



# The Pit Stop



## SCCA Southern Indiana Region Monthly Newsletter May 2013 Volume 60 Number 5

### May REport

Wow! April was one heck of a month for the Southern Indiana Region. Our month of activities began with the Moore's "Westside Workout" and finished with two very productive weekends of patching at the Mid-American Air Center. Between those activities we celebrated the sixtieth anniversary of Jim Barrow's SCCA membership. It was a great month for sure.

The month began with a seven cars on Chris and Carrie Moore's rally. The rally had a several loops early in the route. Rally cars were all over each other passing head-on, turning left, and turning right within sight of each other all while on course. It was a real hoot! As a rallymaster, I can appreciate the planning and luck required to have had that happen. Dan Jelley and Chuck Read came up from Tennessee to run their first rally with us. They jumped in with both feet and ran in the equipped class. Check the scores elsewhere in this issue. You'll see that the both of our classes were well contested. Only eight points separated first and second place in Class A. All of the scores were pretty close.

Matt Beasley and Steve Compton, one of our newest members, teamed up again. Those that subscribe to our email list, know Matt and Steve collected a rather high score on their first rally...and *really* liked to talk and write about it. On just their second rally, they missed a perfect checkpoint score by – literally – the smallest of margins. I think our 2013 rally season could be a very competitive one and quite fun for all.

Keeping with SIR tradition, the low score of the rally was earned by a Class B team. Congratulations to Jim Cannon and Ben Davis for that low score.

As noted above, at the April membership meeting, we celebrated Jim Barrow's 60 years of SCCA membership. We enjoyed pictures, a bit of club history, and shared a few stories about one of our members who has contributed greatly to our club, the local British car club scene, and has helped put or keep many of southern Indiana's neatest cars on the road through the years. The club thanks Barry Schonberger, Ben Davis, and Julie Barrow for taking care of the arrangements, awards, and contributing pictures. It was a wonderful evening. Keep watching for a picture in the Evansville newspaper. We're awaiting periodic updates on which events Jim's new "admit one to any event" engraved gold membership card can get him into. (Will the better stories be of the events that it *almost* gets him into?)

Our "patch parties" at the Mid-American Air Center were a success. We put in 8.5 cubic yards of new concrete. Those of you that know how we party know that means that we also removed at least 8.5 cubic yards of worn out concrete. We patched our existing autocross paths and added three new segments to our options. We also widened the entry and exit areas of at least two turns. It might actually feel like we're running some place new this year.

We would not have succeeded without help from the 28 of us that participated in the patch parties. Thanks for your time and efforts. I will call attention to Ron Jochum, Jay Wolf, Jim Cannon, and John McCarthy for sharing their garden tractors and trucks with the club. All of us that autocross owe Yancy Smith a HUGE thank you for arranging for the equipment that makes a physical job much less physical. There is no way we could do what we do without Yancy's help or without the rest of us joining the effort.

Our autocross season begins on Sunday, May 19, with a course by Ernie Roales. Just a few days later, we are on again with the Midwest Muscle Car Challenge. We will set the first of two courses for the weekend on Friday afternoon (May 24). Assuming we can work in the runs, those working this event on Saturday will be able to take runs on the course too. Saturday evening, we'll change the course in preparation for Sunday's continued autocross action with the Muscle Cars. We will try to offer those working Sunday runs too. In either case, working these event days qualify one for the bonus program. The Muscle Car Challenge helps the club financially and is a great way to snoop some really neat cars. Shoot-fire, if you play your cards right, you might even be able to collect autographs from several of the 'Merican drivers of SPEED's "R U Faster Than A Red Neck?" show. You will also have the opportunity cheer on our own Paul Dornburg. He has challenged the muscle car guys to beat his best run. Check the schedule for the details on the times.

The EVV/OWB area rally program takes a breather this month. It resumes first thing in June with an event on SATURDAY, the first. It's the famous Dornburg "Ice Cream Rally." It should be ice cream weather by then. Paul and Don Kelley have been working the Owensboro car club scene and may have the British and Corvette clubs lined up to join us for the rally. If you are willing and available to help, I am sure Paul would like to hear from you.

As part of the agreement worked out with the Mid-American Air Center, the club will pay the MAAC \$5 per car. Our event entry goes up \$5 to cover that cost. The new entry fee effective with its publication (this paragraph) is \$25 per car. That is for both autocross and rally events.

In an effort to help eliminate cost as a reason to not rally, we are also implementing a "Paid to Play" program for the rallies. Those that entered the previous rally for \$25 will get paid \$5 by the club to run the next rally. Those that make rally after rally will essentially have a net entry fee of \$20. Those that miss a rally will not get the "Paid to Play" \$5 at the subsequent rally and will have a net entry fee of the regular \$25. At the following rally, the "Paid to Play" fiver would be collectable.

Hope to see you our new regular meeting location – Smitty's Italian Steakhouse (2019 West Franklin Street, Evansville) – for our membership meeting on the 14th.

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Berry Points as of 4/22

1	Bob Sonntag	34
2	James Cannon	20
3	Michael Buente	19
4	Benjamin Davis	19
5	Jay Wolf	18
6	Ernest Roales	18
7	Michael Hutchens	16
8	Kenneth Dilger	15
9	Don Kelley	15
10	Terry Davis	14
11	Matthew Beasley	13
12	Barry Schonberger	13
13	Kevin Smalley	12
14	Ron Jochum	11
15	John McCarthy	11
16	Yancy Smith	10
17	Tim Green	10
18	Steven Backer	10
19	Kurt Krodel	10
20	Drew Gerth	10
21	Chris Moore	9
22	Carrie Moore	9
23	Barry Beaman	8
24	Paul Dornburg	7
25	David Lehrschall	7
26	Susan Roales	6
27	Paul Blaylock	5
28	Maurie Light	5
29	Lora Blaylock	5
30	Joab Schultheis	5
31	Ivan Bonenberger	5
32	Bryce Buente	5
33	Steve Compton	2
34	Darlene Cannon	2
35	Tom Bootz	1
36	Thomas Tipsword	1
37	Thomas Betz	1
38	Terrence Keating	1
39	Teresa Bailey	1
40	Mike Freeman	1
41	Jimmy Wooldridge	1
42	Jeremy Duke	1
43	Jan Bootz	1
44	James Butler	1
45	James Barrow	1
46	James Cooper Lilly	1
47	Dennis Duke	1
48	Darrin Bailey	1
49	Carolyn Dornburg	1
50	Aaron Miller	1

May Birthdays

Jim Butler	5/1
Dave Crews	5/8
Ryan Bootz	5/10
Susan Roales	5/23
Eric Eplee	5/25
Charlie Posey	5/28
Steve Backer	5/29

Years of Service

Jim Cannon	21yrs
Gene Young	16yrs
Ryan Bootz	16yrs
Steve Backer	11yrs
Jim Breidenbach	5yrs
Yancy Smith	5yrs
Ben Davis	3yrs
Lora Blaylock	3yrs
Paul Blaylock	3yrs
Mike Hutchens	3yrs
Sean Lips	1yr

New Members in March/April

Jack Fares	WKY
Steve Compton	
Henry Miley	

Rookie Points

Steve Compton	.017
Jimmy Wooldridge	.008
Connor Murt	.000
Jack Fares	.000
Henry Miley	.000

Rally Points

1	Benjamin Davis	10
2	Bob Sonntag	10
3	James Cannon	7
4	Ernest Roales	6
5	Susan Roales	6
6	Terry Davis	5
7	Carrie Moore	5
8	Chris Moore	5
9	Jay Wolf	5
10	Matt Beasley	4
11	Lora Blaylock	2
13	Kenneth Dilger	2
14	Don Kelley	2
15	Steve Compton	2

**Westside Workout**

**Chris Moore Rally Master**

**April 7th, 2013**

	Team	Car	Class	CkPt1	CkPt2	CkPt3	Total	Trophy
Winners 1	<b>Terry Davis / Bob Sonntag</b>	<b>Blue Porsche 911</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>-23</b>	<b>-149</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>T</b>
	<b>2 Dan Jelley / Chuck Read</b>	<b>Silver BMW Cabriolet</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>-138</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>220</b>	
	<b>3 Matt Beasley / Steve Compton</b>	<b>Grey Audi Coupe</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-196</b>	<b>-109</b>	<b>305</b>	
Winners 1	<b>Jim Cannon / Ben Davis</b>	<b>Red Miata</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>-53</b>	<b>-60</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>T</b>
	<b>2 Ernie Roales / Sue Roales</b>	<b>Blue Corvette</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>-151</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>280</b>	
	<b>3 Paul Blaylock / Lora Blaylock</b>	<b>Black Mazda 3</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>-36</b>	<b>-256</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>390</b>	
	<b>4 Kenny Dilger / Don Kelley</b>	<b>White Mini-Cooper</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>-314</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>469</b>	

## Jim Barrows, 60 years of SCCA



Barry presenting Jim with awards



Jim Butler presents award to Jim



Jim and daughter Julie



A big crowd turned out for the festivities

## 2013 Schedule of Events

Date	Day	Activity/Event	Location
5.00		May	
5.07	Tuesday	Board Meeting	Townsquare Media Conf Room
5.12	Sunday	Mother's Day	
5.14	Tuesday	Membership Meeting	Smitty's 2019 West Franklin St., EVV
5.19	Sunday	Autocross 1 - "Season Opener"	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
5.24	Friday	Midwest Muscle Car Challenge Set Up - 3:00 PM CST	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
5.25	Saturday	Midwest Muscle Car Challenge Autocross Day 1 - 8:00 AM CST	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
5.26	Sunday	Midwest Muscle Car Challenge Autocross Day 2 - 8:00 AM CST	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
5.27	Monday	Memorial Day	
5.29	Wednesday	Pit Stop Deadline	
6.00		June	
6.01	Saturday	T/S/D Rally #3 Ice Cream Rally – Be at the DQ by 11:30 AM CST	DQ on US 60 East, Owensboro KY
6.04	Tuesday	Board Meeting	Townsquare Media Conf Room
6.09	Sunday	Southern Illinois Autocross (1 of 2)	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
6.11	Tuesday	Membership Meeting	Smitty's 2019 West Franklin St., EVV
6.23	Sunday	Autocross (2 of 7)	To be determined
6.26	Wednesday	Pit Stop Deadline	
7.00		July	
7.02	Tuesday	Board Meeting	Townsquare Media Conf Room
7.09	Tuesday	Membership Meeting	Smitty's 2019 West Franklin St., EVV
7.14	Sunday	Autocross (3 of 7)	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
7.28	Sunday	Autocross (4 of 7)	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
7.31	Wednesday	Pit Stop Deadline	
8.00		August	
8.06	Tuesday	Board Meeting	Townsquare Media Conf Room
8.11	Sunday	T/S/D Rally (4 of 7)	Knox County Indiana
8.13	Tuesday	Membership Meeting	Log Inn, Warrenton, Indiana
8.18	Sunday	Autocross (5 of 7)	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
8.27	Tuesday	Board Meeting	Townsquare Media Conf Room
8.28	Wednesday	Pit Stop Deadline	
9.00		September	
9.03-06	Tue-Fri	Solo Nationals	Lincoln Air Park, Lincoln NE
9.10	Tuesday	Membership Meeting	Smitty's 2019 West Franklin St., EVV
9.15	Sunday	Autocross (6 of 7)	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
9.16-22	Mon-Sun	National Championship Runoffs	Road America, Elkhart Lake WI
9.22	Sunday	T/S/D Rally (5 of 7)	To be determined
9.25	Wednesday	Pit Stop Deadline	
9.29	Sunday	Autocross (7 of 7)	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
10.00		October	
10.01	Tuesday	Board Meeting	Townsquare Media Conf Room
10.06	Sunday	Southern Illinois Autocross (2 of 2)	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville
10.08	Tuesday	Membership Meeting	Smitty's 2019 West Franklin St., EVV
10.13	Sunday	T/S/D Rally (6 of 7)	To be determined
10.30	Wednesday	Pit Stop Deadline	
11.00		November	
11.05	Tuesday	Board Meeting	Townsquare Media Conf Room
11.10	Sunday	T/S/D Rally (7 of 7)	To be determined
11.12	Tuesday	Membership Meeting	Smitty's 2019 West Franklin St., EVV
11.27	Wednesday	Pit Stop Deadline	
11.30	Saturday	Deadline for Awards Banquet Entry	Last day to make your reservation
12.00		December	
12.06	Friday	Awards Banquet & Holiday Party	Rolling Hills Country Club, Newburgh, IN
12.10	Tuesday	Board Meeting	Townsquare Media Conf Room
12.26	Wednesday	Pit Stop Deadline	

**Paul's Parts** -- At the upcoming Midwest Muscle Car Challenge, on Memorial Day weekend, I'll be challenging the Muscle Cars to beat my time. The Muscle Car Drivers can buy into the Challenge and if they can beat my time they win half the pot. The other half will be donated to the Lawrence County American Cancer Society. If no one beats me it'll all go to the charity. We'll do it both Saturday and Sunday. -- Speaking of the MMCC, if you come up to work you can drive between work assignments without having to pay. You won't be eligible for any awards but you can get some seat time. -- The Ice Cream Rally has been moved to Saturday June 1<sup>st</sup> and it starts an hour earlier. After the rally is the monthly Owensboro Downtown Cruise In. Stick around after the rally, visit the cruise in and have a meal at one of Owensboro's fine downtown restaurants before you stroll amongst the cars. -- Don't forget we have a Facebook page. Look up SIRSCCA. -- Matt Beasley has promised us a piece about his Solo driving school experience next month, stay tuned.

## Sports Car Club of America

Southern Indiana Region  
Board of Director's Meeting Minutes  
April 2nd, 2013

### Attendees:

Benjamin Davis – Secretary  
Mike Hutchens – Treasurer  
Matt Beasley – Activities Chairman  
Mike Buente – Assistant Activities Chairman  
Bob Sonntag – Regional Executive  
Paul Dornburg – Pit Stop/Website Editor  
Terry Davis – Advisor to the Board  
By Phone: Barry Schonberger – Assistant Regional Executive

### 2013 Regional Goals:

Adoption of updated By-Laws  
Membership List  
Year-End Trophy Plan  
Website

Rally Participation Increase  
Cultivation of new Board Members  
Call to Order: 6:35pm

### Officer's Reports:

**Secretary:** Motion to accept the reading of minutes by Terry D., Second by Bob S., Passed

**Treasurer:** "We have money", Motion to accept by Terry D., Second by Barry S. – Passed

Renewed P.O. Box

**Activities Chair:** No report at this time

**Assistant Activities Chairman:** No report at this time

**Pit Stop Editor:** Last Wednesday of the Month is Pit Stop Deadline, Website is up to date, Pit Stop is in the mail

**Assistant Regional Executive:** No report at this time

**Regional Executive:** A decision to remove weekend membership fees this year for rallies has been passed down by the National Office

**Advisor to the Board:** No report at this time

### Committee Reports:

**Membership:** Current Membership 108, 93 SIR, 15 W. KY Chapter

### Old Business:

By Laws Adjusted for Chapter: Posted for review, however no action needed until April for May vote

Mid-American Air Center "Community Service", All quiet

Autocross Equipment: Trailer refurb/replacement research and plan, Looking at new software, Cleanup of trailer, Rewiring/installation of new equipment rack  
No other old business at this time

### New Business:

Anniversary Celebrations

Jim Barrow's 60th year of membership

Region's 61st year of existence. State of Indiana showing 10/20/1952

Schedule Review for 2013 Season

Review, Updates, and Adjustments

All Events have Chairs assigned

Rally this Sunday, April 7th "West Side Workout" Moore-Moore

"Ice Cream Rally" Dornburg-Dornburg is being moved to June 1st to be a part of the Downtown Owensboro Car Show

SCCA Starting Line Program has been tabled for the 2013 season

Special Programs during Membership Meetings

Industry Speakers, Car Games, Book Reviews

Still would like to find a volunteer for a Program Coordinator position to handle this

Mid-American Air Center

Usage Agreement signed by both Parties on 3/23

Highlighted the need to use the description of "precision driving" as opposed to "racing"

No word from Kurt as of yet to the FAA's thoughts or reactions

Overall, it appears to be moving forward in a positive manner

Midwest Muscle Car Challenge

We will provide as much instruction, and instructors as possible

Paul will be holding a sort of "Beat The Pro" contest with proceeds benefitting the American Cancer Society

Entry Fee Increase: Proposed \$5 increase effective after publication in May Pit Stop

Motion to accept by Ben D., Second by Mike H., passed

Rally Event Rebate: Proposal to create a rebate incentive for rally participants. If participating in a rally and you were an entrant in the previous rally, you would receive a \$5 discount to the entry fee of that day's rally. This would only apply if you had entered the previous rally on the schedule.

### Patch Parties

Areas were marked during the recon visit

Includes 3 new areas allowing more course designs

Matt B., Dave L., and Leonard G. are working on a more accurate map to aid course design

Equipment has been confirmed with Yancy

Still looking for a rock truck to help haul to our designated dumping area

Adjusted the schedule to allow the ability to be able to start working at 9AM

Membership Chair: Kevin Smalley has accepted the position. Bob will be creating a "list of duties"

Club Email Addresses

Looking at creating "<office>@sirscca.org" addresses, such as

Activities@sirscca.org. This would be to allow outsiders, and members, the ability to email the RE (for example) without having to look up the current Board Member's email address

Next Meeting: May 7th, Townsquare Media, Evansville 6p

Adjournment: Motion to Adjourn by Terry D. at 8:08PM, Second by Mike B., Motion Passed

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## Sports Car Club of America

Southern Indiana Region

Membership Meeting Minutes

April 9th, 2013 Call to Order: 7:30pm

Guests:

Introduction of Jim Barrow's Family and Friends

Welcoming of SIR BRIT Members in attendance

### Officer's Reports:

**Secretary:** Motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes by Terry D., Second by Mike F., Motion Passed

**Treasurer:** We have money.

**Activities Chair:** No report at this time

**Assistant Activities Chairman:** No report at this time

**Pit Stop Editor:** Not Present, Last Wed. of month is Pit Stop Deadline

**Assistant Regional Executive:** No report at this time

### Regional Executive:

Mid American Air Center Agreement is in place. There is a per car fee as part of the agreement.

We have recruited Kevin Smalley as the Membership Chair, who will be responsible for easing transition of new members into the club, contact with inactive members, sending reminders of upcoming or late renewals, etc.

Advisor to the Board: No report at this time

### Committee Reports:

Membership: Current Membership is at 109, 92 SIR and 17 W. KY Chapter and 10 in late renewal status

### Old Business:

Pre-Patch Party Recon

No major problems developed over winter

Some places repaired will open 3 new connecting sections

Dave L. spearheaded some serious measuring of the area to develop a more accurate map to aid Event Marshalls in course design

### New Business:

Entry Fee Increase

\$5 increase to both Autocross and Rally events

However, we will institute a \$5 "discount" to repeat Rally entrants

Attending the previous rally entitles you to a discount to the next rally

### Upcoming Events

Patch Parties

Dig Day 1 – Sunday April 14th, arrive 8:45AM

Fill Day 1 – Monday April 15th, arrive 8AM

Dig Day 2 – Sunday April 21st, arrive 8:45AM

Fill Day 2 – Monday April 22nd, arrive 8A

Ice Cream Rally has been moved to Saturday June 1st to part of the events during the Downtown Owensboro Car Show

"Season Opener" Autocross is May 19<sup>th</sup>, Ernie Roales is the Event Marshall, Mid American Air Center - Lawrenceville, IL

Membership Contact List: Paul Dornburg still needing more contributions to the website section of the list, Car Photos and "social" information on website

Private info (phone and addresses) locked down under Yahoo Groups

Event Trophies

St. Patty's Shamrock Shuffle, March 17th Autocross, Rallymaster – Ben Davis

Jim Barrow Celebration for 60 years of membership

Slideshow presentation by Barry S.

Highlighted both Jim's passion for cars, and some of the history of the SIR

Presentation of Awards

60 Year Gold Name Badge

Presented by Dr. Jim Butler, SCCA Medical Director and local member

Upgrade to Lifetime Membership

Included a Gold Membership Card entitling Jim to unrestricted access at all Sports Car Club of America Events

Presented by Barry Schonberger, Asst. Regional Executive

SIR/SCCA 60 Year Award

Presented by Bob Sonntag, Regional Executive

Sharing of Memories from Family, SIR/SCCA Members, and SIR BRIT

Members

Other New Business: None at this time

Next Meeting: Board Meeting, Townsquare Media May 7th, 6p

Membership Meeting, Smitty's Steak House, May 14th \*\*\*Note that Smitty's

Steak House on Franklin St., Evansville is now hosting our normal Membership Meeting.\*\*\*

Adjournment: Motion to Adjourn by Terry D. at 8:33pm, Second by Mike H.,

Motion Passed

## ***SPORTS CAR CLUB OF AMERICA: A club with many interests***

Many faceted in its endeavors, the Sports Car Club of America (SCCA) might best be described as a service organization. It serves over 50,000 members throughout the United States by sanctioning and administering a variety of automotive related activities through more than 115 independently chartered regions. No other single motor sports organization in the world conducts more events than the SCCA. These events range from amateur and professional road racing to road rallies, autocrosses, rally crosses, hill climbs and auto shows. The SCCA is an ever-growing organization for the automotive enthusiast. Because the SCCA is member oriented, the club stresses participation on a broad basis. Regardless of your experience or background, if you are an automotive enthusiast there is a place for you in the SCCA. The avenues available range from amateur or professional road race driver to weekend rally or autocross driver to race worker or official. In order to successfully sanction and conduct a comprehensive autocross/rally/road racing program many experts in timing and scoring, communications, safety inspection, medical, flagging, course/race control and other skills are needed. Schools are held to train the drivers and workers and various degrees of licenses are awarded based on knowledge, ability and experience.

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