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Indianapolis Region SCCA



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Indy Region Rally

Do not miss the Halloween Rally on Saturday Oct. 29th It is always a lot of fun

Next Indy Region Board Meeting

Tuesday Nov. 8th at
Dawson's in Speedway, IN.
Meeting starts at 6:30

Clutch Chatter Editor - Raleigh Boreen

The end of the season is a time of mixed emotions. It is that time of year when the fun cars go into storage and the plans for the next racing season are going strong. The Racing / Solo season is over but the club will be very involved in two more fun Rallies this year. We have the Halloween Rally on Oct. 29^{th} and then the December Rally on Dec. 4^{th} .

Faythe Rush and I will be reaching out to people to get candidates for the 2023 Board of Directors for the Indianapolis Region. We have six (6) positions that are up for the election process. Regional Exec., Asst. RE, Treasurer, Secretary, Membership and Activities. Let us know if you are interested. We also add four (4) Members at Large each year.

Indy Region

Year-end Banquet

Put Saturday Jan. 7th on your calendar!

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RE REPORT - MIKE YOUNG

Get Out and Vote!!! We hear that for our Local and National elections coming up but we also hear that for our club. In November we will have Faythe Rush and Raleigh Boreen reaching out to members so that they can put their names in the hat to run for a position on the Indy Region Board. We have six positions available that are voted on by the members. They are RE, Asst. RE, Treasurer, Secretary, Membership and Activities. We will also have four people who are Members at Large. These positions are voted on by the new Indy Board. The last three positions on the 13-member Board are the program chairs for Solo, Rally and Time Trials.

Think it over and hopefully we have several members step forward for the 2023 Indy Region Board.

Mike Young - Regional Executive

INDY REGION MEMBERSHIP REPORT:



Membership – Josh Kikta Membership Chairman

September/October Membership Report

We currently have 626 members! There are 10 new members from 9/12/2022 (last date I used for the CC) to 10/11/2022.

First Name	Last Name	City	State	SCCA Join Date	Region Join
					Date
Wayne	Bruzzese	Anderson	IN	10/07/2022	10/07/2022
Geoffrey	Chambers	Tucson	AZ	09/19/2022	09/19/2022
Taylor	Colwell	Martinsville	IN	10/03/2022	10/03/2022
Abbie	Knuteson	Indianapolis	IN	10/09/2022	10/09/2022
Anand	Navarasala	Indianapolis	IN	10/08/2022	10/08/2022
Logan	North	Greenwood	IN	09/22/2022	09/22/2022
Krisztian	Sandidge	Indianapolis	IN	10/07/2021	10/10/2022
Angela	Veshia	Greenwood	IN	09/22/2022	09/22/2022
Michael	White	Valparaiso	IN	04/11/2019	09/23/2022
Teresa	White	Valparaiso	IN	09/12/2020	09/23/2022

Milestone anniversaries are for October and November.

5 years – Donald O'Keefe

55 years – Fred Steinhoff

Josh Kikta - Membership

Indy Region Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet

January 7th, 2023



SOLO UPDATE:

Oct./Nov. Solo Update

Title: What a finish to the 2022 Season

By: James DaPuzzo

Indy Region Solo season closed out at Grissom Aeroplex with a Fun Event on Saturday 09/24 that featured a high-speed course starting at the Prison Turn. A super challenging Kevin Kent designed course for the Sunday 09/25 – Points #7 event added excitement to season ending battle in several classes that were settled on Sunday. We have the final results and awards to hand out at this year's banquet to:

Jack Tovey Solo Competitor of the Year = James Bishir				
Rookie of the Year = Javier Rodriquez	Pro Class = Dallas Reed			
Super Street = Michael Young	EVX = Chris Shieldsmith			
A Street = Darren Daubenspeck	Street Modified FWD = Alexander Hammerli			
B Street = Michael White	Street Touring Street Tire = Jerrad Dalbey			
C Street = Michael James / 2nd Place = Aldrin Natividad	E Prepared = Benjamin Drexler			
C Street Ladies = Mickie Miller	F Prepared = Norman Currey			
D Street = Gary Crispin	D Modified = Stephan Brinkerhoff			
G Street = Matthew Guido	D Modified Ladies = Wanda Brinkerhoff			
H Street = Monte Rans	E Modified = Gordon Kinney			
Street Touring Ultra = Dale Brier	CAM-C = John Clyne / 2nd Place = Tyler Rush			
Street Touring Roadster = Kevin Burns	CAM-T = James Bishir			
Street Touring Sport = Javier Rodriguez	CAM-S = Kevin Keys / 2nd Place = John Hancock			
Street Touring Sport Ladies = Mary Patterson	CAM-S Ladies = Rachel Burch			
Street Touring Hatch = Bradley James	XS-B = Kevin Zelisko			

Our Region is filled with great members!!! I want to say Thank You to every driver and fan that were a part of our 2022 Solo season. You followed my three core rules: Safety - Respect – Fun which saved me a lot of extra paperwork and difficult conversations. You were very helpful when asked to pitch in to complete a task and some tasks just got completed without asking. Hope to see you at a Karting event or the Banquet in the coming months. Looking forward to the 2023 Solo season.

The Solo program is looking for more teammates to become or support our chief positions. Needs include roles in Timing, Safety, and Course. Please send me an email james.dapuzzo@gmail.com on areas you can support you club.

James DaPuzzo

ACTIVITIES REPORT – JUSTIN RITTER



November Activity Report:

Here are the tentative dates for the Fall – Winter Karting Season at Fast Times

Nov. 20, Dec. 18, Jan. 15, Feb. 19 and Mar. 19

The 2023 Indy Region Banquet dates has been set. It will be Saturday January 7th

I will not be able to be the Activities Chairperson for 2023. Some work and personal commitments will prevent me from being the Chairperson. I hope someone puts their name in the hat to be the Activities Chair for 2023.

Justin



Early Indy Region Solo at Grissom

ROAD RALLY UPDATE:



The History of Morgan County

This scavenger hunt style Game Tour Adventure RoadRally will be run on Saturday, October 29 with gathering starting at 3:30pm and the mandatory safety meeting at 4:45pm. General Instructions and detailed information can be found at msreg.com/Halloween2022. Some tips for running the Rally can be found in last month's issue of Clutch Chatter. Southern Indiana is beautiful this time of year, so please make plans to join us.

Indianapolis Region RoadRally Championship update

Indianapolis Region SCCA has a RoadRally championship every year. Details about the award can be found in the RoadRally Award Rules Document on the IndySCCA.org website. For 2022, in addition to being an Indy Region member and helping at one of the rallies, you would need to run 2 events to qualify for a year-end award. There are two more events this year - The History of Morgan County on 10/29/2022 and the Holiday Shopping Shuffle on 12/04/2022. Please plan accordingly if you would like to be in the running for a nice year-end award that will be presented at the banquet in January. Registration for events is available on MotorsportReg.



Faythe Rush's car at the 2022 World of Wheels booth for SCCA

More Road Rally Info:

Following are the current points accumulated for all RoadRally participants this year

	2022 RoadRally Points (as of 10/01/2022)		
Name			
Mark Finch	15		
Bob Sonntag	12		
Chuck Hanson	12		
Emanuel Martin	12		
Jeff Alexander	12		
Paul Dornburg	12		
Rob Umland	12		
Deanna Papai	9		
Steve Papai	9		
Ted Halsey	9		
Jacob Hirsch	7		
Jeff Boris	7		
Maegan Burkart	7		
Vinnie Taibi	7		
John Wills	6		
Katz Finch	6		
Megan Wills	6		
Ben Guillaum	5		
Sally Jones	5		
Dena Wilson	4		
Jonathan Wilson	4		
Chris Cunningham	3		
Courtney Cunningham	3		
Ron Conrad	2		
Zoe Conrad	2		
Abby Graber	1		
Allison Green	1		
Daniel Vang	1		
Joanne Hirsch	1		
Joe Hirsch	1		
Lamar Graber	1		
Leo Bernier	1		
Maggie Vang	1		
Melissa Hunter	1		
Richard Steele	1		
Robin Bernier	1		
Steven Swartzentruber	1		

Join us for the traditional Halloween Rally on Saturday, October 29.

Happy Rallying!!! Wendy Harrison



Dallas Reed was the Extreme Class Champion at the 2022 CAM Event in Peru

SECRETARY REPORT - CLUB MEETING MINUTES:



9-13-2022 - Indianapolis Region/SCCA Monthly Board Meeting - Dawson's in Speedway

Meeting called to order by Regional Executive Mike Young at 6:17 PM EDT.

Present: Mike and Kitina Young, Kevin Burns, Wendy Harrison, Ben Drexler, Alan Hamson, Raleigh and Velma Boreen, Lee and Mickie Miller, Sam Crits, Chuck Hanson, Tyler Rush, Vinnie Taibi, Charles Tashiro, John Clyne and Joel Harleman

Motion to approve the August meeting minutes made by Charles, seconded by Ben. Minutes approved and will be published in the next Clutch Chatter

RE Report - Mike Young

- Time Trials at Gingerman went well Vinnie will fill in during his report
- It's that time of year to start thinking about the board for 2023 and elections.
 - Mike is encouraging everyone on the board to talk to at least 3 people who may be interested in serving on the board

Membership - Josh Kikta

- Currently at 630 members
 - o 8 new members

Treasurer - Kitina Young

- Time Trial expenses have been paid
 - We still have a couple of Solos and Rallies through the end of the year so there will be expenses with those programs
- Raleigh indicated that he would like to see a reconciliation of all of the programs by the end of the year. Good information is needed to make plans for 2023.

Website - John Wilmoth

- John testing new server hosting and domain will be moved over
- As we are a 501c4, Ben has paid for a year service with GoDaddy. The domain will be transferred and John Wilmoth will be informed.

Clutch Chatter – Raleigh Boreen

- October issue will be out no later than September 21st
 - o Articles due by September 17th

Raleigh requesting articles from chairs

Activities – Justin Ritter

- Tentative dates set for winter karting league
 - o 11-20, 12-18, 1-15, 2-19 and 3-19
- Justin has indicated that he will continue to work on the winter karting league but will not be able to serve on the board in 2023.

Road Rally - Wendy Harrison

- Halloween Rally is set for 10-29
 - o Jeff Alexander is the Rally Master
 - o Rally will start at 5 and end by 8 to be more family friendly
 - Wendy will give the map at check-in to allow competitors more time to plan their routes
 - Registration is now open on MSR and has been posted on Facebook

Solo - Jim DaPuzzo

- Working on the final invoices for the CAM Challenge
- Thanks to Ben Drexler for his support at the Test and Tune and the update on the antenna
- Last events are 9-24, a Fun Day and 9-25, Points event #7
 - Several point battles to be decided at this final event
 - o Course design will be by Kevin Kent
- Sufficient supplies to get us through the rest of the season
- Jim working on a storage location for the bus during the off season

Time Trials - Vinnie Taibi

- Working on financials for the Time Trials program
 - The financial loss was minimal for the events held at Putnam and Gingerman
 - Did not get the help from SBR at Gingerman that was anticipated
 - The workers that were there from Indy were outstanding Joel, Wendy, Charles Ben
 - 66 drivers on Saturday and 49 on Sunday
- Looking at working with Kentucky and Cincinnati Regions for 2023
 - o Perhaps do Track Sprints on Saturday and Time Trial on Sunday
 - o Potential for sponsorship for the program
 - Would like to attend PRI to talk to potential sponsors
 - Gingerman would be willing to give us a 1-day event and potentially Putnam on a Friday

Old Business

- Banquet committee formed to finalize plans
 - o Charles, Kevin, Kitina, Ben, Velma
 - Charles will contact Mallow Run to get list of approved caterers

New Business

- Discussed upcoming election season
 - Raleigh volunteered to be the head of that committee but has asked all people on the board to approach three people to be involved with the Indy Region board.
 - o Raleigh will send info to Vinnie to garner interest in serving on the board
 - o John Clyne indicated that he would like to run for treasurer

- Discussed the Facebook group, Indy SCCA Social.
 - Work is being done to contact this group and ask that they refrain from posting non-Indy Region events that are happening the same weekend as Indy Region events are taking place – i.e. – Corvette Club events at Grissom as an example
- Discussed plans for 2023
 - PRI what is the cost to become a member? Raleigh will do some checking
 - World of Wheels scheduled for March 24-25, 2023
 - o Time Trial Nationals October 11-15, 2023

Note change of date for October meeting. Next meeting is scheduled for October 18th at Dawson's.

Meeting adjourned at 7: 12 PM ET.

Velma Boreen

SITTING IN THE GARAGE





Sitting in the Garage with:

(Conversations with Indy Region Members and other significant SCCA members with Raleigh Boreen)

This month's conversation is with Ben Drexler.

Velma and I met Ben in late 2019 and have seen him grow with the Region. He is always happy greeting people at the Grissom gate or working the Time Trial grid. He has become in a short time a very good friend. He has lived in the Indianapolis area most of his life. He spent a short time in Marquette, Michigan

as a kid. He also spent time in Alabama and Missouri as an adult. He currently works for IU Health and lives on the East side of Indy.

How long have you been a member of SCCA?

I joined Indy Region in the fall of 2019 after having a great time at the last Solo of the season. I had so much fun I decided to join the club. I was exposed to the club back in 2000 when Dick Powell, the Clutch Chatter Editor, would come into the print shop I worked at to get the newsletter printed. I would talk to Dick about the club but did not think I could be involved because I had a car with an automatic.

What activities do you participate in with Indy Region?

I have gotten very involved with the club and enjoy it very much. I am currently the Assistant RE. I am also the Chief of Waivers for the Solo program. I run my Toyota in EP in Solo and help work the Time Trial events for the club. I have only run one Rally but I had a great time and will do more down the road.

How did you get interested in cars and the SCCA?

I enjoy working on cars. I have always enjoyed taking things apart and putting things back together. My current job is in AV, information services and electronics, so I love working with my hands. The memories of talking to Dick Powell at the print shop helped me get involved with the club. I hope to see Dick at an event in the near future.

What would you like to see Indy Region do in 2023 and coming years?

I hope we can get people involved in the club. We have over 500 members but we only see a fraction of them involved in our events. I hope we can more people excited about the programs we have. Solo, Rally and Time Trials all have room for growth.

Outside of SCCA, what is something you really enjoy doing?

Outside of work or SCCA I sleep!!! I also love photography and helping friends with home entertainment projects. I currently have 4 cars, including two Solo cars that need some TLC. I also have a house so it always needs something.

Sitting in the Garage with:

(Conversations with Indy Region Members and other significant SCCA members with Raleigh Boreen)

This month's conversation is with Chuck Hanson.

Chuck and I met almost 20 years ago when Velma and I got transferred to Indiana. Chuck has lived in Indiana since 1966 when he took a job in Kokomo with Delco. Chuck grew up in Wisconsin, living in Mineral

Point, Sparta, Chippewa Falls and Madison. His father was a minister so they moved around when he was little. He attended and graduated from the University of Wisconsin. While in Wisconsin he had the fun of going to the last Sports Car Street Race in Elkhart Lake, WI. in 1952. He later in life was able to race himself at Road America in Elkhart Lake, WI.

How long have you been a member of SCCA?

I finally joined SCCA in 1968 as a member of the Indianapolis Region. I Auotcrossed and Rallied many times in Wisconsin and Indiana prior to joining the club. I am very proud of my 60-year plus relationship with the SCCA.

What activities do you participate in with Indy Region?

When I first got involved, I would Autocross and Rally my 65 Mustang GT. I then got into racing myself in several cars. I started with a TR3, graduated to a TR4. Next came a Capri, then a Pinto and finally to a Cosworth Vega. Some of my best years were in the Cosworth Vega. In the Vega I was second in the CENDIV Racing Series and had the track record at Waterford Hills Raceway. Today most of my time now is involved with the Rally program as support to Wendy, working a Rally or driving in a Rally.

How did you get interested in cars and the SCCA?

As I said I had been around the SCCA for many years in Wisconsin but I really got involved after I moved to Kokomo, IN. The guy at Delco, Ron Weaver, who interviewed me was a racer in H/Modified. I saw a picture of his car on his desk and let him know that I knew what it was. I got the job and he got me involved with SCCA in Indiana. Growing up my father had nice cars but nothing special. For fun he would take us for Sunday afternoon drives in the country which is where I got my interest in Rally; i.e., exploring the country. I got really hooked on cars after I got out of college.

What would you like to see Indy Region do in 2023 and coming years?

Participation is the key to Indy Region being viable. "Fun with Cars" only happens when people get involved. The club has some great events in Rallies, Solos and Time Trials, we just need more people to be involved. I hope to see more people involved in all our programs.

Outside of SCCA, what is something you really enjoy doing?

I am involved with a Ballroom dancing group; I love to dance. I am also involved with the Masons here in Indy. I have belonged to the Blue Lodge for many years. And last but not least I enjoy reading.



The Grid at the May 2022 Indy Solo Drivers School. Watch for the Solo School dates for 2023.

DID YOU KNOW?



- #1 What was the first car to be offered with a "perpetual guarantee"?
- #2 What autos were the first to use a standardized production key-start system?
- #3 What car was the first to place the horn button in the center of the steering wheel?
- #4 What was the first car to use power operated seats?
- **#5 What is the only car to appear simultaneously on the covers of Time and Newsweek?**

TIME TRIAL PROGRAM



Watch for exciting news about the 2023 Indy Time Trial program.

Thanks to everyone work helped and who ran the events in the 2022 Indy Time Trial program. We tried some new things and overall the season was a success. Thanks again to all who helped make it a very good year.

Check out: INDYTRACKDAYS.com for more info.

Vinnie & Tyler



Dayle Frame - Area 4 Director Representing the Great Lakes Division on the SCCA National Board

Notes from the Director's Chair Area 4 Director Update for November 2022

September was a very busy month for me. I went to Lincoln, NE for the <u>Solo Nationals</u>, came home for a week and a half and then headed to Virginia for the <u>Runoffs</u>. I know I signed up for it, but I was out 18 days from 9/4 to 10/3. Sheesh.... I'm tired just typing that sentence. That said, I had a great time at both events.

Due to my various travels, I missed sending an October update. As a results, this month's update is quite a bit longer than usual. I apologize for the length, but I also want to make sure the members get a full accounting of my time. Due to Solo Nationals, Runoffs, holidays and other factors, my monthly BoD meetings that are normally on the fourth Monday of each month have been rescheduled to an "as needed" basis. We will have a few meetings scheduled but realize that topics may pop up for which we may need to meet. Throw in that I was asked to sit in on some other Zoom calls for my EV knowledge and I was on Zoom calls quite frequently over the past couple of months.

Video Conference Meetings:

- ➤ Club Racing Board (CRB) (9/7): I was not able to sit in on this one since I was at the Solo nationals. The results of CRB rules changes can be seen here.
- Region Development (9/13, 9/15, 9/20): These were a series of Zoom calls to talk with jumbo (9/13), small (9/15) and medium/large (9/20) regions about the EVAC. As EVs are coming to events across all regions, I thought it would be worthwhile to speak to these groups and give them a heads up as well as pass along my contact info for any questions that might arise.
- ➤ Electrified Vehicle Advisory Committee (EVAC) (9/14): The revised SCREV is being reviewed by the folks who run the experiential programs (Time Trials, Track Night in America, Solo, Rally Cross). While this review is happening, we are working on a variety of things in the background. The Broch Evans Motorsports EV race car (previously a Formula Mazda) was entered in AMod at the Solo Nationals. It was exciting to get this car in front of SCCA folks so they can see it for themselves. We are also working on training materials for members and regions so they know how to interact with an EV that has entered an SCCA event. More on that to come later.
- ➤ Budget & Finance Committee (9/19): We reviewed the budget for 2023. A variety of factors (fuel prices, inflationary pressures, travel cost, etc.) are forcing the Club to juggle things financially when it comes to the budget for next year.
- ➤ GLDiv BoD meeting (10/10): Treasurer's report reviewed (we're good) and prep for the 2023 Spring Training meeting.
- ➤ BoD (10/5): This was an adjunct meeting to continue to discuss budget issue for 2023.
- ➤ EVAC (10/12): Although our meeting was shortened due to the SCCA Presidential address given by Mike Cobb, we still managed to get attendance at the SEMA show in Las Vegas, get a TEAC update and discuss the difficulty in finding a SEB member for the EVAC committee. We also discussed battery protection for custom or home built cars and the SCREV update from Heyward Wagner.
- ▶ BoD (10/17): We met for our regularly scheduled meeting. We got a financial update. We're a bit under budget as entries for events are down across the country. The Governance Committee has reviewed the Operations Manual and suggested a wide variety of revisions to keep the document fresh. We have also been trying to keep other costs down as inflation has taken a bite at the SCCA as well. Another committee has advanced some BoD restructuring based on our meeting this past July with a consultant. Its proprietary for now so we'll see what, if anything, comes from the proposal.
- ➤ GLDiv Executive Steward (10/19): I hosted a Zoom call with the current and new Executive Steward so we could go over the transition from one to the other. This was just a matter of dotting "I's".

SCCA Events:

➤ Solo Nationals (9/5-9/9): I had never been to the Solo Nationals in any capacity but knew I needed to go when I took office. The rationale is easy as Solo is the largest of our programs. Since I retired from Club Racing my Sprite back in 2017, I have entered a couple of Solos each year. I admit I am not any good at it but it's a way to keep the competitive juices flowing and mingle with members who have a lot of passion for their program.

I headed out to Lincoln, NE on Sunday so I could get the feel of the place on Monday before the competition started on Tuesday. My agenda was pretty simple....talk to the brass who run Solo (Heyward Wagner, Rick Myers, Brian Mason, SEB members), catch up with folks from Area 4 and, as EVs are my "thing", see how the various EVs did during the week. I was there strictly as a Director....not an entrant, not a worker. I wanted to see how the event unfolded from a variety of directions. I knew folks who were working the event and who were competitors in the event.

There were EVs in three classes (EVX, AMod and HS) and I made sure to watch their sessions and talk to the competitors. What was amazing was how well they did. One of the EVX cars (Tesla 3) ran in the same heat as the CAM T class. When the dust settled, he was faster than all but the top three in CAM T. An ex-Formula Mazda from Club Racing was converted into an EV by installing a Nissan Leaf motor in it. It competed in AMod and did well for its first ever Solo competition (both car and driver) as it finished 12th of 15. It was interesting to watch folks see it run. Much discussion was going on while it was on course. The HS car was a bone stock BMW i3 and he did well too (15th of 28).

In the end I could not have been more impressed by the event. To squeeze 1100+ cars through the two courses in four days was amazing. There may have been some chaos behind the scenes, but it sure didn't look like it....its appeared to be run like a well-oiled machine. The credit goes to all involved (drivers and officials). As for my future in Solo, I am already working on plans to attend next year.

Runoffs (9/25-10/2): Unlike the Solo Nationals which I had never attended, I have been to 20+ Runoffs. Some as worker, many as a driver, some as crew and even a couple as media. The wrinkle in this year's event was the remnants of hurricane Ian. After devastating Florida and South Carolina, the remains drifted north to our area and caused all sorts of problems. Rain and high winds caused local flooding and power outages. After a couple weeks of flawless weather, we had three days of wet, windy, nasty weather for the race days. As the rain was intermittent, tire choice was paramount. As a F&C guy I also know that rain is the wildcard that makes road racing interesting....sometimes for the wrong reasons, but always interesting.

Once again, I must commend the Club Racing brass and Steward Corps for ensuring that the event went smoothly. Yes, the weather played havoc with the race days but the officials kept things moving.

➤ WMR Solo at Grattan Raceway (10/23): Once I found out my hip replacement surgery had been postponed, I signed up for the last WMR Solo of the season. I took along a WMR member who had not been to a Solo before so he could see how the event was run. He had a great time and wants to compete next season. I had a nice time too even though I finished last in my class. Oh well....on to 2023.

For 2023, GLDiv will have a new Executive Steward in charge of the Club Racing program. Her name is Lauri Burkons. One of the tasks on her plate it to revitalize the steward program and the first step is to add folks to the program. I asked her to write a small blurb about Stewarding and I have included it here. Please contact her if you have any questions (lburkons@neo.rr.com, (330) 338-7064).

Join the Steward Program

"Why?" you might ask. Because you have the SCCA experience needed to be the kind of steward we need – whether you are a driver, crew, or specialty volunteer.

Stewards are not just officials. We are also timekeepers and helpers. Yes, we officiate by keeping the rules. We keep time by starting and ending each session. We are helpers because we guide drivers through different procedures, and we help participants through the aftermath of any incident.

Stewards are not all about handing out penalties. We really do try to help drivers stay on track and have safe, fun sessions. Every sport has rules and officials to ensure those rules are followed. Motorsports is no different, and we want the best to be part of our group. Maybe that person is you.

While we are serious when running sessions, we are a group of racing enthusiasts who love to have fun. We love what we do at the track and we laugh a lot at the end of the day!

Be sure and visit the <u>GLDiv website</u> for information about all of the SCCA programs within the division. We have schedules, official's contact info, standings, etc. for all the SCCA programs.

The various national schedules for 2022 are starting to coalesce and they can be found here:

Pro Solo/National Tour, Time Trials National Tour, Hoosier Super Tour, Enduro.

Please take a few minutes and make sure your contact information is accurate in the SCCA database. It's important to have the correct information there so the club knows how to contact you. Log in to your my.scca.com page and check.

As I mentioned previously, there is a new path to getting your annual waiver. You can now get it through the Member Account Portal (MAP). Follow this <u>link</u> to get the instructions. There is also a story about the program <u>here</u>. I've done it and it only takes a couple of minutes. Be prepared to upload a headshot picture of yourself

Just a quick reminder, if any region out there wants to have an "Ask the Director" session during your monthly meetings, please do not hesitate to contact me so we can schedule a visit. I retired last summer so have plenty of free time and would thoroughly enjoy the chance to visit with your members.

Thank you for your time and I look forward to hearing from you soon. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or comments you may have about any facet of the GLDiv. I want you to make the most of your membership and I will help out in any way possible to make that happen.

Dayle Frame

Answers to "Did You Know?

- #1 The 1904 Acme, from Reading, PA. Perpetuity was disturbing in this case, as Acme closed down in 1911
- #2 The 1949 Chryslers
- #3 The 1915 Scripps-Booth Model C. The car also was the first with electric door latches.
- #4 They were first used on the 1947 Packard line.
- #5 the 1965 Mustang