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Results from the Australian Pursuit: Points Event 8 at 16th Street Stadium



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Darren and Chuck win the September TSD Rally

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Calendar



Oct 9-15	SCCA Runoffs at Heartland Park Topeka
Oct 15	Indy Solo Pts Event 9, Mt. Comfort Airport
Oct 29	Indy Region Road Rally
Nov 5	Indy Solo Worker Invitational, 16th Street
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RE News: Summers Over?

by Steve Linn

Another fast and fun summer is coming to an end and we look forward to the final events of the 2006 Indy Region competition calendar. When this edition is delivered, we will have just finished our Fall Frolic Double Regional Race weekend at O'Reilly Raceway Park at Indianapolis (the track formerly known as IRP), the annual Australian Pursuit Solo event at 16th Street, and our latest Rally event on the winding roads of the east side of Indy.

As we wind down the 2006 season, it's time for the annual request to our Indy Region membership to start thinking about 2007 and what you can do to help the Region in the future. We have many Directors that have been serving on the Indy BOD for quite a few years and we are always looking for new folks to step up and learn more about how the Region works and help it stay fresh and progressive. We have many new ideas for 2007 but can always use new perspectives and energy in implementing them. If you are interested, please contact myself or anyone else on the current Indy BOD. We would love to hear from you.

"The only limit to your impact is your imagination and commitment." – Anthony Robbins.

See you on track, on the road, or between the cones!



THANKS AGAIN, WORKERS (Our All-Volunteer Core) See YOU at the Board Meeting... Share the FUN...

Minutes of Indy Region Board Meeting

by Dick Powell

This is a synopsis of the minutes of the meeting of the Indy Region BOD September 14, 2006 at DOOKZ Sports Grille, 6:30 PM. There were 9 directors and 6 guests present. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Treasurers Report Rich Lankford emailed his report to the BOD before the meeting. The report was reviewed and approved. Dick Powell reported the Indiana Corporate Entity Report due each year has been filed with the Secretary of State.

Clutch Chatter Dick reported the expenses to date are very close to the projected budget. Dick requested everyone get their materials for the October issue to him by the 20th, or as soon as possible after the event for the weekend activities.

Dick is preparing letters requesting Photographer credentials for the Runoffs for John Wilmoth, Lou Byer, and John Sherer, to be signed by RE's of Indy and Columbus regions and mailed to Topeka.

Website John Wilmoth reported the new host system for our website seems to be working well. He requested everyone send him copies of material sent to Clutch Chatter for posting on the website.

Membership Cheryl reported current membership at 505. There are also currently over 45 names on the recently expired list, many of which we expect to renew.

Activities Steve Linn will contact Lou Byer to discuss preparations for the Awards Banquet in January.

Rally Cheryl discussed the upcoming rally on September 24, reviewing information in Clutch Chatter and on the website. She also needs a Rallymaster for the October rally, currently scheduled for October 29. Cheryl will get information to Dick and John as soon as available for publication.

Solo Our large display unit has been ordered, is finished and ready to ship. Darren has been trying to get some ve-

hicle repairs for da Bus in exchange for advertising. He will continue to work with Dick and John for the advertising when something becomes available.

Lafayette Square Mall event went well. The course was a little rough, but generally well accepted by the competitors. We expect to include LSM in our planning for next year.

Jay Quinn, Jeannie Spellman, and Phil Wehman will be meeting with Mark Dismore to possibly have Solo events at his facility in New Castle. Mark is expanding his facilities and is quite interested in having us put on some events there.

Race Andy and Steve have been working with ORPI (formerly IRP) to do some repairs to the tower, hopefully before our Regional Races at the end of this month. We have had inquiries from other regions for possible race dates at ORPI. This could potentially be a fourth date for ORPI, or the third date we are now using.

Steve Linn has found a possible host for online registrations for our races. We will review options in hopes of making it available for next year. The possibility of taking credit cards at the track will require considerable more research to find a workable method.

New Business Brian Gard explained his new Performance Parts Business, and desires to discuss advertising possibilities and support for the regions competition activities. He is expecting to make merchandise contributions for our awards banquet and prizes at races. He will work with Dick Powell to coordinate the advertising. Next meeting scheduled for Thursday, October 19th at DOOKZ.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Dick Powell, Secretary

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Solo Report: Like, We Totally Went To The Mall!

by Darren Daubenspeck



Our first Lafayette Square Mall Solo Event in 34 years took place on Sunday, August 27th, 2006. We had in attendance exactly one person who would fess up to attending the last Indy Region Solo event at that site in 1972 – Jack Tovey! I suspect there may have been at least a few others who did, but wouldn't admit to it. (Warren LeVeque? Lee Miller? Pete Hylton? {he'll get me for that one!...how old was Pete in 1972? Did he have his license?}) The million-dollar question that I forgot to ask Jack was, "What were you driving in the event?" Of course, the answer would have just made me drool with envy. I'd wager it was a Corvette Grand Sport or Cobra, or something else that would be worth a ton of cash today.

77 Competitors had quite a ball at the Lafayette Square Mall Solo Event. Fast PAX time of the day was also the Fast Time (raw) of the day – Raleigh Boreen, who has bumped he and Velma's Miata up to D Prepared. Phil, looks like you've got some more competition for PAX honors now....

Gus Hammerly was your Event Chairperson of the day, who did a great job in ensuring that all the necessary posts were manned, and was among the first to arrive and last to leave. He did a great job, and deserves a round of applause – especially for cleaning up the Porta-John that was knocked over when we all first pulled up. Steve Linn designed a very fun course on the former General Cinemas Theater parking lot, with the help of Scott Dales, with a few others that I forgot to write down... (Sorry!). Brian Davis got a crash course in Registration, by doing a shift with the Registration Team, and got an education and an open invitation to help out again when he could.

The next Indy Region Solo is fast approaching, and should be a good one! It's at Mt. Comfort Airport, and will be on October 15th. Phil Wehman will be your course designer, and we are still looking for a Timing and Scoring Chief for the event. Please step up to volunteer!

New Sponsor! I'm happy to announce that the Solo Program has gained a sponsor! Brown's Autotech, of 2501 Endress Place Greenwood, IN 46143, has volunteered to do some work on 'da Solo Bus in exchange for some promotions and advertising. They're a great bunch of guys, that do general auto/truck repair of all sorts. They can do at-your-site fleet servicing as well. But, the biggest news that will thrill Indy Region members is that Brown's Autotech has their own Chassis Dyno! They also have a state-of-the-art Digital Laser Alignment rack, with printout capabilities! Jim Brown is a racer at heart, and so is his crew, and they can dial in that special autocross performance alignment for you. Give them a call at 317-535-3000 to schedule a service appointment or dyno session today!

Upcoming Indy Region Events

Event	Date	Site
Points Event 9	10/15	Mt. Comfort Airport
Worker Invitational	11/5	16th St. Stadium

CSCC Region Events Date (All at Walesboro)

Points 9	10/8
Points 10	10/22

The Tech Inspection-Team

– I'm happy to announce that a group of regular competitors has stepped forward to agree to become our Tech Inspection Team at our regional events. In true team fashion, the group's goal is to make sure Tech moves smoothly and quickly, but no one person gets stuck at the desk the entire morning. Every 30-45 minutes, a new guy 'tags' in to relieve someone, so that everyone gets time for their course walks and car prep. We are looking for a few more members to join the team. So far Phil Wehman, James Feltz, Will Lahee, and Sean Murphy round out the team. If you're interested in helping out, please get with Phil W. to confirm your spot on the team!

Annual Tech Is still available, and eligible competitors can be tech inspected once and then self-tech for the rest of the season. Any SCCA members who have 4 events under their belt in the last 2 years are eligible, as well as anyone competing in a Club Racing car with a current log-book.


We've been trying to fill the key volunteer roles for our events. In fact, we need volunteers to step forward NOW for the rest of year. It takes a lot of effort to put on a successful event, and the more people we have helping, the easier it is to be successful. Go to <http://www.indyscca.org/SoloFiles/2006SoloSchedule.html> and see what position would work for you. You don't have to be experienced, we'll teach you. It's easy to volunteer – just contact us! Solo Events without a designated Event Chair will be cancelled. Remember – this is YOUR club!

Please watch Clutch Chatter and the Indy Regional Yahoo e-Group for further announcements about Solo Steering Committee meetings.

As always, the solo chairs can be contacted at:

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New Home Needed for the Solo Bus !

The Solo Bus may be losing its home in the coming year, and needs to find a new port to dock in around Indianapolis when not at an event. The Indy Region Club needs an unused corner of a parking lot, or preferably a covered storage location. Access issues can be worked out. The Club would be willing to pay a modest space rental fee, but we really need a generous Indy Region Member to donate a space to save the club some \$\$\$\$\$\$.


Anyone willing to share some space with Indy Region for storage of the Solo Bus is urged to contact the Solo Chair to discuss the issue.

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Sept 23 Solo Points Event #8 Aussie Pursuit results

Driver	Position	Driver	Position	Driver	Position
A Stock		A Street Prepared		Street Touring S	
Mike Stensland	1	Jack Tovey	1	Will Lahee	1
Steve Stone	2	C Street Prepared		Brian Davis	1
F Stock		Curt Bagley	1	Katrina Davis	3
Bryan McGaughey	1	Donald Ridenour	2	Street Touring X	
Jon Adams	1	James Hayes	3	Kevin Kent	1
Sean Murphy	3	C Prepared		Group 1 Winner	
Rick Fosnight	3	Warren Leveque	1	James Feltz	2
G Stock		E Prepared		Pat Gilbert	3
Bill Farr	1	Riley Dill	1	Street Touring Ultra	
H Stock		D Modified		Jeff Dettrick	1
Tom Walgamuth	1	Stephen Brinkerhoff	1	Charles Thaddeus	2
		Group 2 & Overall Winner		Street Modified	
		Phil Wehman	2	John Wilmoth	1
		E Modified		Scott Dales	2
		Jack Banker	1	Brandon Lavender	3
				Dale Brier	3
				Eric Garcia	5



Kevin Kent Group 1 Winner



Stephen Brinkerhoff Group 2 Winner



& Overall Winner

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Indy Region Solo Points Event #9



Indianapolis Region Solo 2 Series

Sunday, October 15, 2006 Rain or Shine

NEW Location: Mt. Comfort Airport

From Downtown Indianapolis:
Travel East on I-70, Exit on Mount Comfort Road
Left (North) on Mount Comfort Road approximately 2 miles to Mount Comfort Airport on the right



Karts Allowed at this Event

Note: A Minor Waiver must be signed by BOTH parents or legal guardians. A parent or legal guardian must accompany all Minors during the entire event. Contact the Solo Chairman for copies of Minor Waivers before the event.

Restrictions on high center of gravity vehicles are also applicable. Contact the Solo Chairman for more details.

Registration & Tech: 8:00 AM – 10:00 AM Cost: \$20.00 SCCA Members, \$30.00 Non-Members
Driver's Meeting: 10:15 AM Event Start: 10:30 AM

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Indianapolis SCCA 2006 Solo Points Series Qualified Worker List, As of 8-28-2006

Individuals on this list have spent time and effort to carry out the region's Solo2 events beyond the scope of during-event work details. Qualifying efforts include event or specialty chairmanship, consistent work to set-up or clean-up events, attendance of non-event workdays, or other extra effort details.

Presence on this list means an invitation to the year-end Worker Invitational Solo Autocross event. There's plenty of room left on it, so please come forward to volunteer to earn it!

Persons who believe they have been overlooked for inclusion on this list should contact Darren, or Phil, the Solo2 program co-chairman, to discuss the issue.

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LeVeque, Michael
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Wehman, Phil
Wilmoth, John
Woodward, David

I'm noticed that for the past few summers, I haven't really attended many autocross or track events. The price of towing fuel makes one much more selective in choosing dates and venues. The ones that I have attended have been mainly for testing and sorting.

While testing and sorting you still get the competitive juices going and enjoy the fellowship. It just that the testing gets me there to enjoy them.

I have missed many events in order to stay home and built and modify the cars.

I've also noticed which cars that I pay attention to at car shows or races. I greatly appreciate the work and beauty of stock concours cars, but am magnetically attracted to some new gadget or modification to cars displayed in the engineering groups.

I also was once stopped dead in my tracks at a show when hearing ragtime piano music coming from the dash of a show car, but I digress. Skimpily clad dancing girls might have caused the same reaction.

At race tracks and autocrosses, I'm drawn to the latest winged, ground effect, supercharged, AMod car or the latest freshly built CP Production Pony car.

The original Cam Am series, and it's innovations was also a great attraction in it's hey day. I once built a winged, supercharged formula car just for the exercise. I can't ever remember not having a project car.

People with more sense than I and more competitive juices often criticize my choice of "bastard" cars. I just can't get interested in a car where I buy and install exactly the same equipment as my competitor—yes I know it's faster and easier to get competitive with a popular, "stock" factory prepared race car, but it's not "my" development.

The down side to this is the missed events and the embarrassingly large size of my "Folly Wall" which represents all of the failed developments.

I am perfectly aware that so called stock cars come

from the factories already fully race developed (i.e; Honda S 2000) and can beat my car straight out of the wrapper. But there is something really special about a successful development which comes out of your dreams and your welding and machine shop.

Much of the discussion on the chat groups is about some theory that was read in a book but not actually applied. We tinkers have read the same books but don't necessarily believe the theories, until actually applied to our cars and situations. You'd be amazed at how many theories don't apply correctly to our sport. Richard Petty said:" If you cain't prove it you aint!"

That also applies to theories of our own which aren't in a book and remain to be proven.

When all of we senior citizen racers began, there were no good stock cars and we "had" to modify cars to be successful. It worked for us and there was really no other choice.

When we see wheeled tool wagons beside race cars on the grid, is it because it is necessary or because they just have to adjust something. Once at a Pro Solo a competitor was witnessed changing camshafts between runs—did he really need to?

We once had an engineer in the lab that just always had to tweak an already perfectly running machine even if it then ran worse. We developed a "twiddle" box with lights and dials that did nothing except to satisfy her tweaking urge. Are we there also?

I just pulled out a perfectly running naturally aspirated engine to install an experimental turbo engine. Is that my "twiddle" box?

All of you competitors in Street Mod, Street Prepared, Prepared, and Modified know who you are and why we are in the sport. When these classes are eliminated, so are we.

Look for the unnecessary tool box beside the feet sticking out from under the car. You'll see me there.

September 24 Rally results: Say Goodbye to Summer

Driver	Navigator	Class	Points	Overall	Place
Darren Daubenspeck	Chuck Hanson	A	195	1 st	1 st A
Bill Farr	Ellie Farr	C	232	2 nd	1 st C
David Dusterburg	Pauletta Dusterburg	N	494	3 rd	1 st N
Bob Farr	Bob Farr	C	548	4 th	2 nd C
Sam Crites	Elizabeth Crites	C	551	5 th	3 rd C
Candice Pope	Frank Pope	B	628	6 th	1 st B
Ron Moore	Sandi Moore	N	742	7 th	2 nd N

Runoffs Qualification Explained

The Runoffs are the SCCA Amateur Championships, with the best drivers from the 8 Divisions in each of the 25 classes competing for the title National Champion. This is an Invitational meet, and the drivers must meet certain qualifications to get the invitation.

The Driver must have qualified for 4 National Races in the year, and Finished 3 of them. At least 2 of the races must have been in the drivers Division of record. A driver who finishes within the top 10 in points, but does not have the required 4 starts, does not qualify for the runoffs. A driver could be 5th in points on only 3 races. Without the 4th race, he is not eligible for the runoffs.

The Driver must be in the top 10 in points in his Division, counting no more than 2 out of Division races, and have a minimum of 4 points. Points are awarded for finishing First (12 Points), 2nd (9), 3rd (7), and decreasing 1 point per position from 4th thru ninth. Only the Drivers best 6 finishes are counted for the points total.

Indy Region Racers National Point Standings as of 9/27

Driver	Place	Races	Pts	Class
Bill Baten	1	6	72	T2
Ralph Porter	1	10	66	SSC
Bill Partridge	1	6	53	GTL
Gerry Mason	4	4	36	GT2
Bobby Caldwell	5	10	41	FC
Brian Doll	5	6	40	AS
Aaron Ellis	5	4	37	F500
James Weida	6	5	32	F500
Chris Jennerjahn	7	4	28	FV
Michael Neal	8	11	26	SM
Jeff Read	8	4	22	S2
Craig Jones	10	5	25	FF
John Salisbury	2	6	60	HP

Indy Region Racers To The Runoffs

2006 saw a number (12 plus 1 honorary) of Indy region racers qualify for the runoffs. We have had many National Champions in the past, along with many podium finishers, and this years racers include some of those distinguished people.

If you watched the Touring 2 race on Speed Channel last year, you saw Bill Baten drive a hard race to claim a 4th place finish. Bill got a late start this year, not getting to his first race until June; then he clicked off 6 wins in 6 races, including the June Sprints, to be the T2 CenDiv Champion. I look for Bill to be on the podium this year.

Ralph Porter ran the early part of the year in his venerable Neon, then switched in July to a new Mini. He did well while learning the new car, topping the CenDiv points for SSC, and has had the car "freshened up" for the runoffs. Ralph has done well in previous years with the underpowered Neon, and should move up in the results with the more competitive car.

Bill Partridge also started his season late, and has been fighting a non-responsive car choked down severely by inlet restrictors imposed by SCCA to make the former GT5 cars competitive with the former GT4 cars. Bill still managed to lead in the CenDiv points, and will be a definite contender if he can get the engine acting right.

Gerry Mason started his year in June with a trip to Heartland Park, snagging a solid win on the runoffs track. Gerry only ran the minimum races to qualify for the runoffs, winning 3 of the 4 races, with an equipment failure at the 4th race. Gerry has

had some strong runs in previous years, and the win in June says he can get his Nissan around Heartland Park, so I expect a solid finish among some heavy competition.

Bobby Caldwell has moved from an old IT/Prod BMW to a Formula Continental this year. Even though this is a drastic difference in vehicles and characteristics, Bobby has been remarkable this year, including a solid win at the IRP Nationals, getting to the 5th spot in CenDiv points. Bobby has run on the track with the best in CenDiv, which includes some class National Champions, and his first runoffs should be very interesting.

Brian Doll started the season with some very good wins on wet tracks, continuing the season with a more solid finishes. His older Camaro may not have quite as much as some of the newer cars in the American Sedan class, but Brian gets all it will give. He will make a solid run in the race, and if he gets a wet track at the runoffs, he may surprise everyone with what (he and) that older car can do.

Aaron Ellis was another late starter this year, also only running the minimum races needed to qualify, but making all 4 races podium finishes, including a very strong second at the June Sprints. Aaron has won the F500 Championship before, and has been hungry for a repeat. This could be the year. James Weida also raced in the F500 class this year, getting the 5th place points in CenDiv for his efforts. The runoffs will be a great experience for young James, and he will be learning from the best as he hangs in there with the guys near the front. He hasn't won yet this year, but he has never been out of the front pack at the races.

2006 Indianapolis Region Involved Member Award Rules

The purpose of the Involved Member Award is to recognize Indianapolis Region members who exhibit exceptional participation during the year. It is not a competition between members. In fact, the more award recipients the better. It is truly a celebration of dedication, support and commitment to Indy Region SCCA.

An Involved member award will be presented to each Indianapolis Region member, 16 years of age and older, who earns a minimum of 800 points in a calendar year by participating in at least two of the following four areas of participation: meetings and other club-sponsored special events, rally, race and solo.

An Involved member award will be presented to each Indianapolis Region junior member, under 16 years of age, who earns a minimum of 400 points in a calendar year by participating in at least two of the areas of participation.

The Involved member award will be an embroidered lightweight jacket or fleece. A member will be awarded a jacket only once in every 5 calendar years (example: a winner presented a jacket in 2000 is eligible again in 2005). Repeat awards within the 5 calendar years will be recognized by embroidering of the award year on the jacket.

Points are awarded as follows:

Indy Region Board of Directors	100 per year
Newsletter Editor	100 per year
Webmaster	100 per year
Pointskeeper	100 per year
Program Chair	100 per year

Race Events:

Event Chair	400 per event
Event Co/Assistant Chair	250 per event
Working Chief of Specialty	125 per day
Worker	100 per day
Driver/ Crew	50 per day

Solo 2 Events:

Divisional Event Chair	400 per event
Divisional Event Co/Chair	250 per event
Event Chair	100 per event
Event Specialty Chair	75 per event
Driver / Worker	50 per day

Rally Events:

National/Divisional Event Rallymaster	400 per event
Rallymaster	200 per event
Rally PreCheck / Safety Steward	100 per event
Working Chief of Specialty	75 per day
Driver / Navigator / Worker	50 per day

Other Events:

National/Divisional Rally or Solo Registrar	75 per event
Race or Cendiv Roundtable Chair	100 per event
Banquet or Trophy Chair	100 per year
GLDiv Roundtable/SCCA National Convention	50 per day
Activities Participation / Awards Banquet	50 per day
Clutch Chatter / Website article/photos	50 per article
Monthly meeting attendance	30 per event

Points are only awarded for Indy Region events, Great Lakes Roundtable, and SCCA National Convention. There will be no combination of points for a single event; points from only one category may be scored per day. For example, a member who is a worker and a driver on the same day at the same event may only score points for one category or the other. Each member is solely responsible for tracking and reporting their points; no one else will do this for you. To be eligible for an award, the Indy Region member must fill out the attached form or a reasonable facsimile and mail or e-mail it to the Membership Chairman. The form can also be downloaded in Excel format from our website, making tabulation of points easier. All forms must be received no later than December 31st of the year in order to be eligible for an Involved Member Award for that year. Confirming receipt of submitted points is the sole responsibility of the entrant. A person's eligibility will be verified by the Membership Chairman. The IMA will be presented to the winning members at the Annual Awards Banquet for that year.

Date	Event	How Participated	Points

Indy Region Racers Regional Racing Point Standings as of 9/25

Driver	Points	Driver	Points	Driver	Points	Driver	Points
Coomer, Stu	42	Woodard, Turner	24	Maynard, Mark	12	driver's responsibility to get their regional race results to me throughout the season. Thanks! Jan Castelluccio Contact information inside front cover.	
Best, Stephen	36	Johnson, Ken	21	Neylon, Michael	12		
Caldwell, Bobby	24	Leeke, Zach	18	Wilde, Sheldon	12		
Hart, David	24	Pfeffer, Jonathan	18	Doyle, Andy	9		
Holeman, Paul	24	Sexton, Jim	18	Reisert, John	9		
Monday, Tony	24	Flock, Tim	15	Shields, Chris	7		
Neal, Michael	24	D'Angelo, Paul	14	This is all of the race results I have received to date. Remember it's the			
Pfeffer, Robert	24	Gray, Gregory	14				
Selby, Tim	24	Schacht, David	14				
Terrell, Mark	24	White, Scot	14				
Tipton, Patrick	24	Linn, Steven	12				

(Indy Racers Runoffs continued)

Michael Neal has been racing his Spec Miata for a few years in Regional competition, and has been at the top of the CenDiv Regional Points for SM in previous years. This is the first year for SM to be a National Class, and Michael has been working hard to stay in the front bunch in a very tough class. This is a class that has seen past National Champions from other classes fighting to stay in the top 9 to get some points. Michael managed to keep getting points at the races, and finished as 8th in the CenDiv National Points. This will be the largest class at the runoffs, and Michael will be in there scrapping for a good starting position and a better finishing position.

Jeff Read moved from California earlier this year to become one of our members, and has been learning the CenDiv

tracks in his Sports 2000. He only ran 4 races, but included a win at the IRP Nationals in his season. Topeka will be another new track for him to learn, but I'm betting he will learn it well and run to a good finish.

John Salisbury in H Production is our honorary member, as his crew guy (me) is an Indy Region member. John had a solid season this year, getting a couple seconds, then a string of wins including the June Nationals at Heartland Park. The 60 points is a tie for the CenDiv lead, but John gets second due to tiebreaker rules. The competition in H Prod is going to be very tough, with Champions from 7 of the last 10 years still active in the class, but the car is ready for the Runoffs, and John is always ready for the Runoffs. This has been a FUN year, and the FUN is going to continue through the week of the Runoffs.

Competitor of the Year Award

Purpose: To encourage participation in all Indianapolis Region points events and to recognize the best performance by an Indy Region of Record member within the Indy Region racing, rally, and solo programs by presenting a year-end trophy. The individual scoring points in at least two categories and earning the greatest number of points throughout the season by these rules will be named Indianapolis Region Competitor of the Year.

1. Points will be awarded for class finish (or over-all finish

in events with only one class) in racing, rally, and solo events which count for Indianapolis Region Championship points.

2. Points will be allocated to competitors finishing ahead of at least one other starter as follows: 12 points for 1st, 9 for 2nd, 7 for 3rd, and dropping one point per position through 9th.
3. The competitors nine best finishes will be counted with no more than four events from any one category of competition.

The points standings will be published at mid-season and at the end of the year.

Competitor	SOLO										RALLY								RACE				Total	Events		
	4	5	6	6	6	7	8	9	10	Total	3	4	5	9	10	11			Total							Total
	30	21	4	25	29	30	27	23	15		19	22	21	24	29	19				1	2	3			4	
Steve Linn	12		12				9			33									0	5	7	3		15	48	6
Sam Crites	12						9			21	12	7	x7	x7					19					0	40	4

x - did not beat another competitor in class

y - not one of the top nine points events overall across all disciplines

z - not one of the top four points events in this discipline

There are a few other competitors in the Indy Region who have significant points in only one discipline. With one more Solo and two more Rallies, there is a chance for some of these people to get in multiple categories, and we could see the table expanded. The Indy Region Competitor of the Year is definitely NOT decided yet!

Membership Report

By Cheryl Swarts We would like to welcome the following new members to the Indianapolis Region of the Sports Car Club of America:

April Marshall Lafayette
Victor Ferguson Terre Haute

We look forward to meeting you at an upcoming event!

With the addition of these new enthusiasts, the Indy Region is currently 511 members strong.

Clutch Chatter Mailing Opt-In/Opt-Out

A complete, printable, electronic format copy of Clutch Chatter (including back issues) is available in Adobe pdf format for downloading on the Indy Region website at indyscca.org. Paper copies are only mailed to those who have sent the "Opt-In" form.

When an issue of Clutch Chatter is completed and ready for publication, the pdf file will be posted on the Indy Region website and a **special notice e-mail** will be sent to the Indy Region e-group with a link to the download page. This should be available several days before the mailed copies arrive, since it won't have to go through the printer or the mail.

New members of Indy Region will receive Clutch Chatter in the mail for three months, after which they are expected to view or download from the website. They will be able to elect to opt-in by filling out and mailing in the form below.

Non-members. Clutch Chatter is a valuable tool for recruiting new members into the region, and drawing participants to our events. Our new process will be to purge them from the list after three months. If they participate in another event after the three months, then they stay on the list.

If you **change your mind**, you can complete and mail in the form below.

Opt-In/ Opt-Out Form

Return completed form to:
Dick Powell
C/o Clutch Chatter
2835 Madelynne Dr, Apt D
Indianapolis IN 46229

Indy Region SCCA **Members Only:**

- Opt-in to continue receiving Clutch Chatter via mail by completing and returning this form.
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Name: _____ SCCA Membership # _____

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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 your region or the SCCA Membership Department, PO Box 19400, Topeka, Kansas 66619-0400.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Name _____ Birthdate ____/____/____
 Address _____ Telephone (____)_____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____ County _____
 Married Single Spouse's Name _____ / _____
 Member Number If Current Member _____

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

03 Name _____ Birthdate ____/____/____
 04 Name _____ Birthdate ____/____/____
 05 Name _____ Birthdate ____/____/____
 06 Name _____ Birthdate ____/____/____

Have you been an SCCA member before? No Yes Year ____ Previous Member Number _____

PRIMARY INTEREST(S) IN SCCA:

Please send me a Crew License.(Check box)

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

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Annual National dues		Annual Region dues		Total
01 Regular Member	\$60.00 +	Regular Member	\$20.00	\$80.00
03 Spouse Member*	\$20.00 +	Spouse Member	\$10.00	\$30.00
10 Family Membership	\$95.00 +	Family Membership	\$25.00	\$120.00

*Spouse must be regular member's legal spouse.

First Gear Membership (You must be under age 21)			
Birthdate: ____/____/____			
	National	Region	Total
15 First Gear	\$ 25.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 45.00
May compete in rally and solo events; may be active in many race specialties. To enter speed event competitions, must step up to regular membership.			

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Classifieds are offered as a free service to Indy Region members.

Please submit to Dick Powell (contact info on inside cover). Deadline for next months ads is the 15th.

If you want a picture with your ad, please send it as a separate JPEG file attachment to email or by snail mail as a photo for scanning.

Classified Ads



FOR SALE: SCCA Historic Registered Triumph TR4 project, raced by Carl Seaberg from Aug 1974 until Aug 1979, with all the race documentation. Bill Riley later re-designed the front suspension to wishbone layout, and since then it has been in storage.

I am relocating to CA and seek to pass the project to someone who would appreciate the chance to put their stamp on it and return it to the track.

It is a rolling chassis right now, some plumbing, wiring, paint, etc., as you would expect, but well within the capabilities of an enthusiast. I'm asking \$1500, and I could deliver if need be.

Jim Eccles, Brownsburg
317 440 6905
Adamasusa@aol.com

FOR SALE: A lot of **used race tires**, plenty of life still in them. Most are 205/50-15 but there are some other sizes. Best offer, choose what you want.

Shane Benson, AIM Tuning
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FOR SALE: Spec Racer Renault header, sealed Weber carb, aluminum intake, fuel pump, thermostat housing, alternator w/bracket, 2 new oil filters, and coil and ignition box. All in excellent condition. Very low time. 3-4 hours on dyno only. Will throw in dyno fixtures too. First \$300 takes all.

rkrinc@aol.com or (317) 242-2225
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FOR SALE: 1998 Caterham Super 7

You've seen this car at local and divisional autocrosses. This is a fun / fast roadster that is licensed and very drivable on the streets; mount a set of slicks and it is an FTD autocross car. 11,000+ miles

Engine is the classic 1700cc Ford crossflow with dual sidedraft Webers and 4-to-1 side-exit exhaust. MSD ignition w/adjustable rev limiter, oil cooler, increased capacity radiator, master battery cut-off.

Drivetrain includes a Ford T9 5-speed transmission, and a 3.92 rear-end with Quaife limited slip. Suspension is stock Caterham (double a-arms in front, DeDion in rear). Bilstein shocks. 18mm front anti-roll bar (2 other sizes included). Adjustable rear anti-roll bar.

4 wheel disc brakes, 14" minilight wheels (13" Panasports with used Ecsta 700's and 13" Diamond wheels with used Hoosier R25's also included).

FIA rated roll-bar. 6 pt. harnesses. Fresh-air heater. VDO Electronic Tach and speedo. Wind-deflectors. Increased visibility doors and top. Set of half-height doors. Luggage rack, Tonneau cover. Hood bag. Heat shielding. An open trailer custom-sized for the Caterham is also available.

Yours for \$25,900. Delivery negotiable.

Phil Wehman 317-485-2769 evenings
email pwehman@insightbb.com

FOR SALE: 3 driving videos - Skip Barber, Jim Russell, Parnelli Jones. 2 Books - How to Make Your Car Handle, Formula Car Technology \$35.00 for all

High top racing shoes- new (never worn) size 10 1/2 \$35.00

Tim Wycoff tycoff@iquest.net
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FOR SALE: 2005 GMC 4WD 2500 HD extended cab, long bed. Matching truck cap with Line-X bedliner. Absolutely like new condition. 17K miles. 6 liter engine, auto, cruise, tilt wheel, power windows/mirrors/driver's seat. Bose AM/FM cassette CD. Dark blue metallic paint with gray cloth interior. Dual zone AC. HD towing package. 9200 lb GVW rating. Never towed with, sold race car. \$25,495

317 242-2225 or rkrinc@aol.com



FOR SALE: PitPal Equipment

1 Single-bay helmet shelves (PN#330): \$35ea
2 Junior flip-down trays (PN#151): \$20ea
1 Horizontal Gear Case Storage Rack (PN#143): \$75
1 set Floor Jack Mounts (PN#190): \$26
Prices do not include shipping from Chicago area, Delivery to racetrack negotiable. Also, Class 3 Load Leveling hitch w/all equipment for trailer \$200

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jahracr@comcast.net
Or call 815-467-9212

WANTED: 5.0L Mustang engine parts (leftovers from AS cars?): Upper and Lower intake manifolds, fuel rail, EGR spacer, throttle body, EEC IV computer, mass airflow sensor, cam.

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Indy Region's Next Board Meeting



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