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Racing hard at Summit Point
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Detroit Region SCCA Board of Directors Meeting

10 October 2000

Holiday Inn (northeast corner of I-275 and 6 Mile Road)

7:30 - 10:00 pm

Attendees:

Bob Goppold, Henry Hausler, Marcus Merideth, Pete Padden, Guy St. John, Mark Shehan, Jeremy Sutton, Chris Syfert

Call to Order

Marcus Merideth called the meeting to order at 8:25 pm.

Secretary's Report

Bob Goppold indicated that he would forward a copy of the September board meeting minutes to the board for review.

Membership Report

Detroit Region SCCA currently has 2082 members. We had 2139 members at this time in 1999.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's report handout provided by Chris Syfert. Motion by Henry Hausler to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Seconded by Bob Goppold. Unanimously approved.

Budgets

Final

Oscoda CenDiv Solo II final budget was presented. The event incurred a \$1241 loss. Trophy expenses were significantly higher than anticipated.

The McKamey Autocross School final budget was presented. The event realized a \$608 surplus.

Old Business

Equipment Trailer

Marcus mentioned to the board that the equipment trailer needs to be retrieved from Bob Martin's residence.

New Business

Membership Dues

Motion by Bob Goppold to raise the annual regional spouse membership dues from \$0 to \$5 (the amount is comparable to the amount charged by other regions). Seconded by Pete Padden. All voted for the motion with the exception of Chris Syfert and Pete Padden. Motion passed.

Election Results

Dick Cole, Mark Henderson, Kim Lyon and Eric Penn were elected to the board for 2001 and 2002. Congratulations to the four of them.

Jeremy Sutton Race Proposal

Jeremy presented a 1000 km Endurance Road Race proposal. The board reviewed his proposal. Jeremy will send out a survey to gauge interest from the region members. The

results of the survey will be discussed at an upcoming board meeting.

CenDiv Roundtable

Bob Goppold, Henry Hausler, Marcus Merideth, Guy St. John and Mark Shehan noted that they plan on attending the CenDiv Roundtable November 4th and 5th in South Bend, Indiana.

National Convention

Marcus noted that the National Convention is scheduled for February 1st through 3rd in Denver.

F & C Letter

The board reviewed the F & C Letter from Nancy Schilke.

Rally Report

Pete noted that the Thumb Up TSD Rally is scheduled for November 10th. He also noted that the Son of Sno*Drift Rally is planned for January.

Assistant R.E. Report

Mark Shehan indicated that he would forward planning details of the January awards banquet to Bob Goppold. It was noted that year-end awards need to be decided.

Solo Report

Guy St. John reported that the Season Ender Solo II had 140 competitors. The low temperatures, 34°F (and some snow flakes), likely kept quite a number of folks at home.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm.



Exiting RE:Marques

The last year has been fun. Trying but fun. I hope you enjoyed your membership in 2000. The ups and downs of a large volunteer organization can be interesting. I am no longer a member of the Board and wish the current members good luck. Trying to balance a job, SCCA administration and competing in events is tough; demands on time and energy are never ending. I would like to thank all the people before and in the future who serve as a volunteer in any capacity for SCCA. They have and will deserve every "thank you" and pat on the back they receive. I have learned a great deal with my time on the Board. No member of this organization wants it to fail. Everybody has good ideas and intentions, unfortunately constraints such as time, money or manpower limit the implementation of all those great ideas. I am sorry that I have not accomplished all I wanted. I am sure that is how most of us volunteers feel.

Not to end on a down note, I have had great fun and plan on having more. The people of the Detroit Region SCCA are wonderful—working long hours with little to no thanks and having fun all the way. I recommed that next time you attend an event or club function you take a moment to thank the person that is putting it on. I am sure it will make their day and won't do you any harm. Thanks for letting me try my hand and I hope you enjoyed it. See you out racing!

Marcus Merideth
2000 Regional Executive
Detroit Region, Sports Car Club of America

2000 Race2/Win2 Update

This years Detroit Regional was held at Grattan Raceway the weekend after the 4th of July. Except for the constant rain it was a nice weekend to be racing. Due to the small field we were able to try a few things: We combined race groups, and ran separate practice and qualifying sessions. This is unusual at a Double regional and was well received by the racers. We are going to try and implement the separate Practice and Qualifying session again at the 2001 regional.

We also had time to run a pursuit race. This is a race where cars of different classes run against each other, but start staggered based on qualify time for their race group. The idea is everybody should be running in a tight group by races end. The entry money for this special race was donated to the Michigan Humane Society. Between the racers and corner workers, \$196 dollars was raised. Congratulations to all who donated, and congratulations to Detroit Region's own Doug Craig, who won in his ITA Honda CRX. He received a 50th anniversary mug and shirt for his performance.

We looking forward to having you all to come to the 2001 edition on July 21-22 at Grattan.

Henry Hausler - Interim Race Director



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CenDiv Roundtable & Preliminary 2001 Detroit Road Race Schedule

Henry Hausler, Interim Race Director

CenDiv Roundtable 2000 is in the history books. Many exciting topics were covered and addition of the BFG Solo awards was a great. This gave the meeting a true cross-functional feel. In addition to the Race specific sessions, there were Solo specific sessions, to help the Solo world have even better events. The planners are already working on how to get the Rallyist integrated.

One of the big topics was that of transponders. AMB did a good presentation. This is something that is coming, like it or not. Both Blackhawk and Road America event will be requiring them in 2001. Detroit Region will need to develop a plan on when and how to implement this technology.

Of course Fuel Testing was discussed. The whole need for this was from the health concerns of both the competitors and Workers. There were some very nasty things being added to fuel. This testing was surprising successful this year. Most of the known nasty stuff use has dropped off. Of course, those who must break the rules have found some new nasty stuff and SCCA National office is working with The High Desert Folks to add the required tests. Remember, besides being a level playing field issue, this is a health issue. If someone tried to build a plant next to you that made this stuff, you would have the place shut down before it opens.

The other big task that affects the race community is the 2001 Schedule. Being my first time in this meeting, and what I had been forewarned, I was expecting a real battle. Everyone was surprised when it went smoothly. The big tear up caused by the F1 race and Runoffs moving got everybody motivated to get their homework done. The final Schedule will be out soon and posted on the CenDiv website. Below are Detroit's race events for 2001:

- April 21-22** Drivers School — Waterford
- July 21-22** Race2/ Win2; Double Regional (Regional Champ Series) — Grattan
- Aug 11-12** The Michigan National (Shared with WMR) — Grattan
- Sept 15-16** **New Event** — Single Regional and Enduro (!) — Gingerman

Thanks to all our Racers and Workers for making such a fun and successful year. I look forward to seeing you all at the track next year. My New Years resolution is to get my entry forms out on time.

2001 Central Division Road Rally Championship Schedule

Date/Day, Name, Region, Organizer(s), Phone, Status

Feb. 3: Ohio Winter, NE Ohio, Ken Swarm, 440-243-3451, kswarm_200@yahoo.net, OK
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Mar. 10: Moonlight Monte, Detroit, Jim Mickle, 810-677-1667, jimickle@juno.com, OK
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May 5: Wisconsin Glacier Trails, LOL, Mike Thompson, 608-788-5018, mkrally@aol.com, OK
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Jun. 23: CAST in Stone, Detroit, Rob Moran, 734-454-0975, rtmoran@mediaone.net, OK
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Sept. 7-8: Press-on-Regardless, Detroit, Bruce Fisher, 517-646-8579, bafisher@aol.com, OK
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Sept. 22: Yucatan Safari Tour, LOL, John Emmons, 608-582-4386, JAEmmons@cs.com, OK
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Oct. 6: Johnny Appleseed, NE Ohio, Greg Lester, 330-836-9003, 74343.332@compuserve.com, OK
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Nov. 10: Thumbs Up XIII, Detroit, Dave Harkcom, 248-652-8747, dharkcom@home.com, OK
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Nov. 24: La Rallye Variform, Indy, Chuck Hanson, 317-780-9007, dtcgh@gte.net, OK
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2001 Central Division SCCA Road Rally Championship Regulations

1) Again for 2001, there will be a Central Division (CenDiv) Road Rally Championship. This championship and the events that constitute this championship shall be governed by the road rally conventions established by the Sports Car Club of America (SCCA) through its Road Rally Board. These conventions are outlined the Road Rally Rules of the Sports Car Club of America (2001 ed.).

2) All Central Division road rallies designated as "CenDiv Championship" events will count toward the championship. In addition, competitors may count the results from one Divisional event from another division or one National event. It is the responsibility of the competitor wishing to count one of these events to notify the Central Division Road Rally Steward (DRRS) in writing with a copy of the official results prior to December 1st.

3) CenDiv Championship events may follow a Course or a Tour format as defined in the Road Rally Rules (RRR). Organizing committees must provide a complete description of the event to the DRRS. The DRRS will designate under what conditions the rally may be classified as a CenDiv Championship event.

4) CenDiv Championship events will award points per the National Championship schedule based on finishing position within class. (10, 8, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1.9, 1.8 etc.)

5) CenDiv Championship road rallies must be listed on the Divisional Rally Calendar at least 60 days before the event.

6) Event rules will provide for classes and scoring per the RRR. Organizers may include novice, historic, marque, or other classes as part of an event, but any such class designations will not be considered for the purpose of determining championship points in classes E, L, and S as defined by the RRR.

7) Points will be awarded to individuals for events worked per the RRR. That is, the event chairperson may submit not more than four key workers without regard to their titles.

8) To be eligible for championship points from an event, an individual must be a member of SCCA and of a Central Division region at the time of his/her participation in that event.

9) Championship standings will be based on points earned in an individual's best (i.e. highest point count) fin-

ishes in either five events or in one-half the total number of eligible events (rounded upward in case of an odd number of events,) to a maximum of seven, whichever is greater. Both worker and competitor points will be included when tallying the maximum count. Unless contacted by the contestant, the DRRS will apply the worker points in the class that gains the contestant the highest finishing position at year's end.

10) There will be a \$1 per car fee for the Divisional Rally Championship Trophy and Administrative Expense Fund for each CenDiv championship event, except combined National/Divisional events where the fee will be \$2.00 per car entered in the divisional portion of the event. This assessment, a list of the individuals to receive worker points, and the event's official results must be sent to the DRRS within 15 days of the event. Results must indicate the entrant's region and must include the complete mailing address of all entrants.

11) The DRRS will maintain points standings of CenDiv Championship entrants. Points standings and other information relevant to the CenDiv road rally program will be made available by the DRRS upon request, in occasional postings to the Internet Remailer known as Rally-L and postings at each championship event.

12) Exceptions to the RRR must be described fully in the event flyer. National rules are presumed to be in effect for CenDiv Championship events unless otherwise indicated in the event's flyer. When a CenDiv Championship event uses exceptions to the National rules, organizers must provide all entrants with a complete written list, with any necessary explanation of the exceptions to the National rules prior to the event.

13) Events concluded before 31 December 2000 will count toward the 2000 championship. Championship awards will be presented, as a minimum, to the top 3 competitors in classes E, L, and S provided that the potential recipient has earned championship points in the class in a minimum of three rallies.

14) Questions or comments regarding these rules should be directed to:

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Thumbs Up XII, November 11, 2000

History was in the making with the running of the 12th Thumbs Up Rally. Coordinator Jim Mickle had an idea of combining a National Rally with our usual Divisional rally. At first, I flatly turned it down—but the more we talked about it and all that was involved, we agreed to give it a try. Nine national teams came from various parts of the country; they were placed first on the course followed by the remaining teams. Twenty-seven teams in all enjoyed the day of fun. From all reports of those who participated, they didn't see any problem with the combined event.

The 12th Thumbs Up ran out of the little town of Imlay City as it has for several years. Fortunately for competitors and workers alike, the rain that made the end of the week a bit miserable, cleared and we were treated to beautiful, if a bit brisk, weather for the event.

At the first break in beautiful downtown Yale, Dave Parps and Rob Moran led both the National and Divisional with five points for nine controls. Second in the National were Ron Johnsonbaugh from Ohio and Jack VonKanel from Virginia with nine points. Greg Lester from Ohio and Ken Knight from Michigan were third, only one point further back. Limited was led by Fred Mapplebeck from New Hampshire and Rene Ruel from New Jersey with 16 points. Stock was led by last minute entry, Steve Novatne from Pennsylvania and Hugo Brunert from New York, with only 21 points.

At the second break, also in Yale, the order had not changed. Parps/Moran still led with 16 points to 25 and 32 points respectively for Johnsonbaugh/VonKanel and Lester/Knight. There was no change in the lead for Limited or Stock.

At the finish back in Imlay City, only one change occurred in the order. Somehow, on leg 26, Rob and Dave had a gremlin jump up to bite them and took 13 points—dropping them from first to third with 29 points. Overall winners were Johnsonbaugh/VonKanel with 22 points. Knight/Lester were second with 25. Limited was taken by Mapplebeck/Ruel with 62 points. Their win allowed them to tie for the 2000 National Championship with a perfect score of 50 points. Local heroes Jim Shaffer/Jim Fekete were second with 101 points. Stock was taken by Novate/Brunert with 155 points.

The Hard Luck award went to Monte Sager and Bob Morseberg who flew in from Oregon and Washington respectively to compete. When they got to the end of the odometer check, they found that the cast switch on their computer would not work. So that they could continue, they set the cast at 45 and then made manual adjustments for the higher and lower average speeds. With the close competition in Equipped, this was an insurmountable problem.

Though they dropped from first to third in the National, Parps and Moran won the Divisional. The father and son team of David and Daniel Harkcom were second, nine points behind.

Shaffer/Fekete won Limited with 101 points, which was good enough for second in the National. Steve Phillips and Paul Gilbert from western Indiana were second. Local competitors Robert Kay and Mike Bennett won Stock with 233 points. Kevin and Sara Essenberg were second with 392 points. Richard Foster, Charlotte, North Carolina, and Bill Secrest, South Shore, Kentucky, ran Bill's Vintage Datsun 240Z to a win in Vintage with 500 points. Novice was taken by Ben MacRae and Tim Shandonay, with Jim Avery and Eric Pike second.

Brian Kennedy and Mike Owens set their clocks to the time on the weather channel, and didn't check it against official time. As Scott Harvey and I found out up in Wisconsin, the Weather Channel is a very poor source of time. As a result, they were running about a minute and a half early. Sure does mess up scores.

We have a "gem" in Bob Martin as he did a fantastic job of scoring so that results for each leg were complete before the start of the following section. This amazed the national teams and really made the rally more enjoyable for all. All 31 timed legs were scored. We had planned 32, but a change in the route cause by a road being re-done, eliminated control 18.

One of the biggest fears for any organizer of a rally is getting enough control workers. Thank you to all that came and spent the day doing just that.

As you know, no rally can be done by one person. I would like to thank the following for all the work that made the event possible:

Greg and Tom Woodside for developing the course.

Tom Woodside and Bill Crocker for making sure that all the controls were in place on time.

Jim Mickle for measuring the course, doing all the paperwork (route instructions, leg slips, schedules, generals, etc.) and opening the course along with Chuck Shapiro and his Grandson, Alex.

Rich Line and his son, David, who helped get car 22 out of the ditch after he overcooked a corner just a couple of instructions before the last control.

This was to have been our last organizing event but a volunteer came forward and said he would take over the Thumbs Up XIII if Jim and I would take over the Moonlight Monte on March 10, 2001. So—we will be doing this in March. Please plan on working or running. Bring friends and help us make it an even bigger and better event for all involved.

—Marianne Mickle, Chairman

Thumbs Up National/ Divisional Tour Rally Results

National:

1st Equipped - Ron Johnstonbaugh / Jack VonKae3nel, 95 Eclipse GSX, 22 pts.

2nd Equipped - Ken Knight / Greg Lester, 84 audi 4000S Quatro, 25 pts.

1st Limited - Fred Mapplebeck / Rene Ruel, 90 audi 90Q, 62 pts.

2nd Limited - Jim Shaffer / Jim Fekete, 2000 Neon ES, 101 pts.

1st Stock - Steve Novatne / Hugo Brunert, 95 Neon, 155 pts.

2nd Stock - Julie Gaddy / Steve Gaddy, rental Ford Escort, 297 pts.

Divisional:

1st Equipped - Dave Parps / Rob Moran, 2000 Subaru Outback, 29 pts.

2nd Equipped - David Harkcom / Daniel Harkcom, 88 VW Golf GTI, 38 pts.

1st Limited - Jim Shaffer / Jim Fekete, 2000 Neon ES, 101 pts.

2nd Limited - Steve Phillips / Paul Gilbert, 89 Saab 900, 222 pts.

1st Stock - Robert Kay / Mike Bennett, 95 Ford Contour, 233 pts.

2nd Stock - Kevin Essenburg / Sara Essenberg, 91 Ford Escort GT, 392 pts.

1st Novice - Benjamin MacRae / Timothy Shandonay, 99 Toyota Tacoma, 1273 pts,

2nd Novice - Jim Avery / Eric Pike, 93 Chevy Caprice, 1397 pts.

1st Vintage - Richard Foster / William Secrest, Datsun 240Z, 500 pts.



Moonlight Monte Road Rally Saturday, March 10, 2001

Novices Welcome

The Moonlight Monte will be a straight forward, 150-mile, TSD event conducted on unpaved rural roads of northern Macomb, Lapeer, St. Clair and Sanilac counties. Speeds will be reasonable but challenging depending upon weather conditions. Speeds will be adjusted to take driving conditions into account. The use of winter tires is recommended. Studded tires will not be allowed. Timing will utilize the latest Timewise rally clocks. The event will start at the Burger King at M-53 (Van Dyke) and I-69 in Imlay City, Michigan. The finish will be in Imlay City at Tietz Family Restaurant/bar.

The event will follow the 2001 Road Rally Regulations for Tour rallies. Mileage will be given frequently to help prevent anyone from leaving the course. One break, with a time of day restart, will be used to keep the rally together and on time. The ability to stay consistently on time, be alert at all times, and the ability to develop and maintain an accurate correction factor, will challenge both the driver and navigator. Depending on weather conditions, the driving could be a bit challenging.

Tentative Schedule:

Saturday, February 24, 2001 — Draw for Car Numbers and Mail Generals

Saturday, March 3, 2001 — Deadline for early entry

Saturday, March 10, 2001

12:30-2:00 PM	Registration & Safety Inspection
2:31 PM	Car # 1 Starts Rally
9:00 PM	Car # 1 Finishes (approx.)
10:30 PM	Preliminary results posted
11:00 PM	Awards presented

Committee

Organizer: Jim Mickle, 810-677-1667, JimMickle@juno.com

Rallymaster: Jim Mickle

Registrar: Marianne Mickle, 810-677-1667, 54823 Cambridge Dr., Shelby Twp., MI 48315-1617

Entry Fees

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Novice: Any team where the total number of rallies run by the driver and navigator combined does not exceed six (6). Equipment limitations the same as Stock Class.

Vintage: Vehicle built before 1980. Mileage measuring and calculation equipment must be mechanical.

Counts for points in both the Central Division and Detroit Region Rally Championships.

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ROAD RALLY ENTRY FORM

EVENT NAME: Moonlight Monte-2001 Divisional Road Rally DATE: March 10, 2001 CAR #

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Entrant/Owner's signature _____

The driver warrants that she/he is in possession of a valid operators license.

Driver's Signature _____ Navigators Signature _____

How did you learn about this event? _____

Entry Fee _____ Paid _____ Date Rec'd _____ Generals Mailed _____

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- _____ Parking, tail, directional and stop lamps _____ Parking Brake
- _____ Horn _____ Tires (condition of sidewall and tread)
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Send to Registrar: Marianne Mickle, 54823 Cambridge Dr., Shleby Twp., MI 48315-1617

Detroit Region SCCA Solo II Planning Meeting 9 November 2000 Mama Mia's Restau- rant 27770 Plymouth Rd, Livonia 7:00 - 10:00 pm

1. Comments on the 2000 Solo II Season

Turnouts

Guy noted that event turnout was quite high in 2000. Over 200 competitors per event was not uncommon.

Limits

A limit of 200 pre-registered competitors was established mid season to allow event organizers to give competitors 4 runs each and still finish the event by a reasonable hour. The limit contributed to a large increase in the number of pre-registered entrants.

Pre-registration

Pre-registration was very popular in 2000. E-mail is the number one choice for pre-registration (Registrar's #1 choice). USPS is second and phone calls/voice mail is the 3rd. It was agreed that phone call/voice mail registration would NOT be accepted in 2001. This change will be noted on the Detroit Region SCCA website.

Scott Wilson commented that he has an electronic Solo II registration form that should work better than the existing one.

Mark Shehan mentioned that he would like e-mail addresses added to the registration form. This addition might enable us to e-mail results, fliers and general solo info as required/requested.

Mark noted that he would like to ask competitors to choose work assignments (discouraging those with more than 1 year of autocrossing experience from signing up for course assignments) on the registration form as well. Adding Photographer, Technical Inspection and Registration work assignments might encourage competitors to become more involved with event operations as it would give them a larger choice of positions to fill.

Mark wanted to see a standard run/work order posted on the region website so that prospective competitors have an idea when they might run/work (subject to changes the day of the event to balance run/work heats).

Trophies

It was noted that the single (large) trophy plaque (with individual dash plaques for each event) that was used in 2000 was liked by many. This will be continued in 2001.

Classes

Street Tire vs. Novice

Mark Shehan asked if the street tire classes complicate the classing structure too much (vs. the indexed Novice class that had been used in the past)?

It was felt that the Street Tire Stock classes are quite popular in the region and the majority of those in attendance agreed that the classes should be continued in 2001. Mike Burke
Month 2000

noted that novices like to see how they are doing relative to their class competitors rather than having to wait until the indexed class results become available. Mike had some data from 1999 that indicated over 1 / 2 of our entries were Street Tire competitors.

STS National for 2001

Guy noted that the STS class will be a nationally recognized SCCA Solo class in 2001.

SM still supplemental - add 2 seaters?

Street Modified will remain a supplemental class nationally in 2001. It was agreed that 2 seat cars would be allowed to compete in Detroit Region SCCA Solo II events in Street Modified in 2001. This will be published as a supplemental rule for local events on the region web site.

Sites

LTU - condition

Guy noted that the Lawrence Tech site is deteriorating and other sites should be examined in 2001.

Website use

Flyers

Competitors were pleased with the timeliness of event fliers on the website vs. waiting for information to appear in the Open Exhaust.

Results

Folks noted that they would like to see event results posted sooner on the website.

Links

Mark noted that he would like to establish links for solo classing between the national SCCA site and the Detroit Region site to allow Novices and others to understand what class their car falls into (a common problem at Registration and Tech).

Scott Wilson commented that there are issues with links to the region website. He noted that they can't be established currently since the website uses "frames".

Info

Mark noted that he would like to see descriptions of various solo specialties posted on the web along with contacts in those specialties (Tech. Inspection, Timing & Scoring, Course Design, Registration, Event Set Up, Photographer, Radio Chief, Worker Chief, Safety Steward, Course). He commented that he had some material that might be used from the CenDiv Roundtable that Grayden Obenour had pulled together for their CenDiv Solo II event planning.

Driver's Schools

Novice

The novice school will continue in 2001 as before.

McKamey

A McKamey/Evolution school may be scheduled during the season.

Regional Advanced

The idea of Detroit Region SCCA conducting an advanced autocross school was discussed. It was decided that it would be better to pay a higher entry to schedule a McKamey/Evolution Autocross school.

2001 Solo Director

Heather Shehan has agreed to be Solo Director for 2001

pending someone else taking on the role as Solo Registrar for the region

Training Seminar

Mark noted his desire for the region to host a Detroit SCCA only specialty seminar. Topics would include Timing & Scoring, Technical Inspection, etc.

2. Regional Chiefs - no entry fee for season

Guy proposed that the region have Regional Chiefs for the 2001 season that would have free entries into each event.

Safety

A discussion with Dick Topping is required to see if he is willing to be the region's Safety Chief for 2001.

Note: Snell has released a 2000 rating for helmets, consequently Snell 85 helmets will not be able to be used in SCCA sanctioned Solo II events in 2001 and beyond.

Equipment

No-one stepped up to the plate to act as Equipment Chief for the new season.

Tech

No chief assigned yet.

It was noted that some folks during the season were running for free because they were able to bypass Registration and go through Tech without paying an entry fee. It was proposed that Registration establish a "stamp" of some sort that was difficult to duplicate that Tech would recognize and therefore prevent the situation from occurring again in 2001.

Timing and Scoring

No chief assigned yet.

Shoe polish numbers / class letters will be prohibited in 2001 based upon discussion during the meeting. Paper or magnetic numbers that meet SCCA Solo II guidelines, section 3.7, "Vehicle Identification, All cars must have car numbers and class letters on both sides. Car numbers will be a minimum of eight inches high and a minimum of 1-1/4 inch stroke. Class letters should be smaller. Both must be of uniform color and in contrast to the color of the car. All letters and numbers must be on body panels, not on windows, and only one set of numbers may be visible while the car is running" are required.

It is the competitor's responsibility to make sure that the proper numbers / classing is on the vehicle during their runs. If the identification is not legible (or is not the correct number) the competitor risks receiving a DNF, DSQ or DNS for those runs affected.

The region timers will be backdated to allow them to directly feed times in the region laptop where quicker Timing & Scoring operation/higher accuracy can be achieved.

Registrar - Registration

Jennifer Poloms has agreed to take over Solo Registrar responsibility for 2001.

Worker

No chief assigned at this time.

3. Solo Events Board

Guy indicated that he thought it would be beneficial for Detroit Region SCCA to have a Solo Events Board to oversee the solo program. He commented that he thought the board should meet bi-monthly to discuss, and fine tune, the ongoing solo season, form sub-committee's, etc.. Guy proposed

that the board consist of the Solo Director plus four volunteers.

Those in attendance noted that this was a good idea. Norm Anderson, Mike Burke, Steve Couture, Larry MacLeod, Guy St. John, Mark Shehan and Scott Wilson have agreed to participate.

4. New equipment

Guy mentioned that he would like the region to obtain F.M. broadcast equipment (to broadcast the P.A. announcements via F.M. radio), an EZ Up (to protect the workers from inclement weather) and a new line marker (the old one has seen better days) during the off season. This will need to be presented as a capital equipment budget for 2001 by Heather at the February board meeting.

5. DCSCC representative

Eric Penn has agreed to be the Detroit Region SCCA Solo II representative to the Detroit Council of Sports Car Clubs in 2001.

6. 2001 Events

Event; Site; Chairperson(s)

Novice School; LTU(?); Eric Kaufman / Mike McClintock

Season Opener; TBD; Steve Couture / Larry MacLeod

Memorial Day; LTU; Steve Baumbach / Alex Long

Firecracker; Palace(?); Guy St. John / Patrick Kernahan

NWOR/Detroit Challenge; Toledo, OH; Frank Putnam

Oscoda CenDiv; Wurtsmith AFB; Chris & Eileen Lindberg

Season Ender; GM TBD; Jay Pistana / Jim Crider

Advanced Autox School; TBD; TBD

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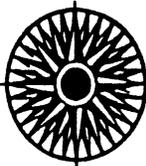


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