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## January 2023 RE Report

Happy New Year!! It is now 2023. We are all driving flying cars, living on Mars, wars no longer exist, and we are obtaining our nutrition from little pills. Well.....maybe not this year. Our cars still travel on the ground, we can find real estate on Earth, war still sucks, and we are able to enjoy real food in one form or another. Most of all, we can still enjoy racing, performance cars and all the fun that goes along with it. Not much is happening in the club this time of year except to look back on 2022 and recognize the achievements of our members at our Annual Awards Banquet on January 14<sup>th</sup>. If you have not yet made your reservations, please get it done on MotorsportReg.com so we know how many pies to order! There is no regular meeting in January and our next meeting is the first Tuesday in February at Beef O'Bradys. In February, we will be taking a club bus trip to the IMS Museum and Dallara Race car factory in Indy on Saturday February 18th. Registration and information should be up on MotorsportReg.com before the banquet. I hope to see you all at the banquet. If you don't show, I think I am required to eat all the leftover pie.

Mark Manninen

RE South Bend Region

Mark hard at it in his home made  
U1 solo car



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### NEW MEMBERS

None

Welcome to SBR/SCCA

### 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

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

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

### 2023 Schedule

January  
14—Awards Banquet  
February  
7—Member Meeting  
March  
7—Member Meeting  
April  
4—Member Meeting  
May  
2—Member Meeting  
June  
6—Member Meeting  
July  
15/16 SBR Majors at Gingerman  
21/22/23—Lane Motorstate Challenge  
August  
1— Member Meeting  
September  
5—Member Meeting  
October  
3—Member Meeting

### Free Dues

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

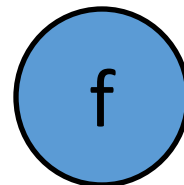
R.E.; National Race worker license; Race Chair; PitBoard Editor; Street Survival Chair; or Treasurer.

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](http://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](http://SCCA.com) and choose South Bend Region as your home region

### FROM THE EDITOR

With Christmas and New Years over it is time to start looking forward to what 2023 might bring to us in the club.

First on the list is our Annual Awards Dinner, New location and lots of awards to be given out. I hope you are one of the lucky ones as that means that you are a participant in your club. You have earned the right to celebrate your achievements in the club. Without you this would be just another car club. Congratulations and hope to see you there.

In February we have the bus trip to Indy with a visit to the Dallara race shops and a visit to the track with a track tour. I have done this in the past and it is quite interesting. Hope you join us. Bus ride is free, You just pay for the track visit and your meal. That is a great deal. No traffic to fight. Leave the driving to us.

Starting in May we have Track Night in America at Gingerman, You can come and put your car on the track or work a corner or help out other places. You can also just come up and watch and take a track tour behind a pace car during the break in action. There are always some interesting cars that show up. Come and join us each month thru September at Gingerman.

Up in July we will have our Majors race at Gingerman. Come up and be a worker. There are many things to pick from to help our region be a great racing region.

Right after that still in July we put on the Motorstate Challenge for Lane Automotive. Lots of great cars and drivers. This takes place at Gingerman on Friday and continues at the Tire Rack on Saturday. Come out and help out. You are always welcome.

We don't know if we will be having a regional race yet as we have conflicting dates for the track. Watch for more info later.

As you can see there is a lot of things to pick from to enjoy your club so **"COME ON OUT"**

Hope to see you soon at our dinner.

### Solo Update:

And that's a wrap! 2022 is soon to be behind us, and planning is already underway for the 2023 season. Dates for 2023 have been submitted to both Tire Rack and Grissom for site usage, stay tuned for an announcement once we have confirmation. For those that don't follow on Facebook, 2023 at Tire Rack should be exciting, as they resurfaced the entire track!



Photo Credit: William Loring

Results for the 2022 season have been posted to the webpage for those interested. Awards will be presented at the annual banquet on January 14<sup>th</sup>! Hope to see everyone there!

Have a safe and happy new year!

Jason Cleveland

Solo Co-chair

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**SBR Winter Bus Trip 2023**  
**Dallara IndyCar Factory Tour**  
**Indianapolis Motor Speedway Museum and Track Tour**  
**February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

Join us Saturday February 18<sup>th</sup> for a tour of the Dallara Race Car Factory and a visit to the Indianapolis Motor Speedway Museum which will include an on-track tour and a possible chance to kiss the bricks (weather permitting). Tour bus transportation is free and paid for by the club. **This event is for Club members only.** Each Club member may bring a non-member guest.

**Dallara IndyCar Factory:**

The building was established in 2012, when Dallara became the official INDYCAR CHASSIS supplier and the Indy Racing Experience became the United States race parts distributor for Dallara. A guided tour through Dallara and IRE will be provided. Take a walk through the fifty years of Dallara Group's history and head to the theatre to enjoy a 10-minute video while sitting in a racing seat. During the tour, you'll have the opportunity to see the prototype of a DW12 IR-18 Chassis #1, exact replica of Eddie Cheever's 1998 Indy500 winning car, and a rebuild of an engine.



**Kiss The Bricks Tour & IMS Museum:**

Take a lap around the Indianapolis Motor Speedway oval and stop to “Kiss the Bricks,” from the original 1909 track surface at the start/finish line. Narrated bus tours last 25-30 minutes. Tickets include a self-guided Museum tour of the Museum’s 37,500 square foot exhibit space.

<b>Ticket Pricing Dallara Tour .....</b>	<b>\$20.00 for adults</b>	<b>IMS Museum and</b>
<b>Kiss the Bricks Track Tour .....</b>	<b>\$25.00 for adults</b>	<b>(continued next page)</b>



## Itinerary:

6:30am- 7:15am Free Coffee & Donuts at Shambaugh & Son shop

7:30am Tour Bus Departs Shambaugh & Son and travels to Dallara Factory

10:00am 11:00am Dallara Factory Tour

11:00am Bus departs Dallara Factory for lunch

11:00am – 12:45 Lunch at a Craft Food & Beer restaurant. All guests cover their own meal costs.

12:45 Bus departs restaurant and travels to IMS Museum

1:00pm – 3:00pm IMS Museum and Track Tour

3:00pm Bus departs IMS Museum and travel back to South Bend

5:30pm Arrive at Shambaugh & Son.

**Attendees must reserve your space by registering for this event free of charge at [MotorsportReg](https://motorsportreg.com). Tour bus seating is limited. Additional information and directions to Shambaugh & Son shop can be found by following the link below.**

[SBR Winter Bus Trip 2023 \(motorsportreg.com\)](https://motorsportreg.com)



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## Notes from the Director's Chair Area 4 Director Update for January 2023

As one year passes to the next, it's a natural time to reflect on the past and look forward to the future. The issues I dealt with in 2022 ran the gamut from the absurd (a former member suing the club) to the glorious (attending my first Solo Nationals) and everything in between. I look forward to the third of my three-year term.

After returning on 12/4 from face-to-face BoD meeting in Kansas City, I was home for all of two days before I needed to head off to Indy for the PRI (Performance Racing Industry) show. I had not been to this event in many years (2010?) and was really looking forward to it. There were several EV related seminars I wanted to attend as well as other meetings. And, of course, there was the show floor with hundreds of thousands of square feet of racing related products, services, and all around cool stuff. It was a worthy investment of my time and I'm glad I went.

### Video Conference Meetings:

- Club Racing Board (CRB) (12/6): We were alerted to the fact that Rick Harris is retiring as of 3/31/23. Rick has been the Road Racing Technical Manager for many years and is taking his well-deserved leave from the position. His deputy (Scott Schmidt) will assume the opposition so there will be continuity as we move forward. Discussion was held on the new T1 rules package and about allowing TCR cars into GT3. Letters to the CRB were reviewed. I reported that the EVAC had published two rules packages for public comment. We are planning on having two face-to-face CRB meetings in 2023. The results of CRB rules changes can be seen [here](#).
- Board of Directors (BoD) (12/12): We reviewed the CRB recommended updates and approved them. We discussed the results of the meeting on Rally Cross program.
- Electrified Vehicle Advisory Committee (EVAC) (12/14): Our big day was 12/2 as we had the SCREV, electrified Prototype and electrified Touring class rules packages published for comment. We also met with Arnie Coleman (past Director and current Chair of the SCCA Foundation Board) and discussed regional grants. We also reviewed the EVAC letters in the CRB portal. There were a few that merited a deep conversation (homemade battery packs, fire suppression systems, etc.), so we agreed to have an ad hoc meeting in early January.
- BoD (12/27): I was not able to attend as I was at a pair of hockey games in Grand Rapids, MI (Go Green!). This was to discuss the Rally Cross program.

### SCCA Events:

- BoD (face to face) (12/3): As mentioned above, I formally introduced final revisions of the SCREV and two rules packages (electrified Prototype and Touring) to the BoD. They were posted on the SCCA sit for comment. The rest of the meeting seemed anticlimactic (to me anyway) as we ran through the usual details. Yes, we are in pretty good financial shape. We met the two new BoD members. We heard about subtle changes to the Club Racing program. We heard about the big plans for the 50<sup>th</sup> Solo Nationals and the 60<sup>th</sup> Runoffs coming up in 2023. We also discussed revising the BoD structure to make it more effective (I can elaborate on this at the Spring Meeting in Fort Wayne).

The end result of some of the policy and program changes is that more and more membership and sanctioning tasks can be handled online. This frees up staff's time for more important issues. All that said, if you have

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problems renewing your membership or have other questions, please do not hesitate to call the office (800.770.2055) to get personalized help.

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A quick reminder that the GLDiv Spring Meeting will occur on 3/3 and 3/4 at the same site as last year (Manchester University). A link for registering for the event can be found [here](#). The registration cost is \$30. An additional \$10 gets you a really nice pasta, salad and dessert dinner from Casa d'Angelo on Friday evening. The meetings will be across all programs, so I encourage all members to attend. With more programs under the SCCA banner these days, we need to focus on teamwork to help each region put on the best events they can.

As usual, Val McCammon is coordinating the event. She will send a "call for sessions" email soon. She also asked that I remind folks to contact her ([pyramid@bluebirdview.co](mailto:pyramid@bluebirdview.co), 260.437.6707) with any topic or session ideas they would like to see.

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.co](http://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 [here](#). 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 I 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.

*Dayle Frame*

My first official autocross car  
Denny in 196-something





# 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.
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Beanies	\$10.00
Grille Emblem (show your colors)	\$25.00

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(1 each)



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All Sizes



Hats



Limited Sizes



Beanies



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