yrs.
Lee Lingo	04/24/2019	7 yrs.
Danny Croslow	04/13/2021	3 yrs.
James Hurm	04/19/2021	3 yrs.
Ryan Pearsall	04/22/2022	2 yrs.
Daniel Evenson	04/26/2022	2 yrs.
Eric Shade	04/27/2022	2 yrs.
Stephen Vitale	04/01/2023	1 yr.
Jim Hurm	04/15/2023	1 yr.

2024 Rally #1 – The Terry Davis Rally – by Paul Dornburg

It was a nice Sunday when Bob Sonntag and Terry Davis put on our first point rally of the year, “The Terry Davis Rally.” Ten teams assembled at the Hardees in Newburgh for an afternoon of motoring to Rockport, Owensboro, Henderson, ending up at Turoni’s in Evansville.

Of the 10 teams, 3 were from other regions. Kurt Schnippel and his daughter Lucy joined us from the Central Illinois region in their Silverado pickup. Northwestern Ohio region members Greg and Terry Wilkins drove from Findlay, Ohio again to compete with us in their Mazda CX-5 while Indianapolis region members Phillip Hart and Robin Branch rallied in their 2006 Pontiac GTO. Those 3 out-of-towners were our region’s competition in B Class. Larry and Ryan Pearsall, Ernie and Sue Roales, and Josie and Jr. Crowe rounded out the B Class. In the A Class were 4 teams, all from our region.

The scores were very good for everyone except Team Schnippel who missed a check point and incurred an 1800-point penalty en route to their 6th place finish in B Class. They recovered from that error with a 795 on the next leg and finished the last leg with a zero which showed some good speed maintenance and some great time buying.

Phillip and Robin finished 5th in B with a 951 total score, marred in the beginning with a 558 on the first leg but highlighted by a 2 on leg 8.

Team Wilkins started and ended the rally with high scores in the first and last legs but were really making good time through the middle legs and even had a zero on leg 6 to finish 4th in B with 629.

87-year-old Larry Pearson and his son Ryan have made some good improvements in their rally skills which showed with their 3rd place finish in B with a 389. They didn’t score a zero but got darn close with a 1 on leg 4.

Ernie and Sue Roales finished 2nd in B with a fine score of 112. Half of their scores were single digit with two 1s and two 2s. They trailed the winners by 34, just over a half a minute behind in the 90 mile rally.

First place in B went to Jr. and daughter Josie Crowe. Their high score was an 18 on leg 8 but they followed that with a zero on the last leg for a 2-digit total of 78.

4 teams competed in A class and in 4th with a very nice 123 was Dawn Sturgeon and Jim Cannon in Dawn’s pretty blue 2017 Mustang. Jim talked to rally master Bob after a very high score on the first leg and told Bob his time was wrong because they were just a little late. Bob rechecked his calculations and found an error and corrected it. Jim and Dawn had single digit scores on 5 of the 9 legs with two 1s.

Finishing 3rd in A was me (Paul Dornburg) with another new-to-me navigator, Derek Griffith. We managed to score just 75 points without buying any time. (we were the only team to not buy time) We didn’t get lost and averaged about 8 points at each check point but got no zeros.

Second in A was Dave and Suellyn Lehrschall with 74 points, just one point better than Dornburg/Griffith. They bought time on 3 legs and also scored 3 zeros without buying time! Lots of candy bars for them!

Leading the way in A class was Karen and Harold Davis with an event low score of 57. That’s an average of just 6+ seconds off at each check point. 6 of their leg scores were single digit with two of them being zeros.

The next rally is the Roales’ “Knox County Knock About Rally” on Sunday, May 19th. You can register for it here: <http://msreg.com/2024-RALLY-2> Trophies will be handed out at the club meeting on Tuesday, April 9th.

Terry Davis Rally

Terry Davis, Rallymaster
Bob Sonntag, Road Rally Safety Steward
March 17, 2024

Driver / Navigator	Class	Ckpt 1	Ckpt 2	Ckpt 3	Ckpt 4	Ckpt 5	Ckpt 6	Ckpt 7	Ckpt 8	Ckpt 9	Total
1 Harold Davis / Karen Davis	A	-10	-14	0	-4	0	-17	-6	-2	-4 *	57
2 Dave Lehrschall / Sue Lehrschall	A	+17 *	+29 *	0	+5	+4	0	+4	0	+15 *	74
3 Paul Dornburg / Derek Griffith	A	-5	-4	-8	+10	+13	+12	+5	+6	+12	75
4 Dawn Sturgeon / Jim Cannon	A	+13	-46	-7	+1	+30 *	-2	-18	+5	-1 *	123
1 Jr Crowe / Josie Crowe	B	-16	+2	-6	+4	+9	+10 *	-13 *	+18	0	78
2 Ernie Roales / Sue Roales	B	+49 *	-22 *	-1	+6	+12	+17	+2	-1	-2 *	112
3 Larry Pearsall / Ryan Pearsall	B	+62	+41	-8	-1	+36	+81	+43	+24	+93 *	389
4 Greg Wilkins / Terry Wilkins	B	+342 *	+8 *	-7	+7	+8	0	+3	-5 *	-249 *	629
5 Phillip Dart / Robin Branch	B	+558 *	+130	-21	+11	+24	+118	+39	-2	+48	951
6 Lucy Schnippel / Kurt Schnippel	B	+124 *	+29	-6	+8	+16	-1	+1800	+795 *	0 *	2779

Richta CP Numbers: 3 4 10 11 13 14 15 16 17
Leg Times: 37:49.800 20:54.600 4:45.000 7:41.400 12:55.800 16:01.800 7:23.400 5:24.000 9:53.400

Early: - Late: + Time Allowance: *

Maximum Checkpoint Score: 1800

Purple Highlighting: A zero without use of a Time Allowance!!

Green Highlighting: Time allowance used and yielding a zero!

2024 Eclipse at MAAC

This weekend we are helping the MAAC with their Eclipse event. We estimate that we will need about 20 people to help out. You can find more details here and sign up for the days you can help out.

2024-ECLIPSE Work

First, a big "THANK YOU!" for volunteering to share your time, energy, and talent to help SIR build and maintain our relationship with the Mid-American Air Center. Even if the club doesn't appreciate it, I sure do.

As of an organizer meeting Tuesday afternoon, we're still directing cars and RVs to parking spots. It was not clear if we're collecting the entry fee too. (I'm thinking/hoping not.)

I also learned at that meeting that much of what I thought we'd be doing on Saturday afternoon has

been shifted -- at least in part -- to Friday mid-morning. I think that will be me and Ernie (others still welcome) helping with marking/blocking off areas with pylons. Thus, what I thought we'd be doing Saturday has been shifted to Friday and/or eliminated. I'll keep you posted and if I can save others from working Saturday, I will.

I'm just kind of going with the flow on this and it's not like anyone involved has a really solid handle on turnout numbers or prior experience with eclipse events at the MAAC.

Below is the information I received this morning from lead organizer:

- Event: Dancing in the Dark (Eclipse Event)
- Dates: Sunday, April 7th and Monday, April 8th
- Location to Check In/Out: Terminal - Conference Room
- Event Venue: Air Center
- Map of Air Center: see attachment

Instructions for Volunteers: (for Sunday and Monday's shifts)

1. Arrive at the Air Center Terminal - Conference Room at least 15 minutes before your scheduled shift.
2. Check in with the Chamber of Commerce representative present at the Conference Room.
3. Receive your volunteer vest, radio, and any other supplies needed for your shift.
4. Perform your volunteer duties as assigned.
5. Return all borrowed items and check out with the Chamber of Commerce representative at the end of your shift.

Emergency Contact:

Amy-Michelle Seed (Executive Director, Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce)

Cell Number: 618-707-9927

That's it what I know about this right now. Bob 812-459-7564 (m)



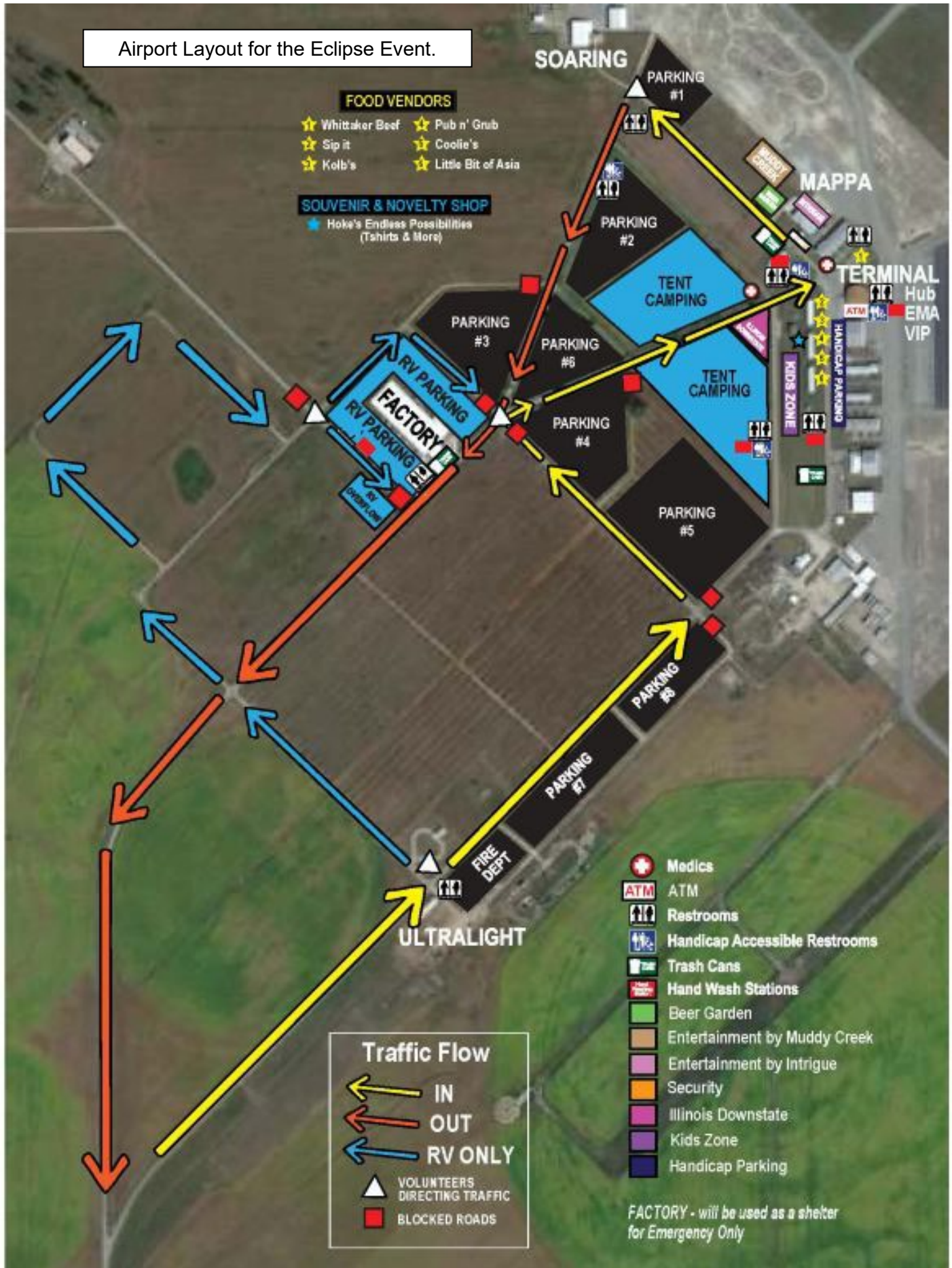
Airport Layout for the Eclipse Event.

FOOD VENDORS

- ★ Whittaker Beef
- ★ Pub n' Grub
- ★ Sip it
- ★ Coolie's
- ★ Kolb's
- ★ Little Bit of Asia

SOUVENIR & NOVELTY SHOP

- ★ Hoke's Endless Possibilities (T-shirts & More)



- ⚕ Medics
- ATM ATM
- 🚻 Restrooms
- ♿ Handicap Accessible Restrooms
- 🗑 Trash Cans
- 🧼 Hand Wash Stations
- 🍷 Beer Garden
- 🎪 Entertainment by Muddy Creek
- 🎪 Entertainment by Intrigue
- 🛡 Security
- 🇺🇸 Illinois Downstate
- 👶 Kids Zone
- ♿ Handicap Parking

Traffic Flow

- ← IN
- OUT
- ← RV ONLY
- ▲ VOLUNTEERS DIRECTING TRAFFIC
- BLOCKED ROADS

FACTORY - will be used as a shelter for Emergency Only

SIR/SCCA 2024 Calendar

Date	Day	Time	Event	Location
April				
4.02	Tue	6:30 PM	Board Meeting - All members welcome.	ZOOM - Contact treasurer@sirscga.org for the link.
4.07	Sun	12:00 PM	Solar Eclipse - Work Day - Arrival Day	Mid-American Air Center , Lawrenceville, IL
4.08	Mon	8:30 AM	Solar Eclipse - Work Day - "The" Day	Mid-American Air Center , Lawrenceville, IL
4.09	Tue	5:45 PM 7:00 PM	Membership Meeting at Smitty's Italian Restaurant Dinner and socializing at start at 5:45 PM. Business meeting at 7:00 PM.	Smitty's Italian Restaurant 2109 West Franklin Street, Evansville
4.13	Sat	9:00 AM	MAAC Patch Recon (Fallback Date)	Mid-American Air Center , Lawrenceville, IL
4.20	Sat	9:00 AM	MAAC Patch Day 1a - Cut, Dig, & Patch	Mid-American Air Center , Lawrenceville, IL
4.21	Sun	9:00 AM	MAAC Patch Day 1b - Cut, Dig, & Patch	Mid-American Air Center , Lawrenceville, IL
4.27	Sat	9:00 AM	MAAC Patch Day 2a - Cut, Dig, & Patch -OR- Pouring Day	Mid-American Air Center , Lawrenceville, IL
4.28	Sun	9:00 AM	MAAC Patch Day 2b - Cut, Dig, & Patch (May be cancelled if the patching completed.)	Mid-American Air Center , Lawrenceville, IL
May				
5.04	Sat	8:00 AM	MAAC Patch Day 3 - Pouring Day (May be cancelled if the patching completed.)	Mid-American Air Center , Lawrenceville, IL
5.05	Sun	9:00 AM	Cars & Coffee	Washington Square Mall, Evansville, IN
5.07	Tue	6:30 PM	Board Meeting - All members welcome.	ZOOM - Contact treasurer@sirscga.org for the link.
5.11	Sat	8:00 AM	MAAC Patch Day 4 - Pouring Day (Rain Date)	Mid-American Air Center , Lawrenceville, IL
5.12	Sun		Mother's Day	
5.14	Tue	5:45 PM 7:00 PM	Membership Meeting at Smitty's Italian Restaurant Dinner and socializing at start at 5:45 PM. Business meeting at 7:00 PM.	Smitty's Italian Restaurant 2109 West Franklin Street, Evansville
5.19	Sun	12:30 PM	Rally -- Championship Event 2 of 7 - Knox County Knock About - Team Roales Arby's, 2565 Hart Street, Vincennes, IN	Arby's, 2565 Hart Street, Vincennes, IN
5.27	Mon		Memorial Day	
June				
6.01	Sat	9:00 AM	AX -- Test-n-Tune Event - Dave Lehrschall	Mid-American Air Center , Lawrenceville, IL
6.02	Sun	9:00 AM	AX -- Championship Event 1 of 7 - Dave Lehrschall	Mid-American Air Center , Lawrenceville, IL
6.04	Tue	6:30 PM	Board Meeting - All members welcome.	ZOOM - Contact treasurer@sirscga.org for the link.
6.11	Tue	5:45 PM 7:00 PM	Membership Meeting at Smitty's Italian Restaurant Dinner and socializing at start at 5:45 PM. Business meeting at 7:00 PM.	Smitty's Italian Restaurant 2109 West Franklin Street, Evansville
6.16	Sun		Father's Day	
6.21	Fri	TBD	Hemmings Motor News "Great Race" National Event - Trophy Run	Owensboro, KY
6.22	Sat	TBD	Hemmings Motor News "Great Race" National Event - Departs for Gardiner, Maine	Owensboro, KY
6.23	Sun	12:30 PM	Rally -- Championship Event 3 of 7 - Team Davis	TBD
6.30	Sun	9:00 AM	AX -- Championship Event 2 of 7 - Dawn Sturgeon	Mid-American Air Center , Lawrenceville, IL
July				
7.02	Tue	6:30 PM	Board Meeting - All members welcome.	ZOOM - Contact treasurer@sirscga.org for the link.
7.04	Thu		Independence Day	
7.07	Sun	9:00 AM	Cars & Coffee	Washington Square Mall, Evansville, IN
7.09	Tue	5:45 PM 7:00 PM	Membership Meeting at Smitty's Italian Restaurant Dinner and socializing at start at 5:45 PM. Business meeting at 7:00 PM.	Smitty's Italian Restaurant 2109 West Franklin Street, Evansville
7.14	Sun	9:00 AM	AX -- Championship Event 3 of 7 - "Quick & Dirty, v7.14.24" - Ernie Roales	Mid-American Air Center , Lawrenceville, IL
7.28	Sun	9:00 AM	AX -- Championship Event 4 of 7 - Jon Schwartze	Mid-American Air Center , Lawrenceville, IL
August				
8.04	Sun	12:30 PM	Rally -- Championship Event 4 of 7 - Team Lehrschall	TBD
8.06	Tue	6:30 PM	Board Meeting - All members welcome.	ZOOM - Contact treasurer@sirscga.org for the link.
8.13	Tue	6:15 PM	Membership Meeting at The Log Inn. Reservations req'd. Email treasurer@sirscga.org. Business meeting to follow dinner.	The Log Inn 12491 County Road 200 East, Warrenton, IN
8.25	Sun	9:00 AM	AX -- Championship Event 5 of 7 - "WOOP DEE DO!" - Paul Dornburg	Mid-American Air Center , Lawrenceville, IL
8.27	Tue	6:30 PM	Board Meeting - All members welcome.	ZOOM - Contact treasurer@sirscga.org for the link.
September				
9.01	Sun	9:00 AM	Cars & Coffee	Washington Square Mall, Evansville, IN
9.02	Mon		Labor Day	
9.03	Tue		2024 Solo Nationals	Lincoln Air Park, Lincoln, NE
9.04	Wed		2024 Solo Nationals	Lincoln Air Park, Lincoln, NE
9.05	Thu		2024 Solo Nationals	Lincoln Air Park, Lincoln, NE
9.06	Fri		2024 Solo Nationals	Lincoln Air Park, Lincoln, NE
9.10	Tue	5:45 PM 7:00 PM	Membership Meeting at Smitty's Italian Restaurant Dinner and socializing at start at 5:45 PM. Business meeting at 7:00 PM.	Smitty's Italian Restaurant 2109 West Franklin Street, Evansville
9.15	Sun	9:00 AM	AX -- Championship Event 6 of 7 - Bob Sonntag	Mid-American Air Center , Lawrenceville, IL
9.29	Sun	9:00 AM	AX -- Championship Event 7 of 7 - Jarrod Davis	Mid-American Air Center , Lawrenceville, IL
October				
10.01	Tue	6:30 PM	Board Meeting - All members welcome.	ZOOM - Contact treasurer@sirscga.org for the link.
10.06	Sun	9:00 AM	AX -- Fun Autocross - "By the Board" - The Board	Mid-American Air Center , Lawrenceville, IL
10.08	Tue	5:45 PM 7:00 PM	Membership Meeting at Smitty's Italian Restaurant Dinner and socializing at start at 5:45 PM. Business meeting at 7:00 PM.	Smitty's Italian Restaurant 2109 West Franklin Street, Evansville
10.12	Sat	12:30 PM	Rally -- Championship Event 5 of 7 - "World-Famous Ice Cream Rally" - Team Dornburg	Owensboro, KY
10.27	Sun	12:30 PM	Rally -- Championship Event 6 of 7 - Team Davis/Sonntag	TBD
November				
11.03	Sun	9:00 AM	Cars & Coffee	Washington Square Mall, Evansville, IN
11.05	Tue	6:30 PM	Board Meeting - All members welcome.	ZOOM - Contact treasurer@sirscga.org for the link.
11.10	Sun	12:30 PM	Rally -- Championship Event 7 of 7 - Team Crowe	TBD
11.12	Tue	5:45 PM 7:00 PM	Membership Meeting at Smitty's Italian Restaurant Dinner and socializing at start at 5:45 PM. Business meeting at 7:00 PM.	Smitty's Italian Restaurant 2109 West Franklin Street, Evansville
11.28	Thu		Thanksgiving	
December				
12.03	Tue	6:30 PM	Christmas Board Meeting - All members welcome.	TBD
12.10	Tue	5:45 PM 7:00 PM	Membership Meeting & Awards Banquet - All members welcome.	TBD

2024 Schedule of Competitions and Meetings

This schedule is about finalized. We expect all the dates to stay as they are but there may be changes to the final draft. As always, we are waiting on the final word from the Illinois FAA to confirm our autocross dates at MAAC.

We have event marshals lined up for the year.

Currently there are 8 scheduled autocrosses and 8 scheduled rallies.

Thanks, Steve B.

Activities Chair

812-639-8103

MAAC Attack 2024 (aka Patch Parties) One more time! Again!!

Each year our board makes plans and takes actions that commit the region's members and families to supporting those decisions with time and talent. In this article, I am sharing my own opinion and my insight as an insider. I'm not speaking for the board.

In 2023 the Board committed to providing labor to help the Mid-American Air Center (MAAC) with its Solar Eclipse 2024 activities. Our duties are still to be determined. Here's the link to what's been shared about the eclipse activities at the MAAC. [Mid-American Air Center Eclipse 2024](#) Stay tuned for more information on this activity. This effort will help strengthen and maintain our relationship with the MAAC. It will also increase the value we bring to the MAAC.

For many years the region's biggest commitments have been linked to our annual patching effort at the MAAC. The region commits significant funds to the effort and members and friends make significant contributions of time, effort, and for some a little treasure too. Mostly, it is time, effort, and Advil after the fact.

As in recent years, working patching days will qualify anyone (member or not) for the bonus program. The bonus program rewards those helping with the patching effort with an extra scored run in each of our autocross heats. Roughly, it's work half the patching events and earn one bonus run per event. Working the correct combination of two patching activities results in two bonus runs per event.

The board and patch party leadership strive to make the patching work schedule available as early as possible and accommodating to all. The latter part is a nearly impossible task! (Think of it as herding pigeons.) The patching is always subject to weather. We've learned that we can cut and dig in the cold and wet if we must. We cannot quick patch or pour concrete in rain or extreme cold. The amount of work that can be done on any given day is subject to the weather, the size of our workforce, and the ability and skills of the workforce present.

In 2023, in consultation with all that had registered to work a patching day, the schedule was changed on very short notice to accommodate those working and to take advantage of the weather forecast. Later, not everyone was pleased. Some had not yet registered to work a future weekend and were not present. Thus, those few not present were not included when those on-site discussed & agreed to push through and complete the job early. Hence, this big heads-up on the plan for this year's patching and what could happen again as the work proceeds.

As always, the plan is to reconnoiter the MAAC in early spring, mark what those present agree needs to be fixed, and return to fix the problems by replacing the concrete or covering bad spots with a quick patch material. If there's little work to be done or it goes very well, all the currently planned days may not be needed. A day not needed will likely be cancelled.

The short version: YOU must EVALUATE and PLAN ACCORDINGLY. What's more valuable to you? A few weekends in April and May or your year of potential bonus runs? The board cannot succeed in pleasing everyone. We can do no more than try and share the plan early.

So, all that said...

- 1) The region has yet to find a more motivating incentive to encourage participation in our patching effort. Got a better idea? Share it with me. My contact info is below. I will pass it along. The region has not found an alternative site either.
- 2) Make a serious effort to work the first weekend of cutting, digging, & patching. Work at least a full day that weekend and become qualified for one bonus run.
- 3) Make a serious effort to work the pouring day. April 27th or May 5th. There will be only one pouring day. Working the pouring day qualifies one for a bonus run. The rain date is May 11th. Reserve this date for SIR too. Do that just in case the first attempt to pour concrete is rained out.
- 4) Make a good plan to be able to work the second weekend of cutting, digging, & patching. If the first weekend finishes the planned cutting, digging, & patching then all or some of this weekend will likely be canceled and thus it may not qualify any one for a bonus run.
- 5) Register for each day you plan to work. The event sign up is available on MSR.

<http://msreg.com/2024-PATCH-PARTIES>

Please note that we do not measure the amount of work individuals perform. We only expect some reasonable effort aligned with individual abilities. We have a wide range of jobs. Jackhammering, mucking holes, shoveling rock, sweeping, mostly driving chores, & running backpack blowers, etc. We may not have a job for everyone; but, we will have one for you.

The thinking behind the schedule is that it's now January and the plan is for April. We will not learn how much patching will need to happen until mid-to-late March. Then we must wait until after the last MAAC solar eclipse activity (April 8) before we can attack the tasks.

Remember, we are all volunteers. If you have not been happy with how the patching efforts have been managed, step-up to a leadership role in the project. Help is available. Everyone will want you to succeed! Otherwise, show up, channel your servant heart (I can almost proofread that now without smirking) and vent life's frustrations into helping fix a hole in some concrete like your told! 😊

Have any questions? Email me directly via bob.sonntag@att.net or if you're concerned about getting the tone right in your email, call me via 812-477-5936.

Bob Sonntag

Editor's note: A few more than 20 areas were marked for cut/dig/pour repair. Another 8+ areas were marked for quick-patch repair.

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Notes from the Director's Chair - Area 4 Director Update for April 2024

Race season must be coming along soon as I am starting to travel quite a bit in support of the Division, the Area, the Club, and its programs. Trips to Detroit and Kansas City were on the docket this month.

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

Video Conference Meetings:

- Board of Directors (BoD) (3/4): Our February meeting was moved to the first week of March. Once again, our financials look solid. Yes, its early in the calendar year but we are meeting budgetary figures. This was the last month before our annual audit which will likely be held in April. Results from that audit will be posted on the SCCA website. We received an update from the Compensation Committee about Mike Cobb's salary and bonus package. We were informed of a couple of additions to the staff. Jeff Barrow will replace Deanna Flanagan as Director of Road Racing ([link](#)). The Club hired a Media Marketing Manager and a Social Media Coordinator (see details [here](#)). As the Club moves away from a monthly magazine, these new folks will help market the Club across many different platforms.
- Club Racing Board (CRB) (3/5): The group ran through the usual early season letters. A conversation was had about the introduction of Radical sports racers to our array of classes. Apparently, there are a lot of them racing across the country and they are looking for a place to compete that's less expensive. They also worked on some agenda items for the face-to-face meeting to be held in Kansas City later in the month. The results of all of the CRB rules changes can be seen [here](#).
- Electrified Vehicle Advisory Committee (EVAC) (3/13): The group started working on a "Fact Sheet" for regions and venues to use when investigating EV participation. We'll also work on a definition of "hybrid" for the SCCA. As there are so many variants of a hybrid EV, we need to specify the language for our members. This will help see what cars can compete and how we deal with them.
- Touring Advisory Committee (TAC) (3/18): As the EVAC has been working on language for a Touring Electric class, the TAC had some questions about the rules package. I sat in on their meeting and discussed the rules set with them. They offered some valuable suggestions and I walked away with some action items.
- BoD (3/25): The financials slipped a bit from budget over the last month. Nothing serious and somewhat expected as the competition season has barely started. We got an update from Heyward Wagner on the status of the Club Spec program. We approved both Club Spec Mustang and Miata MX5 rules packages. We also approved the name change for the Endurance Racing Board to the Race Experience Board and their rules package. I updated the board on the CRB's decisions for the program. Unfortunately, we also had to discuss a couple of members behaving badly.

SCCA Events:

- GLDiv Convention (3/1, 3/2): The divisional convention was held at a different location this year as our old facility was under construction. That said, this site (The Summit in Fort Wayne) turned out to be a nicer offering. Like last year's event, several honchos from the National Office attended. They added much welcomed guidance. When you have national, divisional and regional managers in one room discussing a program, good things happen. Ideas about best practices and policy flow up and down the food chain and all walk away from the conversation wiser. I hope you will consider attending next year. The date (2/28, 3/1) and same location have been set and details will follow as they become available.
- Detroit Region banquet (3/10): Melinda and I were invited to the annual banquet held by the Detroit Region. As they had a very tight agenda for the awards portion of the evening, I limited my remarks and only spoke for a few minutes. The dinner was nice (Mediterranean buffet) and the conversation at our table was fabulous. We had a wonderful time and thoroughly enjoyed the evening.
- CRB (3/22, 3/23): Like last spring's meeting, this gathering was solely focused on the long term and strategic planning for the Club Racing program. I spoke with the CRB Chair (John LaRue) several times over the last few months on this topic. We agreed on many points and chatted about how to guide the conversation and keep everyone focused. Serious discussions were held, and some serious decisions were made. Decisions that should have been made over the course of the last few years. But bold decisions about policy are tough to come by and this group should be commended for their aggressive conclusions. The changes made will take a few months to formulate and announce. It will take even longer to implement. Of course, these changes will not please everyone but rest assured that the CRB has the best intentions for long term program health. They made some necessary decisions.

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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.

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.

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*

ADULT ANNUAL WAIVERS

SCCA Members over the Age of Majority (typically 18 years of age) can add an Annual Waiver digitally through the Member Account Portal.

HOW TO DIGITALLY COMPLETE

1. Log in with your SCCA Member # at my.scca.com
2. Go to [Online Store - Licenses & Waivers](#)
3. Add "Annual Waiver Adult" license to cart
4. Be prepared to upload a photo of yourself
5. Follow the prompts at the top right of the screen
6. Complete checkout

MINOR ANNUAL WAIVERS

A minor taking part in an SCCA event as a competitor, on track participant, or volunteer or worker with access to restricted (hot) areas must have an **Annual Minor Waiver** on file for the calendar year. Age of Majority is 18 years except in AL and NE at 19; MS at 21.

The Annual Waiver Minor License will be issued to the Minor by the SCCA National Office when the following requirements are met:

Parent 1 logs into his/her account and digitally completes "Annual Waiver Minor Parental Consent"



Parent 2 logs into his/her account and digitally completes "Annual Waiver Minor Parental Consent"



Minor logs into his/her account and digitally completes "Annual Waiver Minor"

HOW TO DIGITALLY COMPLETE

1. Login with your SCCA Member # at my.scca.com
 - a. Nonmembers can create a guest account to get a unique SCCA Member #
2. Go to [Online Store - Licenses & Waivers](#)
3. Add proper license to cart (see Parent & Minor instructions above)
 - a. Be prepared to upload a photo of yourself
 - b. Parents must have the Minor's name, date of birth & SCCA Member #
 - c. Minors must have names and SCCA Member #s for parents/legal guardians
4. Follow the prompts at the top right of the screen
 - a. Legal Sole Custodians must indicate **sole custody** with checkbox
5. Complete checkout

Digital Annual Waivers

Questions? Email membership@scca.com

WHAT'S NEXT?

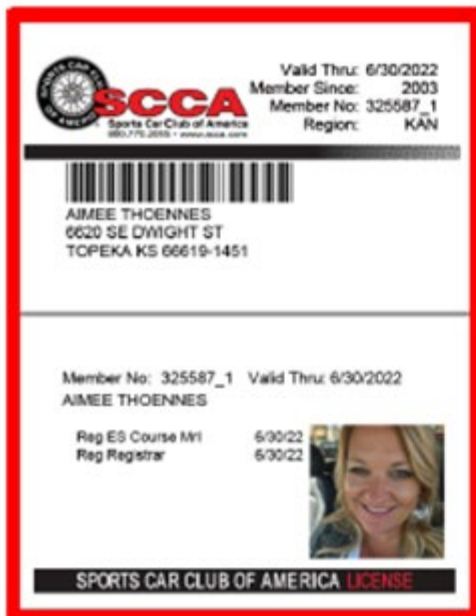
- Check inbox for email confirming "under review"
- Check inbox for email indicating status and next steps: active, incomplete or terminated (should arrive in less than 24 hours, not including weekends/holidays)
 - **Active:** waiver valid through December 31 - "ready to go!"
 - **Incomplete:** waiver invalid, requirements not yet met
 - **Terminated:** waiver invalid, photo not acceptable; process must be restarted

PROOF OF MEMBERSHIP/ANNUAL WAIVER AT EVENTS

- An Annual Waiver is valid with an active membership
- Acceptable forms of proof of membership at events include physical or digital membership cards with 'Valid Thru' date equal to or after the event date:
 - Physical membership card prints when membership renews (once per year)
 - Digital membership card available 24/7/365 on any mobile device
 - Retrieve on demand at your convenience; card is always current
 - Add a shortcut to your phone's home screen
 - Tap "My Membership Card" from "My Profile Page"
 - Tap Share icon
(iPhone @ bottom, iPad @ top, Android @ menu icon, upper right)
 - Tap "Add to Homescreen" from the menu
 - Type in a name for your shortcut e.g. "My SCCA Card"
 - Tap "Add"



Members with horizontal membership cards **ARE REQUIRED** to sign SCCA Event Waivers.



Members with vertical membership cards **ARE NOT REQUIRED** to sign SCCA Event Waivers



Points

Berry Points		Total Berry Points	Meeting Berry Points	Fun Berry Points	Work Berry Points	AX Berry Points	Rally Berry Points
1	Bob Sonntag	13	3	5	0	0	5
2	Terry Davis	11	1	5	0	0	5
3	Jr. Crowe	10	3	2	0	0	5
4	Dave Lehrschall	9	3	2	0	0	4
4	ERnie Roales	9	3	2	0	0	4
6	Josie Crowe	8	1	2	0	0	5
7	Paul Dornburg	7	3	2	0	0	2
7	Suellyn Lehrschall	7	1	2	0	0	4
7	Susan Roales	7	1	2	0	0	4
10	Jim Cannon	6	2	2	0	0	2
11	Harold Davis	5	0	0	0	0	5
11	Karen Davis	5	0	0	0	0	5
11	Carolyn Dornburg	5	3	2	0	0	0
11	Larry Pearsall	5	3	0	0	0	2
15	Dawn Sturgeon	4	2	0	0	0	2
16	Steve Backer	3	3	0	0	0	0
16	Derek Griffith	3	1	0	0	0	2
16	Jeff Jackson	3	3	0	0	0	0
16	John McCarthy	3	3	0	0	0	0
16	Ryan Pearsall	3	1	0	0	0	2
21	John Luke Crowe	2	2	0	0	0	0
21	Jarrod Davis	2	2	0	0	0	0
21	Brent Sturgeon	2	2	0	0	0	0
24	Marci Backer	1	1	0	0	0	0
24	Barry Beaman	1	1	0	0	0	0
24	Darlene Cannon	1	1	0	0	0	0
24	Cathy Condi	1	1	0	0	0	0
24	Paul Condi Jr.	1	1	0	0	0	0
24	MacKenzi Crowe	1	1	0	0	0	0
24	Michelle Deutsch	1	1	0	0	0	0
24	Jason Epley	1	1	0	0	0	0
24	George Lewis (R)	1	1	0	0	0	0
24	Eric Lookofsky	1	1	0	0	0	0
24	David Moody	1	1	0	0	0	0
24	Sean Reising	1	1	0	0	0	0
24	Barry Schonberger	1	1	0	0	0	0
24	Eric Shade	1	1	0	0	0	0

Rally Points		R1	Total
1	Jr. Crowe	5	5
1	Josie Crowe	5	5
1	Terry Davis	5	5
1	Harold Davis	5	5
1	Karen Davis	5	5
1	Bob Sonntag	5	5
5	Dave Lehrschall	4	4
5	Suellyn Lehrschall	4	4
5	ERnie Roales	4	4
5	Susan Roales	4	4
11	Jim Cannon	2	2
11	Paul Dornburg	2	2
11	Derek Griffith	2	2
11	Larry Pearsall	2	2
11	Ryan Pearsall	2	2
11	Dawn Sturgeon	2	2

2024 Rookies (so far)

1	Matthew Barton
2	Steve Cruse
3	Cameron Davis
4	Charity Davis
5	Ron Davis
6	Christopher Kiefer
7	George Lewis

TLDR

- Solo Safety Steward Training is available online. Follow this link: [Solo Safety Steward Training](#) and sign up. We always need Solo Safety Stewards. At some autocrosses last year, we only had 2 available SSS. We need more!
- The SCCA has announced 2 new [Spec Classes](#). [Spec Mustang \(CSM\)](#) and [Spec Miata \(CSX\)](#)
- The 2024 schedule is included in this issue. The dates for autocrosses at MAAC are provisional pending approval from the Illinois FAA. A Fun Autocross will be held in October.
- GET AN ANNUAL [WAIVER](#)!!! Instructions are in this document. Currently 37 members have their 2024 annual waiver.
- On our website, sirscca.org, clicking on the red Calendar icon at the top of the page will take you to a page that has all our competition events listed with an icon that will take you to the registration site, MotorSportReg.com.
- There are still 4 tire racks for sale. Ernie bought three and in 2 hours had his rack in place. See the picture on the next page.



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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 drivers and workers and various degrees of licenses are awarded based on knowledge, ability, and experience.

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