

PITBOARD



November 2018

SBR Elections on November 6th

As 2018 winds down it's time to think about electing South Bend Region(SBR) officers for the 2019 calendar year. Our Regional Executive(RE), Erika Engler has decided not to run for RE again, so she will assume a position on the board as past RE. In addition to RE, there will be three board positions open for 2019.

The only requirement to run for either RE or a board position are that you must be a SBR member in good standing. It would be helpful if you were enthusiastic, passionate and active in the club in some capacity. Bottom line...we would love to have you run for a position if you would like to make the SBR better!

If you would like to run, please contact our RE, Erika Engler at re@sbrscca.org and she will put you on the ballot. Or you can show up to Tuesday's membership meeting and express interest in running for RE or the board. The SBR Board meets at 6:00 pm and the General Membership Meeting is held at Beef O' Brady's at 7:00 pm. The location can be found on the inside cover of this publication.



Yes, free food at the November 6th meeting. Bring a guest!

SBR Annual Banquet January 12th

Save the date for SBR's Annual Banquet. Details are being worked out, but here's what we know. We will be at Juday Creek Country Club in Granger and it will be an evening event. We will recognize the Top 20 in Activity Points, award traveling trophies and hand out a bunch of Solo trophies for the SBR Solo Series. This is a semi-formal event so make sure something besides your jeans still fit after the holidays.

SCCA National Convention

The SCCA National Convention returns to Las Vegas on January 17-19, 2019 at South Point Resort and Casino. Last year SBR sent a strong contingent to Las Vegas and we hope to do the same this coming January. Who should go? Anybody who wishes to take on a leadership position or is in a leadership position in the club and wants to improve their skills. Typically, the club has picked up conference registration, lodging and a majority of your airfare. If you're interested in attending, contact our Regional Executive, Erika Engler at re@sbrscca.org.

What's Needed for 2019?

You. We need you. We are always looking for enthusiastic individuals that would like to make a greater contribution to the club. We can train you in any area that you may have an interest; Solo Chair, Assistant Race Chair, Time Trials Chair, Solo Tech Chief, Solo Trophy Chief, Solo Timing and Scoring Chief, Solo Safety Steward, Race Tech, Race Timing and Scoring, Race Registrar, Sound Chief, Chief of Course, PitBoard Editor, Board Secretary. We are always looking for new people with fresh ideas. Contact Erika Engler if you're interested: re@sbrscca.org.

2019 Race Season Takes New Turn

Our Majors race(formerly known as Nationals) have been held in July a long time. I don't know exactly how long, but I'm pretty sure Paul McBride could tell you. Due to events beyond our control, we(DET and SBR) will be changing our race program in an effort to make our weekends more attractive to racers and workers alike.

Our Bert Olson Majors race will be held on May 18-19 at GingerMan Raceway. Here's why. The Cat Majors has been held on the last weekend of July at Road America for decades. For 2019, the management at Road America told SCCA that their date has been given to somebody else and the Cat Major will now be on July 13-14, or the weekend right after our traditional date of July 6-7. On top of that, there is also a double regional race at Mid Ohio on July 13-14.

To make things even worse, July 4th is on Thursday in 2019 and we all know how big of a holiday that is for families in the Midwest. You can see how this is becoming a puzzle.

Why May 18-19? That weekend was available and it is two weeks after the Blackhawk Majors and two weeks before the Mid Ohio Super Tour. It gives racers a week off and time to prep their cars. Why not some time in June? With the June Sprints on June 14-16 that would make June 29-30 a possibility. But that date at GingerMan was not available. We felt August was too late as most racers heading to the Runoffs at Virginia International Raceway would park their cars by then.

Where does that leave our Double Regional? Short answer is July 20-21. But, it's not that simple and to be honest, this date still worries me a little. But, we are going to make it work. Here's how it will pan out.

The Motor State Challenge will be held on Friday, July 19 at GingerMan Raceway. This Time Trial event will run during the day just as it has in the past.

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SBR MONTHLY MEETINGS

Where: Beef 'O'Brady's
12479 State Rd 23
Granger, IN
Days: First Tuesday of month
Time: 6:00 pm board meeting
7:00 pm general meeting
Who: All are welcome!

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SBR Calendar

2018

November
6 Club Meeting-Elections/Free Food
December
4 Club Meeting

2019

January
12 SBR Awards Banquet
17-19 SCCA National Convention
February
5 Club Meeting
March
5 Club Meeting
April
2 Club Meeting
May
7 Club Meeting
18-19 Bert Olson Majors @ GingerMan
June
4 Club Meeting
July
2 Club Meeting(Tentative)
19-20 Motor State Challenge @ GingerMan
20-21 Double Regional @ GingerMan
27-28 SCCA Time Trials @ GingerMan
August
6 Club Meeting
September
3 Club Meeting
October
1 Karting @ MRP

FREE DUES

We started it! Hold one of the following positions; National Race Worker, Pit-Board Editor, Race Chair, Street Survival Chair, RE, Solo Chair, Treasurer or Webmaster. Half off dues for: Activity Points Keeper, Division Race Worker, Secretary and various Solo Chief positions.



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Buy Tires-Help SBR

When purchasing items from The Tire Rack, first go to our web site at www.sbrscca.org, click on the Tire Rack link at the bottom of the page and then make your purchases. By doing so, the South Bend Region will earn a little extra dough!

Race Workers Travel Fund

SBR members that work another region's race may be compensated for their travel expenses as listed below:

Grattan	\$75
Mid Ohio	\$150
Corvette Museum	\$225

Go to the following link, download a form and follow the directions. <http://www.sbrscca.org/new/club-racing/>

Getting SBR Activity Points

Activity	Points	Activity	Points
Race Chair	400	Car Show Display	75
Assistant Race Chair	200	Solo Co-Chair	75
PitBoard Editor	200	Race Worker/day	50
Website Manager	200	SBR Race Driver	50
Race Chief of Specialty	200	PitBoard Article/page	40
Associate PitBoard Editor	100	Rally/Solo Worker	40
Rally Series Chair	100	SBR Meeting Attendance	20
Solo Chair	100	Car Show Booth/day	20
Solo Series Specialty Chief	100	Rally Navigator	20
Event Chair	100	Race Crew/day	20
Program Director	100	Rally/Solo Driver	20
Club Officer	100	Race/Solo Meeting	20
Event Co-Chair	75	RoundTable/Worker Seminar	20
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On Friday evening, GingerMan will run a SCCA session for SCCA racers.

On Saturday morning, the Motor State Challenge will continue at GingerMan as they run a TrackCross. With the use of the Solo timing lights, competitors will have a standing start and a flying finish. Best run counts. We expect this portion of the Motor State Challenge to be done by 11:00 am or so. Scott Wahlstrom checked with his competitors and they are super excited to finish their weekend at GingerMan. It should also help the SBR volunteer staff since it's been difficult for us to round up enough volunteers to run the autocross at The Tire Rack.

SCCA activities will start at noon on Saturday with regional qualifying followed by regional races. We expect to be done on Saturday evening around 7:00 pm. Sunday will be the same as past years with qualifying races and regional races.

Is this different than the past? You bet. But we haven't seen a ton of growth on our regional weekend so perhaps a change will help attendance. Plus, this gives the Motor State Challenge folks a chance to see what SCCA racers do and vice-versa. Maybe we will see some cross-over in the future?

SCCA Time Trials National Tour

South Bend and Detroit regions will be teaming up on July 27-28 to help put on the SCCA Time Trial Nationals Tour at GingerMan Raceway. According to scca.com, GingerMan will be one of ten stops at tracks around the country. While the details are being worked out, we've committed to helping in some fashion to help make the SCCA Time Trials grow.

SBR Went Karting



According to my records, this is our 9th year of SBR karting at Michiana Raceway Park in South Bend. Besides having fun, the idea behind this event is to offer people a benefit of being a SBR member.

In recent years we have also rewarded members for volunteering for the Motor State Challenge, Tire Rack Street Survival or one of our road races. The fee was only \$20 if you worked one of those events. This is an absolute steal when you consider how much it would cost you to rent one of MRP's Rock Karts for 30 minutes of track time.

Nineteen SBR members showed up, we picked teams and we were off to the races.

Place	Team
1st	Cody Miller and Jonathan Shreiner
2nd	Jordan Fritsch and Ricky Orr
3rd	Kelly Galloway and Joe Sawyer
4th	Dave Gushwa and Mark Manninen
5th	Ross Bollinger
6th	Caleb Mullauer and Dave Bowman
7th	Steve Bollinger and Jeff Luckritz
8th	Adam Lewis and Paul McBride
9th	Rich Hammond and Dave Ferris
10th	Erika Engler and Scott Jackson



SBR Official Absentee Ballot-SBR Members Only

Directions: If you cannot make the November 6th South Bend Region, SCCA Membership meeting you may use this ballot to cast your vote. Please send your ballot to H.C. Colwell either via e-mail: h.c.colwell@sbcglobal.net or via US Postal Service to: 61642 Kingston Ct., South Bend, IN 46614-6445

Regional Executive (vote for one)

_____ Paul McBride

_____ (Write-in)

Board of Directors (vote for not more than three)

_____ Steve Bollinger (incumbent)

_____ Mark Manninen

_____ Dave Gushwa (incumbent)

_____ Brian Tack

_____ Jeff Luckritz(incumbent)

_____ (write-in)