



Board Member Logic

What Are They Really Thinking?



*New SBR Board Member,
Kim Bollinger*

What part of SCCA do you spend most of your time participating in?

Kim: I'm a Solo driver/worker. My only foray into Rally almost had me driving into the Mississippi River, so I gave that up. And I love to watch Club racing, though I don't have the assertiveness to go wheel-to-wheel myself (I hate body work on either myself or my car.)

Jeff: In the last two years, I have spent more time as a worker, including being an officer and attending roundtables, and other meetings than I have actually spent racing.

Why do you continue to participate in SCCA activities?

Kim: Two reasons: I love the challenge of driving better than I have before (and, if possible, better than my competitors.) But more important, I love the people involved in Solo - a raft of car nuts who are also some of the friendliest, most supportive folks on the planet.

Jeff: Several reasons. The first is that it is a good excuse to spend time with my father, and secondly, I have made some good friends, and third, I enjoy the competition.



Jeff Pontius has been on the SBR Board for several years

What would you like to see changed at the National level of SCCA?

Kim: Several things: A) Better representation of the views of actual participants by the members of the governing Boards. The Solo Board seems bent on revising rules to attempt to lure folks to change classes, while putting those currently in the class(es) at a disadvantage. B) Assistance from the national office in getting autocross sites. For instance, the National Office could take the lead in negotiating at the corporate level of major corporations who have large parking facilities, to gain access to those lots for local region solo activities across the country. C) A better site for the Solo II National Championships. The current site is a car-killer, with potholes that can swallow my car. D) Getting out of Drifting. I see Drifting as a way to gain enough negative publicity to adversely affect many of our core activities, including Solo and Rally.

Jeff: More support for the club at the local level.

What would you like to see changed at the Regional level?

Kim: A) Increased emphasis on encouraging our membership to take an active role in their club. B) Evaluation of all club activities to make certain we are spending our members' funds to support activities they are interested in, and that provide the most return for them. C) Locating and securing another high quality Solo site.

Jeff: Increased member participation. We have 10% of the people doing 90% of the work. If everyone would pitch in, our activities would be so much better, and there would be more activities to enjoy.

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Breaking News

George Williams, who has led our solo program for many years is about to relocate to one of the coasts. We all wish him well and thank him for his service to the club and the sport. We are now actively seeking a new Solo II Chair to follow in George's footsteps. First order of business will be to find a replacement for the Lake Michigan College solo site which is no longer available.

MONTHLY MEETING

None in January
Come to the Annual Banquet on Jan. 22.

New Members

We received a new member application and check from Mike Miller. Mike lives in Goshen, Indiana and has interests in both Club Racing and Solo. Mike learned about the club by visiting our display at the 2004 Cavalcade of Wheels.

Renewing their Dual Memberships were David Watson, wife Suzanne, and children Brad and Mallory. The Watson's live in Charlotte, Michigan, with their home region being Western Michigan.

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December 7, 2004 SBR Board Meeting Minutes

Board Meeting Minutes Dec. 7, 2004
Called to order 7:10. Present were Paul, Leon, Jeff L., Jeff P., Duane and HC

Membership - We have 200 members.

Treasurer's Report - We are in the black for the year. Our CD was renewed at the Bank of CA.

Race - We have until 12-15 to look over the contract for our June race. We need chiefs in all areas.

Solo II - No more races at LMC. We will be looking for a new chairperson since George Williams is moving out of the area. We wish you luck George. We hope to have a Solo meeting in Jan. to set up dates for 2005 events.

Banquet - It is sch'd for Jan. 22 at Hedwig Memorial Center. Jeff Luckritz has found a guest speaker for the evening.

Old Business - It was brought to our attention that we do need a new printer for Solo II events. It was proposed that William Loring look for a around \$125. Voted on and passed.

Meeting adjourned so we could have our Christmas party.

Board Thoughts From p.1

Fondest memory involving SCCA/cars/racing etc.

Kim: Geez, I've had so many over the 21+ years I've been involved. Of course, the first National Championship, won on the last run the second day. Watching my baby take his first run in the Kart - no seatbelt, 30+ mph, hoping he knew how to use the brakes. Steve's first National Championship, won the year I lost by the closest margin of loss (.005) at that time. The offers of rides/parts/help when something breaks on the car or tow vehicle. The delight when I realized I could drive the Tamandli beast at Grissom and actually do quite well - and not die.

Jeff: #1. Indianapolis 500 practice day when I was in middle school, with my par-

ents trying to sneak me into the pits. There was an age limit (probably 16) that I wasn't close to. I think they had put me in a borrowed jacket, hat and sunglasses to try to make me look older. Unfortunately, it didn't work.

#2 - My second place finish in a torrential downpour at *Grattan in 2002*.

If you had \$50,000 to spend on a car, what would you buy?

Kim: That's hard. Probably an Audi S4 - four door, goes in snow, looks like a se-date sedan but isn't.

Jeff: A 2005 Mustang GT (around \$26,000, nicely equipped), and \$24,000 in *gas and replacement tires*.

What age did you start racing?

Kim: I was 12. No really, I was. (Yes, I was 29 when I started.)

Jeff: My first "racing" was with RC cars when I was in middle school. My first motorized racing was autocrossing about 5 years ago and after about a year of autocrossing, I bought my FV and started road racing.

At what age did you realize that you wanted to race?

Kim: I was 12, for real. I had subscriptions to *Road and Track* and *Car and Driver*, and bugged my parents mercilessly for a sports car, preferably either a British roadster or a Corvette.

Jeff: I don't remember the exact age, in my early teens, I think. I remember thinking how cool Rick Mears was, and how much I wanted to be like him in the 80's.

Getting SBR Activity Points

Activity	Points	Activity	Points
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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CLASSIFIEDS

For Sale: 1981 VW Autocross Rabbit. Has 1984 rebuilt GTI motor, with rebuilt 1983 GTI short gear 5 speed transmission. Bilstein sport shocks with Neuspeed racing springs, front and rear sway bars rears 28mm, front upper shock tower brace, lower front brace, Neuspeed rear triangular shock brace. Heavy duty motor mounts, custom oil cooler, twin Mikuni 40 mm racing carbs, electric fuel pump, Bellevue Motorsports long tube header, need to replace Dynamax muffler. 13x8.5 3 pc Revolution wheels custom painted yellow. Has 215 50 15 BFG R1 Rabbit is custom painted yellow, fades to purple and black. Includes Auto Meter oil temp and water temp gauge on dash, GTI tach and speedometer cluster. GTI vented rotors, very worn twin Corbeau racing seats. Battery relocated to trunk. Many other extras, i.e., replaced ball joints, replaced tie rods, both are adjustable. Replaced wheel bearings. This is a great starter car, \$3000.00 Includes Trailer. Dana Farran (574) 273-2603

1967 Austin Healy Sprite for sale. 1275cc engine bored .1040 oversize, one complete spare engine. Both engines are extensively modified with the best of everything. The car is fully race prepared, inside, outside & underside. Carrera adjustable coil over shocks on all 4 corners. Fuel cell, LSD, MSD ignition system, roll bar, 11# Halon fire system. Many drive train spares & mounted rain tires. One year old Hoosier slicks (8x20x13) on custom Revolution brand wheels. Enclosed single axle custom trailer included. \$7,000.00 obo call Kevin 574-234- 6186 for more details.

For Sale: 2000 VW Jetta GLS 1.8T Silver. Excellent condition, fast 5 speed. Loaded including heated seats, tinted windows, rear spoiler, and 2 sets of rims and tires. Summer: 17" Enkei rims w/ 235/45R17 Khumo Ecsta Supra 712 tires. Winter: 15" stock rims w/ 195/65R15 Dunlop Winter sport tires. Low mileage, **reduced** to \$12,000 OBO. **1985 VW Cabriolet** Exceptional condition, no rust, new paint stored past 3-4 years. GTi bucket seats, Blaupunkt Stereo w/ Infinity speakers. 15" Enkei rims with Khumo Ecsta Supra 712 tires. Nice collectible, **reduced** to \$3000. Can throw in some extra VW rims (Tear Drops and Tarantula). Contact Andy (616)886-4584. Please leave a message.

For Sale: Car dolly swivel plate good tires. with straps. Kurt (574) 273 1963 home (574) 286 1298

NEW in the box Simpson harness. Formula car harness set purchased in October 2000 for formula car rebuild. They were never installed and in accordance with current SCCA rules are no longer legal for road racing. They are perfect for Solo. \$50.00 plus shipping, or pick up in South Bend. Call H.C. Colwell (574) 291-6756 evenings or e-mailto <hcolwell@michiana.org>

FOR SALE: Four (4) Falken Azenis Sport RT-215 tires. 215/45ZR16. Purchased new in April '04. Only 55 runs. 6/32" (75%) tread left. Never used on street except to get me to the events. Great for STS/STX. Buyer can pick up in South Bend area. \$200.00 for set (see photo to the right.) Call Mark 8am-5pm weekdays 574.255.2170 x204 or e-mail me at mmanninen@shambaugh.com

Good Wheels with Winter Tires! 4 MSW alloy wheels fit Mazda 626/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 Excellent Blizzak WS-15 185/70R 14 tires mounted on Mazda 626 5-1/2 wide 14" OEM steel wheels, good for many Michiana winters. About 10/32" tread remaining. Make an offer. Lloyd at (574) 272-6719 or LWLoring@sbcglobal.net.

For Sale 1970 Super Vee Zink Z 14, ready to race, Came in 2nd place in the 1971 U S Gran Prix Ron Fingers the Piloto \$11,000. 1994 Fraser LeMans, Sport racer from New Zealand. Right hand drive with Toyota twin cam motor, can be driven on street \$11,000. 1979 Porsche 911 F 3.0 PCA Club Racer (F), Sparco seats, 6pt rollcage, fresh motor with JE pistons, under 5 hours since rebuilt, Wevo shifter torison bars, fiberglass bumper \$34,000. 1994 Caterham (Super 7) 180 hp excellent condition, right hand drive \$19,500. Free Evening Practices at GingerMan Raceway with purchase. BF Goodrich R3, Borbet 17x8, 5 spoke E36M3 \$400 Call Dan 269-253-2017

**WANTED:
ARTICLES FOR PITBOARD**

SBR CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

Jan. 22 *Annual Banquet: Hedwig Memorial Center
700 W Western Ave, South Bend*

Feb. 1 *SBR General Membership Meeting*

Note-No Membership Meeting in January

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You are cordially invited to attend
the South Bend Region, SCCA 51st Annual Awards Banquet
Saturday evening, January 22, 2005
at the Hedwig Memorial Center, 700 W. Western Ave, South Bend, IN
Social Hour (cash bar) **6:00 EST** (Indiana time) **Dinner 7:00 PM**
The ladies of St. Hedwig will serve a traditional family-style Polish
feast including sausage, green beans, sauerkraut, noodles, potatoes
and pie for dessert.



Our Guest Speaker is Jeff Roselli, Lead Engineer - SRT⁴ Racing, who will speak on Dodge Motorsports competition in the SCCA.

SBR Annual Awards and Tire Rack Solo Trophies will follow.

Guests are very welcome!

You must R.S.V.P. by Thursday January 13, 2005 to assure your reservation.

Please reserve ____ tickets for me and my party for the SBR Annual Awards Banquet, January 22, 2005.

Enclosed is my check for \$_____ at \$20.00 per person, \$35 per couple. Make checks payable to SBR-SCCA. Please send to: Tami Bowman, 3807 Fern Hill Dr, Mishawaka IN 46544. Questions?

Call Tami at (574) 255-7600 anytime (she'll promptly respond to answering machine messages.)

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