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## PitBoard Editor Puts Himself on the Cover



photo-D. Belisle

2003 has been a great year for PitBoard. Other than supplying pictures for most of the issues, stories have been supplied by insightful SBR members. While most issues have been 12 full pages of text and photos, this issue is only 8 pages. This is probably a function of the Solo and Racing seasons slowing down to a complete halt at this time of year in this part of the country.

For the racers in the Luckritz family (Kristi, Josh and myself), 2003 has been a pretty successful race and Solo season. My daughter, Kristi, attended about a half dozen karting events organized by the Tire Rack on Wednesday evenings.

During her first outing, she went off course several times and was probably lapped twice by everybody out there. Then in mid-season, we almost had a family breakdown. Kristi was missing the line, and her father tried to correct her. Well, she insisted she was right (she wasn't.) I told her that if she wants to get better, she is going to have to listen to her father because excuses don't make a race driver faster. Let's

just say, a 13 year old's feelings were hurt and it was a quiet ride home. To be honest, I didn't know if she would want to go back again.

We hit a turning point. From that time on, Kristi was running near the front of the pack and beating her old man. I would like to say that she had a faster kart, or that I weight over a 100 lbs more than her, but the fact is, she gets it. No, her lines aren't perfect, but she now drives a pretty good line without fear. She's turning 14 this spring and it will only be a couple of years until she's on the track in a "real" car.

My son, Josh, finally gets it too. After running 3-4 seconds behind me in autocrossing for a season and a half, he finally got within a second of his father. To make sure we were comparing apples to apples, I left the 1995 Neon at home and started running his 1993 Nissan Sentra SE-R.

The turning point in his short career was the mid-season autocross at LMC. He was still 2 seconds behind

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# MONTHLY MEETING

When: First Tuesday of every month.

Who: All are welcome!

Time: Board Meeting at 7:00 pm  
Membership Meeting at 8:00 pm Indiana Time

Where: Mishawaka Union Station  
327 Union Street  
Mishawaka, IN

Except December Party/Meeting see page 8



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**How To Get  
Those  
Precious  
SBR Activity  
Points:  
Join the Fun!**

<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/day	50
Website Manager	200	SBR Race Driver	50
Race Chief of Specialty	200	PitBoard Article/page	40
Associate PitBoard Editor	100	SBR Meeting Attendance	20
Rally Series Chair	100	Car Show Booth/day	20
Solo Chair	100	Rally Navigator	20
Solo Series Specialty Chief	100	Race Crew/day	20
Event Chair	100	Rally/Solo Worker	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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# Regional Executive Notes

Duane Belisle

The 42nd annual Roundtable meeting for Central Division was held at Indianapolis at Brickyard Crossing Inn this past November 8th. South Bend Region was well represented by Duane Belisle, Jeff Pontius and Bill Howe. George Williams, due to a work commitment was unable to attend the Solo meetings.

The big topic at the Cendiv Town Hall meeting was "Minor Waiver Procedures." This is still being worked out by the National office and the Risk Management department of SCCA. More will be announced later.

The Cendiv race scheduling meeting was shaping up to be a heated debate but did not turn out to be much of a squabble even though there were two conflicting National race dates and a new (read excess) National on the schedule. The National schedule was finally achieved by Milwaukee Region swapping one of their National races with the date they had scheduled for a Regional race. NEOhio Region converted their conflicting National race to a two day Driver's school. And South Bend Region decided to drop their July National after receiving an offer to co-host a National with Western Michigan Region. All this took two

(2) National races off the schedule leaving 10 which was the goal of the Cendiv Executive Stewards, Cendiv Calendar Committee and most of the Regions in Cendiv. There are now 4 National races in Area 5 (west) and 6 National races in Area 4 (east) of Cendiv.

The present plan for the Regional Race schedule for South Bend Region is for us to put on a Double Regional at GingerMan Raceway on June 26th and 27th and also participate in the Driver's School at GingerMan on July 10th and 11th. These two events and SBR co-hosting a National with WMR at Grattan (subject to location change) will make a busy racing season for SBR. Please plan on participating in all of these exciting SBR racing events.

The NEOhio Region is planning a training session for Timing & Scoring workers. This training will be done with a simulated race (maybe using slot cars and transponders) and will be hands on computer lessons.

The training is going to be offered three (3) times: at the March Steward/Workers meeting in Indianapolis, in Cleveland March 20th at the IX Center, and at the National Convention in Kansas City. The fee is \$25 which includes lunch. I'm sure the SBR Board of Directors will agree to reimburse you some or all of the fee if you choose to go. I would like to encourage anyone interested in T&S to take advantage of this opportunity to learn a new skill, improve your existing skills or upgrade your T&S license.

I would like to see a group of people from SBR take this training so that we can create our own T&S crew capable of handling a race. This has the potential to be a very fun group challenging those corner workers for the "Wild & Crazy Guys" label.

Everyone please plan on attending the Annual SBR Banquet in January. The date and location are not yet set but you will be notified when the plans are set.

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me for the first three runs; and then it happened. On his last run, Josh got within 3/4 of second of the old man's time. From then on, he was never quite as fast as me, but always right there, ready to pounce.

As for me, the 2003 road racing season

was a VAST improvement over the previous year. There were two major reasons for this.

For one, I had a motor prepped by an established Miata engine builder. But, even after the new motor was installed, I was still too slow down the straights. To make a long story short, the replacement of a faulty oxygen sensor made all the difference in the world. A quick trip back to the dyno showed that I now had a 10 hp improvement over last year. This is good news.

At the end of the season, I ended up in fourth place in SSB in the Central Division final standings. The highlight of the race season included a first-ever win in the Miata at Gateway International Raceway. More importantly though, I was now at least competitive with the front running Miatas. Last year, they were 2-3 seconds a lap faster, this year they were within 1.3 seconds.

The season ended with an 11th place finish at the Runoffs. I am still not quite there in the handling department, but I'm creeping in on that. Over the Winter, I plan on seeking outside help in setting up the car to go faster in the corners. Look for TV coverage on November 30th on Speed Channel at noon. Keep your eye open for the #76 Hoosier Tire Miata.

## Buy Tires... Help SBR!

If you're planning on making a purchase from The Tire Rack, make sure you place the order by first clicking through one of the Tire Rack banners on our website. If you have a regular salesperson whom you don't want to snub, you can enter their name or extension in a special field during the order process.

The South Bend Region get some \$\$\$ back for each purchase made this way.



# Solo #8 Results from The Tire Rack

Class	Driver	Hometown	Club	Car	Best Time	Points
SS						
T 1	Lee Moore	South Bend, IN	SBR	2000 Chevrolet Corvette	41.651	100
AS						
T 1	Alexander Stemer	Dune Acres, IN		99 Lotus Elise	47.615	100
BS						
T 1	Tony Lipscomb	South Bend, IN		01 Audi TT	41.966	100
2	Ken Richmond	Westville, IN	75	01 Pontiac Trans Am	42.836	81.34
CS						
T 1	George Schmitt	Elkhart, IN	SBR	96 Mazda Miata	41.858	100
T 2	Tim Gaisford	Warsaw, IN	SBR	74 Porsche 914	42.886	77.9
3	Paul Stock	Mishawaka, IN	SBR	00 Mazda Miata	43.269	69.66
4	Robert Hartman	LaGrange, IN	SBR	73 Porsche 914	53.559	10
CSL						
T 1	Enid Schmitt	Elkhart, IN	SBR	96 Mazda Miata	43.315	100
2	Sarah Gaisford	Warsaw, IN	SBR	74 Porsche 914	44.067	84.37
DS						
T 1	Peter Jacobs	Grand Rapids, MI	SBR	02 Subaru WRX Wagon	41.019	100
2	Bill Thomas	Caledonia, MI	WMR	03 Subaru WRX	45.712	10
ES						
T 1	Gary Butts	Ada, MI	DET	86 Toyota MR2	44.302	100
FS						
T 1	George Williams	Middlebury, IN	SBR	02 Chevy Z-28	41.284	100
2	William Leslie	St. John, IN		01 Ford Mustang	47.32	10
GS						
T 1	William Rozzi	Granger, IN	SBR	03 MINI Cooper S	42.213	100
T 2	Jeff Luckritz	St. Joseph, MI	SBR	95 Dodge Neon	42.624	91.24
T 3	Steve McNeal	Holland, MI	SBR	02 Ford SVT Focus	42.97	83.86
T 4	Matt Keen	Buchanan, MI		02 Ford Focus SVT	43.888	64.29
T 5	Josh Luckritz	St. Joseph, MI	SBR	93 Nissan Sentra SE-R	44.08	60.19
6	Donald Sillence	Mishawaka, IN		02 Ford SVT Focus	45.63	27.15
7	Ray Price	Valparaiso, IN		03 Mini Cooper S	46.25	13.93
8	Daniel Cook	Schoolcraft, MI		94 Acura Integra	47.255	10
9	Douglas Biehl	Sterling Heights, MI		00 Honda Civic Si	47.798	10
10	Terec Morgan-Wilson	St. Louis, MO		00 Mercury Cougar	48.117	10
11	Chris Vestal	Griffith, IN		03 Mini Cooper S	48.765	10
12	Dj Armstrong	Lowell, MI		89 VW GTI 16v	48.813	10
13	Chris Peet	Kalamazoo, MI	WMR	98 Ford Contour SE	48.838	10
14	Mark Manninen	Granger, IN		03 Mini Cooper S	49.215	10
15	Jeff Leslie	, IN		02 Mini Cooper S	49.948	10
16	Digger Gelman	Plantation, FL		03 Honda Accord	50.093	10
17	Kelly Vestal	Griffith, IN	INR	03 Mini Cooper S	50.417	10
HS						
T 1	Jeff Margush	Goshen, IN		79 Volvo 242 GT	44.184	100
T 2	Don Fore	Noblesville, IN		03 Honda Civic EX	45.548	72.22
T 3	David Gushwa	Mishawaka, IN	SBR	01 Ford Focus	46.117	60.63
4	Mike Jones	South Bend, IN	SBR	92 Mazda Protégé	46.668	49.4
5	Geoff Blow	Ann Arbor, MI	WMR	01 Ford Focus ZX3	47.259	37.36
6	Jonathan Warner	Mishawaka, IN	SBR	00 Toyota Camry	48.834	10
7	Tobin Keen	South Bend, IN		01 Ford Focus	49.224	10
8	Rod Harms	Bristol, IN		89 Honda CRX	54.178	10
9	Patrick Ohmann	St. Joseph, MI	SBR	91 Ford Festiva	54.677	10

HSL							
T	1	Kari Blow	Ann Arbor, MI	WMR	95 Toyota Corolla	51.903	100
	2	Megan Ohmann	Stevensville, MI	SBR	91 Ford Festiva	56.961	12.29
STS							
T	1	Ken Courtland	Grand Ledge, MI	Det	83 VW Rabbit	41.968	100
T	2	Nate Vanderveen	Wyoming, MI	SBR	00 Subaru Impreza RS	42.239	94.19
T	3	Thad Peterson	DeWitt, MI		86 Dodge Neon	42.258	93.78
T	4	Parker Brown	Portage, MI	SBR	99 Ford Contour SE	43.718	62.47
T	5	Jack Stodola	Schoolcraft, MI		98 Acura Integra	43.746	61.87
	6	John Orich	Gary, IN	INR	01 Subaru Impreza	43.925	58.03
	7	Matt Flournoy	South Bend, IN		00 Honda Civic Si	43.932	57.88
	8	Damon Edwards	Alexandria, LA		00 Subaru 2.5 RS Srp	44.252	51.02
	9	Gary Peterson	Charlotte, MI	WMR	96 Dodge Neon	44.366	48.58
	10	Lynn Elms	Wanatoh, IN		01 Subaru Impreza	45.071	33.46
	11	Steve Unwin	Kalamazoo, MI	WMR/SBR	95 VW Jetta GLX VR6	45.204	30.6
	12	Greg Zarotney	Dewitt, MI		98 Ford Contour	45.274	29.1
	13	Nicholas Kreech	Granger, IN		92 Nissan 240SX	45.804	17.74
	14	Pete Stodola	Schoolcraft, MI		96 Acura Integra	46.176	10
	15	Scott Jackson	Granger, IN		01 Ford Focus ZX3	46.372	10
STX							
T	1	John Gray	South Haven, MI		02 Subaru WRX	44.638	100
	2	Brian Laflamme	Kalamazoo, MI		03 Subaru WRX	45.54	81.81
	3	Michael Salazar	Skokie, IL		03 Mini Cooper S	48.822	15.64
SM							
T	1	Tom Smith	Lansing, MI		84 VW GLI	41.138	100
T	2	Andrew Nienhuis	West Olive, MI	WMR	84 VW GTI	41.373	94.86
T	3	Ron Nienhuis	W. Olive, MI	WMR	84 VW GTI	42.132	78.25
	4	Paulis Austrins	Lansing, MI	Wmr	84 VW GLI	42.694	65.96
	5	Jeremy Straus	Indianapolis, IN	Columbus	91 Ford Mustang	42.86	62.33
	6	Chris Shearer	Granger, IN		95 Acura Integra	45.586	10
	7	Larry Newberry	N Tonawanda, NY		03 Mini Cooper S	47.749	10
	8	Mark Salazar	Oak Park, IL		98 VW New Beetle	65.29	10
SM2							
T	1	Tony Koufos	Crown Point, IN	INR	70 Porsche 911	38.695	100
	2	Alex Pancheri	South Bend, IN	SBR	93 Mazda Miata	46.123	10
	3	Don Pancheri	South Bend, IN	SBR	93 Mazda Miata	48.722	10
BSP							
T	1	David Bowman	Mishawaka, IN	SBR	76 Chevy Corvette	45.073	100
DSP							
T	1	Jeff Harrison	South Bend, IN	SBR	98 Dodge Neon ACR	40.444	100
T	2	William Loring	Osceola, IN	SBR	98 Dodge Neon ACR	41.172	83.8
	3	Steve Tamandli	South Bend, IN	SBR	88 Pontiac Fiero	41.407	78.57
	4	Jerry Martin	Logansport, IN	SBR	80 Fiat X 1/9	44.866	10
ESP							
T	1	Jason Butts	Ada, MI	WMR	84 Nissan 300ZX	42.201	100
FSP							
T	1	David Watson	Charlotte, MI	WMR/SBR	90 Ford Escort GT	44.665	100
	2	Brad Watson	Charlotte, MI	WMR/SBR	90 Ford Escort GT	46.269	67.68
DP							
T	1	Steve Bollinger	Granger, IN	SBR	66 Austin Healey Sprite	37.589	100
	2	Kim Bollinger	Granger, IN	SBR	66 Austin Healey Sprite	37.702	97.29
EP							
T	1	Todd Green	Hebron, IN	SBR	68 Datsun SRL311	39.046	100
FM							
T	2	Gregory Powers	Mishawaka, IN	SBR	65 Bobsy Solo Vee	36.221	100
FJR							
T	1	Ross Bollinger	Granger, IN	SBR	95 Invader Yamaha Kart	43.611	100

## CLASSIFIEDS

**For Sale 1966 Mercury** Comet convertible. 351W, C4 auto, power steering, power top, new front brakes, undercarriage has been blasted, painted and undercoated. Body is in overall good condition. Needs repair of previous repair above rear tires. Starting to crack. All new interior except door panels. Top is in excellent condition also. \$5,000 obo 616-445-9288 llbright@webtv.net

**For Sale:** 1973 Porsche 914, This is a California car and is 98% rust free!! 1.7 & 1.8 liter engines included. Car is ready to go racing or play on the street. The car is disassembled and ready for paint. Lots of spare parts!! \$ 4,500.00 or trade considered(574) 596-9766 or <mrhude@aol.com> for pictures.

**1967 Austin Healey Sprite DP** car for sale. This car has the 1275 motor and has run competitively at several Solo II nationals in the D Prepared class. Fully prepared with many spares including a spare motor, extra wheels, fuel cell, full race suspension featuring Carrera coilovers, LSD, 18ft single axle enclosed trailer included. Call (574) 234-6186 for details, ask for Kevin.

**1994 Mazda Rx7 Race Car ITE**, 300 hp, total rebuilt engine, Excellent condition, \$2600. **1967. Jaguar XKE Roadster** under complete restoration. (a new Jaguar by Trakside Custom Works)

**1992 Alfa Romeo 164S** chip Eibach Springs, wheels and tires, gorgeous Lamborghini purple \$6700. **1867 Farm House and Barn**, very pretty pond and trees. Has an extra lot to sell later in "Endless summer" homes sites at GingerMan Raceway. All sites have direct access to the TRACK & RACE SHOP! Beaches, Boats, Sunsets, Golf, Motorsports, Trakside Assistance and Nature all in your backyard. Farm House \$180000; Home sites \$65000. Free track time with all purchase and invitations to Special Events at GingerMan Raceway . Call Dan 269-253-2017

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**PINZGAUER 710M - 4X4 SOFTTOP** MANY MODS

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**PORSCHE 928 TRACK CAR - 2 DIFFERENT**

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<PHIL@ENKAL.COM>

**1979 Mazda RX-7 race car.** 13B, Weber carb, Racing Beat intake and exhaust, roll cage, good body. SCCA Solo1 or Solo2 CSP. Comes with logbook and title. Also includes 1981 Rx-7 GSL parts car. Parts car has aluminum wheels, four wheel disc brakes, and complete driveline. Everything Rx-7 must go \$3500. 574-296-7296 Days, 574-903-1243 Nights. Leave message.

**Mazda Wheels with Winter Tires!** 4 MSW alloy wheels fit Mazda 1993 626/1996 MX6 89-92, Ford Probe 88-91, perhaps some Toyota Camry, Eagle Talon, or Eclipse. 5-bolt 114.3 mm circle, 6" wide x 14" diameter and 67.06 center bore, ET38 offset. Have ancient Yokohama winter tires mounted.

4 OEM Mazda 626 5-1/2" wide 14" steel wheels with excellent Blizzak WS-15 185/70R 14 tires good for several Michiana winters. About 10/32" tread remaining. Make an offer. Lloyd at (574) 272-6719 or LWLoring@sbeglobal.net.

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## SBR CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

*December 2*      *SBR Membership Meeting @ 8:00 pm*  
*Special Potluck Christmas Party-See directions*  
*on back page*

*January 17???*    *No Membership Meeting/Annual Banquet TBA*

*February 3*      *SBR Membership Meeting @ 8:00 pm*

## CLASSIFIEDS

**Classifieds are free to South Bend Region SCCA members;** non-members may advertise for \$5.00 per ad month. Ads submitted by members will be run for 2 issues unless the editor is notified. Non-member ads will run based on payments received. To place a display or classified ad, contact the PitBoard editor.

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Send, e-mail, or personally deliver your articles, photos, classified ads, comments and ideas to the PitBoard editor by the 15th of each month. I do not have Microsoft Word, so I can't easily open Word.doc files. Text works fine, though. Include your name, phone number and e-mail address with your submission, just in case the editor needs to contact you; no anonymous submissions will be printed. When sending photos (which will be returned) include the who, what, when, where, why, and how information.

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- 1) *How to line up cars*
- 2) *How to weigh cars*
- 3) *How to drive a motorhome on I-94*
- 4) *How to have fun at an SCCA Road Race.*

*photo-B.Olson*



# Membership Application

**Dear Prospective SCCA Member:**

To apply for membership in the Sports Car Club of America, the world's largest member participation automotive organization, please complete the form below *in full* and return, with payment, to the South Bend Region, SCCA Membership Co-Chairs: David & Tami Bowman 3807 Fern Hill Dr, Mishawaka IN 46544-6267, or to the SCCA Membership Department, PO Box 19400, Topeka, KS 66619-0400.

**PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE**

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
Month Day Year

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Single  Married E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**IF SPOUSE ONLY APPLICATION:** Present (Spouse) Member Number \_\_\_\_\_

**IF REGULAR + SPOUSE OR FAMILY APPLICATION:**

03 Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

**IF FAMILY MEMBERSHIP:** (husband/wife & children) list names and ages of children **under age 21:**

04 Child Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

05 Child Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

06 Child Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been an SCCA member before:  No  Yes Year \_\_\_\_\_ Previous Member No. \_\_\_\_\_

**PRIMARY INTEREST(S) IN SCCA:**

Please send me a free Crew License (*check box to left*)

Please indicate the area(s) of SCCA in which you plan to participate, or which interests you most. Your response will be used to allocate your National dues to the areas you indicate. Thank you.

Club Racing  Pro Racing  ProRally  RoadRally  Solo

	Annual Dues	National + SBR	Regional =	Cost	Total
01	<input type="checkbox"/> Regular Member	\$55.00	\$15.00	\$70.00	\$ _____
03	<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse Member	15.00	5.00	20.00	\$ _____
10	<input type="checkbox"/> Family Membership	85.00	20.00	105.00	\$ _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> First Gear Member*	30.00	15.00	45.00	\$ _____
				<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

\*First Gear member must be 21 or under.

National Office Use Only	
C- _____	\$ _____
C- _____	\$ _____
C- _____	\$ _____
<b>Source</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Enclosed is my check or money order for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ U.S. Make payable to SCCA. DO NOT SEND CASH.

Visa  MC No. \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby apply for membership in the Sports Car Club of America, Inc., and its **South Bend Region #35**, and agree to abide by the bylaws.

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Dues Include payment for subscription to *SportsCar* magazine (\$24 value.) Dues are not deductible as charitable contributions.



## SBR October Meeting 2003

**Membership:** We are at 192 members. This is the same as last month. Dave Bowman has offered to take over the membership database for our region and H.C. will transfer that responsibility to him. One new member joined tonight.

**Treasurer's Report:** The month of September we had a positive. Several things have yet to be paid for the month.

**Solo:** LMC has two lots and we will be using the smaller lot due to a neighbor that is complaining of noise issues. It is not only our club that this is concerning, it is everything taking place on the larger lot. A permanent course is to start being used for the Tire Rack course starting on October 19th.

**Race:** We are going to offer to co-host the April nationals. Hope of rotating 2 events with them is the plan. Jeff P to write up proposal and send it out to them ASAP.

• WMR said that our use of GingerMan for the July 10th and 11th was okay, but we

could not use the date of August 28th though.

**New business:** There was a motion passed to do an annual audit of the region books.

• Area Four meeting in Fort Wayne on Nov. 1st will be held to decide if the Central Division will be split up into two.

• The board members were to fill out regional evaluation for the year.

• A discussion about raising regional dues for the upcoming year to be discussed in open forum.

• Cendiv has decided to become incorporated, for the sole purpose of legal protection. If we decide later that is not what we want it should not be hard to get out.

• The board tossed around ideas about how to lower overhead costs on the PitBoard.

• Paul Stock was nominated for regional exec.

• Jeff P, Jeff L., voted to stay on the board and Dave B, Tami B, Leon Krauss were also voted to be nominated to be on the board.

• Dave Bowman is going to do Cavalcade of Wheels again this year.

• The banquet bills are coming in and the pricing charges agreed upon are different. The Upper deck charged more for table and chairs.

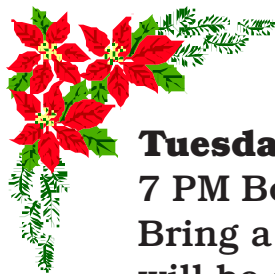
• A donation to the Studebaker Museum is being considered.

**Old business:** The banquet was this past weekend. There were about 77 people in attendance. The bash went well and the food was good.

- The Hoosier Tire tour was on Friday. It also went very well. The employees were happy to see our cars and what they help do for us. There were 16 people that went on the tour.

• Update on the race driver school. We are out all of the money we put up for the event. We are also having to cut a check to Fort Wayne region to cover everything that they ended up paying for.

• Roundtable is coming near and a motion was passed to pay for 5 members to attend. We would also pay for their hotel expenses.



## SBR Christmas Party

**Tuesday Dec 2, 2003**

**7 PM Board meeting 8 PM Christmas Party**

**Bring a dish to share, Plates and silverware will be supplied. Cash bar.**

**Moose Club Room**

**603 E. Madison Mishawaka, IN**

**Behind Edgewater Florist in Mishawaka.**

**If you have any questions please call**

**Dave or Tami Bowman 574-255-7600**



## Solo Stuff — George Williams

The 2003 season is now finally over and we had a successful year in both driver entries and finished the year with a positive contribution to the club treasury. We had 8 events and a total of 622 registered drivers which I believe are high numbers for the South Bend Region Solo program.

I want to thank all of the solo support staff and chiefs who put forth a great effort to insure the events went smoothly. I depend on these folks to help provide the kind of events that have labeled our region as a user friendly group and a fun bunch of people to compete with.

Next year I want to encourage more folks to volunteer as event chairmen/chairwomen. This is a great way to earn a bunch of activity points with little risk to screw up as most of the veterans will be at all the events to assist in the running of the event.

Next year we will start with a driver's school in April and regular events at The Tire Rack, Lake Michigan College, and Grissom Aeroplex in June. If other sites become available, we can try something new.

Watch for the Solo organizing meeting to be scheduled for mid February. We'll post the date, time, and location in PitBoard. We need a solid core of chiefs and dedicated helpers to run the events with the increasing levels of attendance. We'll be looking for volunteers to start lining up after the snow melts.

See you at the Xmas party and the awards banquet.