

VOLUME 68 MARCH 2024



RE REPORT

Tax season is in full swing for H.C. so I volunteered to sub for him. Our next meeting is on March 5 at the usual place. There will be a board meeting prior to the general membership meeting. Please come and join in and enjoy the good food at this meeting place.

We have a good contingent of people going to Great Lakes Spring Training this weekend. We will try to have short reports from all those that attend at the meeting. There will be a few National folks at the meeting also. It is nice to see an interest from them.

As you can see we have a lot of things that you can join in with the club. Baseball games, races, solos, rallys, and the Motorstate Challenge. All you have to do is sign up to attend and we will do the rest. No experience is necessary. Sign up at the meeting for some of the events and watch Pit-Board for further information on the rest.

Watch PitBoard for the new points structure coming soon. The board is working on this and would like to hear any input you have concerning this issue.

We have several new members this month. Hopefully they can come and join us at a meeting or an event soon. Everyone —- Go out there and recruit new members. Let them know who we are and what we do.

See you next Tuesday

Denny

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NEW MEMBERS

Alan, Tamara, Hudson and Sophia Barth of

Michigan City, In

Tristan Gour of Elkhart, In

Augustine and Gilbert Huizing of Grand Rapids, Mi

Faiz Khoja of Granger, In.

Brad Prestin of South Bend, In.

Welcome to SBR/SCCA—Hope to meet you soon

SBR Monthly Meetings

We meet every first Tuesday of the month at Beef O' Brady's - Granger, In

12479 State Road 23

6:00—Board Meeting followed at 7:00

P.M.—general membership meeting

Everyone is welcome to both.

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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

EVENT SCHEDULE

March

2—Great Lakes Training in Ft, Wayne, In

5—General Membership Meeting

16—Trailer Cleanout

Apri

2—General Membership Meeting

May

7—General Membership Meeting

June

4—General Membership Meeting

July

2—General Membership Meeting

5-7—Majors Race at Gingerman Raceway

18-20—Motorstate Challenge

26-28—SBR Regional Races at Gingerman

August

6—General Membership Meeting

September

3—General Membership Meeting

October

1—General Membership Meeting

November

5—General Membership Meeting

Watch for more dates in further editions

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.`

LIKE US ON

FACEBOOK



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

Activity Points Activity Points

REVISIONS COMING SOON

NOT A MEMBER?

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



BASEBALL SEASON IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER

JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL GAME WITH OUR SOUTH BEND CUBS

WHEN: May 24,2024

WHERE: COVELESKI BALL PARK in South Bend

WHAT: Our annual outing to see the Cubs play

WHO: Free for members and one guest

WHAT'S INCLUDED: Tickets for the HOME RUN PORCH SEATING, BALL PARK BUFFET (dogs, burgers, mac and cheese, chips, cookies and soft drinks), and a free Hat.

HOW DO I GET INCLUDED: Email Denny at gridman1@att.net by May 10, 2024

P.S. alcohol is on your own

DON'T MISS IT – LIMITED NUMBER OF TICKETS

Awards Banquet by Peggy Anson

Mother Nature always knows when SBR is having their annual banquet. We have SNOW, ICE, and VERY COLD. It would not be right if it was any other way. I hope that everyone made it back home.

The fellowship before was nice.

Thanks go to Jim Morris Smokin Cafe for the food. The brisket was exceptionally good. I am not an asparagus eater but tried it because of the prosciutto wrapped. I ate it all. Everyone enjoyed the entire meal. There was a variety of pies and cheesecake for dessert.

David Gushwa did an excellent job taking care of our guest, phone, and slide show. Virgil Exner Jr was enjoying himself while talking about his dad and his own life experiences. Technology let us do magnificent things without being in person. David Anson was really looking forward to meeting him, and still enjoyed the speaker. For a 90-year-old gentleman, he is quite a speaker and particularly good with his past.

There were fifty-three people at the banquet. The nasty weather did not stop them. One year all the award honorees will be present. We would need a bigger building.

Conrad Adams

And

Micah Hilton



Do not forget that membership in SBR does give pay backs. You get points just for being at the banquet, coming to meetings, being a volunteer in solo and racing, stepping up and taking an event chair, helping in the background. Becoming an officer or volunteer board member.

Everyone can help make SBR great in 2024. It depends on all of us.



Mark Manninen



Brian Tack, Duane Belisle



SBR SOLO WINNERS

I am introducing a new cover page for PitBoard this month as you can see.

It will change each month with pictures of members and events.

Let me know what you think—good or bad.

Denny—pitboard@sbrscca.org

SOLO REPOPRT

SBR held its well-attended planning meeting for the 2024 Solo season in early February. Lots of productive discussions centered on ensuring we hold high quality events that run smoothly and offer all autocrossers challenging and fun competition.

Our preliminary schedule includes seven events, four at the Tire Rack test site and three days at Grissom ARB. The Tire Rack dates are not yet locked in at this time, but are listed below for your planning.

Event #1 Apr 28 Tire Rack (Tentative)

(Grissom Work Day May 11 Grissom)

Event #2 May 19 Tire Rack (Tentative)

Event #3 Jun 29 Grissom Event #4 Jun 30 Grissom

Event #5 Aug 4 Hoosier Challenge @ Grissom (Indy Region, host)

Event #6 Aug 25 Tire Rack (Tentative) Event #7 Sep 29 Tire Rack (Tentative)

Volunteers for the leadership of this year's Solo program include:

Solo Chair Kim Bollinger
Solo Co-Chair Steve Pierschalla
On-Site Event Chief Steve Pierschalla

Course Design Chief David Gushwa/Jonathan Shreiner

Equipment & Set-Up Chief Steve Pierschalla

Novice Chief Jason Cleveland/David Gushwa

Registrar – Web & On-Site Susan Miller

Announcer Steve Jackson, Events #1 & 2

Results Chief Andrew Nienhuis
Solo Safety Chief George Williams
Tech Chief Jason Cleveland
Timing & Scoring Chief Jacob Seese
Trailer Transport David Anson
Trophies Chief Candice Cleveland
Waivers Chief Kim Bollinger

We still need volunteers for Workers Chief and Announcers for several of the events. Please contact Kim Bollinger for details! To get ready for the season opener in April, clean-out of the region trailer is planned for March 16 at the Shambaugh & Sons building.

Event schedules and pricing will remain unchanged from last year. Series Class Championship awards will be based on the best 4 of the 7 events, and winners must be SBR members by the 7th event. All runs at each event count toward determining who wins their class and also for Tire Rack Index standings.

As has been the practice in past years, SBR's autocrosses will be run under SCCA 2024 Solo Rules, including tire eligibility. SBR's Solo program continues its strong support from the Tire Rack and will not be offering any other contingency or tire sponsorship programs. Regioneligible supplemental classes will continue to be offered.

Anyone interested in becoming a Solo Safety Steward can take the on-line class via the SCCA website. Contact George Williams for details. We always need more SSS's, so please consider taking on this important role!

Find the report on the solo planning meeting on the next few pages

Kim

Agenda 03 Feb 2024 rev 1

Introductions

Events Schedule

Event #1Apr 28Tire RackCAM – St. LouisMay 3 & 4(Grissom Work DayMay 11Grissom)CAM – GrissomJun 1 & 2Event #2May 19Tire RackSolo Nat'l Tour – Cleveland Jun 22 & 23

Event #3 Jun 29 Grissom SBR/DET Majors Jul 5 & 6
Event #4 Jun 30 Grissom Motorstate Challenge Jul 20 & 21

Event #5 Aug <u>4</u> Hoosier Challenge (Indy Region, host)

Event #6 Aug 25 Tire Rack

Event #7 Sep 29 Tire Rack

Solo Nat'l Tour – Joliet?

Solo Nat'l Tour – Grissom Aug 10 & 11

Solo Nationals Sep 3-6

Solo Program Leadership

Solo Chair Kim Bollinger – 1 YEAR ONLY

Solo Co-Chair Steve Pierschalla
On-Site Event Chief Steve Pierschalla

Grissom Chair Announcer

Course Design Chief Equipment & Set-Up Chief

Novice Chief

Registrar – Web Susan Miller
Registrar – On-Site Susan Miller
Results Chief Andrew Nienhuis

Solo Safety Chief Tech Chief

Timing & Scoring Chief

Trophies Chief

Waivers Chief Kim Bollinger

Workers Chief

Solo Event Operations

Set-Up

Tire Rack - Day Before? Grissom – Afternoon Before!

Day Of – Tire Rack Site Grissom – Each Day

 Site Opens
 7:30 am
 Gate Opens
 7:00am ??

 Registration
 8:00 – 9:00am
 Check-In
 7:30 – 8:30am

NO REGISTRATIONS AFTER 9:00am NO ON-SITE REGISTRATION

Tech Inspection8:00 – 9:15amTech Inspection7:30 – 9:00amNovice Mtng & Walk9:30amNovice Mtng & Walk9:00am

Driver's Meeting 10:00am Driver's Meeting 9:30am

First Car Off 10:30am First Car Off 10:00am

Gate Closes 5:00pm

6 Runs per Event is Goal 2 Sets of 3 run 2 Run Groups Run Groups & # of Runs TBD

30 Minute ONLY Lunch Break
No Fun Runs after event
45 Min ONLY Lunch Break
Gate will be locked during heats

Entry Fees - Tire Rack Site Entry Fees - Grissom

 SCCA Members
 \$37.50 in advance; \$55 on-site
 \$50
 \$50
 \$80

 Weekend Members
 \$50 in advance; \$55 on-site
 \$60
 \$90

Timing & Scoring – Live.axti.me?? T&S software?

Safety Stewards – NEED MORE 12 Active licenses (1 expires in March)

Trailer Transport – Who?

Equipment & Supplies Trailer Clean-Out & Maintenance - Early April

T&S Equipment ? T&S Software ? Live Timing ?

Trailer Needs? Loaner Helmets? Printer? Sound equipment?

Solo Championship Series Rules

Events SHALL be operated using current SCCA Solo Rules.

Car legality is policed by the competitors. Protests will be handled by a committee appointed by the Solo Chair))) as needed.

Tire eligibility is per current SCCA Rules. SBR will not offer any specific tire contingency or sponsorship program.

All runs at an event count to determine best time to be used for scoring

Class Championship: Must run at least 3 Events in a class

Best 4 finishes count for Class Championship

Must be SBR member by Event #7

Tire Rack Index, Novice Index & Ladies Index:

Best 4 finishes count

Standings determined using PAX for the current year

Ladies Index winners must be SBR members

2024 SOLO PLANNING MEETING NOTES 02/03/24

Trailer Clean Out Date 03/16 @ Shambaugh Shop

Leadership Positions

- Solo Co-Chair duties will continue.
 - Kim B leads in 2024 ONLY, plus back-office duties this year (& next)
 - Steve Pierschalla is Co-Chair and On-site chief (and probable lead in 2025)
- Announcer Steve Jackson Two events Event 1 (Apr 28th), Event 2 (May 19th)
 - Need volunteers) for events 3-7
- Course Design Dave Gushwa (Jonathan S assisting)
- Novice Jason Cleveland & Dave Gushwa
- o Equipment & Setup Chief Steve P.
- Solo Safety Chief George Williams
 - Online Training is available for everyone to use
 - Always need more licensed SSS
- Tech Chief Jason Cleveland
- Timing and Scoring Jacob Seese
- o Trophies Candi Cleveland
- Workers –
- Registrar (MSR & on-site) Susan Miller
- Results & Series standings Andrew Nienhuis

Edit MSR events pages to highlight Time Zone differences, 10am EDT = 9am CDT - Susan Miller

Open positions, short blurb of job description for social media - Candi and Kim

- Announcer Key to keep event running promptly
- Worker Chief must ensure that qualified workers are in key positions (e.g., Control, Starter, Timing, Grid lead)

Saturday Setup is a must, recruit 2 -4 people for an hour to and hour and half 6pm? - Steve P

Grissom Schedule: Gate opens @ 7am Sat & Sun

Friday Setup - Recruit 1-2 more - Nick T, Steve P, Dave G

Dave Anson to transport Trailer

Gate Close Time - 5:00pm

Announcer is key to event success - who??

Square Account for on-site payments at Registration to be explored - Candi and Kim

Timing & Scoring link to be changed - Nick T

Software is still good to good, new laptops good at Nick T's House

40 Years Ago - March '84

R.E. Report/KevinKnepp: Asking for, NO pleading for, member participation in all things club related. Short note about the upcoming first SOLO II, the JORDAN FORD GRAND PRIX, to be run, with permission from the City of Mishawaka, on two public streets just north of Jordans. Cedar St. being one of them.

Lloyd Loring Article: Ice Racing off the shoreline of tiny Onekama, MI., north of Manistee, which is north of Ludington, which is NORTH!! Too warm, only 2 short "demo" races. Stayed warm, following weekend at Cadillac, MI. cancelled.

Info Page for April Fool's Day Rally, put on by Denny Jennings.

50 Years Ago - March '74

R.E.'s PITSTOP, TomTanner: Received numerous communications from National which are included within. Notes On 1974 by Rich McCord:...Gary Kowalski is finishing up his rally to be run on March 9th. It is to be a Saturday night rally, of short to moderate length, keeping in mind gas availability.<---A real thing back then!! (Gary came to the Feb. 2024 meeting.)

Info Page for: 1st Annual Colfax St. Hillclimb (?)

Start: 12 Noon Friday Feb. 29, 1974 Tech Inspection: Not Necessary Entry Fee: \$3 Plus Towing

No practice but entrants may walk course Sponsored by Superior Auto Salvage (Duh LOL)

(Big drawing of the Parking Garage!!)

60 Years Ago - March '64 WHO TO CONTACT: R.E. Lloyd Loring Monthly Meeting: Irvin's Dining Room APRIL EVENTS:

NORTHDURFT GYMKHANA or You Can't Beat Cubic Inches

...34 entries, ranging from 750cc to 5 litre Corvette... All told, the track was plowed (snow?), the course was dry...



This is what it takes to put on a successful race weekend. Don't miss your opportunity to help out this July. There are plenty of chances to get with us and help out.

FOR SALE

I have four(4) General G-Max RS 225/50R16 - Summer Performance tires for sale. W-Speed rating with low miles. Still have 5/32" tread depth with even wear. DOT date 2017. Contact Mike Jones at maxins@icloud.com







\$80.00

I also have a Autocross/Track Day Tire Trailer

Harbor Freight– Haul Master Frame with a custom deck. Has tire mounts and room for a tool box or tub. Has light kit option and spare tire kit

Can be stored upright. Measures 40" x 48" plus the 1-7/8" ball coupler. All for \$300.00 Contact Mike at maxjns@icloud.com





MOTORSTATE CHALLENGE

Coming July 18-20 will be the 16th annual Motorstate Challenge by Lane Automotive. Sign up is already underway. South Bend Region will once again be putting this event on. It is a great opportunity to see some of the best Pro-Touring cars in the U.S. If you haven't attended one in the past, you are missing some great drivers and cars.

We start off on Thursday the 18th with registration and then a cruise thru southwest Michigan with a dinner hosted by Lane afterwards. Lots of great camaraderie happening here.

On Friday morning we go to Gingerman Raceway in South Haven Mi. to do timed laps with some of the best drivers that Motorstate has to offer. That is followed usually by an ice cream social.

Saturday morning we gather at the Tire Rack in South Bend for a traditional autocross, followed by the awards being given out. I you don't want to miss this it is easy to attend. Just sign up at a SBR meeting or email Denny at pitboard@sbrscca.org. We would love to have you come to help out at Gingerman by doing Tech inspection in the morning followed by working a corner to see these machines do their thing on the 2.2 mile road course. Saturday you can come and see them up close by working chasing cones. We really rely on you helping as it takes a big group to get the job done. Plus, we pay you to come out and help. Don't miss out!!!

SCCA

Digital Annual Waivers

completes "Annual

Questions? Email membership@scca.com Sports Car Club of America.

ADULT ANNUAL WAIVERS

SCCA Members over the Age of Majority (typically 1 8 years of age) can add an Annual Waiver digitally through the Member Account Portal.

HOW TO DIGITALLY COMPLETE

- 1. Log in with your SCCA Member # at my.scca.com
- 2. Go to Online Store Licenses & Waivers
- 3. Add "Annual Waiver Adult" license to cart
- 4. Be prepared to upload a photo of yourself
- 5. Follow the prompts at the top right of the screen
- 6. Complete checkout

MINOR ANNUAL WAIVERS

A minor taking part in an SCCA event as a competitor, on track participant, or volunteer or worker with access to restricted (hot) areas must have an Annual Minor Waiver on file for the calendar year. Age of Majority is 18 years except in AL and NE at 19; MS at 21.

The Annual Waiver Minor License will be issued to the Minor by the SCCA National Office when the following requirements are met:

Parent 1 logs into Parent 2 logs into his/her account and his/her account and Minor logs into his/her digitally completes digitally completes account and digitally

"Annual Waiver Minor

Parental Consent"

"Annual Waiver Minor

Parental Consent" Waiver Minor"

HOW TO DIGITALLY COMPLETE

- 1. Login with your SCCA Member # at my.scca.com
 - a. Nonmembers can create a guest account to get a unique SCCA Member #
- 2. Go to Online Store Licenses & Waivers
- 3. Add proper license to cart (see Parent & Minor instructions above)
 - a. Be prepared to upload a photo of yourself
 - b. Parents must have the Minor's name, date of birth & SCCA Member #
 - c. Minors must have names and SCCA Member #s for parents/legal guardians
- 4. Follow the prompts at the top right of the screen
 - a. Legal Sole Custodians must indicate sole custody with checkbox
- 5. Complete checkout

Digital Annual Waivers

Questions? Email membership@scca.com

WHAT'S NEXT?

- → Check inbox for email confirming "under review"
- → Check inbox for email indicating status and next steps: active, incomplete or terminated (should arrive in less than 24 hours, not including weekends/holidays) o Active: waiver valid through December 31 "ready to go!" o Incomplete: waiver invalid, requirements not yet met o Terminated: waiver invalid, photo not acceptable; process must be restarted

PROOF OF MEMBERSHIP/ANNUAL WAIVER AT EVENTS

- → An Annual Waiver is valid with an active membership
- Acceptable forms of proof of membership at events include physical or digital membership cards with 'Valid Thru' date equal to or after the event date:
 - O Physical membership card prints when membership renews (once per year) o Digital membership card available 24/7/365 on any mobile device
 - Retrieve on demand at your convenience; card is always current
 - Add a shortcut to your phone's home screen
 - o Tap "My Membership Card" from "My Profile Page"
 - O Tap Share icon
 (iPhone @ bottom, iPad@top, Android @ menu icon, upper right)
 - O Tap "Add to Homescreen" from the menu
 - O Type in a name for your shortcut e.g. "My SCCA Card" Tap "Add"

Members with horizontal membership Members with vertical membership cards cards (0n the left) "ARE NOT REQUIRED" to sign SCCA Event Waivers. to sign SCCA Event Waivers





Your article could be here!!

MERCHANDISE FOR SALE

T-Shirts

New Gray (all sizes) \$10.00

Old colors (sizes limited ask availability) \$5.00

Sweat Shirts (sizes limited) \$5.00

Polo Shirts (limited mostly long sleeve) \$20.00

Hats New -\$20 Old \$5.00

Beanies \$10.00

Grille Emblem (show your colors) \$25.00

SBR Decals (show your colors) \$1.00 for 5" or \$2.00 for 8"

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.



Long Sleeve – L—X L-2XL— 3XL

Short Sleeve-M-L

(1 each)



New Gray

All Sizes



Old Hats



New Hats



Beanies



Grill Emblems—Hardware Included