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RE Report August

Weather is HOT and so is the competition!!! The Lane Motorstate Challenge, TT National Tour, and our Majors Road Race are in the books. The weather caused some issues for the Motorstate Challenge but did not stop the fun with a good turnout. The Majors race at Gingerman went well other than rain for some qualifying and a lower entry count than usual. The SBR/DET team performed at a high level. We have excellent Chiefs as well as a wonderful worker and staff support team making us a great racing region. The TT National Tour at Gingerman was hot and dry until the last few sessions on Sunday. There were 30% fewer entries than last year. The weekend also included Track Event (TNiA) sessions with smaller turnout as well. Maybe the fuel and travel costs are taking a toll on some events? I struggled with mechanical issues Saturday and turned lap times much slower than last year. I finished too early on Sunday with rear wheel bearing failure. As I said last month, I had no testing and planned to "send it" and see what happens. Lesson learned. We get to cool off for one weekend then we are on to the Annual Hoosier Challenge/GLDiv Solo weekend at Grissom Aeroplex on 8/6 & 8/7 where is SBR is the host region this year. We will finish the month with TNiA at Gingerman on 8/11 and a Solo at Tire Rack on 8/21. Summer goes fast so join us for the fun.

On the business side, Denny Jennings, Kim Bollinger and I completed the successful audit of the club financials. We think it has been more than 5 years since the last audit! We have committed to do an audit every two years going forward. As Kim says, "We have money". I want to thank Kim for her attention to detail, documentation, and excellent stewardship of the club's finances. This is the kind of volunteer work that most don't see that keeps our club going. We are actively looking for the next treasurer as Kim has done this for at least five years and would like to hand this to the next volunteer. You don't need to be a CPA, just be thorough and good at getting it done on time. Kim will be happy to train you on the Intuit QuickBooks program she uses. We are also looking for the next PitBoard Editor. If you are interested in taking over PitBoard, Dennis Jennings is looking to train the next volunteer.

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NEW MEMBERS

David Bubb of Michigan City, Ind.

Wentao Cong of South Bend In.

Welcome to SBR/SCCA

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Lastly, please read the proposed revisions to the club By-laws detailed elsewhere in this issue. We hope to see you at the next Monthly meeting on 8/2 at 7pm, where this will be discussed and voted upon by the general membership present.

Stay cool, stay safe and have fun.

Mark Manninen, RE South Bend Region SCCA

SOUTH BEND REGION MAJORS RACE REPORT

Our Yearly Majors race is over. All in all I think it was a huge success. Once again Jeff did a great job of it. He even reinstated the Friday night workers party. The club furnished the main event with others contributing to the feast. Duane brought his famous Blueberry crumble and ice cream. Always a hit. We had brats and burgers for everyone.

Saturday morning on the way up from South Bend we thought we would need an ark to survive the day. Turned out to be very nice day with good racing. Each group got to qualify and race on a dry track. There were some close races and then some real run aways. This happens at every Majors race weekend. During lunch there were track rides provide by Jimmy Krzyzewski and his Ferrari friends. The money went to a charity of their choice. Everyone who rode got out with a big smile on their face. At the end of Saturday's events was the usual dinner for all. Jeff served up his usual Gyros for dinner. I hope everyone had plenty to eat as there was not much left over.

Sunday morning started with a rainy qualifying session for those that wanted the track time. With the new 2 hour quiet time at Gingerman It had time to dry the track and offer up some great racing again. It was pretty windy all day. It even was enough to cause us to take down our canopy for fear of blowing away.

We finished around 4:30 which left time to help clean up and put everything away. A lot of credit goes to a few members that made the weekend go great. Lunches were made by Dawn Luckritz and Marcia McBride. They did a fantastic job feeding a hungry group. Hospitality was handled by Kim Bollinger and Susan Miller. Course marshals, Mark Manninen and Steve Bollinger did their usual job. Duane handled pit lane by himself. Bowman, Krauss, H.C., Gushwa were the usual corner workers,. Rod Markowicz was chief of Tech as usual. Lynette and I held down the Grid with Dave and Peggy Anson doing the sound thing. Dave Ferris was timing guru and Stuart Laks was event support. Mike and Jeff Jennings were on the start stand.

Jeff Luckritz handled the race chair along with driving in B-Spec, Paul McBride drove in F-5. and Doug Campbell drove a FE-2 car.

If I have missed anyone please forgive me. I just wish we could have had a few more volunteers from SBR. We were missing some of the usual suspects. I would like to see some more of the new members get involved with the racing part of the club. We will never have too many come to volunteer. Another race come and gone by the very capable SBR group. Thank you all.

Denny



Our marvelous cooks for the Friday night workers party.

Thanks boys!! (photo by Mike Jennings)

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

August
 2—Member Meeting—7:00 P.M.
 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.

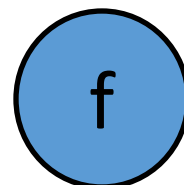
R.E.; National Race worker license; Race Chair; PitBoard Editor; Street Survival Chair; or Treasurer.

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

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NEED TIRES?/ HELP SBR

When you need new tires be sure to buy from the Tire Rack. Go to our website. Log onto www.sbrscca.org and click on the Tire Rack link at the bottom of the page to make your purchase. By doing so, SBR will earn some dough.

GETTING SBR ACTIVITY POINTS

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Points</u>
Race Chair	400	SBR Race Driver	50
Assistant Race Chair	200	Race Worker / per day	50
PitBoard Editor	200	Rally/Solo Worker	40
Website Manager	200	PitBoard Article	40
Race Chief of Specialty	200	Region Support	20
Associate PitBoard Editor	100	TNIA Worker	20
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	Round Table Worker	20
Car Show Display	75	Race/Solo Meeting	20
Solo—Co-Chair	75	PitBoard Pictures	10
Event Co-Chair	75		

NOT A MEMBER?

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

SPECIAL NOTICES of IMPORTANCE

CHANGE IN BY LAWS

This is a notice to all members regarding the by-laws of the club. The board has recommended that we make this change in light of recent causes for the board members not being able to attend meetings.

The changes are as follows:

Article VI

Parliamentary Authority

Section 1.

The rules contained in Roberts Rules of Order (current edition) shall govern the club in all cases where they are applicable, and when they are consistent with the By Laws and Special Rules of the Club..

- A. Voting members of the Board of Directors shall be considered present in a valid quorum by communicating with all other board members in real-time electronic video or voice/phone communication when unable to be physically present for quorum vote

Per our By Laws we must present this proposal to the voting membership present at a regular monthly meeting. It will be voted on at the August meeting, Tuesday August 2 at Beef O’Brady’s in Granger Indiana at 7:00 P.M. if you wish to be heard on this proposal you need to be present.

ACTIVITY POINTS REVISION

Effective immediately as voted upon by the Board of Directors, we are now rewarding SBR activity points for two new categories under Region Support and Workers for SBR Track Night in America

TNIA workers are to receive 20 points for each night worked

Region Support is to receive 20 points per occurrence of days worked. This category is to recognize the special efforts of many club members over and above the currently listed activity points allocations. Examples of special service but not limited to: Significant construction projects, repairs or servicing club equipment, towing the trailer to an event, catering support functions, trophy procurement, special meetings relating to club business with outside vendors, etc. We want to keep this broad, but controlled by the club leadership. This is to cover anything deemed a service to the club. Activity point can only be awarded by the Race Chair, Solo Chair, Rally series chair, Event Chair, program director, or any club officer by submitting to the activity points keeper. It needs to include individuals name, date of service, function, or service provided. A copy of each request should go to the BOD for information only. The points award does not need to be approved by the BOD as it is the exclusive responsibility of the leaders noted above.

“STARTERS LINE”

It is my opinion that “**RACE CRAFT**” is a relatively unused term in present time thanks to NASCAR and the media. It seems that knocking your competition out of the way or off the track is just racing. It has become such a problem that even SCCA drivers are doing it more. They think it is okay to contact the competition to move him in a pass attempt. Even SCCA pro racing is seeing it more and more.

As we all want to see our sport grow and be successful for all new drivers. We must include teaching the art of “**Racecraft**” to new people and reintroduce it to a lot of current drivers.

Racecraft includes a lot of areas. Class rules, etiquette, racing room, safe & successful passing to name a few items.

Safe and successful racing and passing is an art that must be learned and is based on what the drivers can see. The overtaking car bears the largest percentage of responsibly passing safely. Both the overtaking car and the car being overtaken must bear in mind, that contact in making a pass can ruin both of your races.

SCCA is instituting a new program called “G2C” Green to checker. They want drivers to clean up their driving to help eliminate full course yellows and black flag all. This is to give the drivers more racing time. This would be a winner for all.

Mike Jennings



**“We’ve crashed four times,
blew three engines and been in
two fist fights but we expect to do
better in our second race.”**

FROM THE EDITOR

Another month gone by. We hosted the Lane Motorstate Challenge with 90 entries. Thursday after a driver's meeting at Lane we had a cruise to Waco Beach. It was approximately 35 miles with full Berrien County Sherriff escort. Quite a snake roaming thru the county, passing thru the towns of Eau Claire and Berrien Springs and into Bridgeman where Waco is. With a little work they got all the cars into the beach parking lot. It was quite the spectacle. We were treated to some Cajun food from a local popular food truck. It was a great day with great weather for that portion of the event.

Friday morning found us at Gingerman Raceway for the track portion of the event. A bit of overcast skies greeted us. After our group of dedicated SBR members got all the cars thru tech inspection. We started the 6 groups of cars on time. Running it as we do our track night in America days we were rolling along great. Just about time for the second round for group 5 it started sprinkling moisture. Then for group 6 it came down. Not the best for fast times. We adjourned for lunch at which time Scott, the drivers and myself decided the rain was there to stay. No more runs would be made, Scott brought in the ice cream from Shermans and the social began. This is always a hit with everyone but not this early in the day. Everyone started looking forward to Saturday.

Saturday morning at the Tire Rack has overcast skies but a drying track after rain during the night. We started making runs at 9:30 a.m. with each group getting three cracks at the course designed by Dave Gushwa. It had some fast areas and some tight turns. A little bit of everything for everyone. We finally had lunch at 1:00. Starting at 1:30 we ran each group for 2 more runs, We finished around 3:30 and had things put away by 4. It was time for the trophies to be given out and folks to head home.

All in all besides the ran spoiling Friday I believe everyone had a good time. This is a great group of people to work with and this was the 14th year. If you haven't done this plan on coming out next year for the 15th anniversary of the Motorstate Challenge. Lane does an excellent job with this event. Thanks to all his people that do a fantastic job setting it up.

I would like to personally thank all those SBR members that came out to help, especially on Saturday that I was fearing the worst about manpower to support the event.

Mike Jennings	David Anson	Peggy Anson	Duane Belisle	David Bowman
Bill Loring	Paul McBride	Leon Krauss	George Williams	David Gushwa
Harold Miller	Paul Cleveland	Adam Gustafson	Nick Thompson	Susan Miller
Brian Tack	Dick Cimildoro	Jason Cleveland	Quinton	Christa

Without all of you we would not be able to host this event and it would be a big loss for the club. I appreciate all you do for SBR and am proud to call you friends in SBR. Thank you again.

See some pictures here and next page:

Denny

ps- See story about our Majors race elsewhere in this edition



Very Fast Car



Wheels of Steel



Real Yenkeo?



Historical



Scott



Beautiful



Nice



Older



Newer



Wings?



Fast Cars



Line for food truck

RACE PICTURES FROM JEFF JENNINGS



Start of Small Formula Cars



Start of Spec Miata Race



More Spec Miata



Start of Big Bore Race



Janathon Start on his way to Victory



More Big Bore Cars

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Notes from the Director's Chair Area 4 Director Update for August 2022

This month I competed in a GLDiv Solo in Fort Wayne, IN and worked F&C at the SBR/DET Major at GingerMan Raceway. I will also 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.

I also contracted COVID on 7/2 while boating on Lake Michigan and watching fireworks display in Muskegon. My symptoms weren't too terrible but it wasn't a picnic either. The hardest part was isolating at home and not going out. It is frightening how quickly one can get bored while trapped in your own home. Please note that COVID is not over. Please take the appropriate measures and remain vigilant. As a reminder, if you need some home test kits from the CDC, click her.

Video Conference Meetings:

- Club Racing Board (CRB) (7/5): We discussed roll cage rules after the severe impact that a Spec Miata incurred at Road America. On one hand the cage did its job but on the other, the driver was seriously injured. The T1 Town Hall Zoom meeting was discussed. We reviewed the Runoffs Tech Inspection lists. More work was done on the face-to-face meeting to be held in July (7/28). I updated the CRB on the work the EVAC has been doing. The results of CRB rules changes can be seen her.
- Electrified Vehicle Advisory Committee (EVAC) (7/13): With the revised SCREV sent on its way to the various program boards and their BoB liaisons, we concentrated on preparing the Club Racing rules packages. We discussed some feedback we had gotten from the Production, Touring and BSpec committees.
- Solo Events Board (SEB) (7/13): This meeting was to discuss the revised SCREV document with the SEB. They asked a lot of pertinent questions and I hope I answered them to their satisfaction.

SCCA Events:

- Fort Wayne Region Solo (7/23): Since I will be travelling to the Solo Nationals on Labor Day (9/6), I will not be able to participate in the WMR Solo at Grattan Raceway. As a result, I needed to attend another Solo to work on my skills. I checked the schedule and decided to go to FWR's event on 7/23. I drove down the afternoon before so I wouldn't have to get up at an ungodly hour on the day of the event. This would be first time I've competed in a divisional Solo and I was looking forward to it. When I got to the site, I realized that I wasn't prepared to keep my gear from getting wet in the impending rain. Many thanks to Kevin Keys for helping out an unprepared newbie by allowing me to store my gear in his trailer. The day started out with a HUGE thunderstorm rolling through the area. VERY heavy rain and lightning dancing all around us. After a 90 minute delay for the obvious safety reasons, we got started around 11a. I was to run in the first heat and work the second. There were three cars in my class (HS) and I ended up finishing in 2nd place. FWR puts on a very nice event and I hope all of you can make it to one of their events soon. Results for this event can be found her.
- SBR/DET Major (7/24): I signed up for this event so I could help out our friends at SBR and DET while enjoying some fun at GingerMan Raceway. As it turned out, there was more rain in order (it seemed to follow me during the weekend) but fun was had regardless of the weather. As usual the host regions ran a great event. During the "quiet time" period lunch was served which consisted of a fantastic "build your own" hot dog assembly line with chili, cheese, onions, relish.....all the fixings. As an added perk for me, I got to see my old race car on track in the hands of its new owner. Quite a sight!
- CRB (7/28): I'll report on this meeting in next month's report.
- BoD (7/30): I'll report on this meeting in next month's report.

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.

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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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MORE RACE PICTURES FROM JEFF



Mike Jennings Starting SRF Race



Bobbe Orr Starting Small Bore Cars



Sunday Morning at the Track



Little Lonesome on Sunday morning

MEMBER STUFF FOR SALE

S-197 H&R LOWERING SPRINGS FOR SALE

I am selling my H&R Super Sport lowering springs from my 2008 Bullitt. I am no longer autocrossing so I am going back to stock springs. They fit all S197 Mustangs from 2005 to 2010 and are in very good condition. They will lowe the cars by 1.5 inches. Fronts are number 51655.77F and rears are number 51655.77R. They sell new at Steeda for \$385.00. Call or text me at 574-807-2216 or email me at gridman1@att.net with any questions and availability. \$75.00.

Denny



Jennings



THIS SPACE COULD HAVE YOUR AD

MERCHANDISE FOR SALE

T-Shirts

New Gray (all sizes)	\$10.00 ea.	
Old colors (sizes limited ask availability)	\$5.00 ea.	
Sweat Shirts (sizes limited)	\$7.50 ea.	
Polo Shirts (limited mostly long sleeve)		\$12.00
Hats	\$5.00 ea.	
Beanies	\$10.00	
Grille Emblem (show your colors)	\$25.00	

You can email Pitboard with an order and I will get the merchandise to you at an event or a meeting. Items also available at the meetings.



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New Gray
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Hats



Limited Sizes



Beanies



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