



The Pit Stop



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August RE Report

Well friends, we are halfway through our competitive season with 4 rallies and 4 autocrosses in the books. What a close competition it has been thus far. Our members are getting better and closer at the rally times each event. Our autocrossers are getting faster and faster. It really is fun to see the progress everyone is making across the board.

We had two autocross events since the last letter. Steve Backer put on "A Wink and a Smile" and apparently, he doesn't ride his bike on this one. It was a challenging fun course with a little bit for everyone. Jon Schwartze took the top spot in Autocross Points followed by me, Paul Dornburg, Jarrod Davis., and Barry Beaman rounding out the top 5. The thing that really jumps out at me this year is how much competition is happening in the B Street and B Street Ladies classes. Six out of the top ten in Autocross Points are from the B Street class with the last car at fourteenth. It seems this class has just taken off and I couldn't be more excited to be a part of it.

Jon Schwartze had the next event "A Course with No Name" It was fast, like really fast except two turns. It had a classic Nationals start and then just wide open. The finishing order was similar Jon in his screaming M2 took top spot followed by me, James Nichols, Jarrod Davis, and Paul Dornburg. Yes, you read that right, long time racer, trainer, and all around good guy James came out in the Toyota car and put on a clinic. Great driving James, glad to have you back Buddy. Don Beaman just missed the top 5 in his blue BRZ rocket. Don is going to be a handful once he gets that car dialed in.

We had our 4th rally yesterday, "Riding the Storm Out" that was put on by Dave and Sue Lehrschall. It started at the Penn Station Sub Shop in Evansville and ended on the northside at the Hacienda. The rally was a fantastic route with some challenges for everyone. The "A" class team of Bob and Terry turned in one of the best scores I have seen in a while if not best I have ever seen. The "B" class was led by Daniel and Betsy Whited. The Whited team is fairly new and they have already turned in some amazing scores and now have a win under their belt. This goes to show you don't have to have years of experience to score well in a rally. Congratulations to both winning teams.

We have our August membership meeting at the Log Inn in just over a week. Please come out for enjoyable time and great food.

JR.

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SIR/SCCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING July 1st, 2025

- **CALL TO ORDER**

- At 6:35 pm by RE J. Crowe
- 6 members present

- **OFFICER REPORTS**

- **Secretary:** Ernie Roales moved to accept minutes as published in the Pit Stop
 - Second by Bob Sonntag
 - Motion carried
- **Treasurer:** Bob Sonntag
 - Balance of \$2,137.33
- **Activities:** Steve Backer, no report
- **Asst Activities:** Jon Schwartz, no report
- **Pit Stop:** Paul Dornburg announced the last Wednesday of the month as a deadline for newsletter submissions
- **Women's Chair:** Dawn Sturgeon, absent
- **Advisor:** Terry Davis, absent
- **Asst. RE:** Jarrod Davis, absent
- **RE:** J. Crowe no report

- **OLD BUSINESS**

- Confirmed the date for the 2025 Awards Banquet
 - Bob Sonntag confirms that the Rolling Hills Country Club is reserved for Friday, December 5th.

- **NEW BUSINESS**

- A discussion about Steve Backer's "A Bike Ride" rally
 - 5 entries total, 4 in A class, 1 in B class
 - Bob Sonntag commented that it was a good route, fun roads
 - Stories were told about the Prius and the sheriff
 - Results have been posted on the web page
- Late payments for events
 - 1 person currently owes us money.
- Event Marshalls for autocross
 - AX5 8/24 MacKenzi Crowe
 - AX7 9/28 Ernie Roales, "Quick n' Dirty Ver. 9.28.25"

- **NEXT MEETINGS**

- Board: August 5th at 6:30 pm via Zoom
- Member July 8th at Smitty's, gather at 5:45 pm, business meeting at 7 pm

- **Adjournment**

- Motion to adjourn by Bob Sonntag, all second
- At 7:10 pm with 6 present

SIR/SCCA MEMBERSHIP MEETING, July 8th, 2025

- **CALL TO ORDER**

- By RE Jr. Crowe at 6:53 PM
- 11 members present
- Guest/lost member Jeremy Crowe

- **OFFICER REPORTS**

- **Secretary:** Ernie Roales moved to accept the minutes as published in the Pit Stop
 - 2nd by Bob Sonntag
 - Motion Carried
- **Treasurer:** Bob Sonntag reports a balance of \$2,107.53
- **Activities:** Steve Backer, no report
- **Assistant Activities:** Jon Schwartz, no report
- **Pit Stop:** Paul Dornburg
 - Announced newsletter submission deadline of July 30th
 - Announced July birthdays and membership anniversaries
- **Women's Chair:** Dawn Sturgeon, absent
- **Advisor:** Terry Davis, absent
- **Asst RE:** Jarrod Davis, absent
- **RE:** Jr. Crowe, no report

- **OLD BUSINESS**

- TMMI autocross cancelled
- RE Jr.. Crowe recapped the last RE phone meeting

- **NEW BUSINESS**

- Trophies presented for Steve Backer's "A Bike Ride" Rally
 - Please see the website for results
- Autocross upcoming
 - 7/13 Wink and a Smile by S. Backer
 - 7/27 "No Name" by J Schwartz
- Rally upcoming by team Lerschall
 - August 3rd
 - "Riding the Storm Out"
 - Watch your email for more info
- August Meeting at Log Inn
 - Please email Bob Sonntag with your reservation
 - secretary@sirscca.org
- Hoosier Challenge autocross
 - Involves all Indiana Regions
 - Aug 17 at Grissom
 - Hosted by Ft. Wayne
 - They have a regional autocross on the 16th

- **NEXT MEETINGS**

- Board 8/5 via ZOOM at 6:30
- Membership 8/12 at Log Inn, reservations are required. Contact Bob Sonntag, gather at 6:20, eat, then the business meeting and event trophies

- **ATTENDANCE DRAWING**

- Steve Backer (AGAIN) TS

- **ADJOURNMENT**

- Motion by Paul Dornburg
- 2nd all
- Adjourned at 7:30 with 12 present

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 143 members as of 7/29/2025.

August Anniversaries

Jeremy Duke	08/11/2009	16 yrs.
Ernest Roales	08/11/2009	16 yrs.
Brandon Porambo	08/20/2012	13 yrs.
Susan Roales	08/30/2012	13 yrs.
John Luke Crowe	08/12/2019	6 yrs.
Josie Crowe	08/12/2019	6 yrs.
Angela Reshad	08/21/2021	4 yrs.
Jamsheed Reshad	08/21/2021	4 yrs.
Nathan Reshad	08/21/2021	4 yrs.
Samuel Reshad	08/21/2021	4 yrs.
Charity Davis	08/13/2023	2 yrs.
Ron Davis	08/13/2023	2 yrs.
Cameron Davis	08/14/2023	2 yrs.
Larry Kirk	08/11/2024	1 yr.

August Birthdays

Wanda Schwartze	08/04
Karen Davis	08/05
Marci Backer	08/08
Drew Gerth	08/09
Jonathan Crowe	08/11
Brittany Evenson	08/12
Jefry Sandres	08/12
Jon Schwartze	08/14
Brenton Sturgeon	08/18
Dean Fehribach	08/23

Annual Waivers

The SIR BoD encourages each SCCA member to get his or her free annual waiver. To help "motivate" SIR members to do that, we charge SIR members using an event SpeedWaiver an extra \$5. We have also stopped using the paper event waiver.

Here's the step-by-step process in a slightly different form than is typically at the end of each edition of Pit Stop.

- 1) Have a reasonable picture of your face ready to upload from the device you use to get your annual waiver. Your full face must be visible. No helmet, no dark glasses, no mask, etc.
- 2) Log into my.scca.com.
- 3) On a PC, mouse over the "Online Store" on the menu line. It's two in from the right.
On a smart phone, expand the menu, then expand the "Online Store" option. It's two up from the bottom of the list.
- 4) Select the "License & Waivers" option.
- 5) Add the "Annual Waiver Adult" option to the cart.
- 6) Follow the instructions on the screen AND remember to follow through on the checkout process.
 - o I'da listed those steps too but I can't get a second annual waiver. (Sorry.)
- 7) There is a "real-person" review (mostly to check pictures) that happens in the SCCA office. If you've completed your side of the process outside of SCCA office hours, there will be at least a day's delay in the issuance of the annual waiver. There are no annual waivers left in a pre-review state by the end of business on Fridays.

This also seems like a good time mention that the SCCA Minor Event waiver is now available only online and requires support from the SCCA staff. Thus, there is no way to get a minor waiver on a weekend. Plan accordingly. The process begins with steps 1 through 4 above.

Bob Sonntag

Results – AX3 – “A Wink & a Smile” – by Steve Backer

Class Results Summary **A Wink and a Smile**
Mid-American Air Center
Steve Backer July 13, 2025

Car	Class	Driver	Car	Best Time	Autocross	
					Time	Pts

E Prepared

1	274	EP	Darion Vowels	Silver Cooper S	60.639	104.489	877	T
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Xtreme Street A

1	27	XA	Jarrod Davis	Grey 350Z	55.033	93.710	978	T
2	10	XA	Kyoo Lee	White Evo	56.810	97.436	940	
3	74	XA	Samantha Vowels	Blue 86	63.844	108.758	842	

Super Street & B Street Touring

1	77	SS	John McCarthy	Org Corvette Z06	57.949	96.987	945	T
2	77	BST	Michael Lukens	White Focus RS	58.543	99.318	923	

A Street

1	183	AS	Paul Dornburg	Grey Cayman GTS	55.605	92.289	993	T
2	83	AS	Carolyn Dornburg	Grey Cayman GTS	60.335	99.972	917	

Classic American Muscle Contemporary

1	5	CAM-C	Daniel Evenson	Blk Mustang Cobra	60.152	100.836	909	T
2	79	CAM-C	Dave Lehrschall	Red Mustang GT	61.750	102.758	892	

Classic American Muscle Traditional

1	91	CAM-T	Drew Gerth	White Firebird	63.823	105.852	866	T
2	65	CAM-T	Chris Copp	Silver Chevelle	73.860	121.767	752	
3	82	CAM-T	Ron Davis	Red Mustang GT	75.245	127.385	750	

B Street & B Street Ladies

1	42	BS	Jon Schwartze	White M2	55.351	91.625	1000	T
2	3	BS	Jr. Crowe	Red Cayman S	56.042	91.841	998	T
3	182	BS	Scott Campbell	Yellow Supra	57.519	94.901	965	T
4	20	BS	Barry Beaman	Red GR Supra	57.759	94.623	968	
5	4	BS	Joel Wasser	Black Civic Type R	57.959	95.201	962	
6	6	BS	Richard Grav	Red M2	58.965	96.735	947	
7	3	BSL	MacKenzi Crowe	Red Cayman S	59.752	98.151	934	
8	82	BS	Jacob Campbell	Yellow Supra	59.954	98.555	930	

C Street & F Street

1	26	CS	Jim Cannon	Red Corvette	62.439	101.605	902	T
2	1	FS	Larry Pearsall	Silver Mustang GT	76.151	125.327	750	

D Street

1	71	DS	Don Beaman	Wr Blue BRZ-tS	58.505	95.635	958	T
2	51	DS	Ernie Roales	Blue Elantra N	58.946	97.059	944	
3	21	DS	Steve Backer	White FR-S	61.431	100.139	915	

G Street Touring & G Street

1	39	GST	Kevin Rector	Red GTI	64.191	104.034	881	T
2	80	GS	Bob Sonntag	Matte Gray GV80	65.036	103.439	886	
3	17	GST	Cameron Davis	Black Fiesta ST	65.126	107.578	852	

E Street

1	12	ES	David Wheelock	Yellow MR2	62.616	99.255	923	T
2	1	ES	Bill Wheelock	Yellow MR2	63.571	102.874	891	

Weekend Member Division

Indexed Time

1	1	WSST	Johnathan Wilkie	Silver Supra	127.151	106.425	T
2	61	WSST	Nathan McClain	Silver Supra	126.124	105.566	T
3	9	WSST	Drew Linscott	Silver Supra	125.590	105.119	
4	9	WEST	Justin Cooper	Silver Civic	145.580	118.648	

Results – AX4 – “A Course with No Name” – by Jon Schwartz

Class Results Summary
A Course With No Name
Mid-American Air Center
Jon Schwartz

July 27, 2025

Car	Class	Driver	Car	Best Time	Autocross	
					Time	Pts

E Prepared & Super Street Modified

1	274	EP	Darion Vowels	Silver Cooper S	52.480	91.767	864	T
2	21	SSM	Karl Yetka	Green Country	59.314	106.767	750	

Xtreme Street A

1	27	XA	Jarrold Davis	Grey 350Z	48.233	82.145	966	T
2	74	XA	Samantha Vowels	Blue 86	55.776	95.193	833	

Super Street Touring & Classic American Muscle Sports

1	116	SST	James Nichols	Silver Supra	48.918	82.080	967	T
2	44	CAM-S	Tyler Newbury	Yel Z51 Corvette	52.626	90.185	880	
3	81	CAM-S	Sean Reising	Black Corvette	55.152	93.228	851	

Super Street

1	77	SS	John McCarthy	Org Z06 Corvette	50.419	84.555	938	T
2	6	SS	Jeff Jackson	White GT3	50.512	84.906	934	

A Street & B Street Touring

1	83	AS	Paul Dornburg	Grey Cayman GTS	49.428	82.202	965	T
2	77	BST	Michael Lukens	White Focus RS	50.771	84.956	934	

Classic American Muscle Traditional

1	91	CAM-T	Drew Gerth	White Firebird	55.163	92.353	859	T
2	65	CAM-T	Chris Copp	Silver Chevelle	60.726	102.315	775	
3	82	CAM-T	Ron Davis	Red Mustang GT	61.719	103.890	764	

B Street

1	42	BS	Jon Schwartz	White M2	48.135	79.332	1000	T
2	3	BS	Jr. Crowe	Red Cayman S	48.521	80.440	986	T
3	6	BS	Richard Grav	Red M2	50.103	82.694	959	T
4	182	BS	Scott Campbell	Yellow Supra	50.399	82.672	960	
5	4	BS	Joel Wasser	Black Civic Type R	50.842	83.337	952	
6	82	BS	Jacob Campbell	Yellow Supra	50.981	84.160	943	
7	20	BS	Barry Beaman	Red GR Supra	51.307	84.591	938	
8	3	BS	MacKenzi Crowe	Red Cayman S	52.097	85.589	927	

C Street & F Street

1	26	CS	Jim Cannon	Red Corvette	53.071	87.601	906	T
2	1	FS	Larry Pearsall	Silver Mustang GT	63.642	104.727	758	

D Street & G Street Touring

1	71	DS	Don Beaman	Wr Blue BRZ-tS	50.606	82.266	964	T
2	51	DS	Ernie Roales	Blue Elantra N	51.389	84.012	944	T
3	163	DS	Brent Sturgeon	Red GR86	52.683	85.788	925	
4	21	DS	Steve Backer	White FR-S	53.327	86.777	914	
5	39	GST	Kevin Rector	Red GTI	54.789	88.994	891	
6	63	DS	Dawn Sturgeon	Red GR86	55.466	90.277	879	

E Street & G Street

1	12	ES	David Wheelock	Yellow MR2	56.347	90.011	881	T
2	80	GS	Bob Sonntag	Matte Gray GV80	56.913	90.381	878	

Historic Classic Street

1	14	HCS	David Moody	White 914	56.935	90.263	879	T
2	11	HCS	Bill Wheelock	Blue 914	63.605	100.443	790	

Weekend Member Division

Combined T Indexed Time

1	1	SST	John Wilkie	Silver Supra	101.466	84.927		T
2	161	SST	Jace Boyce	Silver Supra	104.710	87.642		T
3	6	SST	Adrian Almeida	Silver Supra	105.722	88.489		T
4	16	SST	Brian Cooper	Silver Supra	106.017	88.736		
5	11	SST	Jonah Dyer	Silver Supra	107.879	90.295		
6	87	CAM-C	Tyler Wyatt	Purple Mustang	122.192	100.808		
7	30	SSM	Dale Earley	Black Miata	128.482	112.807		

SIR/SCCA 2025 Calendar

NOTE: All autocross dates are provisional! (Awaiting MAAC & FAA/ILDOT approval.)

Date	Day	Time	Event	Location
August				
8.03	Sun	12:30 PM	Rally -- Championship Event 4 of 7 "Riding the Storm Out" by Team Lehrschall	Penn Station Subs 4827 Davis Lant Dr, Evansville, IN
8.05	Tue	6:30 PM	Board Meeting - All members welcome.	ZOOM - Contact treasurer@sirsgcca.org for the link.
8.09	Sat		"Red Moon" Rally	Troy, IL
8.12	Tue	6:15 PM	Membership Meeting at The Log Inn. Reservations req'd. Email treasurer@sirsgcca.org . Business meeting follows dinner.	The Log Inn 12491 County Road 200 East, Warrenton, IN
8.16	Sat		"CAST in Stone" Rally (Perhaps as a National or Divisional event.)	Alliance, OH
8.17	Sun		KYR Points Solo #6	NCM, Bowling Green, KY
8.24	Sun	9:00 AM	AX -- Championship Event 5 of 7 by MacKenzi Crowe	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville, IL
8.26	Tue	6:30 PM	Board Meeting - All members welcome.	ZOOM - Contact treasurer@sirsgcca.org for the link.
8.29	Fri		"Tulips by Night" Divisional Tour Rally	Columbia, IL
8.30	Sat		TBD - Divisional Course Rally	Columbia, IL
8.31	Sun		TBD - Divisional Game/Tour/Adventure Rally	Columbia, IL
September				
9.01	Mon		Labor Day	
9.01	Mon		2025 Solo Nationals - Travel/Prep Day	
9.02	Tue		2025 Solo Nationals - Competition Day	Lincoln Air Park, Lincoln, NE
9.03	Wed		2025 Solo Nationals - Competition Day	Lincoln Air Park, Lincoln, NE
9.04	Thu		2025 Solo Nationals - Competition Day	Lincoln Air Park, Lincoln, NE
9.05	Fri		2025 Solo Nationals - Competition Day	Lincoln Air Park, Lincoln, NE
9.05	Fri		"Press On Regardless - Friday" National Tour Rally	Gaylord, MI
9.06	Sat		2025 Solo Nationals - Travel Day	
9.06	Sat		"Press On Regardless - Saturday" National Tour Rally	Gaylord, MI
9.07	Sun	9:00 AM	Cars & Coffee	Washington Square Mall, Evansville, IN
9.09	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, IN
9.14	Sun	9:00 AM	AX -- Championship Event 6 of 7 "Quick & Dirty, v9.14" by Ernie Roales	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville, IL
9.20	Sat		"Oktoberally" National Course Rally	Viroqua, WI
9.21	Sun		"Badger Coulees" National Tour Rally	Viroqua, WI
9.28	Sun	9:00 AM	AX -- Championship Event 7 of 7 "Points Racing" by Bob Sonntag	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville, IL
October				
10.05	Sun	9:00 AM	AX -- Fun "Mirrorcross" Autocross / Rain Date	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville, IL
10.07	Tue	6:30 PM	Board Meeting - All members welcome.	ZOOM - Contact treasurer@sirsgcca.org for the link.
10.14	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.	
10.19	Sun	12:30 PM	Rally -- Championship Event 5 of 7 "INKY Roads" by Team Davis	Arby's, 8055 Highway 66, Newburgh, IN
10.26	Sun	12:30 PM	Rally -- Championship Event 6 of 7 by Jim Cannon	Casey's, 304 East Main St, Petersburg, IN
November				
11.02	Sun	9:00 AM	Cars & Coffee	Washington Square Mall, Evansville, IN
11.04	Tue	6:30 PM	Board Meeting - All members welcome.	ZOOM - Contact treasurer@sirsgcca.org for the link.
11.09	Sun	12:30 PM	Rally -- Championship Event 7 of 7 by Team Crowe	TBD
11.11	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, IN
11.27	Thu		Thanksgiving	
December				
12.02	Tue	6:30 PM	Board Meeting - All members welcome.	ZOOM - Contact treasurer@sirsgcca.org for the link.
12.05	Fri	TBD	December Membership Meeting & Awards Banquet	Rolling Hills Country Club, Newburgh, IN
12.07	Sun	9:00 AM	Cars & Coffee	Washington Square Mall, Evansville, IN
12.09	Tue	5:45 PM 7:00 PM	Membership Meeting & Awards Banquet -- Perhaps? 2026 Planning?	TBD
12.24	Tue		Christmas Eve	
12.25	Wed		Christmas	
12.31	Tue		New Year's Eve	

All SIR/SCCA events are open to all (a weekend membership is available to non-SCCA members. Our championship events are simply those offering points towards our end-of-year championship trophies. There's no extra registration requirement. Email info@sirsgcca.org your questions about our events.

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Notes from the Director's Chair Area 4 Director Update for August 2025

I will be very busy in August. I'll visit the OVR Double Regional at MidOhio as well as be the Pace Car driver for two events at Grattan later in the month. Throw in that we will be moving my 86-year-old Mother to be closer to us and it'll be a trying month all around.

I also have a couple of announcements to make. After consultation with my BoD colleagues, I have decided to accept their offer and assume the role of Club Racing Board (CRB) Chair permanently. I was installed back in January on an interim basis. Since then, I have enjoyed the role a lot more than I had expected. Making this announcement adds clarity to the Club Racing program at a time of flux as we conclude the 2025 season and prepare for the 2026 season.

As I know I cannot effectively occupy both roles at the same time, I will resign my position as Area 4 Director on 12/31/25. I have informed the BoD Chair (Bob Crawford) of these decisions. This timeline will allow the Board to find a successor and have a seamless transition. I will continue to serve as your director for the remainder of the year so please reach out to me if you have any issues that you think need my attention. Here's what I did since my last report.....

Video Conference Meetings:

- Club Racing Board (CRB) (7/1): We discussed a variety of data acquisition issues (Runoffs plans, cars that were difficult to collect data, long term plans, etc.). The group continued to focus on the face-to-face meeting which would be held at the end of the month in Kansas City (see below). We worked on the agenda and logistics (getting folks to and from the airport to our downtown hotel). We discussed some balance of performance (BoP) in the Prototype class. We added some motors to the GT2 class as well. The results of all of the CRB rules changes can be seen [here](#).
- Electrified Vehicle Advisory Committee (EVAC) (7/9): We reviewed EV safety information that will be added as modules to the Solo Safety Steward and RallyX Safety Steward refresher training courses. We also began the process of creating an Emergency Resource Guide (ERG) template for bespoke cars that would compete in SCCA events. This would allow builders to have an easy-to-follow plan when creating the ERG for their racecar. ERGs are created by manufacturers so customers have information about all sorts of features that might need to be highlighted should someone tow or work on that particular vehicle.
- Production Advisory Committee (PAC) (7/22): As I had not sat in on an advisory committee (AC) meeting before, I thought I would join to understand how they operate. There are several ACs that report to the CRB. Each one has a category or class that it oversees. As a long time production car racer, I thought this would be a good place to start as I had experience in the category and knew most of the members of the AC.
- Board of Directors (7/28): As we met face to face last week (see below), we did not have our regularly scheduled monthly Zoom meeting.

SCCA Events:

- CRB Meeting (7/24, 7/25): We held a two-day meeting in Kansas City. We met all day on 7/24 and used the morning of 7/25 to finish things up. I was bouncing back and forth between meetings on 7/25 as the BoD held its meeting at the same time.
We discussed a variety of things. How would we handle data collection? Both short term after the retirement of Glen Thielke and long term. Would we be able to effectively collect data from all classes so good BoP could be incorporated? We discussed the "Open Letter" that I wrote to the drivers corps asking for more involvement. Sydney Davis Yagel had sent out a survey to 7300 drivers and we examined those responses for guidance on program policy. We reviewed the license structure for Club Racing as well as Race Experience programs and how they could tie together. We discussed the driver's school requirements so each new driver would be armed with the same information when entering their first SCCA event.
- BoD meeting (7/25, 7/26): Like the CRB, we held a two-day meeting in Kansas City. This was two whole days as we had a very full agenda on our hands. It also included some team building exercises since we were in downtown KC and not isolated way out at the airport.

Like the CRB meeting, we had a wide variety of topics on our plate. In no particular order, here are a few of the topics discussed.

- We heard from our lawyers about various cases the club is involved with currently.
- A steady, yearlong reduction in entries across all of our programs had led to a lower than expected (budgeted) revenue from event sanction fees. Budgets have been revised, and we should be able to catch up by the end of the year.
- Our new IT guy (Kevn Dayo) reported about several ways he has increased security on our systems. To this computer illiterate layman, all of this sounded like science fiction, but it has been quite effective. He has been a great addition to the national office staff.
- Our marketing guru (Kristen Poole) updated us on how the new website is coming along. Its revision will allow us to be more effective in reaching members and supply them with pertinent information. Her marketing skills are amazing, and she deserves a lot of credit for guiding this essential department and making it more relevant in the past few years.
- Eric Prill brought us up to speed on the status of the Club Racing program. Like other programs, entries are down this season. This is due to various factors (economic uncertainty, travel costs, entry costs, etc.). We discussed ways to enhance the program while maintaining its vision.
- We dedicated most of Saturday (7/26) to the SCCA Foundation. Clay Turner (BoD Vice Chair) spearheaded the discussion and helped us gain focus on how the foundation could be more effective in its stated goals.
- We adjourned around 2p so we could, as a group, have a team building exercise. Kansas City is a wonderful city to visit. It has a nice variety of museums, sports, nightlife and other activities. We would go to the World War I museum. The group had a wonderful time, and it was the kind of experience that we just couldn't do when our meetings were at the KC airport Marriott. We all got to know each other a bit better. We finished off the weekend by dining together at the hotel's restaurant.

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2025 Rookies		Rookie Points	Percent Captured	Meeting	Autocross	Rally
1	David Wheelock	12	20%	0	12	0
2	Bill Wheelock	9	15%	0	9	0
3	Michael Lukens	7	11%	1	6	0
4	Chris Copp	6	10%	0	6	0
5	Robert Chapin	2	3%	0	2	0
6	Dennis Duncan	0	0%	0	0	0
7	Larry Kirk	0	0%	0	0	0
8	Tim Nygaard	0	0%	0	0	0
9	Lauren Scott	0	0%	0	0	0

A traveling "Rookie Trophy" will be awarded to the new member attaining the highest point average during his or her first year of competition. The "year" for rookie points runs from June through November. The Rookie of the Year award is presented to the member earning the greatest percentage of Berry Points in the member's first full

calendar year of SCCA membership while seventeen years of age or older. Berry Points reflect participation and performance and cover all of our club's activities. Those that join the Southern Indiana region in the last half of the year (July through December) are considered rookies in the following calendar year. New members are encouraged to enter events and gain some experience prior to their rookie "year."

The highest point average will be calculated by dividing the total number of Participation and Event points (Berry Points) accumulated by the rookie by the number of point events and meetings in which the new member was eligible to participate. To be eligible, a new member must have been able to compete in at least four (4) point competition events. New members not meeting this requirement will be considered "rookies" for the following calendar year. Points shall be accumulated according to Section II paragraph C of the SIR Competition Regulations.

2025 Berry Points

		Total	Meeting	Fun	Work	AX	Rally
	Member Name	Berry Points	Berry Points	Berry Points	Berry Points	Berry Points	Berry Points
1	Jr. Crowe	58	7	0	15	17	19
2	Bob Sonntag	51	7	5	15	8	16
3	ERnie Roales	50	5	2	15	15	13
4	Paul Dornburg	46	6	0	15	20	5
5	Steve Backer	41	6	0	15	11	9
6	Jim Cannon	39	0	2	15	9	13
7	Terry Davis	33	5	0	10	2	16
8	Carolyn Dornburg	32	6	0	15	6	5
8	Bill Wheelock (R)	32	3	0	15	14	0
10	Larry Pearsall	31	6	0	10	8	7
10	Jon Schwartze	31	6	0	10	15	0
12	Jarrold Davis	30	5	0	5	20	0
13	Drew Gerth	30	0	0	10	20	0
14	John McCarthy	29	3	0	10	16	0
15	Jeff Jackson	27	5	0	10	12	0
16	Kevin Rector	26	0	0	10	16	0
17	Don Beaman	22	0	0	5	17	0
17	Richard Grav	22	0	0	10	12	0
17	Darion Vowels	22	0	0	5	17	0
20	Dave Lehrsall	21	3	5	0	4	9
21	David Moody	20	3	0	5	12	0
22	Barry Beaman	18	0	0	10	8	0
23	Scott Campbell	17	0	0	10	7	0
23	Cameron Davis	17	3	0	5	9	0
25	Michael Lukens	14	1	0	5	8	0
26	Samantha Vowels	13	0	0	5	8	0
26	David Wheelock (R)	13	1	0	0	12	0
28	Josie Crowe	12	3	0	0	0	9
29	Dawn Sturgeon	11	0	0	0	4	7
30	Daniel Evenson	10	0	0	0	10	0
30	James Nichols	10	0	0	0	10	0
30	Susan Roales	10	0	2	0	0	8
33	MacKenzi Crowe	9	0	0	5	4	0
34	Ron Davis	8	2	0	0	6	0
35	Suellyn Lehrsall	7	0	0	0	0	7
35	Malachai Mackay	7	0	0	5	2	0
35	Ryan Pearsall	7	0	0	0	0	7
35	Daniel Whited	7	0	0	0	0	7
39	Chris Copp (R)	6	0	0	0	6	0
39	George Lewis	6	1	0	5	0	0
39	Joel Wasser	6	0	0	0	6	0
42	Harold Davis	5	1	0	0	0	4
42	Karen Davis	5	1	0	0	0	4
44	Jacob Campbell	4	0	0	0	4	0
44	John Luke Crowe	4	4	0	0	0	0
46	Brent Sturgeon	3	1	0	0	2	0
47	Darlene Cannon	2	0	2	0	0	0
47	Robert Chapin (R)	2	0	0	0	2	0
47	Michelle Deutsch	2	0	0	0	2	0
47	Dennis Duncan (R)	2	0	0	0	2	0
47	James Hurm	2	0	0	0	0	2
47	Jim Hurm	2	0	0	0	0	2
47	Corey Marts	2	0	0	0	2	0
47	Chase Reising	2	0	0	0	2	0
47	Jeff Reising	2	0	0	0	2	0
47	Sean Reising	2	0	0	0	2	0
47	Emma Schwartze	2	2	0	0	0	0
47	Karl Yetka	2	0	0	0	2	0
59	James Shade	1	1	0	0	0	0
59	John Warren	1	1	0	0	0	0

2025 Autocross Points

	Driver	AX1	AX2	AX3	AX4	Total
1	Jr. Crowe	989	1000	998	986	3973
2	Paul Dornburg	977	986	993	965	3921
3	Jarrold Davis	965	983	978	966	3892
4	Don Beaman	935	957	958	964	3814
5	Barry Beaman	934	967	968	938	3807
6	Richard Grav	932	935	947	959	3773
7	ERnie Roales	933	947	944	944	3768
8	John McCarthy	908	927	945	938	3718
9	Michael Lukens	896	895	923	934	3648
10	Steve Backer	880	910	915	914	3619
11	Kevin Rector	876	886	881	891	3534
12	Bob Sonntag	873	878	886	878	3515
13	Bill Wheelock	888	918	891	790	3487
14	Drew Gerth	826	861	866	859	3412
15	Darion Vowels	790	866	877	864	3397
16	Larry Pearsall	750	750	750	758	3008
17	Jon Schwartze	1000	0	1000	1000	3000
18	Joel Wasser	941	0	962	952	2855
19	Scott Campbell	924	0	965	960	2849
20	Jeff Jackson	943	950	0	934	2827
21	Carolyn Dornburg	903	913	917	0	2733
22	David Moody	879	918	0	879	2676
23	Jim Cannon	849	0	902	906	2657
24	David Wheelock	0	850	923	881	2654
25	Cameron Davis	893	866	852	0	2611
26	Samantha Vowels	0	763	842	833	2438
27	Chris Copp	0	750	752	775	2277
28	James Nichols	0	931	0	967	1898
29	Jacob Campbell	0	0	930	943	1873
30	MacKenzi Crowe	0	0	934	927	1861
31	Dawn Sturgeon	0	913	0	879	1792
32	Daniel Evenson	872	0	909	0	1781
33	Dave Lehrsall	855	0	892	0	1747
34	Ron Davis	0	0	750	764	1514
35	Brent Sturgeon	0	0	0	925	925
36	Corey Marts	883	0	0	0	883
37	Malachai Mackay	876	0	0	0	876
38	Chase Reising	0	866	0	0	866
39	Sean Reising	0	0	0	851	851
40	Michelle Deutsch	0	848	0	0	848
41	Terry Davis	0	844	0	0	844
42	Jeff Reising	0	799	0	0	799
43	Robert Chapin	0	797	0	0	797
44	Dennis Duncan	775	0	0	0	775
45	Karl Yetka	0	0	0	750	750

Results for Rally #4 – “Riding the Storm Out” by Team Lehrschall

Riding the Storm Out by Bob Sonntag

Rallymaster Dave Lehrschall and RoadRally Safety Steward Suellyn Lehrschall presented our August 3rd rally. It was a route that was stormed out earlier. Not this time around. Dave's pre-event info teased that this rally offered high expectations for perfect checkpoint scores. I think almost everyone that's tried to write a "simple" rally tempts fate with such statements and dooms teams to higher-than-expected scores. NOT THIS TIME! Fifteen percent of the checkpoint scores turned out to be zero.

Eight teams competed. Three in our "equipped" (anything goes) class and the rest in our "B" (limited/stock equipment) class.

The event started with a bit of excitement when the Team Roales Corvette's just fixed ignition brake switch wasn't. Damn! Team Roales was to have been the first car out. While Ernie and Dave fiddled with the switch, Suellyn started the rest of the cars. As Terry and I staged, Ernie & Sue pulled to the end of the queue and would become the last car out. Phew! All is right again.

Dave told us he measured the route using the center of turns. Terry and I were off to a good start with a zero at the first checkpoint. We followed that with a 1 and then doubled our score with a 2. Damn! This capturing distances in turns is a challenge! It's a struggle to repeat the next route instruction, hold the instruction clipboard, hold the computer, and capture the mileage and time while Terry does his best to keep us on CAST at turns or quickly recover time lost at CAST-at-Stop RIs.

A little adjustment or two and we zero the next two controls. HOT DAMN!! Checkpoint-wise we're 5/8s of the way through the rally and rockin' just a THREE!!

We make a turn and see regulars Greg & Terri Wilkins from Ohio less than one minute ahead of us. They are three cars (which should be six minutes) ahead of us and they are not. Perhaps they've had an off. Hmmm. We'd not seen them at the rest break a bit earlier. I start the "are we going to have to take a TA to drop back?" conversation as it seems we are catching them on the way to "Acute Right at 3rd Opp." Terry suggests we wait. Neither of us wants a TA marring our best-ever score. The acute right is after a bend in the road. We make the acute right. Team Wilkins has vanished. Hmmm. We complete the next two or three instructions and AH-HAH! It's a loop. It's a loop that actually put a leading car in view of a following car. Coolness! Oh, how I've tried to do that only to have cars not be on time. Well done Team Lehrschall.

Anyway, Terry and I finished the last three controls with three more points; doubles our score again! Damn! HOWEVER!!!!...for the FIRST TIME EVER, we finished a route with a single-digit total score! HOT DAMN!! Heck, we even bettered our car number.

At the post-route social, Team Lehrschall presented Zero bars for those with zero checkpoint scores. From the inventory they had, they *really* did expect lots of perfect checkpoint scores. As the checkpoint scores show, all those that ran the rally did do well. Everyone under three minutes over eight controls and 80 miles. Most teams achieved at least one zero. Alright!!

There's now a bit of a hiatus in the SIR rally action. Our season resumes with "INKY Roads" by Team Davis on October 19th. On October 26th we have Jim Cannon's rally in Petersburg, Indiana. Our rally season wraps-up with a rally by Team Crowe on November 9th. Come be a part of the fun!

Riding the Storm Out

Dave Lehrschall, Rallymaster
Suellyn Lehrschall, Road Rally Safety Steward
August 3, 2025

Driver / Navigator	Class	Ckpt 1	Ckpt 2	Ckpt 3	Ckpt 4	Ckpt 5	Ckpt 6	Ckpt 7	Ckpt 8	Total
1 Terry Davis / Bob Sonntag (#7)	A	0	+1	+2	0	0	+2	0	+1	6
2 Harold Davis / Karen Davis (#6)	A	-2	+1	+7	+2	0	+3	0	+2	17
3 Dawn Sturgeon / Jim Cannon (#5)	A	+17	0	+57 *	-4	-2	+2	-1	+2	85
1 Daniel Whited / Betsy Whited (#8)	B	+12	-3	+14	0	-2	0	+11	+7	49
2 Jr Crowe / Josie Crowe (#3)	B	+6 *	+6	+19	+8	-5	+2	+20	+7	73
3 Greg Wilkins / Terri Wilkins (#4)	B	+17 *	+11	-9	-3	-18	+9 *	+12	+6	85
4 Ernie Roales / Sue Roales (#1)	B	+11 *	0	+1	+6	+6	+7	+59 *	-3	93
5 Larry Pearsall / Ryan Pearsall (#2)	B	-1 *	+24	-7 *	+25 *	+19	+18	+68	+11	173

Richta CP Numbers: 3 4 6 8 9 10 12 13
Leg Times: 10:42.395 5:42.708 14:39.196 15:14.671 8:44.375 11:57.923 9:01.268 9:21.720

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

2025 Road Rally Points

Competitor	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	Total
1 Jr. Crowe	5	5	5	4	0	0	0	19
2 Terry Davis	5	2	4	5	0	0	0	16
2 Bob Sonntag	5	2	4	5	0	0	0	16
4 Jim Cannon	4	2	5	2	0	0	0	13
4 ERnie Roales	2	4	5	2	0	0	0	13
6 Steve Backer	2	2	5	0	0	0	0	9
6 Josie Crowe	5	0	0	4	0	0	0	9
6 Dave Lehrschall	2	2	0	5	0	0	0	9
9 Susan Roales	2	4	0	2	0	0	0	8
10 Suellyn Lehrschall	0	2	0	5	0	0	0	7
10 Larry Pearsall	2	3	0	2	0	0	0	7
10 Ryan Pearsall	2	3	0	2	0	0	0	7
10 Dawn Sturgeon	0	0	5	2	0	0	0	7
10 Daniel Whited	0	0	2	5	0	0	0	7
15 Paul Dornburg	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	5
15 Carolyn Dornburg	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	5
17 Harold Davis	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	4
17 Karen Davis	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	4
19 James Hurm	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
19 Jim Hurm	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2

TLDR

- GET AN ANNUAL **WAIVER**!!! 72 members have their 2025 waiver, 1 more than last month! You don't have to be an SCCA member to get an annual waiver.
- If you have an annual waiver you don't need to execute the SpeedWaiver. They are one in the same. If you forget to select "No" in the waiver area of the MSR application, just ignore the text message you will get.
- 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!
- Solo Course Designer Training is now available. In 2026 you will need to complete this course in order to design an autocross course. More information here: [SCCA Course Design](#)
- 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.

- Our new autocross timing system has all kinds of information available. For instance, at AX4 we had 4 heats. Heat 1 was 48 minutes long, heat 2 was 43 minutes long, heat 3 was 38 minutes long, and heat 4 was 43 minutes long. The changeover from heat 1 to 2 was 16 minutes. The lunch break was 48 minutes. The changeover from heat 3 to 4 was 15 minutes. The 1st of the day run was at 11:21 am and the last run was at 3:32 pm. I was headed home about 4:20 pm.

For Sale: Jimmy Wooldridge Datsun.

It has been some time since I have chimed in to the group - but I wanted to share that I believe it is time to find the next custodian of my 1971 Datsun 510. There is a lot that could be said of this car and a lot of you probably know quite a bit of the history to it already. I have made a dedicated page for the car on my own website with images and as many details as possible. The link is below.

<https://www.james-wooldridge.com/blog/1971-datsun-510-solo-racer>

Please feel free to share or reach out. It would be fastest to email me through the website form, the email below, or feel free to send me a text at the listed number (but please let me know if you heard about it via SIR)

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Thanks,

James Wooldridge





Jeff Jackson and Terry Davis recently went to the Porsche Parade in Oklahoma City, OK. Jeff finished 2nd in his autocross class. Here he is with his trophy. Maybe he will tell us about it at the August club meeting.

The Davis Family Mustang, formerly the red Tim Green Mustang, driven at our autocrosses by Ron Davis.



Long time SCCA member Barry Schonberger is our local Koni Dealer. Let him know if you need shocks for your car. teamtiger21@aol.com



John Warren is flying the SIR sticker at a car get together.

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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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