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RE Report July

It's finally summer and I hope you are where you think you should be for your competition season. I am not. After significant transmission upgrades to my race car, I encountered an electrical problem preventing me from the first few autocrosses and Time Trial. As of yesterday, the problem is fixed, and I will be hitting the track at the SCCA Time Trials Nation Tour at Gingerman on July 16th – 17th with no test time in the car. I guess I will just "Send It" and see what happens! It won't be the first time and probably not the last. Best laid plans and such.

June saw our solo group run our 3rd event at Tire Rack, a successful Track Night in America, and our annual South Bend Cubs ballgame outing. July gets pretty busy for our club with another TNIA event Thursday 7/14, Lane Motorstate Challenge 7/14-7/16, TT National Tour 7/16-17, and our Major's road race at Gingerman 7/23-24. We get to catch our breath for one weekend then we are on to the Annual Hoosier Challenge/GLDiv Solo weekend 8/6-7 where is SBR is the host region this year.

On the business side, we have set a date for an audit of the club financials and you can expect a report on this at the August club meeting on Tuesday 8/2 at Beef O'Bradys. I will also give a brief summary of the quarterly RE meeting hosted by the national office at the monthly meeting.

I know we are having fun and we would like to hear about your adventures. Please consider writing up a brief article or send in photos of you having fun with SBR this summer and send them in to Dennis Jennings, our PitBoard editor, at pitboard@sbrscca.org.

I look forward to see you at the next event. Stay cool, stay safe and have fun.

Mark Manninen, RE South Bend Region SCCA

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NEW MEMBERS

Mark Krummel of Valparaiso, In.

John Marley of New Carlisle, In.

Welcome to SBR/SCCA—Hope to see you soon.

SBR Monthly Meetings

We meet every first Tuesday of the month at Beef O’Brady’s

12479 State Road 23

Granger, In

6:00—Board Meeting followed at 7:00 P.M.—general membership meeting

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RACE WORKERS TRAVEL FUND

SBR workers that work other region’s races may be compensated for their travel expenses as listed below:

Grattan	\$75.00
Mid-Ohio	\$150.00
Corvette Museum	\$225.00

Go to the following link, download the form and follow the instructions

<http://www.sbrscca.org/new/club>

2022 Schedule

July

5— Member Meeting—7:00 P.M.

14/15/16—Lane Motorstate Challenge

22/23/24— SBR Majors Race at Gingerman

August

6—SBR— Great Lakes Div. Solo—Grissom

7—Hoosier Challenge—Grissom

11— TNIA—Gingerman

21—Solo—Tire Rack

September

6— Member Meeting—7:00 P.M.

15— TNIA—Gingerman

18— SBR SOLO at Tire Rack

October

4— Member Meeting—7:00 P.M.

16— SBR Solo at Tire Rack

November

1—Member Meeting—7:00 P.M.

December

6—Member Meeting—7:00 P.M.

Free Dues

We started it! Hold one of the following positions and get your dues back.

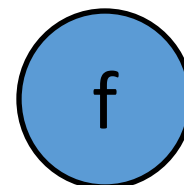
R.E.; National Race worker license; Race Chair; PitBoard Editor; Street Survival Chair; or Treasurer.

Half off dues for Activity Points Keeper; Divisional Race worker license; Secretary; and various solo positions.

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GETTING SBR ACTIVITY POINTS

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Points</u>
Race Chair	400	Car Show Display	75
Assistant Race Chair	200	Solo Co-Chair	75
PitBoard Editor	200	Race Worker/per 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 Worker / 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	Round Table/Worker— Seminar	20
		PitBoard Picture/ article	10

NOT A MEMBER?

Join today at SCCA.com and choose South Bend Region as your home region

Solo Update:

Hard to believe we have completed 3 of our 8 events already! Time sure does fly! Solo takes off the month of July, but comes back with 3 days of action in August.

August 6th @ Grissom – This will be a Great Lakes Division points event.

August 7th @ Grissom – This will be the Hoosier challenge with all of the Indiana clubs competing for the traveling trophy.

August 21st @ Tire Rack

Have a happy and safe Independence Day!

Jason Cleveland

Solo Co-chair

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“STARTER’S LINE”

SOAP BOX PART 2

Continuing from last month, a decision came from a Super Major at Virginia International Raceway that was in violation of the General Completion Rules.

As I was not at the event, and only heard about it from friends and media. The decision to use a standing white flag at the start stand to indicate the last lap. Being a longtime starter and steward of SCCA, I wanted to find out more on this violation of the GCR.

My first thought was to go to our Area 4 director. He basically accused me of Monday morning quarterbacking and passed me off. This was not what I wanted to hear.

At the same time, I also included a copy of the letter to the Vice President of club racing, the director of club racing and the Chairman of the board of directors. As of this date, I have had one response from the VP of club racing. He passed the blame to the starters, as it was their reasoning to do this because of the wind. Per my conversation with a starter who was in attendance that weekend, the decision came from the stewards before the start of the weekend.

As a 50 plus year member, 50-year licensed starter, a licensed steward for 38 years, and a past employee of SCCA Pro Racing (field staff series starter) I had hoped for a better response to my inquiry. This lack of support is not being member responsive.

At the next Super Major at Mid- Ohio, the starters did use a waved white flag for the last lap. Maybe the issue will go away.

UPDATE, I just printed the Supp regs for the upcoming SBR race. We finally get to use the waved white flag to indicate last lap.

See you all at the South Bend Regions major at Gingerman Raceway.

Mike Jennings

DON'T FORGET THAT JULY 15 AND 16 IS THE LANE MOTORSTATE CHALLENGE and JULY 23/24 IS OUR MAJORS RACE AT GINGERMAN. The club needs your support to make these events successful. Even if you can only give 1 day, show up. We will train you on the job. Contact Jeff at race@sbrscca.org or Denny at pitboard@sbrscca.org and we will point you in the right direction .

FROM THE EDITOR

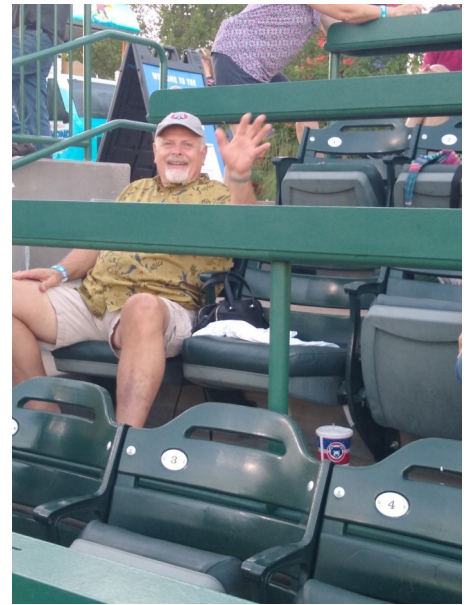
Here we are at another month gone by. It seems like we just had our Festival of Speed but we are already in July. This month is one that is calling on all members to come out and support your club. We need all hands on deck this month. First is the Motorstate Challenge on July 15 at Gingerman raceway and the 16th at the Tire Rack. This event highlights some of the best drivers and fastest, finest cars that the "Optima Search for the Ultimate Street Car" has to offer. There will also be some of our local hero drivers taking part in the festivities. Come out and cheer them on. Contact Denny at gridman1@att.net for more information on this event.

The following weekend, (July 23/24) will be our Majors Race weekend at Gingerman Raceway. Some of the top drivers in the country will be here vying for important points to qualify for the National Runoffs. In the past we have had over 200 cars running this race. Come out and work a specialty of your choosing from timing and scoring, tech inspection, registration, pit or grid, flagging at corners or just hospitality. We need your help to make the best event for drivers and crews. We feed you lunches on Saturday and Sunday, have a workers party on Friday night, and a dinner on Saturday night. No experience is necessary as we do training on the spot. For more info on what you can do to help and other important info email Jeff Luckritz @ race@sbrscca.org. He will be glad to steer you in the right direction that will be best for you.

Don't just sit there. Come on out.

We also had our annual trip to see the South Bend Cubs play a game last Friday night. To our surprise they actually won the game. We think this is the first time they won a game we went to. This is another free event that we do for members. If you missed it watch for next years game. Here are some pictures of our folks enjoying the game.

Denny



The "Great Race made a stop in South Bend for their lunch at the Studebaker Museum. There was a pretty good crowd as they welcomed over 100 cars at the stop. Here are a few pictures from that event.



Lane Motorstate Challenge on July 15/16

SBR Majors Race on July 23/24

These events need workers. No experience necessary.

Show up and we will train you.

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Notes from the Director's Chair

Area 4 Director Update for July 2022

I thought June was going to allow me to take a breath.....but I was mistaken. Yes, I had fewer events to attend in person but there were several more Zoom meetings, EVAC emails to write, etc., so I was still pretty busy this past month.

Next month I will be driving to Kansas City for the BoD meeting on 7/29, 7/30. While there, I will also be sitting in on the CRB meeting on 7/28.

Video Conference Meetings:

- Club Racing Board (CRB) (6/7): Much discussion was had about a new initiative called “Green to Checker” or G2C. A myriad of decisions and policies over the years have led to poor performance on track during Club Racing events. There are just too many sessions that are stopped by a black flag all (BFA) or under full course yellow (FCY) due to an incident on track. G2C will try to change the course away from the trend of too many BFAs and FCYs which diminishes the race experience for all involved. This policy is in the planning phase and I will report the results when the protocols are adopted. While this was discussed by the CRB, rest assured this has also been discussed at the BoD level as well. Changes are coming once we figure out the most effective way to alter the course of the program. More work was done on the face-to-face meeting to be held in July (7/28). The results of CRB rules changes can be seen her.
- Electrified Vehicle Advisory Committee (EVAC) (6/8): We had guests for part of the meeting (Chris Robbins and Abby Scher) as we discussed how to train and educate the SCCA membership on how to interact with EVs when they participate at events. We tied up some loose ends on the 2nd iteration of the SCREV. We are also nearly finished with a package for Production cars and are continuing work on a package for formula cars.
- BSpec Advisory Committee (6/14): The BSAC group had some solid suggestions for how to modify our ESPEC rules package.
- Touring Advisory Committee (6/20): The TAC folks had some sage advice for me on the ESPEC rules as well.
- SCCA BoD Team Development (6/22): Those of us new to the BoD were asked to take a Myers Briggs Type Indicator Test. That was done online a couple of weeks ago. The results were revealed during a two hour Zoom call. I had never done this type of personality analysis before. All of this was done to allow the BoD work better together and be a more effective governing body.
- Board of Directors (BoD) (6/27): We had a light agenda since we are meeting face to face next month. We discussed the compensation for the President (Mike Cobb). I gave an EVAC update. We did more planning for our meeting in Kansas City next month. We also received an update on the Haynes lawsuit.
- Production Advisory Committee (6/28): Once again, a sub committee of the CRB provided some valuable insight on how we should modify the ESPEC rules package.

SCCA Events:

- FSAE @ MIS (6/15-6/17): Man oh man! What a great time I had at this event. To see so many college kids working together was truly uplifting. There were teams representing schools from all over the country as well as several more from Canada. As Chair of the EVAC, my goal was to see how the EVs were designed and built. To that end, I hung out in the EV inspection area. This allowed me to watch the inspectors go through the EV cars with a fine tooth comb. Watching them helped me understand how the EVs were wired. I was especially interested in the safety features of the EVs. We are adopting some of these key safety features in our prototype and formula car rules packages.
- WMR SCCA Double Regional @ Grattan Raceway (6/18, 6/19): This event was fun to attend as it brought me back to my roots. I started out as an F&C guy way back when and that's what I did this weekend. I had the pleasure of working with a new member too. It was another chance for me to “pay it forward” so the next generation of SCCA member gets the advice and counsel that I did when I joined.
- I have updated my calendar on the GLDiv website with events I'd like to go to this season. Click her to see where I'll be this summer.

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.

The various national schedules for 2022 are starting to coalesce and they can be found here:

[Pro Solo/National Tour](#), Time Trials National Tour, Hoosier Super Tour, Enduro.

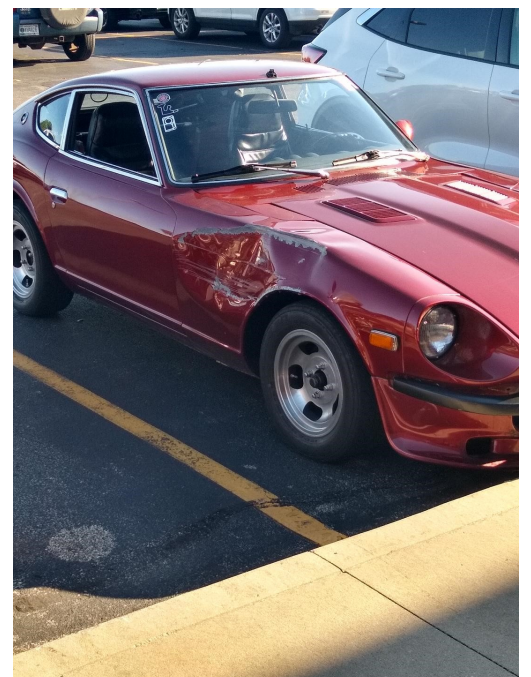
Please take a few minutes and make sure your contact information is accurate in the SCCA database. It's important to have the correct information there so the club knows how to contact you. Log in to your my.scca.co page and check.

As I mentioned previously, there is a new path to getting your annual waiver. You can now get it through the Member Account Portal (MAP). Follow this link to get the instructions. There is also a story about the program her. I've done it and it only takes a couple of minutes. Be prepared to upload a headshot picture of yourself.

Just a quick reminder, if any region out there wants to have an "Ask the Director" session during your monthly meetings, please do not hesitate to contact me so we can schedule a visit. I retired last summer so have plenty of free time and would thoroughly enjoy the chance to visit with your members.

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

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