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Congratulations

Ron & Monica Shaw

The DMVR racing season had its official start last weekend with the Road Racing workers and drivers meeting. A big thank you to Chuck Hemmingson for opening his house up to us and congratulations to Fred Bell on being the 2018 Chili cook off champion. Next weekend, we kick off the Solo season with the drivers meeting and go kart racing. Keep a close eye on the schedule as we have a lot going on this Spring.

After a lot of changes and negotiation's, we now have the 2018 solo schedule set. It all kicks off with the Adventureland Solo March 18th. This year we are planning 8 events throughout the season. Including the 2 day Iowa Challenge September 29th and 30th at Oskaloosa Airport. Thank you Jerry for putting the schedule together. It is often a thankless job but very important to the program

I attended the MiDiv annual convention and as usual learned a lot from the sessions and just through hanging out with other racing folks. During the road racing town hall meeting we were able to present the time trials program developed by DMVR and KVRG to the MiDiv executive committee and other attendees. I am proud to say that the rules set and points system was approved as written and the executive committee was very supportive of the program. We continue to have planning meetings with a focus on making the events as similar as possible so that the customer experience is as consistent. As part of that effort, we will be having separate Motorsports Reg. com (MSR) registration for the TT program. This allows each region holding a TT event access the TT registration templates, car numbers, transponder rental info and drivers email list for all events.

Majors planning meetings are ongoing. We have submitted the Supplemental regulations national office for approval as scheduled and we are still targeting a March 1st opening of registration. That is just the beginning of planning, We need help in most every areas. These events do not happen with-out a lot of support, so if you are interested in being a part of the team contact Erich at re@dmvrscce.org for details.

See you next month

Erich Pfalzgraf

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March

4	Solo Driver Meeting	MB2 1:00	Jerry/Randy
6	Membership/Board Note: 6:30 General Meeting and 7:30 Board Meeting	Smokey D's	Chris Riester
11	Wild Wades	Varied Industries Building	Tony Siembieda
17	Crash Fire Rescue	West Des Moines Fire Dept	Dick Struve
18	Solo	Adventureland	Jerry Grogan

April

3	Membership/Board Note: 6:30 General Meeting and 7:30 Board Meeting	Smokey D's	Chris Riester
14	Time Trial Dyno Day	Skunk River Restoration	Randy Sams
15	Solo	Iowa Speedway or Fairgrounds	Jerry Grogan
29	Solo	Oskey Airport or Fairgrounds	Jerry Grogan

May

1	Membership/Board Note: 6:30 General Meeting and 7:30 Board Meeting	Smokey D's	Chris Riester
6	Rally Cross	Indianola	
19-20	Majors Race/TT	Iowa Speedway	Erich Pfalzgraf

June

3	Solo	Oskey Airport	Jerry Grogan
5	Membership/Board Note: 6:30 General Meeting and 7:30 Board Meeting	Smokey D's	Chris Riester
8-10	Time Trial at RPM (Not part of MiDiv TT Championship Series)	Tentative	Fred Bell

July

3	Membership/Board Note: 6:30 General Meeting and 7:30 Board Meeting	Smokey D's	Chris Riester
8	Solo	Iowa Event Center	Jerry Grogan
4	Annual Kris Mandt Car Show	Urbandale	Jim Kirk

August

7	Membership/Board Note: 6:30 General Meeting and 7:30 Board Meeting	Smokey D's	Chris Riester
17-18	Rally Cross Nationals	Indianola	
19	Solo	Iowa Event Center	Jerry Grogan

BoD Minutes DMVR Board Minutes February 6, 2018 Minute by Minute

Membership

3 NEW MEMBERS, STILL HAVE MEMBERS.

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POSSIBLE SPONSORSHIP FOR ANNUAL MEETING

AWARDS AND DOOR PRIZES

RE

Rules have been rebranded and approved.

Sponsorships are all in working on prizes. Majors will have IT classes. Supps are in waiting for approval. Design for Midiv being borrowed by member Tony, working on getting finalized after convention. Convention is coming up and Erich was approved in a board meeting email to attend. Working on a booth for Wild Wades, \$100 for 16 x16 booth and \$25 for electricity. Rally cross date for first event set and Nationals looking for help with the Test and Tune.

Voted on Wild Wades renting a booth with electricity and working on flyer/business cards: Jerry moved to motion. Chas Second. VOTE PASSED.

Important dates discussed:

May 6th, 2018 Rally cross first event

August 17th & 18th Rally cross Nationals

April 14th Dyno Days- Skunk River Restoration

Ames, IA 8am

Solo

Solo Meeting coming up awards and racing. Food not included.

Fairgrounds is a possibility for solo events.

Important Dates:

TBD finalized Solo events

March 4th, 2018 1pm Solo Meeting, MB2

Workers

Crash Fire Rescue coming up.

Important Dates

March 17th, 2018 Crash Fire Rescue

April 7th & 8th, 2018 Super Tour

April 21st & 22nd Heartland Park, THIS DATE IS UPDATED

Drivers

Driver's meeting coming up. Chili cook off. CTT schedule is out.

Treasurer

Bob Maurer reviewing 2017 financial documents. Once reviewed Fred will work on getting taxes filed.

Old Business

NEED HELP WITH RALLY CROSS TEST AND TUNE.

STREET SURVIVAL NEEDS A HOME IOWA SPEEDWAY IS OUT. TENTATIVE WEEKEND MAY 5TH. NEEDS TO INCLUDE PARKING LOT AND CLASSROOM.

NEW BUSINESS

CAR SHOW JULY 4TH. DMVR HISTORIAN, JIM KIRK IS WORKING ON GETTING PICTURES OF STORED DMVR ITEMS AND EVENTS AND PUTTING THEM ON A WEBSITE. TALKED ABOUT MAYBE MAKING A LINK AVAILABLE ON DMVR PAGE.

MOTION TO ADJOURN CHAS, ERICH SECOND, MEETING ADJOURNED 8:40PM

ERICH, CHRIS, TARA, JOYCE, JERRY, CHAS, FRED, AND HARLAN PRESENT. TONY AND JACOB WERE IN ATTENDANCE FOR BOARD MEETING.

My apologies to Bob Maurer for the incorrect spelling of his name in last month's minutes.

Respectfully submitted by
Tara Box-Walker, Secretary



Membership News
Chas Beeler

March Birthdays:

Merrill Anderson
Chris Bienert
Patrick Brodeur
Bonnie Bronson
David Champion
Gwen Conte
Nathan Conte
Joseph Crawford
Luke Finley
Kurtis Goertz
Christopher Hay
Sheryl Lehr
Ed Nelson
Tracy Sandberg
Todd Spuzello
Darin Ballard
Liliana Stoddard
Erik Talbot
Karen Wirth
Andrew Wolff
Michael Wright
Raymond Yergler

March Anniversaries:

Lynn Kromminga 50 Years
Arlene Stream 30 Years
Marina Kraft 30 Years
Jim Stoddard 15 Years
Bonnie Logan 10 Years
Darin Ballard 10 Years
Loi Tran 10 Years
Chris Riester 5 Years



New Members:

Stephen Fuller
Robert Vierhout

Change of address:

None

2017 Member of Excellence Award Winners

TOPEKA, Kan. (Feb. 12, 2018) -- This past weekend during the SCCA® Midwest Division Convention in Independence, Missouri, the 2017 Member of Excellence Award was presented to Ron and Monica Shaw, of the Des Moines Valley Region. This award is given to SCCA members who provided a great contribution to the Club during the previous 12 months.

Members of the SCCA since 1991, the Shaws have been an integral part of racing in the Midwest Division for many years. Without them, some events simply would not have been possible. They have volunteered as corner workers, race chairs, flag chiefs, course marshals, communicators, worker coordinators and more. The couple travels many, many miles for Club race weekends. They have arranged their business hours around Club events and have a level of passion that is very rare.

The SCCA Member of Excellence award, chosen by the SCCA Board of Directors, is presented to volunteers who show the greatest commitment to SCCA motorsport activities. And while it's an honor to receive the recognition, the prize is pretty awesome, too. Winners are provided up to \$5000, funded with a 20-year private endowment by an anonymous SCCA member, to attend any motorsport event in the world.

The Member of Excellence Award has only been given out 10 times.

The Sports Car Club of America®, Inc., founded in 1944, is a 67,500-member motorsports organization that incorporates all facets of autocross, rally and road racing at both Club and professional levels. With headquarters in Topeka, Kansas, the SCCA annually sanctions over 2,000 events through its 116 Regions and subsidiary divisions. Much of the SCCA's activities are made possible with support from the following Official Partners: Chevrolet, the Official Truck of the SCCA; Hawk Performance, the Official Brake Products of SCCA; Mobil 1, the Official Oil of SCCA; Sunoco, the Official Fuel of SCCA; and Tire Rack, the Official Tire Retailer of SCCA. To learn more, please visit www.scca.com.

Members of the SCCA since 1991, Ron & Monica Shaw have been an integral part of racing in the Midwest Division for many years.
Congratulations to them for this great honor ... Howard Roth



Want to Take Home a 2018 DMVR Solo Award?



The Solo Season begins on March 18th at Adventureland. A new season, a new opportunity to be the best! We asked Randy and Jerry to tell us about the different DMVR Solo Awards.

**Soloist of the Year • Rookie of the Year • Youth Soloist of the Year
Class Awards • Pax Championship**

Randy: We do the SOTY every year, and that is just someone (or like this year) a couple of people that really stand out and show a lot of dedication. We did a rookie this year, because there really wasn't any new youth soloists this year.

As far as class awards, those are the total points for the year. We also do a PAX championship. That is everyone over the whole year lumped into one "class" by their pax modifier. It is kind of a ranking of regional drivers. For this, we give the event winner points based on how many people are at that event. 80 people = 80 points for first, 79 for second, 78 for third, and on down the line. Points are added up at the end of the year. FYI-We had a tie for first in 2017. Pretty crazy considering all the variables.

Jerry: Sometimes we come up with special awards or more than one. Like 2017 we did a Rookie of the year for Solo. We normally don't do that and we have done Youth Soloist of the year also. If someone stands out we will recognize them somehow.

Road Racing Driver and Worker Meeting Recap

Meeting was sparsely attended as befitting our thinned ranks. But a positive attitude was shared by all considering the expanded racing schedule for 2018. **We had special guests at the Drivers/Workers meeting: Ron and Monica Shaw, "Member(s) of excellence winners for 2017" attended!**

The upcoming season was discussed at length to include CTT and Rally Cross. Racers are reminded to get their annual techs done soon as well as to bring their old helmets in for SOLO use.

Contact Dick Struve about the CFR class in March. Also, he's looking for an open wheel car for the extraction exercise. I've sure more info is in this issue.



Best "Damn" Chili award went to Fred Bell, and 1st Loser award went home w/me.

Our thanks to Chuck and Marie Hemmingson for hosting the meeting.

Harlan

Annual Solo Meeting
Sunday March 4th at 1 PM
· **MB2 Raceway Indoor Kart Racing Centers**
· **Grimes, IA**

We will talk about the upcoming year and what the plans are as well as hand out last year's trophies! After all of that we might do some racing to get into shape for the 1st autocross which is on March 18th.

As a little teaser to get you all to come, the trophies we have this year are like nothing you've ever seen, so come out and get yours!

See you all there so you can eat my dust on track.

Jerry

2018 Solo Schedule

MARCH 18TH ADVENTURELAND
APRIL 15TH IOWA SPEEDWAY OR FAIRGROUNDS MIDWAY
APRIL 29TH OSKY AIRPORT OR FAIRGROUND MIDWAY
JUNE 3RD OSKY AIRPORT
JULY 8TH IOWA EVENT CENTER
AUG 19TH IOWA EVENT CENTER
SEPT 29TH -30TH OSKY (IOWA CHALLENGE)
OCT 21ST ADVERTURELAND

All dates subject to change and will be announced
if any changes are made.

**Crash Fire Rescue School
Saturday, March 17th
West Des Moines Fire Station #2 in
Valley Junction**

Registration opens at 7 (coffee and donuts provided) & sessions start at 8

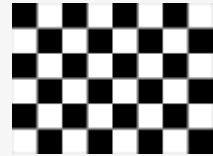
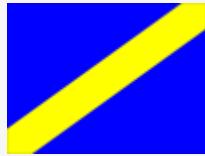
Lunch is also provided

No charge for current SCCA members. Non-members \$7 (to cover food)

School will wrap up at 4:30.

Sessions will include Racetrack medical and safety, Driver's safety equipment, extrication demonstrations and practice, firefighting equipment, firefighting hands on practice, Incident response/management, jaws of life demonstration, and flagging & communications. There will also be several people presenting topics such as presenting the Time Trials program, steward's input, membership, and licensing.

Dick Struve



Thank you Tony Siembieda for the logo design. It was a big hit at the MiDiv convention!!!



Frankensaturn Chapter One

After a car stops at the intersection, looks the other way, and pulls out right in front of me, I can't miss him. We exchange info, he admits fault, and said is repeated to officer.

Next stop "Wrench N Go" auto "boneyard" where I secure another hood/fender/headlight. On the way home I'm listening to the car radio and the DJ's asking people what they named their 1st car.

Makes me think that I've never named a car, and since I just came from the "boneyard" Frankensaturn immediately pops

into my mind.

Post visit to the frame shop, hood's on, light's in, and it's too cold now to be trying to install a plastic fender, so I use a plastic dealer plate, pop rivets, and of course racer tape to cover the hole till Spring.

When this was written I expected it would be the final piece. Unfortunately it is only the 1st Chapter..... Harlan



Volunteers needed for the Wild Wades Swap Meet

Sunday, March 11th 8:00am - 3:00pm
Varied Industries Building,
Iowa State Fairgrounds

Free admission to the first five DMVR members who either sign up on the Facebook event or email Tony Siembieda.

Setup Saturday, March 10th 10:00am - 6:00pm
Exact set up time to be determined.

For more information or to sign up contact:
Tony Siembieda
fveerace@yahoo.com
515-577-6263

Thank you,
Tony

Preliminary Rules Review for Time Trials Nationals



TOPEKA, Kan. (Feb. 23, 2018) -- A first draft of rules for the new Time Trials (TT) Nationals program is now available online for analysis at www.sccahq.com/time-trials-rules.

SCCA® members and non-members alike now have until March 15 to review the preliminary rules and share thoughts or ideas through the online TT Feedback Form.

The interactive TT Nationals rules page allows users to look at a general description for each of the four competition levels, search out a detailed rundown of rules for each level, and peruse safety guidelines. Heyward Wagner, SCCA's Director of Marketing and Experiential Programs, said a committee consisting of Sports Car Club of America® members and national staff has been working together to create this first iteration of TT Nationals rules.

"Before writing any of these rules, the Time Trials Board discussed the purpose of the program. While other programs focus on parity, balanced performance and spec competition, it was felt that TT offers an opportunity to focus more on development, progression and performance," Wagner said. "From this, we arrived at the idea that Time Trials is all about a quest for speed. So, the rules are designed to allow for more freedom and creativity than one might find in autocross or road racing. And, while that is important in establishing an identity for TT, it is equally important to create a culture for TT Nationals where participants can first challenge themselves to set a personal best or record, but also create a space for a collective effort to challenge the track."

The TT Nationals rules were constructed to outline modifications/preparations that can be made in each of the four TT Nationals car classes. At one end of the spectrum is the "entry level" where simple modifications can be accomplished using tools purchased at nearly any local hardware store. At the other

end of the spectrum is the "anything goes" class where creativity is welcomed and practically any car modification is allowed.

In 2018, TT Nationals joins the ranks of the SCCA National Championship Runoffs®, Tire Rack Solo® Nationals, DirtFish SCCA RallyCross National Championship and Unites States Road Rally Challenge. The event, slated to take place Sept. 28-30 at NCM Motorsports Park in Bowling Green, Kentucky, opens with a full day of track lapping sessions for testing and practice or can be used for participants to earn their TT novice license permit.

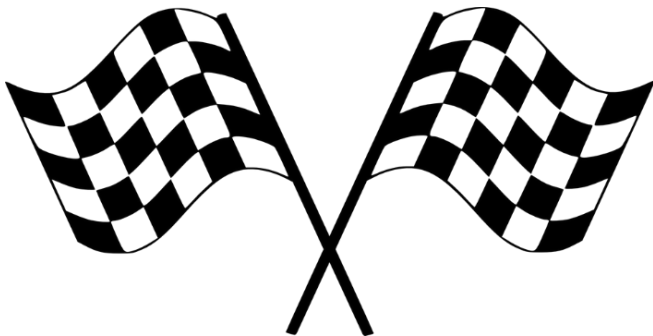
The second day of TT Nationals will open with 20-minute seeding sessions used to determine run groups and orders, followed by a traditional time attack in the afternoon where drivers get one warm-up lap, then have a single lap to post their best time.

For the final day of TT Nationals, NCM Motorsports Park will be divided into sections for point-to-point runs. Each competitor will have multiple chances to put down their best time on shortened segments of track.

"This year we aim to establish SCCA as the leader in amateur Time Trials competition in the United States," Wagner added. "Additionally, we will look to generate an event format for the TT Nationals that can be adopted in whole or parts by regions for their TT events. We want to help regions see how TT can be a useful tool for drawing automotive enthusiasts to the Club to have fun with cars."



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Have you signed the WAIVER?

Did you sign the waiver?

Reminder: To be eligible for coverage under the SCCA Plan, one of requirements is a person must have signed the proper event waiver release. When arriving at the event, please remember to sign the waiver!

Thank you!
