# **Clutch Chatter**

## Indianapolis Region SCCA



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## Clutch Chatter Editor – Raleigh Boreen

The picture of above is of a "Futurliner." The GM Futurliners were a group of custom vehicles, styled in the 1940s by Harley Earl for General Motors. They were integral to the company's Parade of Progress, a North American traveling exhibition promoting future cars and technologies. Eight custom Streamliners were used from 1936 to 1940. GM sponsored the *Parade of Progress* and ten Futurliners from 1940 to 1941 and again from 1953 to 1956. This is Futurliner is #10 and it resides at the NATMUS Museum in Auburn, IN. Let me know if anyone would be interested in the off-season to visit the Museums in Auburn or around the Indianapolis area. Have a great Thanksgiving!!!

#### **Elections of Officers**

Indy Region members. You will be receiving a ballot for the election of 2024 Indy Region Board members. It is important to Vote!!

#### **Road Rally**

Dec. 2nd "Holiday Shopping Rally" This is a fun Rally for charity

### Indy Region

Annual Awards Banquet January 13<sup>th</sup> at the Sycamore Lodge at Mallow Run

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## **RE REPORT – MIKE YOUNG**

Hello Fellow Region Members:

The Holiday Season is upon us. I hope everyone is able to spend time with their families over the Thanksgiving weekend and Christmas holiday. 2023 has been a good year for the club. We continue to grow in membership and have had very successful events in all three of our programs. We still have one Road Rally prior to the end of the year. All of the donations go towards people who need help this time of year. Come and join us for a fun afternoon. I hope to see everyone at our awards banquet and yearend meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup> of January. \*\*\* Make sure you vote in the upcoming Indy Region Election\*\*\*

Mike Young - Regional Executive

## **INDY REGION MEMBERSHIP REPORT:**



## Membership – Josh Kikta Membership Chairman

We currently have 585 members! There are 8 new Indy members from 10/9/2023 (last date I used for the CC) to 11/13/2023.

First Name	Last Name	City	State	SCCA Join Date	Region Join Date
Kevin	Berba	Columbus	IN	4/17/2016	10/5/2023
Lucy	Douglas	Westfield	IN	9/23/2023	9/23/2023
Doug	Johnson	Morgantown	IN	9/21/2023	9/21/2023
Brandon	Luedeman	North Vernon	IN	9/19/2023	9/19/2023
Benjamin	Gallant	Carmel	IN	10/11/2023	10/11/2023
Max	Harkavy	Dayton	ОН	11/07/2023	11/07/2023
Vicki	O'Connor	Carmel	IN	9/29/2023	9/29/2023
Hanfei	Xu	Indianapolis	IN	10/16/2023	10/16/2023

Milestone anniversaries are for December.

Five Years – David Daughtery, Toni Daughtery, Charles Nienhouse

Twenty Years – Benjamim Brinn, Jamie Brinn



People having fun at the "Ghoul Rally"



Checking out the headstones for info?

## Membership Update:

# As a member of the Indianapolis Region of the SCCA we have an Involved Member Award.

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 five areas of participation: meetings and other club-sponsored special events, road rally, rally cross, Track Events 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 2007 is eligible again in 2012). Repeat awards within the 5 calendar years will be recognized by embroidering of the award year on the jacket.

#### Points are awarded as follows:

#### Administrative:

- Indy Region Board of Directors 100 per year
- Newsletter Editor 100 per year
- Webmaster 100 per year
- Program Chair 400 per year

#### Indy Region Rally Cross Events:

- National/Divisional Event Chair 400 per event
- National/Divisional Event Co-Chair 250 per event
- Regional Specialty Event Chair 400 per event
- Regional Specialty Event Co-Chair 250 per event
- Regional Event Specialty Chair 75 per event
- Regional Driver / Worker 50 per day

#### Indy Region Road Rally Events:

- National/Divisional Event Rally master 400 per event
- Regional Rally master 200 per event
- Rally Pre-Check / Safety Steward 100 per event
- Working Chief of Specialty 75 per day
- Driver / Navigator / Worker 50 per day

#### Indy Region Solo Events:

- National/Divisional Event Chair 400 per event
- National/Divisional Event Co-Chair 250 per event
- Regional Specialty Event Chair 400 per event
- Regional Specialty Event Co-Chair 250 per event
- Regional Event Specialty Chair 75 per event
- Regional Driver / Worker 50 per day

#### Indy Region Track Events:

- National/Divisional Event Chair 400 per event
- National/Divisional Event Co-Chair 250 per event
- Regional Specialty Event Chair 400 per event
- Regional Specialty Event Co-Chair 250 per event
- Regional Event Specialty Chair 75 per event
- Regional Driver / Worker 50 per day

#### **Other Events:**

- National/Divisional Rally or Solo Registrar 75 per event
- GLDiv Roundtable Chair 100 per event
- GLDiv Roundtable/SCCA Nat Conv. 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 related events, except for 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 email 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.

## Josh Kikta – Membership



Rick Goshert at Grissom



#### December 2023 Solo Article

Title: And the winner is ...

By: James DaPuzzo

Our 2023 Solo Season was a blast, had great battles all season long, and look forward to honoring our Champions at the January Season Ending Banquet. Below is a list of those receiving awards.

Note – Michael Young for 2023 has added an "Honorary Mention Award" that will be given to drivers who are in good standing with the club, ran (5) plus events, but did not win a trophy based on our current point system.

Jack Tovey Cup: Kevin Keys / Rookie of the Year: Samuel Campbell / Boreen Spirit of Solo: TBD

Class	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	Honorable Mention
Super Street	Lou Savino	Michael Young	n/a	Jim Johnson
A Street	Darren Daubenspeck	n/a	n/a	n/a
B Street	James DaPuzzo	n/a	n/a	John Robbins /Jeff McGrew
C Street	Michael James	Jeff Luebker		Lee Miler
C Street Ladies	Mickie Miller	n/a	n/a	n/a
D Street	Cathy Kenny	Kevin Kirchoff	Matt Adams	Gary Crispin / Faythe Rush
F Street	Chris Wheatley	n/a	n/a	Milo Mossman
G Street	Jordan Allen	Matt Rogers	n/a	n/a
H Street	Vincent Taibi	Justin Lawrence	Anthony Cope	Rex Little
Street Touring Ultra	Dale Brier	n/a	n/a	n/a
Street Touring Xtreme	Kevin Berba	n/a	n/a	Aldrin Natividad
Street Touring Hatch	Bradley James	Samuel Campbell	n/a	n/a
Street Modified Street Tire	Dustin Hitze	n/a	n/a	Jacob Ross
D Prepared	Curtiss Malicoat Jr	n/a	n/a	n/a
F Prepared	David Currey	n/a	n/a	Norm Currey
D Modified	Stephen Brinkerhoff	n/a	n/a	n/a
D Modified Ladies	Wanda Brinkerhoff	n/a	n/a	n/a
E Modified	Jeff Alexander	n/a	n/a	n/a
CAM-C	Lyle Linville	Chuck Nienhouse	John Clyne	Seth Fultz
CAM-T	Raleigh Boreen	Velma Boreen	n/a	n/a
CAM-S	Kevin Keys	n/a	n/a	n/a
Pro Class	Dallas Reed	n/a	n/a	n/a

Work on the 2024 Solo Season is well underway. To start with David Currey will be taking over the Solo program. My role will be supporting David to ensure a smooth transition. Together we begin the process of building out the 2024 Schedule. Our goal is to host (2) National Events @ Grissom Aeroplex, have (7) Points Events, (3) Fun Days, have (2 or 3) Indianapolis Based Events, Hosting the Great Lakes Divisional Series & Hoosier Challenge events, and conduct a Driver's School.

I am always looking for feedback on the 2023 season. Please send me an email <u>james.dapuzzo@gmail.com</u> on your thoughts to improve the upcoming season.

Finally ... always looking for members to raise their hand to be a chief or co-chief. We have several members that have been in role for several years and are looking to share their knowledge with other members.

James DaPuzzo - Solo Chair



Vinnie Taibi at Putnam Park in his TT Miata

## Indianapolis Region SCCA presents the 2023 HOLIDAY SHOPPING SHUFFLE

Holiday shopping done RoadRally style

Your mission is to gather non-perishable items for a Holiday feast. The catch is that they each need to come from a different town. Earn extra points by buying healthy items and taking selfies with your team along the way. All items purchased are donated to a local food pantry.

> Saturday, December 2, 2023 4:00pm-8:30pm



Starts and ends at: Wings Etc. 8188 Upland Way Camby, IN 46113

Additional information and registration at msreg.com/ShoppingShuffle2023

Registration is discounted with a new unwrapped toy to donate.

## **ACTIVITIES REPORT:**



#### Hello, fellow Clutchers!!

The Winter Karting League has already started but it is not too late to be part of it. We will have 4 events this season at Fastimes on the north side of Indy:

- 1. November 19th
- 2. December 17th
- 3. January 21st
- 4. February 18<sup>th</sup>

We're working on getting the Tire Rack Street Survival program going for Indy Region. We have a preliminary location with date and time to be decided, once everything is in place. This is an event that we haven't had for several years and some interest in reviving it has prompted me to get it going once again! I hope to have more information in coming months, but look for something in 2024.

Lastly, I have created registration for our yearly Banquet. It will be on Saturday, January 13, 2024, once again at The Sycamore at Mallow Run. All information will be on motorsportreg.com and is \$20 per person with children 12 and under free.

Hope to see you at these events and as always, let me know if you have ideas on how to further promote our club.

As always, thank you for your continued support, help, and consideration!

#### Yours truly, Charles Tashiro – Activities Chair



ACD Museum in Auburn, IN.

## **ROAD RALLY UPDATE:**



#### **RoadRally 2023 December**

#### Ghoul Days Recap

We had 11 cars (with 30 participants in those cars) compete in the October 28 Ghouls Days RoadRally. The weather cooperated, many cemeteries were visited and all four of the hidden pumpkins were found!

As the scores reflect, having more people in the car gives an advantage in the cemeteries where there are multiple things to find. The foursome of **Alexander Allee** and **Bailey Allee** along with **Jonah Allee** and **Amanda Stevens** placed first in GTA4. **Sandra Ambrose** and **Suzie Reynolds** along with **Frank Witkemper** placed first in GTA3. **Eric Burns** and **Allie Burns** placed first in GTA2. A special shout out to **Esteban** and **Kendyl Valez** along with **Lola** and **Mila** for placing second in GTA4.

Thank you to everybody for participating and also thank you to Wings Etc. for hosting our large group after the event. The final scores are below.

GHOUL DAYS 2023 FINAL SCORES				
Car	Class	Place	Driver/Navigator	<b>Total Points</b>
11	GTA2	1	Burns/Burns	61
8	GTA3	1	Ambrose/Reynolds	63
5	GTA4	1	Allee/Allee	75
10	GTA2	2	Beidelman/Beidelman	60
9	GTA3	2	Barton/Barton	58
2	GTA4	2	Velez/Velez	63
4	GTA2	3	Currey/Currey	53
7	GTA4	3	Hunt/Hunt	62
1	GTA2	4	Tashiro/Tashiro	45
3	GTA4	4	Boreen/Boreen	60
6	GTA4	5	Hanson/Tawney	46

#### 2023 Holiday Shopping Shuffle Saturday December, 2

If you liked Ghoul Days, then you should also enjoy the Holiday Shopping Shuffle. This is another Game Tour Adventure (GTA) style rally. This time, you are shopping for items for a holiday feast. The catch is that each item must come from a different town and you will need the receipt from the store (with the town name on it) to prove you went the distance. In

addition to shopping, you can earn extra points by taking selfies with your team, shopping for healthy items, and finding various light displays. Registration is open at <u>msreg.com/ShoppingShuffle2023</u>

Start and Ends at Wings Etc. 8188 Upland Way Camby, IN 46113

Check in 4:00-4:30pm

Ends around 8:30pm

Cost: \$40/car (\$25 discount if you bring a new, unwrapped toy to donate, additional \$15 discount if you are an SCCA member.) If you bring a toy and are an SCCA member, the event is FREE!

All toys and food items are donated to local charities after the event.

#### Championship Points for 2023 (as of 10/31/2023)

Following are the current points accumulated toward the 2023 Indianapolis Region RoadRally Championship. Full rules for the championship can be found on the Indy SCCA RoadRally page under

championship	
Name	Points
Crites, Sam	24
Boreen, Velma	18
Hanson, Charles	17
Boreen, Raleigh	15
Alexander, Jeff	12
Allee, Alexander	12
Allee, Bailey	12
Ambrose, Sandra	12
Burns, Allie	12
Burns, Eric	12
Clyne, John	12
Crowe, Mandy	12
Greenburg, Alice	12
Greenburg, David	12
Reynolds, Suzie	12
Rothermel, Bob	12
Sonntag, Bob	12
Barton, Emily	9
Barton, Jeff	9
Beidelman, Craig	9
Beidelman, Robin	9
Hardesty, Theo	9
Hardesty, Z	9
Ramhoff, Megan	9
Velez, Esteban	9
Velez, Kendyl	9
Currey, David	7
Currey, Norman	7
Hampton, Austin	7
Hunt, Ethan	7
Hunt, Shelly	7
Kennedy, Caleb	7
Tashiro, Charles	6
Tashiro, Kelley	6
Tawney, Kay	5

RoadRally Award Rules.

Happy Rallying !!! Wendy Harrison



Having fun at the "Ghouls Rally"

#### **SECRETARY REPORT - CLUB MEETING MINUTES:**



## 10-10-2023 – Indianapolis Region Board Meeting

### Dawson's on Main - Speedway

Present: Vinnie Taibi, Ben Drexler, Kevin Burns, Mandy and John Clyne, Charles Tashiro, Kitina Young, Chuck Hanson, David Currey, Wendy Harrison, Alan Hamson, Raleigh and Velma Boreen,

Guest: Mike Herrera, IMPD

Via call in: Mike Young

Meeting called to order by Ben Drexler at 6:31 PM

Motion to approve the September minutes made by Kevin, seconded by John. Motion passed. Minutes will be published in the next issue of the Clutch Chatter

#### RE Report – Mike

• December and January meetings will not be held at Dawson's, due to the holidays. December meeting will be at Mike and Kitina Young's home, with Boreen's home as a backup. January meeting will be held in conjunction with the annual banquet.

#### Membership - Josh

• 594 members, 10 new members, 17 expired and 55 weekend members. The Friday night event at the Speedrome accounted for many of the new members.

#### Treasury – Kitina

• We are current on invoices and deposits have been made.

#### Website – John/Ben

- Encourage all program chairs to review what is on the website for accuracy.
- Mike will have a discussion with John Wilmoth regarding updating the look of the website.

#### Clutch Chatter - Raleigh

• Clutch Chatter for November will be out the week of 10-16. Raleigh asks that program chairs get articles to him by 10-15.

#### Activities – Charles

- October C & C is scheduled for 10-21 and it is the last one for 2023.
  - Is our presence having any effect
  - Charles will be going to Bargersville on 10-21
  - Time to consider going with the independent C & C clubs?
- Banquet is scheduled for 1-13 at Mallow Run
  - Registration is open for the banquet now
    - \$20 per person, 12 and under free
- Tire Rack Street Survival
  - Charles, Raleigh and Velma met with Brent at Lincoln Tech on 71<sup>st</sup> St.
    - April 20, 2024 is on their schedule for Indy Region to host a TRSS.
    - We will have access to the facility for the classroom sessions and the parking lot for the behind the wheel sessions. There will be no charge but they encourage donations to their student housing program.
    - Instructors are needed and the official training is available on-line.
    - Limited to 30 students and would like to have a 2:1 instructor to student ratio.
    - Will enlist help from Melanie Murray, the National Tire Rack Street Survival coordinator and Tim Beechuk in Cincinnati for help.
    - May need to get help from BMW and Porsche Car Clubs for help with instructing.
    - The school is for 16–21-year-old students and is a supplement to driver's education. It is not meant to be Solo school.
- RallyCross
  - Mike Herrera with IMPD was at the Friday night event at the Speedrome and asked about a RallyCross program.
    - Currently Indy Region doesn't have a RC program due to the fact that there are no sites available.
    - Mike would like to be involved, both as a competitor and an organizer, to get a RC program going again.
    - Communication will continue with Mike and the board for the Region.
- World of Wheels
  - Scheduled for March 22-24, 2024
    - 10 x 10 booth for information.
    - 5 cars to display. Charles will finalize the cars to be displayed.
    - 2-3 people working each shift.
    - Change how and when coupons can be used.
- Winter Karting Program
  - Justin will schedule the dates with the karting facility and will take care of getting registration set up on MSR.
- Region Road Trips
  - $\circ$   $\;$  Raleigh mentioned a couple of road trips that the Region could do this fall/winter
    - MCACN Show in Chicago the Saturday before Thanksgiving
    - ACD Museum in Auburn, IN
    - Looking for feedback from members re: interest

#### Road Rally – Wendy

- Ghoul Days Rally is scheduled for October 28<sup>th</sup>.
  - Starting point is Sodalis Nature Park, Plainfield

o Three-hour time limit on the Rally will hopefully make this more family friendly

#### Solo – Jim

- I cannot thank enough this year's Solo Staff ... they are the main reason 2023 was a success:
  - Chief of Safety John Clyne
  - Chief of Waiver Lee & Mickie Miller / Wanda & Stephen Brinkerhoff
  - Chief of Registration Dale Brier / Chris Carson
  - Chief of Tech Ben Drexler
  - Chief of Timing and Scoring Kevin Burns
  - Chief of Course Chuck Nienhouse
  - Chief of Equipment Ken Studebaker
  - Chief of Workers Darren Daubenspeck
  - Chief of Novices Alan Hamson / Josh Kikta

September / October Events:

- Indianapolis Speedrome on 09/15/23
  - Had 65 drivers for a Friday Night Event
  - $\circ$   $\,$  Great Time Under the Lights ... 3 runs in daylight and 2 runs under the lights
  - Have a few areas to improve for next time
    - Earlier to start setup
    - Better check in process
    - Better time management while running the event
    - In the end I think we could get 85 cars through 6 runs by 11 PM with a few changes
- Hoosier Challenge hosted by INR on 09/17/23
  - o Not very well attended by the Indianapolis Region ... only 40 plus drivers
  - Well run event
  - Region finished 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Grissom Aeroplex with Fun Day # 3 on 09/30/23 and Points # 6 on 10/01/23
  - $\circ$  Had a total of 125 drivers
  - o Great time by many, weather was outstanding, and courses were excellent
  - Joint Columbus Region / Seymour, IN Event on 10/08/23
    - o TBD

#### Bus Update:

- Ran well back and forth to the Speedrome Event
- At the last event at the Grissom Aeroplex the starter went out and working with Ken Studebaker to resolve.
- Need to finalize replacement plan by the end of 2023

Season Ending Points and Awards

• This is the focus area towards the end of October

#### Time Trials – Vinnie

- Time Trial Nationals scheduled at NCM October 11-15, 2023
- Mid-Ohio event went well
- Working on 2024 schedule
- Need more staff

#### **Old Business**

Nothing

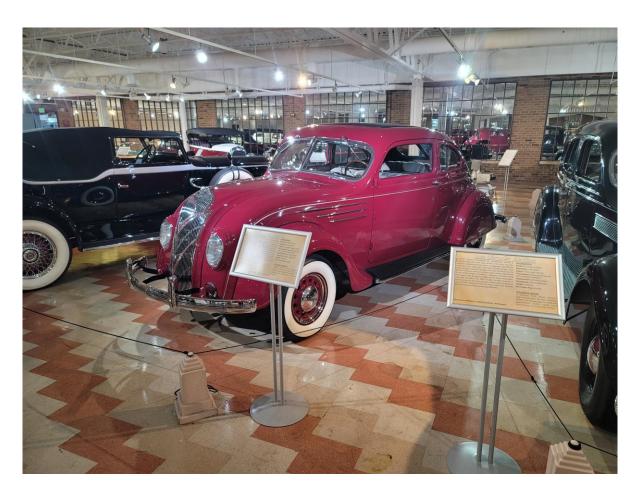
#### New Business

- Raleigh has been contacted by Don Leckey, Detroit Region, regarding the use of Grissom to schedule a SoloPro Driver's School.
  - Don is asking to rent Indy Region equipment, advertise within the Region and help with securing a date.

- This is not a school meant to take the place of the Solo school the Region does typically in May.
  This school is geared towards the competitors who have been autocrossing a while and want to hone their skills.
- Raleigh was given a go-ahead from the board.
- Area 4 elections start on October 15.
  - Dayle Frame, our current BOD representative, and Dan Hodge, OVR, are the two candidates.
  - Voting can be done on-line on the SCCA website. Easy-Peasy.
- An election committee was formed to work on Indy Region board members for 2024.
  - Chuck Hanson, Mandy Clyne and Raleigh Boreen are the committee.
- Mark your calendars for March 2, 2024 for the Great Lakes Division Spring Training in Ft. Wayne.
- SCCA National Convention will be virtual again in 2024. The dates are January 18-26, 2024.

Meeting adjourned at 7:26 PM. Next meeting is November 14th at Dawson's.

#### Velma Boreen – Secretary



1936 Desoto at the ACD Museum in Auburn, IN.

## 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 Kevin Keys.

Kevin and his wife Kathy live in Huntington, IN. Velma and I have known Kevin and Kathy for several years, seeing them at Grissom Solo events and some Ft. Wayne Solo events. Kevin and Cathy grew up in the Ft, Wayne area. Kevin was a good student and an athlete all through High School. When he got out of High School, he went to work at a car dealership and became a certified mechanic. He did that for several years and then got hooked on motorcycles. He proceeded to go to work at a motorcycle shop, working on sport bikes for the next 15 years. During that time, he also raced motorcycles. A he told me; he was very lucky to only have one major accident in which he spent a few nights in a hospital. After several years as a mechanic, Kevin said saw the handwriting on the wall: this is a young man's job. Today Kevin works for a company selling Industrial parts. He has great customers, enjoys his job and doesn't have to do any heavy lifting.

#### How long have you been a member of SCCA?

I have been a member since 2014. I started out by being a member of Ft. Wayne and Indy Region. Today I am an Indy Region member only. My first Solo was in 1999 but motorcycles got in the way. I came back in 2014 in Kathy's BMW. The thing that finalized the deal was when Jerry Strope asked me if I would like to co-drive his ZO6 Corvette. After one run, I was hooked. Today I drive a C5 Corvette and am having the time of my life. I purchased the C5 Corvette from a couple in the Corvette club who had a fire in the engine compartment on the car. They wanted nothing to do with the car after that and sold it to me for a

song and a dance. With my background I was able to put a new engine in the car, new wiring and everything else it needed. I was set and the car has continued to get better each year.

#### What activities do you participate in with Indy Region?

Kathy and I have run a couple of Rallies but 99% of what we do is Solo. Indy Region puts on some great events at Grissom.

#### What was your first car?

My first car was a 1985 Chevy Cavalier wagon. I was given the car when I was 15 years old, it had a blown engine. My Dad and my Uncle said it is mine if I could get it running. I did with a lot of work and it became my first car.

#### How did you get interested in cars and the SCCA?

I have loved cars for ever. My family was not into cars. My Dad could not work on a car even if he tried, no interest. I just loved being around cars and working on them. The interest in the SCCA is being introduced to Solo but more importantly being around the people. Jerry Strope helped me so much, but more importantly the Indy Region people at Grissom made Kathy and me welcome. In the process we have now been to several National Tours and the Solo Nationals four times. In 2023 I ran 25 days of Solo with Indy Region, National events and the Corvette Club.

#### What would you like to see Indy Region do in 2024 and coming years?

Continue to hold great fun events at Grissom. I hope to continue doing a couple of National events each year. I am looking forward to the Banquet in January and the 2024 Indy Region calendar of events.

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

Kathy and I are homebodies. We got married in 2009. It is just the two of us and our puppies. We do go out bowling frequently and I enjoy a round of golf once in a while. We also have lots of family in the Ft. Wayne area so it seems like there is always a family function going on. We also enjoy seeing our SCCA friends for get togethers other than Solo events.

## Sitting in the Garage with:

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

#### This month's conversation is with Vincent "Vinnie" Taibi.

Vinnie is the chairman of the Time Trials program for Indy Region. He is also the Great Lakes Divisional Steward for the Time Trials program. To say the least, he is very busy. Velma and I have known Vinnie for around eight or nine years. We meet him at some of the Solo events at Grissom in 2013 & 2014. He was new to the area. He was part of the youth movement of the club thanks to Chris and Stef. He grew up in Pittsburgh, PA. He came to Indiana to attend College. He lived in the Indy area for several years but currently has a home in Frankfort, IN. near his job as a Process Engineer with Subaru of Indiana Automotive in Lafayette, IN.

#### How long have you been a member of SCCA?

I have been a member since 2013. I heard about autocrossing while involved with an Internship with AMTRAK. My first event was at Grissom in 2013. I had a great time but knew I wanted to go faster than the very stock car I brought to the event.

#### What activities do you participate in with Indy Region?

I have run all of the types of events that Indy SCCA has to offer. I have run Time Trials, Solos and Road Rallies. I feel I need to run a little bit in each of the types of events we have to support the club. I really appreciate all of the people who put on the events for the club. I enjoy spending time with people at the events.

#### What was your first car?

My first car was a Ford Focus with an automatic. It worked until I could afford to do something else. Ironically my Mother's first new car was a Ford Fiesta in the 80's and my first new car was a Ford Fiesta ST. My new Ford has a stick!!

#### How did you get interested in cars and the SCCA?

I have loved cars forever. I think I was born with a Hot Wheels in my crib. I knew I was hooked on cars when my Dad and I went to the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix. The racing was great and then we got to look at all of the cars in the car show. My first trip to the event was when I was in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. We went many more times. My Dad also liked NASCAR and had one of the early NASCAR computer games. He had the chair and the steering wheel set up. I loved spending time on that game. I wanted to race.

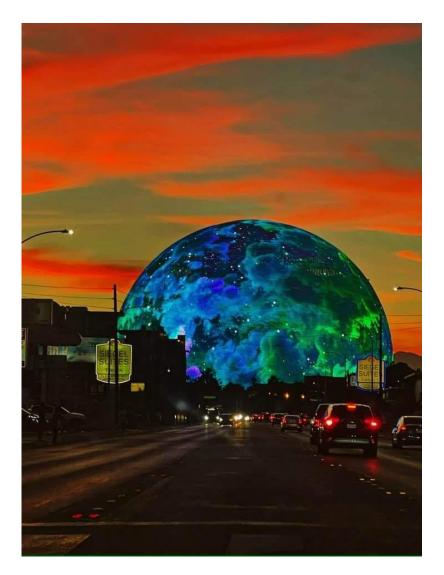
#### What would you like to see Indy Region do in 2024 and coming years?

I would love to see Indy Region do what I call a "Super Weekend." What I envision would be a track day at Putnam on Friday, a Road Rally on Saturday with a big social event that night. Then finish off the weekend with a Solo on Sunday. I think that would be really cool and get a bunch of people out for the weekend. We could have awards for how people did each day and for those that ran all three events there would be some sort of grand prizes.

I also hope Indy Region can be a leader in helping other Regions in the Division that want to have Time Trial events by doing collaborative events. Working together will make all of the Regions in our Division stronger.

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

Everything I do has something to do with cars, my job and my hobbies. I love College Football; I am a huge U of West Virginia fan. My family got me hooked on them early in my life. I enjoy camping and just purchased a Lexus GX470 for "Towing" and light overland adventures. I kept the Focus ST for Solo events and my Miata for Time Trial Events.



The new "Dome" in Las Vegas lit up for the SEMA Show

## **TIME TRIAL PROGRAM**



Watch for more information to come on the 2024 Time Trial season. We look forward to seeing people at the tracks this year. Have a great winter getting ready for the TT events.

Check out: INDYTRACKDAYS.com for more info.

Vinnie & Tyler

## **DID YOU KNOW?**





Al Capone is the reason we have expiration dates on milk bottles; After his niece became extremely ill from bad milk, the powerful Chicago gangster lobbied aggressively for expiration dates to be added for the safety of children and pregnant women



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

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## <u>Notes from the Director's Chair</u> <u>Area 4 Director Update for November 2023</u>

First, please forgive the tardiness of this update. After returning from the Runoffs down at VIR on 10/2, I had my left hip replaced on 10/5. It's been a pretty tough road back with all of the rehab exercise. But things are slowly starting to get back to "normal" around here and just in time for the holidays and family visits, etc.

Second, I cannot proceed without mentioning the loss of another long time SCCA member that hits close to my home. Jerry Shiloff passed away earlier this week. As we were both from Michigan, I saw Jerry frequently over the years as he stewarded many events at tracks here in the state. Whether I was a driver, worker or race administrator, Jerry was always there to offer guidance and support where needed. He was a treasured resource on a wide variety of topics. His wisdom and experience were highly valued. Our condolences go out to Mary, his family and friends and the Detroit Region for their loss. He will be sorely missed by the SCCA community.

So, here's what I did this past month.....

Video Conference Meetings:

- Club Racing Board (CRB) (10/9): This was rescheduled from 10/5 so as not to conflict with folks still returning from the Runoffs. Unfortunately, there was a GLDiv Zoom call that same evening. I had to choose so I sat in on the divisional meeting (see below). The results of all of the CRB rules changes can be seen <u>here</u>.
- GLDiv BoD meeting (10/9): The aforementioned divisional meeting was our annual get together with the division's REs so we could go over the past year's budget, discuss aspects of the spring meeting, and review other divisional topics. It was also an opportunity for me to answer questions from the attendees.

Our spring convention is scheduled for 3/2 in Fort Wayne, IN. As usual, Val McCammon is coordinating the event and will have further details as they become available.

- Electrified Vehicle Advisory Committee (EVAC) (10/11): This month's meeting was cancelled as I was in no shape to host the Zoom call so soon after my surgery. We closed several action items via email thread.
- Board of Directors (BoD) (10/23): Our year-to-date financials look pretty good considering the awful weather we had at the beginning of the year. This quenched entry turnout and we've been playing catch up ever since. The BoD expects to see a 2024 budget next month. We got an update on the Club Spec concept from Heyward Wagner. We will have two offerings in this arena. Option packages are being developed for both vehicles. There will be further details coming soon. We got an update on the proposed Hillclimb Board as well. We reviewed some proposed Operations Manual revisions for 2024.

#### SCCA Events:

None (I conveniently scheduled my surgery for the off season). My next trip is to Kansas City for the December face to face meeting there.

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I will make one last appeal for your vote in the Area 4 Directorship election. I have worked very hard to make sure that I represent the membership of the GLDiv and its regions on our BoD. I also believe I have done enough to warrant your continued support in this election.

I urge all members to vote. If you haven't already, you will receive an email from the SCCA outlining the voting process. The window for voting will close on 11/15 so you have another week or so to vote. You can do so electronically by logging into your <u>my.scca.com</u> account. Choose the "Member Resources" tab at the top of the page and then select "Surveys and Voting" and the bottom of that pull down menu. If needed, you can also request a paper ballot there. Whether you vote for me or my opponent, please query us on your concerns and vote. This Club is member driven and it is a better organization when those members participate in the process.

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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.

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 <u>my.scca.com</u> 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.

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



INDIANAPOLIS REGION

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Indianapolis Region SCCA members

December is soon upon us. The weather is changing and it is turning cold. But for Indy Region SCCA, it means the end of the racing season, the end of the Solo season and the final Rally for 2023 before the snow flies. More importantly, December is the beginning for Indy Region; it is the beginning of the process to elect our officers to run the club's business side for the coming year. The process is a simple one. Members get nominated or put their name in the hat in November. In December a ballot is available for all members to look at and evaluate. This year we are asking members to respond electronically to vote for the people they want to represent them in the club. The vote will be announced in January at the Annual Meeting of the club on January 7<sup>th</sup>.

For 2024 I am asking for help. We need to have someone, anyone or everyone, step forward to help direct our club to a successful year. We have people to run for positions on the Indianapolis Region Board as officers. We have four (4) positions call "Member at Large". These people are chosen from a list of people who have put their names in the hat by the Indy Region Board of Directors. We need people to step up and say they want to help guide the success of the club. Here are the names of the people running for office wanting to guide our club in 2024.

- Regional Executive Mike Young
- Assistant RE Ben Drexler
- Treasurer John Clyne
- Secretary Velma Boreen
- Membership Dustin Hintz

#### • Activities – N. Charles Tashiro

Please use the attached link that will send you to MotorsportReg so you can vote and potentially put your name in the hat for being on the Indy Board as a Member at Large. You can also return your ballot in the mail to my home.

#### https://bit.ly/3VRohsw

Thank you so much for your support. The election committee:

Mandy Clyne, Chuck Hanson and Raleigh Boreen

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The Kindig display at SEMA 2023



Tom Farrington competing at the Optima Finals at SEMA 2023

## FOR SALE

### For Sale – 2018 FF 818 Street Roadster

This car was titled 06/11/18 and since then drove an enjoyable 7,000 miles. VIN #MVIN368840IND. I'm selling due to medical issues.

### **818 Roadster Description:**

Factory Powder coated frame

2003 WRX 2.0L Turbo donor with 160,000 mi. Engine overhauled including new short block / turbo. Rebuilt by master Subaru mechanic.

Engine was built to factory specs so about 8 lbs. / hp. Car performs very well at this level but HP could be increased with a tune.

### This is a purpose built, street legal track car:

- Aluminum wheels purchased from Factory Five
- Dunlop Star Spec II track tires
- BiMarco racing seats out of Poland
- Simple, clean Muffler and Exhaust design
- Custom twin fan cooling for the intercooler

- Fans can be off, on, or be activated at 3 psi boost.
- Corvette Cyber Gray paint scheme applied by a paint professional
- Have had no issues, no leaks, car runs great!

This car has reasonably good fit and finish but is not a show car. I have previous experience with aircraft building so sheet metal work is of excellent quality.

## Selling price is \$17,950. I have invested roughly \$23,000

## Thanks for looking! Chuck Long 317-473-3540



Ads in the "For Sale" part of the Clutch Chatter are "Free" to members.