

# The Pit Stop



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# **February RE Report**

I finally understand what my elders were talking about. They always said that time flies the older you get, and boy is that the truth. We are entering the second month of the year, and I am still dating things 2024.

We have a lot of things going on here in the club. Steve Backer is aggressively filling event marshal spots for autocrosses and rallies. If you have never designed an autocross course or a rally, this is your chance. Please don't let nerves or lack of knowledge deter you from trying, because all our seasoned members will help you through the whole

process. I was terrified at first, now it's just another day.

We have our second Cars and Coffee coming and the Fastest Lap gathering on the horizon. Jon Schwartze has sent emails with links on how to get signed up for the event. I hear from some of the members that the Fastest Lap is about as real as it gets. I hope to see a good turnout.

We are also approaching our patch parties at the MAAC. The information on dates, times, and miscellaneous items can be found on MSR. Please sign up for the work dates so we can get some idea of a head count for the workdays. These days can earn valuable bonus runs throughout the racing season.

Our last membership meeting was light on attendance. I know it's a cold and crappy time of year, but we love seeing all of your smiling faces. Please try and make your voice heard by attending our next meeting on February 11th.

Lastly, the SCCA Convention was held over last couple weeks. I hadn't ever attended any of the sessions, but this year our very own Bob Sontag was a presenter. It would be injustice if I didn't mention the incredible job Bob did, presenting material and representing our region like a champ. Bob was hit with some challenging questions and disagreements but handled them with poise and class. My opinion is we have a fantastic rally program right here in SIR. The credit goes to all of you who participate and design these rallies. Thanks again Bob.

I hope everyone has a fantastic month. (Guys, Valentines Day is the 14th, this is your reminder)

JR

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## SIR/SCCA January Board Meeting on 1/07/2025

- Called to Order at 6:32 by RE Crowe
  - 8 members present
  - Emma Schwartz as guest

## • Officer Reports

- Secretary: Roales motions to accept minutes as will be published, 2nd Dornburg, Motion Carried
- Treasurer: Sonntag reported a balance of \$5,837.48
  - Presented compilation of last year
- Activities: Backer is looking for event Marshalls
  - Discussion of SSS
- Assistant Activities: Schwartz discussed the winter program at Fastest Lap
- **Pit Stop:** Dornburg announced deadline of 1/29
- Women's: Sturgeon no report
- Advisor: T. Davis absent
- Asst RE: J. Davis no report
- **RE:** Crowe no report

#### Old Business

- 2024 Awards Banquet
  - Investigating returning To Rolling Hills CC
    - More formal
    - Meals served together
    - Request from T Davis, Advisor
- Fastest Lap was canceled due to snow still scheduled for Feb. and Mar.
  - We had all 8 units reserved

#### New Business

- By-Law review committee needs to be appointed at the membership meeting
- $\circ$  Advisor to the board
  - Motion by Sonntag, 2nd Dornburg to appoint Terry Davis, motion carried
- 2025 Charter renewal- nothing from National yet should come to RE Crowe
- 2025 Schedule
  - See Activities report by
  - Posted in Pit Stop and on Web Site
  - Autocross dates awaiting MAAC Board approval
- Patch Parties
  - Dates and sign up on MSR
- RE Crowe presented an email from Harold Davis concerning Rally Definitions on signs vs locations and BEAR.
- Dornburg requested Schwartze's phone number and presented a Policy and Procedure paper
- Roales announced the Division Meeting on March 1st in Fort Wayne
- Sonntag announced that the National Convention is online
  - His presentation on Main Road Rules is 1/18?
- Next Meetings
  - Membership meeting on 1/14 and 2/11 at Smitty's. Gather at 5:45 meeting at 7:00
  - Board 2/4 via Zoom at 6:30 all are welcome, contact Treasurer Sonntag for the link.
- Adjourned at 7:24
  - 8 members and 1 guest

## SIR/SCCA January Membership Meeting, 1/14/2025

- Call to Order
  - By RE Jr. Crowe at 6:58 PM
  - 10 members present
- Officer Reports
  - Secretary: Ernie Roales moved to accept the minutes as published
    - Seconded by J. Jackson
    - Motion carried
  - **Treasurer:** Bob Sonntag reported a balance of \$5752.13
  - Activities: Steve Backer no report
  - Asst. Activities: Jon Schwartze hopes for better weather for Fastest Lap in Feb.
  - Pit Stop: Jr. made announcements for Paul Dornburg who is in Tulsa
    - Submissions deadline of 1/29
    - Announced Birthdays and Club Anniversaries
    - Noted Jan Bootz 51 years
  - Women's: Dawn Sturgeon is absent
  - Advisor: Terry Davis must shovel a path to the hot tub
  - Asst RE: Jarrod Davis is absent
  - **RE:** Jr. Crowe no report
- Old Business
  - The 2024 Awards Banquet went well
    - Looking into returning to Rolling Hills in 2025
- New Business
  - By-Laws committee appointed
    - Bob Sonntag, Paul Dornburg, Dave Lehrschall
  - o 2025 Charter renewal
    - We have not heard from National yet
  - 2025 Schedule
    - Activities Backer still needs some event chairs
    - Be nice to have some new members try
  - SSS listed on autocross insurance/sanction request
    - Only one can halt the event by pulling insurance
    - Usually Paul Dornburg
    - If needed, we can call in a replacement
    - Our SSS work very well together
  - Rally points (BERRY/RALLY)
    - RALLY Master, Assistant, and Rally SS
      - 5 points per event for 2 events
      - 2 points thereafter
- Attendance Drawing
  - Bob Sonntag---TS
- Adjournment
  - Motion by J. Jackson, 2nd by all at 7:26 with 10 present

## <u>TLDR</u>

- GET AN ANNUAL <u>WAIVER</u>!!! You can apply for your 2025 annual waiver now! See Bob's instructions below. 25 members have their 2025 waiver.
- Solo Safety Steward Training is available online. Follow this link: <u>Solo Safety Steward Training</u> and sign up. We always need Solo Safety Stewards. At some autocrosses last year, we only had 2 available SSS. We need more!
- On our website, sirscca.org, clicking on the red <u>Calendar</u> icon at the top of the page will take you to a page that has all our competition events listed with an icon that will take you to the registration site, MotorSportReg.com.
- The cost for us to put on event has increased slightly but our entry fees have not.
- We currently have 3 rookie contenders, Dennis Duncan, Larry Kirk, Bill Wheelock, and David Wheelock.
- Long time club member Cathy Condi passed away this week. Please keep her family in your thoughts.

#### Anniversaries and Birthdays

Don't see your birthday? Maybe your information in the SCCA members access portal is not up to date. You can update it at <u>my.scca.com</u> The club has 135 members as of 2/3/2025.

February Anniversaries           Jeffrey Jackson         02/01/1978         47 yrs.           Greg Goebel         02/01/1980         45 yrs.           Don Kelley         02/19/2004         21 yrs.	February Birthdays					
Jeffrey Jackson	02/01/1978 47 yrs.	Caleb Scarbrough	2/2	Carolyn Dornburg	2/16	
Greg Goebel	02/01/1980 45 yrs.	Stacey Grav	2/4	Don Kelley	2/17	
Don Kelley	02/19/2004 21 yrs.	Jason Epley	2/5	Sean Lips	2/17	
Robert Rothermel	02/14/2017 8 yrs.	James Butler	2/8	Ernest Roales	2/21	
Jacob Campbell	02/09/2018 7 yrs.	Ryan Pearsall	2/11	Kevin Rector	2/23	
Scott Campbell	02/09/2018 7 yrs.	John Warren	2/11	Emma Schwartze	2/27	
John Warren	02/20/2019 6 yrs.	Mark Rife	2/13	Gary Griffith	2/28	
Mark Rife	02/12/2023 2 yrs.	Zachery Willis	2/15	Morgan Metz	2/28	
Charles Coleman	02/06/2024 1 yr.	·		-		

#### **Annual Waivers**

The SIR BoD encourages each SCCA member to get his or her free annual waiver. To help "motivate" SIR members to do that, we charge SIR members using an event SpeedWaiver an extra \$5. We have also stopped using the paper event waiver.

Here's the step-by-step process in a slightly different form than is typically at the end of each edition of Pit Stop.

- 1) Have a reasonable picture of your face ready to upload from the device you use to get your annual waiver. Your full face must be visible. No helmet, no dark glasses, no mask, etc.
- 2) Log into my.scca.com.
- 3) On a PC, mouse over the "Online Store" on the menu line. It's two in from the right.

On a smart phone, expand the menu, then expand the "Online Store" option. It's two up from the bottom of the list.

- 4) Select the "License & Waivers" option.
- 5) Add the "Annual Waiver Adult" option to the cart.
- 6) Follow the instructions on the screen AND remember to follow through on the checkout process.
  - I'da listed those steps too but I can't get a second annual waiver. (Sorry.)
- 7) There is real-person review (mostly to check pictures) that happens in the SCCA office. If you've completed your side of the process outside of SCCA office hours, there will be at least a day's delay in the issuance of the annual waiver. There are no annual waivers left in a pre-review state by the end of business on Fridays.

This also seems like a good time mention that the SCCA Minor Event waiver is now available only online and requires support from the SCCA staff. Thus, there is no way to get a minor waiver on a weekend. Plan accordingly. The process begins with steps 1 through 4 above.

Bob Sonntag

			SIR/SCCA 2025 Calendar NOTE: All autocross dates are provisional! (Awaiting MAAC & FAA/ILDOT appro	oval.)
Date 🗵	Day	Time 🔟	Event	Location
Februa				
2.02	Sun	0.00 414	Groundhog Day	Markington Onung Mall Experille IN
2.02	Sun Sun		Cars & Coffee Fastest Lap (Immersive racing simulator)	Washington Square Mall, Evansville, IN Fastest Lap
2.02	Suit	12.00 F IVI	r astest Lap (initialisive facing sinulator)	941 North Park Drive, Evansville, IN
2.04	Tue	6:30 PM	Board Meeting	ZOOM
			- All members welcome.	- Contact treasurer@sirscca.org for the link.
2.11	Tue		Membership Meeting at Smitty's Italian Restaurant	Smitty's Italian Restaurant
		7:00 PM	Dinner and socializing at start at 5:45 PM. Business meeting at 7:00 PM.	2109 West Franklin Street, Evansville, IN
2.14 2.19	Fri		Valentine's Day President's Day	
2.19	Mon Sat	9:00 AM	Cabin Fever Vaccine Drive (Evansville, IN to The Overlook, Leavenworth, IN)	Hardee's Restaurant
	out	0.007411		1501 North Boeke Road, Evansville, IN
2.28	Fri		Great Lakes Division Convention - Travel Day / Welcome Social	Ft Wayne, IN
March				
3.01	Sat		Great Lakes Division Convention	Ft Wayne, IN
3.02	Sun Sun	0.00 414	Great Lakes Division Convention - Travel Day Cars & Coffee *** Rally next week. ***	Weshington Square Mell Expressille IN
3.02	Sun		Fastest Lap (Immersive racing simulator)	Washington Square Mall, Evansville, IN Fastest Lap
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3.04-11	TBD	9:00 AM	MAAC Patch Recon (one day this week) *** Prior to the M'ship mtg for info sharing. ***	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville, IL
3.04	Tue	6:30 PM	Board Meeting	ZOOM
0.05			- All members welcome.	- Contact treasurer@sirscca.org for the link.
3.09	Sun	40.00 01-	Daylight Saving Time Begins	Uprde els De strument
3.09	Sun	12:30 PM	Rally Championship Event 1 of 7 by Team Sonntag/Davis	Hardee's Restaurant
3.11	Tue	5:45 PM	Membership Meeting at Smitty's Italian Restaurant	1501 North Boeke Road, Evansville, IN Smitty's Italian Restaurant
0.11	Tue		Dinner and socializing at start at 5:45 PM. Business meeting at 7:00 PM.	2109 West Franklin Street, Evansville, IN
3.13/14	Thu/Fri		MAAC Patch Day 0 - Cutting Day	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville, IL
3.14/15	Fri/Sat	9:00 AM	MAAC Patch Day 0 - Cutting Day (Carryover Day)	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville, IL
3.22	Sat		MAAC Patch Day 1a - Dig & Patch	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville, IL
3.23	Sun	9:00 AM	MAAC Patch Day 1b - Dig & Patch	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville, IL
3.24	Mon		Spring Break Begins – EVSC Schools Spring Break Begins – Warrick County Schools	
3.28	Fri		Spring Break Ends EVSC Schools	
0.20			Spring Break Ends Warrick County Schools	
3.29	Sat	9:00 AM	MAAC Patch Day 2a - Dig & Patch -OR- Pouring Day	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville, IL
3.30	Sun	9:00 AM	MAAC Patch Day 2a - Dig & Patch (May be cancelled if the patching completed.)	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville, IL
April	Tue	C-20 DM	Decad Meeting	2004
4.01	Tue	6:30 PW	Board Meeting - All members welcome (no fooling).	<b>ZOOM</b> - Contact treasurer@sirscca.org for the link.
4.05	Sat	8:00 AM	MAAC Patch Day 3 - Pouring Day (Weather permitting.)	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville, IL
4.08	Tue		Membership Meeting at Smitty's Italian Restaurant	Smitty's Italian Restaurant
		7:00 PM	Dinner and socializing at start at 5:45 PM. Business meeting at 7:00 PM.	2109 West Franklin Street, Evansville, IN
4.12		8:00 AM	MAAC Patch Day 3 - Pouring Rate Date (Will be cancelled if possible.)	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville, IL
4.12	Sat		"Tulips & Other Spring Flowers" Rally	Columbia, IL
4.13 4.20	Sun Sun		Palm Sunday Easter Sunday	
4.26	Sat	9:00 AM	AX Test-n-Tune	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville, IL
4.27	Sun		AX Championship Event 1 of 7 by Dave Lehrschall	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville, IL
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5.03	Sat	9:15 AM	Rally School (Interest justifying.)	
5.03	Sat Sun	0.00 414	KYR Points Solo #2 Cars & Coffee	NCM, Bowling Green, KY Washington Square Mall, Evansville, IN
5.04	Sun Sat	9.00 AIVI	KYR Points Solo #3	NCM, Bowling Green, KY
5.04	Tue	6:30 PM	Board Meeting	ZOOM
			- All members welcome.	- Contact treasurer@sirscca.org for the link.
5.11	Sun		Mother's Day	
5.13	Tue		Membership Meeting at Smitty's Italian Restaurant	Smitty's Italian Restaurant
E 47	0-1	7:00 PM	Dinner and socializing at start at 5:45 PM. Business meeting at 7:00 PM.	2109 West Franklin Street, Evansville, IN
5.17 5.18	Sat Sun	12-20 0#4	Armed Forces Day Rally Championship Event 2 of 7 by Team Davis	ТВО
5.18 5.26	Mon	12.30 111	Memorial Day	
June	mon			
6.01	Sun	9:00 AM	AX Championship Event 2 of 7	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville, IL
6.03	Tue	6:30 PM	Board Meeting	ZOOM
			- All members welcome.	- Contact treasurer@sirscca.org for the link.
6.07	Sat		"Roads Scholar" National Course Rally	Madison, WI
	Sun Tue	ELAE DM	"Roads Scamper" National Tour Rally	Madison, WI
6.08			Membership Meeting at Smitty's Italian Restaurant Dinner and socializing at start at 5:45 PM. Business meeting at 7:00 PM.	Smitty's Italian Restaurant 2109 West Franklin Street, Evansville, IN
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7.01	Tue	6:30 PM	Board Meeting - All members welcome.	- Contact treasurer@sirscca.org for the link.
.04	Fri		- All members welcome. Independence Day	
.04	Sun	9.00 AM	Cars & Coffee	Washington Square Mall, Evansville, IN
.08	Tue		Membership Meeting at Smitty's Italian Restaurant	Smitty's Italian Restaurant
			Dinner and socializing at start at 5:45 PM. Business meeting at 7:00 PM.	2109 West Franklin Street, Evansville, IN
.13	Sun		AX Championship Event 3 of 7 by Steve Backer	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville, IL
.27	Sun	9:00 AM	AX Championship Event 4 of 7 by Jon Schwartz	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville, IL
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.03	Sun	12:30 PM	Rally Championship Event 4 of 7	TBD
.05	Tue	6:30 PM	Board Meeting	ZOOM
			- All members welcome.	- Contact treasurer@sirscca.org for the link.
.09	Sat		"Red Moon" Rally	Troy, IL
.12	Tue	6:15 PM	Membership Meeting at The Log Inn.	The Log Inn
	<u> </u>		Reservations req'd. Email treasurer@sirscca.org. Business meeting follows dinner.	12491 County Road 200 East, Warrenton, I
.16	Sat		"CAST in Stone" Rally (Perhaps as a National or Divisional event.)	Alliance, OH
.17	Sun	0.00 414	KYR Points Solo #6	NCM, Bowling Green, KY
.24	Sun Tue		AX Championship Event 5 of 7 - WHEW! by Paul Dornburg Board Meeting	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville, IL ZOOM
.26	rue	0:30 PM	- All members welcome.	- Contact treasurer@sirscca.org for the link.
.29	Fri		- All members welcome. "Tulips by Night" Divisional Tour Rally	- Contact treasurer@sirscca.org for the link. Columbia, IL
.29 .30	Sat		TBD - Divisional Course Rally	Columbia, IL
. <u>30</u> .31	Sat		TBD - Divisional Course Raily TBD - Divisional Game/Tour/Adventure Raily	Columbia, IL
pten				
.01	Mon		Labor Day	
.01	Mon		2025 Solo Nationals - Travel/Prep Day	
.02	Tue		2025 Solo Nationals - Competition Day	Lincoln Air Park, Lincoln, NE
.03	Wed		2025 Solo Nationals - Competition Day	Lincoln Air Park, Lincoln, NE
.04	Thu		2025 Solo Nationals - Competition Day	Lincoln Air Park, Lincoln, NE
.05	Fri		2025 Solo Nationals - Competition Day	Lincoln Air Park, Lincoln, NE
.05	Fri		"Press On Regardless - Friday" National Tour Rally	Gaylord, MI
.06	Sat		2025 Solo Nationals - Travel Day	
.06	Sat		"Press On Regardless - Saturday" National Tour Rally	Gaylord, MI
.07	Sun		Cars & Coffee	Washington Square Mall, Evansville, IN
.09	Tue		Membership Meeting at Smitty's Italian Restaurant	Smitty's Italian Restaurant
			Dinner and socializing at start at 5:45 PM. Business meeting at 7:00 PM.	2109 West Franklin Street, Evansville, IN
.14	Sun	9:00 AM	AX Championship Event 6 of 7	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville, IL
.20	Sat Sun		"Oktoberally" National Course Rally "Badger Coulees" National Tour Rally	Viroqua, WI Viroqua, WI
).21 ).28	Sun	9.00 AM	AX Championship Event 7 of 7 by Ernie Roales	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville, IL
ctobe		0.00 AM		
0.05	Sun	9:00 AM	AX Fun "Mirrorcross" Autocross / Rain Date	Mid-American Air Center, Lawrenceville, IL
0.07	Tue		Board Meeting	ZOOM
			- All members welcome.	- Contact treasurer@sirscca.org for the link.
0.12	Sun	12:30 PM	Rally Championship Event 5 of 7 "The World Famous Ice Cream Rally"	Lic's Deli & Ice Cream
			by Team Dornburg	2120 W Parrish Avenue, Owensboro, KY
0.14	Tue		Membership Meeting at Smitty's Italian Restaurant	
		7:00 PM	Dinner and socializing at start at 5:45 PM. Business meeting at 7:00 PM.	
0.19	Sun		KYR Points Solo #8	Salem Motorsports Park, Salem, IN
0.26	Sun	12:30 PM	Rally Championship Event 6 of 7	TBD
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1.02	Sun		Cars & Coffee	Washington Square Mall, Evansville, IN
1.04	Tue	6:30 PM	Board Meeting	ZOOM
1.09	Sun	12:20 0.0	- All members welcome. Rally Championship Event 7 of 7 by Team Crowe	- Contact treasurer@sirscca.org for the link. TBD
1.09	Tue	12.30 111	Veterans Day	
1.11	Tue	5:45 PM	Membership Meeting at Smitty's Italian Restaurant	Smitty's Italian Restaurant
			Dinner and socializing at start at 5:45 PM. Business meeting at 7:00 PM.	2109 West Franklin Street, Evansville, IN
1.16	Sun		*** Last usable weekend day for a Points Event. (Time needed to prepare EOY awards.) ***	
1.27	Thu		Thanksgiving	
1.29	Sat		*** If needed, the Awards Bqt reservation cut-off day is about here. ***	
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2.02	Tue	6:30 PM	Board Meeting	ZOOM
			- All members welcome.	- Contact treasurer@sirscca.org for the link.
2.05	Fri		Pre-COVID-19 Traditional December Membership Meeting & Awards Banquet Date	
2.07	Sun		Cars & Coffee	Washington Square Mall, Evansville, IN
2.09	Tue		Membership Meeting & Awards Banquet Perhaps?	TBD
	_	7:00 PM	Dinner, socializing, and The Game!	
	Tue		Christmas Eve	
2.24				
2.24 2.25 2.31	Wed Tue		Christmas New Year's Eve	

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## Notes from the Director's Chair Area 4 Director Update for February 2025

It's been a really tumultuous month around here....both personally and with regards to the club. In the middle of preparing for the EVAC convention presentation, my BoD colleagues met and decided to make me the interim Club Racing Board (CRB) Chair. Throw in that we're remodeling my bathroom, replacing the upstairs flooring and I celebrated a birthday and the last few weeks have been a handful.

I had the pleasure of sitting in on several convention sessions. I hosted one (EVAC update), was a panelist on another (Road Racing Town Hall) and was an attendee for a couple of others. While a face to face convention is always nice as you get to see folks in person, the virtual convention is a much better tool for conveying information to attendees.

Now that the national convention is over, it's time to turn to our focus to our own divisional convention which will take place on Saturday, March 1<sup>st</sup> in Fort Wayne, Indiana. As usual, Val McCammon is spearheading the effort. Like past years, there will be an optional Friday night social portion too. This event will return to Manchester University on the north side of town right off I-69. That's the location we used in 2022 and 2023. Many folks from the National Office will be there. It's an excellent opportunity to learn about club policies, event management and best practices. National, divisional and regional officials will all be in one place to hold discussions and offer guidance. For more information about the event, please click on this <u>MSR link</u> with event details and a registration path. Contact Val (<u>email</u>) if you have any questions.

Now back to the normal detritus of this update.....here's what I did since my last report.....

#### Video Conference Meetings:

- Club Racing Board (CRB) (1/7): The feasibility of class combinations was discussed. A conversation was held about bringing back driver's meetings at the Runoffs. The group scheduled a face to face meeting in Kansas City for the Spring. The dates will be April 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. The results of all of the CRB rules changes can be seen here.
- Electrified Vehicle Advisory Committee (EVAC) (1/8): With the holidays and the usual off season lull, I decided to cancel this meeting.
- Board of Directors (1/27): The club finished the year strongly and showed a good profit for the year. This was higher than expected (budgeted). Expenses were down while memberships and licenses were up. This is a recipe for moving forward into 2025 from a solid position. Mike Cobb gave his report and told us that the numbers from the convention we great and the response to the content was also excellent.

#### SCCA Events:

#### None

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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.

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

## Winter Activities:

Gang,

We just got done with our first of hopefully many more, winter sim racing events. I personally had a great time, and hopefully everyone else did as well! The doors opened just before noon, and the Fastest Lap crew was certainly ready for us. After a quick chat with the management of the facilities, they had all of us out on track getting that oh-so-valuable seat time! Kudos to the host for sure. What a great facility! We decided to have a 30-minute practice session, a 2 lap qualifier, and a 20 minute race at the 13-turn Okayama International Circuit. I personally had a bit of nerves about the race as we certainly had two "new to sim racing" members with us, and I was hopeful that they would find their way on track quickly. My fears were put at ease as I was able to witness both Dave and Bill very quickly get their bearings on track! These guys are all autocrossers at heart, and I had nothing to fear. Yes!

After the practice session, it was time for our qualifying laps! Jarrod Davis topped the charts with a 1:45.406! I was only just a few thousands behind him, starting in P2. James gridded up in P3, and the rest of the field filled in as Cameron in P4, Dave P5, Bill in P6.

Then, for me, disaster! I'm not sure exactly what happened, but during some fine tuning of my rig by the Fastest Lap crew, my connection dropped and I was forced to start from the Pitlane and I missed the grid. Bummer! I was able to work my way back to P2, and by the time I had worked through the field, Jarrod was a long 14 seconds ahead.

After the race, we debriefed for a few minutes, shared some tips, paid the facilities, and headed on about our days.

Good times and I'm looking forward to March's event, already.

Attached is the event result sheet. See you all soon!

- Jon Schwartze - jon.schwartze@gmail.com

I had a blast! I spent a lot of time weaving through the grass and hit the same wall at least 5 times! I crashed badly enough once that I had to take a towing to the garage and pit penalty! The simulator felt a lot like an actual vehicle and after getting in tune with what the "vehicle" was telling me, I started improving my times. I met my first objective very late which was to stop crashing and then my second, which was to improve on my personal time. It was a lot of fun. I've never driven a real road course before. This taught me that there's a lot going on!

I'm ready to do it again! (The racing, not the crashing!) Thanks for setting this up.

Dave Lehrschall

Driver	Practice	Qualify	<b>Race Finish</b>	Race Time
Jarrod Davis	1:44.542	1:45.406	1	21:14.383
Jon Schwartze	1:45.699	1:45.412	2	-16.782
James Nichols	1:48.406	1:48.722	3	-59.436
Cameron Davis	1:49.402	1:48.992	4	-1:00.987
Bill Wheelock	2:00.877	-	5	-1L
David Lehrschall	2:14.874	2:22.331	6	-3L



Points	Total	Meeting	Fun	Work	AX	Rally
	Berry	Berry	Berry	Berry	Berry	Berry
Member Name	Points	Points	Points	Points	Points	Points
Steve Backer	1	1	0	0	0	0
Jr. Crowe	1	1	0	0	0	0
John Luke Crowe	1	1	0	0	0	0
Terry Davis	1	1	0	0	0	0
Jeff Jackson	1	1	0	0	0	0
John McCarthy	1	1	0	0	0	0
Larry Pearsall	1	1	0	0	0	0
ERnie Roales	1	1	0	0	0	0
Jon Schwartze	1	1	0	0	0	0
Bob Sonntag	1	1	0	0	0	0

# SPORTS CAR CLUB OF AMERICA

#### SCCA: 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 rallys, autocrosses, rally crosses, hill climbs and auto shows. The SCCA is an ever-growing organization for automotive enthusiasts. 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 drivers and workers and various degrees of licenses are awarded based on knowledge, ability, and experience.

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