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MUSCLE CAR SOLO

With a growing interest in muscle cars participating at Solo events, the experimental Classic American Muscle category, which debuted in 2014, will return in 2015 with three clearly defined National-level classes. Details regarding the CAM specifications can be found at www.scca.com/solo.



As cars roll off the grid for various SafeRacer Club Racing events in 2015, competitors will enjoy a number of contingency award programs. Eight auto makers will offer cash prizes for top finishing positions in U.S. Majors Tour competition, including Mazda North American Operations, Chevrolet, Ford Racing, Honda Performance Development, Mini USA, Nissan Motorsports, Scion Racing, and Toyota/TRD. Many of these manufacturers will also offer payouts to racers at the Regional level.

Likewise, a number of tire manufacturers will support Club Racing efforts with both cash and product offerings. BFGoodrich Tires, Goodyear Tire, Hankook Tires, Hoosier Racing Tire, and Kumho Tires are offering a

variety of programs spread over the Majors and Regional level events.

Hawk Performance - the Official Brake Products of SCCA - returns with a generous contingency program for the Majors, while

Eight auto makers will offer cash prizes for top finishing positions in U.S. Majors Tour competition"

Carbotech Brakes offers a similar program. NEO Motorsport, a big brake kit manufacturer, has also pledged its support for the Majors by offering cash prizes for a podium finish. SafeRacer, the Official Safety Provider of SCCA, has returned to support the Nation-wide points program - the champion in each class at the end of the year will earn a \$500 product certificate. Summit Racing Equipment also returned this year, and eligible winners in each class of a Majors Tour race will be able to get their hands on a \$100 product certificate, while second place can earn a \$50 certificate.

Details on all contingency programs and how to register can be found at www.scca.com/clubracing under the "contingencies" link. Drivers should read all program requirements carefully and be sure to have the necessary paperwork submitted before their first event.



MOVING UP

At just 14 years old, Nate Stacy finished second in the SCCA Pro Racing Pirelli World Challenge TCB Drivers' Championship in 2014. For the 2015 season, Stacy will be piloting his newly acquired ex K-PAX Racing Volvo C-30 In Touring Car.



INNER BUSHINGS FOR SM

Alternative control arm bushings have been added to the Spec Miata section of the GCR: Rule 9.1.7.C.3.p now reads "Inner bushing(s) on the front upper control arms may be replaced with the Mazdaspeed offset bushing (part number 0000-04-5409)."

PROJECT PODIUM

During the Race Track Business Conference hosted by the National Speedway Directory at the Performance Racing Industry Trade Show in Indianapolis in December, Lyn St. James announced the 2014 winner of the Women's Sports Foundation Project Podium Leadership Award is SCCA President and CEO Lisa Noble.

"Leadership is described and demonstrated in so many ways," says Lyn St. James. "Lisa's character, charisma, and commitment to support cultural change without disrupting the core values of sports car racing is powerful. She is the perfect person to receive this year's award."

The Leadership award was established in 2008 to honor Paul Newman, whose support helped Lyn St. James launch Project Podium. Past winners of the Leadership award include NASCAR President Mike Helton, USAC founder and former Indy 500 Chief Steward Tom Binford, and former Director of Ford Racing Dan Davis.

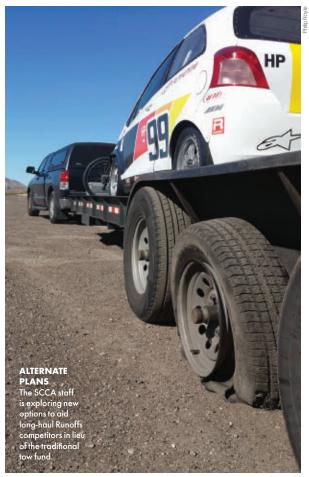
HEADS UP FOR SPEC MIATA

Following ongoing meetings with the Spec Miata Group, which includes members from Mazda, SCCA, and NASA, the SCCA Board of Directors has approved changes to the Club Racing GCR related to Spec Miata for the 2015 season.

Rule GCR 9.1.7.C.1.f.3, regarding cylinder heads, now reads: "The throat area of the port consists of the 90-degree angle at the very bottom of the cast steel valve seat as it transitions to the aluminum casting below. It is permitted to plunge-cut the throats in order to correct for core shift that is commonly found in many cylinder heads. The cut must be cylindrical and concentric to the valve guide axial centerline, within a tolerance of 0.005", for the entire length of the cut. The radius tangent to the cylindrical and bottom surfaces shall not exceed 0.375". This cut cannot extend farther than the specified number below from the bottom of the ferrous valve seat. There can be no tooling or machine marks in the head below this point. The Intersection of the machined surface of the plunge cut to the port casting shall not be altered, except that the area under the short turn radius may be de-burred, with the de-burring not to exceed 1.5mm in width. The 90-degree bend at the bottom of the valve seat and the aluminum directly below it will be measured with a gauge and must conform to the maximum diameters and depths listed below."

The referenced depths can be found in the January Fastrack.





EXPLORING NEW OPTIONS

Starting in 2015, the tow fund will no longer be offered to drivers competing at the National Championship Runoffs, although the SCCA is working on other options for competitors facing a long tow. The rationale for eliminating the fund had three primary elements: A small pool of members benefitted from a program that all U.S. Majors Tour participants were required to fund; the new Runoffs rotation allows more drivers to experience the event closer to home; and a desire to decrease per-event expenses for drivers.

Of the 517 entries at the 2014 National Championship Runoffs at Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca, 172 received tow fund payments, with 2,023 drivers contributing to the fund (33 percent of attendees, but just 8.5 percent of contributors). In 2013, when 700 drivers attended the Runoffs at Road America, 279 received the tow fund - that represented 40 percent of Runoffs attendees, but just less than 12 percent of contributors. The percentage of contributors to collectors has remained consistent over the past five years.

While the traditional tow fund has been eliminated, the SCCA staff is exploring alternative options to aid competitors coming from distances away for 2015.



NEW CUP LEADERSHIP

SCCA Pro Racing selected Keith Dalton to take the reins of the SCCA Pro Racing Battery Tender Mazda MX-5 Cup Presented by BFGoodrich Tires, filling the role of series manager vacated by Jim Brown.



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CLUB **VIEW**

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This is The Year!

2015 will be described as the Year of the New Programs, the Year of Seed Programs, and the Year of the Enthusiast. This is how we have been thinking about our Club and our focus for the coming year. Having a catch phrase is helpful; just asking ourselves "Does this belong in the Year of the _____?" begins to hold meaning on its own.

YEAR OF THE NEW PROGRAMS

Track Night in America, Track Fest (see below), and embracing the great big world of people who enjoy Classic American Muscle (CAM) and Street Tire competition in Solo are the new programs you will read about in *SportsCar* over the coming months – and hopefully participate in, too. These are activities that not only create a new, exciting experience for our current members to renew their enthusiasm and interest, but also appeal to a broader audience of motorsports enthusiast. Both are integral to our Club's continued success.

And we're not finished! We are also exploring other kinds of event mixes not just on track or course, but cross discipline - to include our Rally expertise, for example. Watch as some of our Regions explore enduro racing in ways that are not HWADT (how we've always done things). We'd like to pilot these new ideas with Regions where it makes sense for the local membership and the local enthusiast population to take advantage of the opportunities.

THE YEAR OF SEED PROGRAMS

The national organization of the SCCA shares the responsibility for success with our Regions. This means the National Office programs and strategies for success in what we currently do and in what we will have to do for the future. Sharing information on a nationwide basis through Division

conventions, newsletters, and just plain picking up the phone and talking to each other are all fundamental to that effort.

In discussions with some of you, your input has pointed to looking at our weekends as events, rather than just competitions. Track Fest is an idea that can help Regions showcase the Club's activities to motorsports enthusiasts by inviting other clubs, organizations, and groups to participate in what we do in ways that are appropriate in a non-competitive environment, like pace car laps and autocross fun runs, etc. We call it (say it out loud and with gusto): Track Fest!

THE YEAR OF THE ENTHUSIAST

Much like 2014, building a broad base of enthusiasts who want to be a part of our Club will continue. We have to do this. You know the old saying about rearranging the deck chairs on the Titanic? That is exactly what we had been doing for the last decade or more - HWADT. Attracting motorsport and automotive enthusiasts to our Club and interesting them in our existing activities isn't enough, especially in today's world of the millennial mindset. How do *they* want to participate? Guarantee it is, in general, not HWADT.

Opportunities for shorter, non-competitive, and socially collaborative events are some of the ideas we are implementing; these are proven in both market research and in our pilot programs.

Know what? After over 40 years of active participation in the SCCA, I'm ready for a change in what I do with the Club, too! We must be the Club that not only survives, but thrives and defines the future of grassroots motorsports in 2020 and beyond. *That* is the Club I want to belong to!



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THE CLUB BOARD

JOHN WALSH

CHAIRMAN, SCCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Nobody here is sitting around...

I t's winter up here on the frozen tundra. That doesn't mean that any of us are flopped on the sofa watching outlaw billiards, free-range poker, or some ancient Citroen with a small-block transplant and polished double-dubs getting pushed across an auction block. Nope. We actually do stuff.

If you're down south, your season has already started (hopefully without the "bang"). If you're somewhere north of the freeze line, you might be burrowed deep in your shop doing those updates in anticipation of September in Lincoln, Daytona in October, or that "TBA" place for an earlier, drier RallyCross championship location.

There are, however, some segments of this Club that take no time off. Maybe it's RallyCross, as winter is as good a time as summer (maybe better) for some car-related combat. So, too, with RoadRally - that's what I'm doing this coming weekend, after I air up my Hakka's and find my tow strap. Winter nights, well below zero, on snow covered dirt roads, miles from the nearest signs of civilization. Yee-ha! Sure do hope I don't need that tow strap.

Our activities never stop, nor do our member-driven program boards. They don't get enough credit for the work they do during the year, but they go through an especially turbocharged period between the close of their respective National Championship events and the start of the next season. Rule changes need to be finalized and moved to publication, all requiring thousands of man-hours of work from these members. The SEB, RXB, CRB, and RRB (along with all their various Advisory Committees) don't ever get the thanks they truly deserve, but each of us should pass some along whenever we cross paths with the people who do this critical work.

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Let's also not forget our SCCA National Office staff, as they're at the center of that "end of season/start of next season" storm. Along with keeping all the existing programs supported, the staff also has a major commitment to new programs, which you'll read about elsewhere in this issue. Those efforts are fundamentally guided by two goals: find us new ways to have fun with our cars, and allow us an easy way to bring in new members who can keep our Club alive and healthy for the next 70 years.

Thanks to all those members! As you're reading this, we're heading to the SCCA National Convention and cooking up ways to keep SCCA strong through 2090 (whoa)!

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE CONTEST

While membership always gets a spring boost, many of our regions are currently experiencing solid growth! Congratulations to the leaders and keep up the momentum. For complete details on the SCCA Membership Drive Contest, log in to ams.scca.com and look under "Forms."

MEMBERSHIP REFERRAL LEADERS FOR DECEMBER 2014

NAME	RFRRLS	REGION
Warren Leach	117	San Diego
Brian Ghidinelli	68	San Francisco
Gayle Jardine	38	Cal Club
Chris Brake	26	Indianapolis
Carol DeBorde	25	Reno
Sydney Davis	23	Houston
Jeremy McCauley	23	Allegheny H'lands
Robyn Wasser	23	Reno
John Zuccarelli	23	Florida
Jonathan Burchardt	21	SW Louisiana
Karen McCoy	18	Oregon
Meredith Evans	18	Oklahoma
David Vodden	18	San Francisco
Allan Coy	16	Cal Club
Randall Smart	15	Houston
Brian Melani	14	Tennessee
Robert Crawford	13	Washington DC
Mike Holzinger	13	Iowa
Shari McCoy	11	Cincinnati
Moses Smith	11	Texas
Cindo Clark	10	Las Vegas
Bob Effinger	10	Milwaukee

We have had 2,500 members refer nearly 3,600 new members.

REGION LEADERS

(Category based on 2013 year end membership)

REGION	GROWTH	RETENTION
Jumbo (800+):		
Florida	9.1%	80%
San Francisco	5.9%	79%
Oregon	5.7%	75%
Large (401-799):		
St. Louis	19.9%	70%
San Diego	19.0%	66%
Indianapolis	18.7%	73%
Medium (200-400):		
Las Vegas	33.3%	80%
Des Moines Valley	26.1%	77%
South Bend	21.8%	69%
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QDF13L NISSAN 350/370Z - VISCOUS DIFF REPLACEMENT (3.54 FD)

QDF7L NISSAN 280/300Z (R200)

DDF 12L NISSAN 300ZX TWIN TURBO (R230)

<u>MITSUBISHI</u>

QDH12B MITSUBISHI LANGER EVO 5/6/7/8/8MR/9 (FRONT)

QDH7B MITSUBISHI 3000GT NA (FWD) DH8B MITSUBISHI ECLIPSE/TALON 4X4 (FRONT) QDH16B MITSUBISHI 3000GT 4WD (FRONT)

VW

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SCCA BIDS ADIEU TO TEXAS WORLD SPEEDWAY

The Mid-States Conference SCCA Majors Tour schedule has been completed with the addition of an event at Texas World Speedway, in College Station, Texas, as a sixth event. The Texas World Speedway event will be held Memorial Day weekend, May 22-24.

The event is being billed as the final Sports Car Club of America race at the super speedway road course, with the

facility expected to close to make way for a business district. The track, in use since 1969, is a two-mile, high-banked oval with a 15-turn, 2.9-mile road course that has been a "can't miss" for Club racers for years.

The track has a long-standing

TURNING POINT

SCCA history, not only hosting SafeRacer Club Racing program events but SCCA professional events over the years as well. Texas World Speedway has also hosted IndyCar, NASCAR, IMSA and USAC races.

"Texas World Speedway holds a special place in motorsports history, and SCCA has long been a part of it," says Eric Prill, SCCA COO. "Whether it was the Can-Am Championship in the 1960s, or recent Club Racing events, the track has been a racer favorite for decades. We expect the final SCCA race weekend to be a memorable one, and we thank the Southwest Division and Lone Star Region for including it in the U.S. Majors Tour."

The announcement comes after extensive evaluation of a potential race at Circuit of the Americas in Austin. Texas.

"In our efforts to develop the most attractive slate of events, we came upon a potential opportunity at Circuit of the Americas that we needed to explore," says Prill. "In the end, Texas World Speedway is the best option for SCCA and the U.S. Majors Tour in 2015."

SCCA will continue to explore opportunities at COTA for 2016 and beyond.

COMPLIANCE OF THE CLASSES

The Board of Directors approved GCR rule 5.11.4, which will allow the Club Racing department to designate a Class Compliance Chief. The rule states: "When assigned to an event by the head of Club Racing or his designee, the CCC works with the event technical staff to provide consistent compliance checking across all the events in designated class/es. Decisions made by the CCC regarding compliance are non-protestable."

"The intent of the Class Compliance Chief is to designate a subject matter expert, for a class such as Spec Miata, that will develop and execute a more in-depth compliance program," Eric Prill, SCCA Chief Operating Officer, says. "The Spec Miata Group is developing this program, and participants will see this program in action early in 2015."

After the initial program rolls out, it is possible that a CCC could be added for any class.

Momo will be the presenting sponsor of the GT Cup class, which is made up of Porsche 991 Cup cars.

MOMO JOINS THE CHALLENGE

Automotive parts and accessories company, Momo, has signed on as the presenting sponsor of the SCCA Pro Racing Pirelli World Challenge GT Cup class, which will be titled the Pirelli World Challenge GT Cup presented by Momo. Additionally, the partnership includes several elements throughout the broadcast coverage on CBS Sports, as well as online and promotional vehicles including the "Momo Turning Point of the GT Cup Race."

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have always had a passion for going fast as far back as I can remember. The excitement of taking a vehicle to the limit has always been one of my greatest pleasures! Growing up in Indiana, we used to do some pretty silly things with vehicles for fun; I feel lucky to have come through that era alive and unscathed. It didn't take long to figure out in Colorado that racing on the track would be a positive way to display my passion, rather than it being a negative on the street.

Even though I had done autocross and drag racing before, the road-racing era for me started with motorcycles in 1981. I thought, 'This is fast, exciting, challenging, reasonably priced, reliable, wheel-to-wheel, drag-your-knee racing!' Even though I was having lots of fun, I have always liked both cars and motorcycles, so in 1988 I expanded back into cars.

I started racing with SCCA and, when they started to pay contingencies, I found out that if I won two classes a day with the right car and sponsors I could make money racing! After that, it was a quest to see how many championships I could win. I've competed in multiple classes at the National Championship Runoffs and claimed a record 36 Divisional Championships, winning three titles in the same year, five times. Finishing on the box in SCCA Pro Racing's Pirelli World Challenge multiple times has been great fun.

In 1985, I started GO 4 IT Services, Inc., because I was not satisfied with the level of driver training available to the public. I love helping people improve their technique for safety, or getting them their road-racing license so they can start racing and win a championship.

SCCA has been and will be a positive activity in my life, and I can't wait to see what 2015 will bring. So GO 4 IT, and I will see you at the races!"

IMAGE Rupert Berrington



Electronic Handling

> ur street cars are rapidly becoming ever more electronically controlled. It is the relentless march of technology toward the future. I thought of this when a friend recently showed me a photo of a new Volvo S60 at a Solo autocross event. I drove one for several years, so I know the stability control cannot be completely deactivated. The popular Volkswagen Jetta and GTI are this way, too. My '08 Mazda MX-5 Miata doesn't have it, though; it's an all-natural driver's machine. However, I can see that this is a very good idea for manufacturers, because with today's legal climate it is a very good idea to minimize crashes for which they will inevitably be

PRESSURE BUILDUP

Tire pressures are critical to going fast, yet pressures go up a lot when run hard on track; often to the tune of six to 10 pounds. Most tires are very sensitive and will lose a lot of grip if they get over a certain number. Most streetbased tires prefer upper 30s for a maximum hot pressure; race tires a bit lower. Learn your best, and keep a close eye, because we win at the end of a race, not the beginning.

RANDY **POBST** 4 TIME WORLD CHALLENGE CHAMP; 2 TIME RUNOFFS CHAMP; 2 TIME ROLEX 24 GT WINNER

blamed, no doubt at great cost. However, for those of us who like to drive on track at the limit, these systems can be very frustrating.

For the uninitiated, stability controls use the electronic brake and throttle systems to help a car go in the general direction the steering wheel is pointed by the driver. Most times, they prevent a spin or loss of control, which is fantastic on the street for normal drivers. The computer can apply one brake at a time to help turn the car, or reduce the power to stop a slide or excessive understeer. In essence, the computer drives for you. Most new cars have them, and they will soon be government mandated on every one. Like anti-lock braking systems (ABS) 30 years ago, the early versions were effective but rather crude, and carried other complications. And, while ABS is helpful in some instances, stability control is a quantum leap forward. Unfortunately, as these systems reduce loss-of-control crashes, they are being quickly replaced with loss-of-attention impacts resulting from our beloved smart phones. I hate to admit I am guilty as charged, too, but reforming with help from Cadillac racer Andy Pilgrim, who greatly elevated my awareness of the dangers of the phone-and-drive (check out TrafficSafetyEducationFoundation.org).

However, on track it's a different situation. It is quite maddening for us track drivers to have the computer intervene and crash the

party whenever a lovely corner-entry rotation is created. And drifting? Forget it. Another major issue for us track drivers is overheating brakes. Most street cars heavily tax their brakes driven flat-out, and stability controls add the last thing needed: more heat.

Turning your best lap time with stability control on is an exercise in smoothness, and can make you a better driver. If you don't slide

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the car too much, it will not be activated. On the other hand, I have thus far always been faster with the systems completely off.

I have the great pleasure to frequently test new high-performance cars with *Motor Trend* magazine. This has exposed me to the rapid evolvement of stability controls. It is common now for sports cars to offer varying levels: street, sport, and track. Along with these controls has been an amazing increase in power. Over 500 horses is the norm at the top levels now, and the list with over 600 grows. In monsters like these, stability controls inspire confidence. In monsters like these, it is a good idea to leave them on!

The new Corvette ZO6 and Camaro Z/28 have five levels of driver aids, and I think the lowest control is good enough to actually make the Vette faster most times, but it still feels like a crutch to me. Driver welfare. When I know it's there, I cannot help but lean heavily on it, i.e., floor it and let the computer drive. The degree of intervention is a good measure of how well a car handles, in fact. A well-balanced chassis driven properly rarely instigates the cyber driver.

All of this makes me wonder if the manufacturers ever get a little lazy with their handling. With electronics cutting in to straighten the car out, do they really need to spend that extra time and money to make it the best it can be? That is why I always turn it off as far as I can for testing, to read what the car does with no assists: all human, full risk mode. Sometimes there are tricky secret codes to get it all off, like holding the button for 10 seconds, or tapping twice, or combinations of the above.

Have you seen the articles about the autonomous cars that drive themselves? Behold the future! The inverse of this is the proliferation of driver intensive trackonly cars, like the Palatov, Radical, Atom, Supersport MK2, and the venerable SCCA Spec Racer Ford. As current street cars become ever more computer controlled, older cars and track-specific cars may soon become our only choice.

Output

Description:











Having Navy pilots in the family, both her father and brother, proves the speed gene runs in the family. "We had an Austin Healy growing up, and that's what I learned to drive stick on. It was my dad's toy," Beth says. "My parents had a 1965 Mustang when I was a baby, so I only saw pictures, but I've always liked old '60s muscle cars like the Shelby Cobras and Daytona Coupe."

But liking speed only gets you so far; Beth wanted more. She's competed in many of the cars she's owned, and won many Solo Championships over the years, both locally and Nationally.

She was first introduced to autocrossing by her now-husband Erik Strelnieks. They worked at the same hospital and when Erik, who had been competing for 10 years at that point, saw her car in the garage he invited her to a party that parlayed into a trip to the local SCCA autocross event.

"He said, 'You should come out to the next autocross event, and I said, 'Sure, that sounds fun,'" Beth recalls. "When I did, I was immediately hooked. I fell in love with it, and I am still in love with it.

"I always liked driving fast, and I thought I could drive, but Erik had me ride with Danny Shields, multi-time Solo National Champion," Beth continues, "I realized I couldn't drive like that, but told myself that I was going to learn how, and that was just the beginning."

Throughout the years, she and her husband have traveled across the

Once you get used to driving something like our Modified and Prepared cars, you realize how soft a Stock car is"

country autocrossing cars in various classes, including her favorites, Super Stock, and F Prepared, Super Street Modified. Her RX-7 runs SSM and Erik's Boxter runs FP.

"I like the classes where you can go fast," Beth laughs. "And I like my race tires."

Each class has its unique characteristics that make them appealing to Beth. "Modified or Prepared classes are labor intensive and stuff breaks, but they're fast and the cars are stiff and responsive." Beth



BUILDING SUCCESS

Beth McClure-Strelnieks prefers to drive more modified competition cars, and the lift in her home garage makes building them that much easier. explains. "The nice thing about when we used to run stock classes, you just slapped some tires on it right off the trailer; you could even run to the grocery store if you needed to."

The softness of the old Stock class cars (now Street) has forever changed Beth. "Stock class cars didn't really have any mechanical problems, but once you get used to driving something like our Modified and Prepared cars, you realize how soft a Stock car is through the turns," Beth says. "I tend to slide around with Stock

seats and seatbelts through a turn. I have been spoiled by my race seat."

But that doesn't mean she doesn't appreciate stock cars, she just has specific requirements for what they are. Her Jaguar F-Type R has been on order since October, and Beth seems content to deal with the potential pitfalls of autocrossing a stock car again.

"The 550 horsepower coupe is supposed to arrive any day now," Beth said. "I will definitely be taking it out to the track and to an autocross to see



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she's a little shy about hopping in when someone offers.

"I want to, but then I think I probably shouldn't," she says. "Next thing you know, I'd be trying to convince Erik to get another car. Although, he'd probably say yes, because he's as weak willed with cars as I am."

Beth and Erik have traveled all over the country to compete, with Beth doing a majority of the towing.

"I liked my dually a lot more before it became my daily driver while I await the delivery of my Jaguar," Beth says. "I don't know how many hundreds of

taking two spots, because that's the best I can do."

2014 was the first year since 1994 that Beth missed the Tire Rack Solo National Championships, as she was accepted into an MRI program, but she did participate in the Tire Rack ProSolo Finale.



FAMILY AFFAIR

Beth McClure-

married to Erik,

Solo National Championship titles.

with both holding

Strelnieks is

"ProSolo is my favorite form of autocross," Beth says. "I love the direct competition with another driver with the mirror-course format and the drag race. When you make it to the Challenges, the bracket format makes it the most fun. It has more of an adrenaline rush for me."

Her current program keeps her tied to Austin, Texas, where she and Erik live, so there's not much of an option for long tows. And, unfortunately, another career opportunity may keep her from the Championships next year.

"Depending on my schedule, I may have to miss the Solo Nationals again this year, but I will definitely be at the ProSolo Finale," she says. "I want to go, and it was hard to miss it in 2014. I will be able to race here in Texas several times, and then make a bunch this summer. I don't think I'll ever be able to dial it back, or not race."

While her job limits her amount of time behind the wheel, Beth still continues to pass along her knowledge and love of all things speed as much as she can.

"I've been an autocross instructor for Evolution Performance Driving School for about the last seven years," Beth says. "We also did some military tactical classes as well up at Ft. Campbell."

In recent years, Beth has also started road racing, thanks to a stint working at Driveway Austin.

"For the past three years - until July - I was working full time at a training track here in Austin, teaching road racing schools, teen classes, and [Department of Defense] tactical driving classes for soldiers deploying."

But while she enjoys the road racing,

I think it would be awesome if parents would send their 16-year-old kids out to an autocross"

her heart is in autocross. "There's a more social aspect to autocross," she says. "In autocross, you're always running right on the ragged edge, about to lose control, but it's OK because when you spin the car there's usually a big open space; nothing's really going to happen, and there's no one behind you to hit you.

"In road racing, you have to be a bit more finely tuned and dial it back from the edge, just a bit." Beth continues. "You have to be smoother when you're road racing. Autocrossing allows you to be abrupt when you're wanting to transfer the weight, and you'd never want to do that on a road course."

Instructing is another part of the sport Beth really enjoys.

"You have to dial back the autocrossers who get on a road course, and you have to speed the road racers up when they're on an autocross course. It's a variation in skill that you have to recognize and encourage or discourage."

She also recognizes the need and benefit of additional advanced coaching. "I wish more people would get involved with auto sports because I think it really helps people with their daily driving and honing their skills," she says. "I think it would be awesome if parents would send their 16-year-old kids out to an autocross. It's an atmosphere where they'll pretty much not get in trouble with their cars, but learn the limits of their cars, and hopefully would have fewer issues on the road.

"I think that's a great aspect to autocross because it can be a really good training tool for people who may have to make an evasive maneuver on the road. It could prevent them from over correcting and ending up in a ditch."



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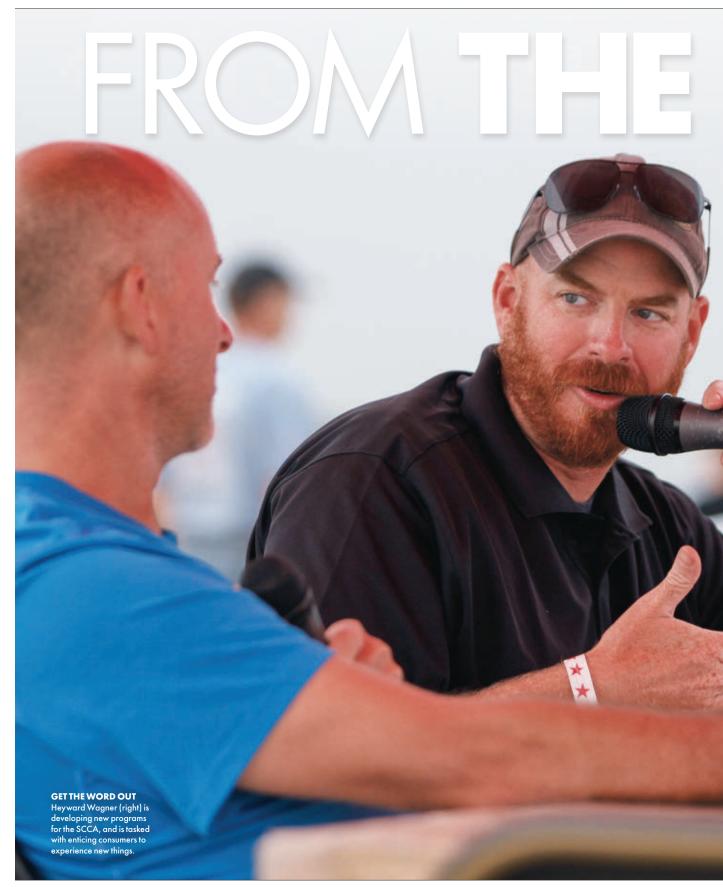
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The Experiential Programs Department might be new to the SCCA, but it's ready to reveal its first program

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n late 2014, the SCCA National Office underwent a significant restructure, and included in that was the creation of the Experiential Programs Department. Now, several months into the new department's existence, the group is ready to launch its first creation: Track Night in America. To understand what that means, we sat down with SCCA's Director of Experiential Programs, Heyward Wagner.



Q&A:

SportsCar: Before we get into the Track Night in America concept, can you describe the new department at the SCCA National Office that is heading up the program?

Heyward Wagner: We are the Experiential Programs Department; we get referred to a lot in the office as "The Lab." We are in charge of trying new things, testing new things, and, well, it's kind of a skunk-works concept. The department is made up of four people. I am the director, Rick Myers is moving into a special projects manager role where he will work on Regional programs as well as the experiential programs that are ongoing. Jenny White, who has been working on contingency programs, is going to be our new project manager. Her focus will be on launching the newest program that we have and building the workbook that will allow others to implement those programs in the future. And John Steflick, who has been the creative director at SCCA, is moving into the department to help us build the materials for marketing and developing these programs. We all report to Robert Clarke, SCCA's Vice President for New Business.

SC: What was the impetus for the department, and the department's first program, Track Night in America?

HW: The SCCA has become ultra competition based, and we have lost a lot of people's interest because not everybody is super motivated by competition. As you get into the Generation X, Generation Y, and the Millennial, more and more people are looking for an "experience" as opposed to competition. Our department was born out of the idea that we needed to build programs for the Club that were really about having fun with cars and being able to pick the way that you want to participate, whether you want to challenge yourself to compete with other people or if you want to compete against your best time, or if you just want to do something that's challenging and fun.

What we're doing is building an aspect of the Club that's about getting people involved at a participation level, so we're looking to do lots of things that are school and experience based. That doesn't mean that the department won't ever do things that are competitive in design, but when I look at things in current culture that are popular, like running marathons and mountain bike races and these competitive things, what I see are people who are competing in them for the experience. They want to challenge themselves to do something that's hard or fun - or both. The department is really born out of that mentality.

SC: So what is Track Night in America?

HW: The concept is about 10 years old in the SCCA National Office. The idea is a 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. track experience that happens on a Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday night once a month at tracks across the country. We are really focused on it being about the experience of the drivers, and this being a





ON TRACK

(ABOVE and BELOW) Track Night in America is a value based driving experience. The goal is to hook car enthusiasts who have previously avoided competition settings, tempting them into spirited driving in a controlled environment. cultural event. We want this to be something that community organizations and businesses can get involved in. The local Region's Solo program can set up a test course during the event for their members and use it as a fundraiser. We want this to have a festival feel. We want this to not just be an event for the 100 people who want to come and drive on track, but for an additional 200 or 300 people who want to come and see what the track is all about.

The marketing plan for this is very aggressive. We're looking to do some partner programs to expand the events. We want to offer opportunities for people who've never been on track before to come and take a couple of pace laps just to check things out. We want to reach out to school groups and scout groups that have meetings that may be interested in coming and having their meeting at the track one night a month; to bring those kids into the environment.

The whole rationale behind the Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday afternoon/evening of this is to try to give people who have kids who play soccer or are committed to other activities on the weekends - people who have highly scheduled weekends - an opportunity to step away from life for a couple of hours and experience the track. It's about reaching out to people who might not have had access on a normal Saturday/Sunday event.

SC: Since this would take place on a weekday evening, how much track time are you anticipating the participants are going to get, and what's the price range? HW: Since this program is just launching, we don't have an absolute answer to that yet. But, we are targeting this at \$125 to \$150 for three 30-minutes sessions. We're also working with partners to offer discount coupons for the events.

We also want to build a pathway that speaks to our Solo community and race volunteers and shows value to them for their time and effort. So, very much as Solo works where you would run one heat and work another, we're going to build an opportunity with a very attractive price point to allow people to come out and work two hours of track night and then get a session on track. We're targeting that somewhere in the \$25 to \$40 price range.

SC: For the complete novice, however, driving on the track can be intimidating.

HW: That's right, so whenever possible we want to put on a Starting

We want to offer opportunities for people who've never been on track before"

HEYWARD WAGNER



Line track school from noon to 4 p.m. on the same day as the Track Night. That Starting Line track school would be a \$325 entry fee and would offer car control instructions and lead follow sessions before Track Night, and then three sessions with your instructors as coaches during Track Night. This would not be a competition school, however. It's not even a performance driving school. It's more about learning the culture and becoming confident and competent on track than it is about trying to turn a hot lap.

SC: Where does the funding for this program come from?

HW: This is all made possible by a grant. The grant was the point that we went from concept to reality. We were fortunate enough to win an FIA grant to help develop the program, and that has really put us in a position to be successful with it. What's really exciting about the grant is that part of it stipulates that we need to report back to the FIA with a cookbook for this program. If we are able to be successful with it here in the United States, they would like to explore the option of implementing this type of a program in other countries, so we're truly working on something that could have an international outcome.

SC: Since there is grant money, how does the facility rental work for the local SCCA Region?

HW: Because of the grant, there is no financial hit to the Region. SCCA Inc. is renting the tracks, hiring the field staff, doing the marketing, and then providing that canvas for the Regions to partner with us to bring their showcase to us.

SC: So when's the first Track Night in America scheduled?

HW: The first events will be in April. The opening location is yet to be determined, but we have 27 tracks that we have identified as primary targets, although we are trying to get that number down to 10. So, we're still figuring some stuff out. As for the track locations, basically if it does not come up within an hour of a city center on Google Maps, we're not interested. It has to be accessible for the participants.

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So, as we prepare for the new season of racing, take a moment to consider your towing setup. It may be as simple as a pickup truck and a single-axle open trailer, or as elaborate as a Toter Home, but the issues are the same, and that rig needs your attention today so it can deliver you to the track tomorrow, on time and ready to compete at your best.

ONTHE PAGAIN

Getting yourself and your competition vehicle to the track on time starts with a healthy dose of trailer and tow vehicle prep

WORDS Jeff Zurschmeide IMAGES Philip Royle











"I usually get my truck into the shop and go over it real well in the winter," says T2 National Champion Dave Daughtery. "It's pretty bulletproof, but it needs the ball joints done in the front, because we're going to use it more this year than we have in the past.

BE BETTER THAN GOOD

The first rule with tow vehicles is to follow the manufacturer's recommended maintenance schedule. If there's a special schedule for heavy duty, use it, and always put top quality synthetic oil in your tow vehicle.

SCCA tow vehicles are generally subjected to a little more wear than

I usually get my truck into the shop and go over it real well in the winter"

DAVID DAUGHTERY

just pulling the family camper to the state park, so the wise racer will make sure to change rear axle oil and automatic transmission fluid regularly. Also, consider the oil in the transfer case and front axle if your tow rig has four-wheel drive. Even if you don't use

LOOK AND FEEL

Trailers will run for years with minimal maintenance, but you should always keep an eye on shackles, springs, and U bolts, as they can fail (ABOVE). Trailer tires should be inspected for cracks and tread depth (BELOW).

the four-wheel drive often, you want to keep that oil fresh and topped up.

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Challenge GTS team Stout Racing uses
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products," says Robert Stout, who
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competition cars. "The last thing you
want traveling cross country to a race
is to have an issue trying to get there."

Cooling systems are another area that takes a little more work with a tow rig. Your coolant breaks down faster



USE YOUR HEAD, USE YOUR HAND

As owner of Knight Transportation, veteran Club racer Scotty B. White is a trucking professional who brings decades of experience to the job of pulling a load down the highway. "Like any good trucker, when you start a trip you run about an hour down the road, and then stop and just walk down the rig and check tire temps and hub temps with your bare hand," says White. "You just lay your hand on each piece on the trailer whenever you stop for any reason. If you're having a suspension problem that brings the trailer out of alignment or anything that's overheating a tire or you're having a bearing issue, you're going to notice a dramatic difference. Heat is the first indicator."

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than in vehicles that aren't pulling big weight. So a good flush and fill each year is a prudent investment; and keep an eye on that thermostat.

"We just try to stay on top of maintenance," says Mike O'Callaghan of the Flat Out Racing SRF team. "We're on top of the vehicle itself, and the trailer; axles, bearings, brakes - it's an ongoing process."

One of the most common problems with tow vehicles is that the shock absorbers wear out early. The weight of your trailer plus anything you're loading into the vehicle itself puts extra strain on the shocks, and they'll need to be replaced more often.

It goes without saying that brakes are critical. It's not just replacing your brakes, but the brake components you choose for your tow rig are potentially as critical as those you select for your racecar. Make sure your rotors are fresh and you get a good brake pad that's tolerant of high temperatures for descending long grades. If you're among the few who tow without trailer brakes, first consider adding those to your rig, but if that's not possible, pay extra attention to your tow vehicle binders



TOP IT OFF

(ABOVE) Greasing trailer hubs is simple and easy maintenance through the season, but don't forget to repack the bearings at least every other season. (BELOW) Keeping correct tire pressures is vital to arriving at the track safely. If in doubt, consult with truck, trailer, and tire manufacturers for recommended pressures.

now and throughout the season.

"It doesn't matter how much you think you're keeping up on it, there's always something that happens," O'Callaghan says. "One thing I do now that I didn't do before is to give ourselves a half-day or a day of grace on a long haul, so that if something does go wrong, we have time to deal with it."

DON'T NEGLECT THE TRAILER

People know to take care of vehicles, but the same level of care is required for the trailer. Most towing adventures occur because something happens to the trailer.

"You can lose a wheel or tire or have a bearing seize up. It can cost you a ton of money," O'Callaghan says.

Trailers are subject to all the same stresses as the tow vehicle, but trailers are built to be lightweight and are often loaded right up to their axle limits. Plus,

It doesn't matter how much you think you're keeping up on it, there's always something that happens"

MIKE O'CALLAGHAN

there are unique stresses on trailers that do not apply to tow vehicles.

"Last year we sheared all the studs off one of our hubs, and I asked the guy what was causing that," O'Callaghan recalls. "It wasn't load or weight - it was too tight of a turning radius. When we're trying to jockey a trailer into place in a tight paddock, we put stress on the trailer wheels by turning too tight. That's what shears the studs."

One of the simplest things to do is just make sure that the trailer tires are properly inflated.

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racecar, and not about your trailer or your truck, and you forget to air up the tires," Daughtery says. "I know it sounds stupid simple, but it will create so many problems. Especially with radial trailer tires, they can build so much heat going down the road."

Beyond the tires, be sure to take a look at every system on your trailer at least once per year. Electrical troubles develop spontaneously and can be difficult to resolve.

"I take my trailer inside and get it up on jack stands," Daughtery says. "I pull off the wheels and check the brakes, bearing grease, and all the lights. I replaced the pigtails last year, so they all work with both my tow vehicles now." Once the trailer and the tow vehicle are settled, consider your tow hitch. This is perhaps the most neglected part of any towing combination.

"If you're doing a humper pull look at how high

"If you're doing a bumper pull, look at how high or low your trailer tongue is compared to the back of the trailer," says Touring and GT Club racer and owner of Knight Transportation Scotty B. White. "It's really important to have the trailer run level. What happens is that most trailers are spring ride.

You'll load them a lot heavier when you're headed cross-country to the championship event than you do for a local Regional race. If the trailer's nosing up or nosing down on a double- or triple-axle trailer, then you're going to be putting a lot more weight on one axle or the other, and you want that spread out as evenly as possible."

The bottom line is that your tow vehicle and trailer need a

maintenance schedule that

is as detailed as the plan for your racecar. There are so many variables that affect your racing season, and most of those are at least partially out of your control. Taking care of your tow vehicle and trailer is one thing you can handle.

CHECK IT

Before towing anywhere this season, check the brake controller (ABOVE) and all fluids in your tow vehicle (LEFT).

WHEN YOUR TOW RIG IS ALSO YOUR MOTEL ROOM

"We've been using a motor home to go to SCCA races lately, so that's added a new dimension to maintenance," says David Daughtery. "You have to make sure the generator is ready to go, and the plumbing."

Spec Miata guru
Michael Collins of
Meathead Racing agrees.
"I drain all the water down
in the motor home and
used pressurized air to
make sure it's dry," says
Collins. "I also make sure
it's parked on the
pavement. Rust starts when
it's in the grass. I start it
every other week and let it
warm all the way up
before shutting off."

Motor homes present a much larger picture of maintenance and potential for failures. Because they weigh so much more and are built to be comfortable, the stresses on everything from tires to weatherproofing are that much greater, and so extra care is required to make sure a motor home is ready for its journey.

"I've got several different tow rigs," says Scotty B. White. "I tow with a big diesel pusher and I also tow with a Duramax in a GMC Sierra 2500HD. Once a year,

we pop the hubs off and have a look at the bearings. I do it with the motor home – I do it with everything."

TIP

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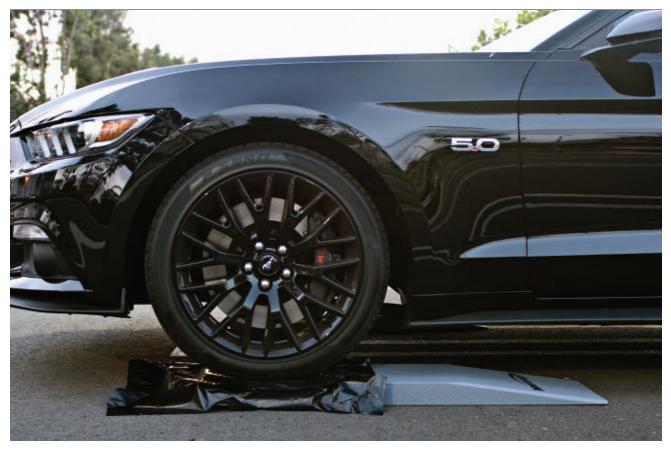












LET IT SLIP

Robert Thorne clued us in on using a trash bag with grease inside as a makeshift slip plate, helping ensure more accurate alignments. Production-based racecars are particularly susceptible to alignment miscues, due to construction and the type of adjusters often utilized. The OE style rubber bushings offer a lot of movement, creating the potential for inaccurate settings, while A-arm

SPEC SETTINGS

If you are competing in a spec class or series, your options may be limited when it comes to setup tweaking. Obviously, checking the alignment religiously and inspecting your bushings for binding are a must, but there are other things that can suck speed as well, such as a simple lack of routine maintenance.

"What we often see are bent parts that are not replaced, and [are instead] adjusted around," says Ara Malkhassian of Alara Racing, the SCCA Pro Racing Battery Tender Mazda MX-5 Cup series presented by BFGoodrich Tires 2014 Drivers' Championship winning team. "Worn parts that are not replaced as regularly as needed [will not] ensure optimal performance; consumables that can affect performance if not replaced in a timeframe that ensures performance maximization [include items] like fluids [and] brake pads."

In addition, Malkhassian notes that it's important to continue that search for speed every time you hit the track. "There is also a lack of willingness by most to continue to change throughout the event to chase handling optimization."

cam-style adjusters, or the common crash bolt used in a strut suspension, can slip under race conditions. "These aren't racecars, there aren't spherical bearings everywhere, there is soft deflectable material all over; things move," says Thorne. "I have seen cars that have been setup, they tell me what the alignment was, and it comes on the rack and the front is supposed to be toed-out and it's toed-in a 0.25 inch."

Regular checks of your car's settings can pay big dividends on the track. "Stay on top of the alignment, it's as simple as having toe plates with you - if your toe has not moved then the rest of your alignment has not moved," says Thorne. "That is the biggest thing. I probably check mine 10 times a year, just to ensure it's right."

Professional race shops like 3R
Automotive can provide alignment
services for you, but you can also do it
yourself, and the equipment is not as
costly or hard to use as you might
think. A simple set of toe plates and a
camber gauge are a great start, and
something every racer should have.
Even if you use a professional shop to

set your car up, having access to these items at events allows you to double check that nothing has moved, or make tweaks to suit particular racetracks or Solo sites.

If you want to take your setup to the next level, a set of scales is an

The thing I see probably the most often is toe being off. Having the toe right is huge"

ROBERT THORNE

excellent investment. If you wander the paddock of your favorite professional racing series you will see pretty much every team utilizing a setup pad with scales, and these teams will likely check the car after every session on track.

While a fully adjustable setup pad is the right way to ensure your chassis settings are accurate, it may not be practical for some weekend warriors - the nice thing is you can always work up to it. In general, a set of quality scales and some simple roll-off ramps do a great job. Due to the compact size, they can be

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Having the right equipment is just part of the process; you need to know how to set it up and use it properly for quality results. "For making adjustments at the track, it is important to get the scales as level as possible, as even minor height discrepancies can throw off numbers slightly," says Scott Elmgren of Intercomp. "Obviously, this can be hard to do depending on the pit conditions, but getting all four pads as level as possible will give you better, more repeatable setups. If you can't bring levelers to the track, or don't have them, scrap metal shims work great to make height adjustments to level out the pads."

With your scales leveled, you now have a great platform for alignment changes. The added height of the scale pads can make access to many of the adjustment points under the car easier as well.

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SCOTT ELMGREN

Another budget trick Thorne revealed is the low buck slip plate. Making alignment changes with the car's suspension bound up does not yield good results; slip plates help eliminate that bind. If you don't own a set, or don't have space to transport them to the track, a set of trash bags will work in a pinch. Simply spread some grease inside the bag, tape it shut, and place it on top of your scale pads during an alignment. "As long as we use clean, rock-free tires, we can use the same set most of the season," says Thorne.

As you start modifying your car, you open the door to new issues - this is where paying attention to small details can, once again, pay off. "One of the biggest things is people making a car too stiff," says Thorne. "I see a lot of people who start out in a Stock class and play with big sway bars, and as soon as they move over to Street Touring they end up leaving the big bars on and start stiffening up the springs. You have to think back to why you put these big bars on and what you were trying to accomplish -

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you were trying to overcome soft [factory] springs. Often, as you start to stiffen the springs up, you need to soften the bars.

"The biggest secret to my car is I take everything into account stiffness wise, even if you change something as minor as a bushing you might make it stiffer," Thorne continues. "If you had the car dialed in before, then you will need to make something else softer. You might be able to trade out some stiffness for control, but you can't just continue to make it stiffer and expect it to make more grip and get faster.

Another area Thorne suggests putting effort into is reducing suspension binding and drag. "'Stiction' is the other big one," says Thorne. "People put polyurethane bushings in without having them greased right, or they have them overly tightened down."

If your suspension does not move freely, it impacts mechanical grip. This is another one you can do yourself: Try unbolting a shock and spring assembly so you can see how freely your control arms and sway bars move. If you need a floor jack to cycle your suspension up and down, it could be binding. If it seems bound up, make sure the bushings are properly lubricated and not over tightened.

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ROBERT THORNE

Even if you compete in a class that requires OE bushings, you may find that cleaning up grime and applying lubricant to the bushings will aid in freeing them up.

When it comes to dialing in your chassis, testing is the key, and don't be afraid to think outside the box. Going against somewhat conventional wisdom, Thorne reportedly found a setup that soaks up bumps but still

offers roll resistance and improved speed. "We want the cars to be stiff and we want them to transfer weight really quick, that's how we get through [Solo] slaloms," says Thorne. "But if I made the car as stiff as it needed to be to get through the slalom then it wouldn't have the ability to transfer load to the outside tire. I have a dead spot built into the front sway bar. The front sway bar is mounted very softly; it has a lot of give in the middle. If I am going straight over something, the suspension will deflect around it without losing any grip. By giving it a little bit of a dead spot, you get that initial bite on turn in, then the car leans over and the rates ramp up. It seems to work pretty well."

Suspension engineering is complex, but outside of tires, this is likely the place on the car where you will find your biggest speed gains. So get out there and go through your car before the season really kicks into high gear and you start wondering why you're getting your butt kicked.





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When Tom Long won the 2005 Mazdaspeed Miata Cup Championship, he likely didn't anticipate it leading to Japan – but that's exactly where it took him

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platform and its

JOHN DOONAN

WORDS Jason Isley IMAGES Mike Ditz and Courtesy Mazda

ANTICIPATION

(ABOVE) Excitement builds among consumers and racers alike as we learn more about the 2016 Mazda MX-5. ike many racers, Tom Long's career started with SCCA Club Racing, seeing some success at the Regional and National levels in Showroom Stock and Spec Miata. In 2004, Long entered his first professional race, taking part in the SCCA Pro Racing Mazdaspeed Miata Cup Atlantic Championship. Long was a quick study and, even with his then-limited experience, managed a third-place points finish. A year later, Long claimed championship gold, taking the Atlantic title and the overall North American Championship.

A move to the Continental Tire Sports Car Challenge in 2006 brought many opportunities for Long, as he not only competed in the Street Tuner class, but also found himself piloting a SpeedSource factory Mazda on a number of occasions.

When not racing, Long can be found instructing or working as the team manager at Freedom Autosport. In 2010, Long helped the Skip Barber Racing School ready its Mazda MX-5 school cars for competition in the Mazdaspeed Pro Challenge, which ran in conjunction with the SCCA Pro Racing Battery Tender Mazda MX-5 Cup presented by BFGoodrich Tires. "I did some MX-5 testing for

Skip Barber when they were going through the development phase," says Long. "We helped them develop the shock package they used in MX-5 Cup."

Long recently received a call from Mazda asking for his help on the next generation MX-5, the ND chassis. In July 2014, Long accompanied John Doonan, Director of Motorsports at Mazda North American Operations, to Mazda's Mine Proving Grounds test circuit in Japan to add

another notch to his driving belt. "When we considered our strategy for developing the new car, we obviously wanted someone with a ton of MX-5 Miata racing experience," says Doonan. "Tom literally knows each model year platform and its attributes by heart, and in the summer of 2014 went to Japan to

become the first person [outside of a Mazda employee] to drive all generations of the MX-5, when he had the opportunity to test the all-new 2016."

Long was able to sample a pair of ND MX-5 test mules while in Japan, essentially the forthcoming edition hidden beneath the current car's skin. "It wasn't the car that we





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HANDLE IT

(ABOVE) Drivers competing in the Mazdaspeed Pro Challenge have already experienced Tom Long's tuning prowess, as he aided the Skip Barber Racing School with suspension setup.

have now seen at SEMA and the auto shows, but the underpinnings of the car - the chassis, suspension, and drivetrain - were all of the ND," says Long. "We ended up having the NC, the current car, along with two versions of the ND, the 1.5L along with the 2.0L."

Long took the opportunity to get driving impressions of

the new offering. "We went out and did back-to-back comparisons, and I was really, really impressed with the balance and handling of the new chassis," says Long. "I know its hard to imagine, because everyone knows that the MX-5 is such excellent handling car, how much

better it could get. With the lighter weight, that SKYACTIV mindset through the entire car, through the chassis, the refined suspension, the engine package; power to weight wise, the car accelerated quicker. It definitely had the feel and flavor of an MX-5 under it. They hit the mark on that."

As the green flag waves on the 2015 SCCA Pro Racing Battery Tender Mazda MX-5 Cup presented by BFGoodrich Tires season, it will be Long behind the wheel of the Global MX-5 Cup development car, sharing practice sessions with the already proven NC MX-5 Cup cars, working to make the next generation MX-5 racecar ready

for the 2016 season.

"We're hoping that if we get cars in February we will have it turned around and be able to be on track by March," says Long. "They have a really good thing with how the NC MX-5 Cup car works, and how it handles, and

how it's easy to make adjustments. I don't think the ND will be a big departure from there."

To catch the latest in racing action from the 2015 MX-5 Cup series, or news on upcoming Global MX-5 Cup series, visit www.mazdamotorsports.com.

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(RIGHT) The SKYACTIV vision can be seen throughout the 2016 MX-5. as it encompasses every component to improve upon the outstanding driving feel that is already associated with the Miata







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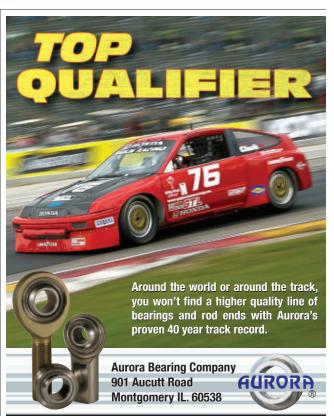
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BREEDING THE BEST

WORDS Jim Wheeler, Chairman, Club Racing Board IMAGE Courtesy Nissan

When MiDiv's Chief Driving Instructor Bill Allman and I started talking about the idea of an easy, non-traditional SCCA Driver's School, we had no idea two of our first students would be young men who would excel almost immediately. Ben Wolf was the first. He went on to win the Midwest Division Championship, Rookie of the Year for Kansas City Region, and his ARRC race, among other awards in his IT7. Now, Nic Hammann, another Kansas City Region member, has upped the ante.

In 2010, Nic, then 16, attended a non-traditional school at Mid-America Motorplex near Omaha, Neb. After racing a few SCCA events each season while he finished high school and his first year of college, he entered the Nissan GT Academy competition. He was one of several hundred thousand who logged thousands of miles on the PlayStation's Gran Turismo game to qualify as one of 32 "racers" to make it to the Nationals in New York City. At the Nationals, he was one of 12 to qualify for a week-long competition at the Silverstone circuit in England. This competition was their first in real cars; tests of physical strength and stamina were also thrown into the mix. That weeklong competition was taped and shown online and on Spike TV. The shows can be viewed at www.nissanusa. com/atacademyshow.

Spoiler alert: Nic went on to win the overall competition and was then flown to Dubai to compete in his first race as a professional driver for Nissan in the 24 hours of Dubai. Since his win in September, he has remained in Europe earning his FIA license by running 14 club races and training for the upcoming season. At Dubai, he drove the Nissan GT-R GT3 to a second place finish.

TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS I read paper newspapers, paperback books, and real magazines, but I also acknowledge the limitations of the printed word. That is why I am no longer going to comment on fluid situations in this column.

The Spec Miata community might have noticed that my comments about the future of Spec Miata heads hit the mailbox about the same time as the announcement that was totally opposite from what I had written. So, of course, I used the online forums to let everyone know my column in *SportsCar* was wrong. It helped that the final outcome was what almost everyone seemed to want, so the fallout wasn't too bad.

At a recent SCCA Board of Directors meeting in Topeka, Kan., I presented the Club Racing Board's agenda a few days after the CRB had met in Indianapolis. Since it was the last meeting for BoD members Robin Langlotz and Mike Lewis, and the first meeting for their newly elected replacements, Lee Hill and K.J. Christopher, I started my presentation by saying, "The CRB had 567 letters since our last meeting with the BoD." Actually, there were more. "For the new members," I continued, "I would like to discuss them all individually."

I picked up a big pile of papers and said, "OK, letter number one," and watched the two new members turn a bit pale. Fortunately for all concerned, that's not how the system works and we were able to handle all the CRB business in short order.

Before the CRB portion of that meeting, the BoD had discussed changing the GCR to create a Class Compliance Chief position. The new rule reads: "When assigned to an event by the head of Club Racing or his

designee, the CCC works with the event technical staff to provide consistent compliance checking across all the events in the designated class(es). Decisions made by the CCC regarding compliance are non-protestable."

Keeping everything in line between the BoD and CRB are our liaisons. Todd Butler returns as one of the BoD liaisons to the CRB. Steve Harris, who helped us in 2014, is moving on to other assignments, and Bruce Lindstrand will be the second liaison for 2015.

This will be used, initially (and starting immediately), for Spec Miata compliance, but could be used for any class in the future. If a car is found to be noncompliant by the Compliance Chief, it's a done deal. ●

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GAME ON

Nicolas Hammann took advantage of the non-traditional SCCA Drivers School program, and a few short year later won the GT Academy (ABOVE) and is competing in professional races with Nissan (LEFT).





WORDS Paul Brown | IMAGE Jeff Loewe

The SCCA is pretty good at getting the word out about rules changes for the Tire Rack ProSolo National Series, and the ProSolo veteran will understand the press releases about what classes we will have this year; which will be heads-up and which ones will be Indexed. What these press releases are less good at is explaining ProSolo to the novice. If you're a ProSolo novice, read on.

Let's make assumptions first: You are a seasoned veteran of half a dozen events with your local SCCA Region. You've read about this "ProSolo thing," and it's intimidating. Sure, you've talked to some local competitors who've run a ProSolo and they say it was a lot of fun, but left and right courses? Bump classes? Dial-ins and breakouts? Challenges? What?

Good news: ProSolo is really just Solo with a few enhancements. Take a look at the ProSolo rulebook. It's easy to do, as there are just a few pages. One of those pages deals with protests and appeals, which are every bit as rare as they are at any other event. There are a couple of trivial exceptions to the Solo Rules; other than that, it's all about event operations, and you really don't have to be an expert on that to compete.

There's a special novice orientation meeting at each event to explain things, from the run/work order to how the Christmas tree start works. If you get confused, there are plenty of people there to help.

A ProSolo course is a short version of any typical Solo course, other than the fact that it will have a drag-strip launch leading onto a straight that is typically about two hundred feet long. There are, however, two of these courses set up to mirror each other as closely as possible. Since they are mirror images, it turns out that learning the courses is not a problem, and to make things easier, you can walk

Ultimately, however, at a ProSolo a driver really just needs to line up when they are told to, and drive"

the course before the event - usually at the lunch break on Saturday - after competition on Saturday, and again Sunday morning.

Classing isn't all that different from a regular Solo event either. ProSolo classing is based on the same classes you're used to. For competitive reasons, ProSolo requires classes to have at least five drivers in them. That's where the Bump classes come in. If a class is too small at a given event, it gets combined with other classes that didn't reach the entry target. The PAX/RTP Index is used to make this fair to the drivers.

The exceptions to the regular Solo classing currently show up in the Ladies and the race tire (Prepared and Modified category, except for KM) classes. It would be such a rarity for any of these classes

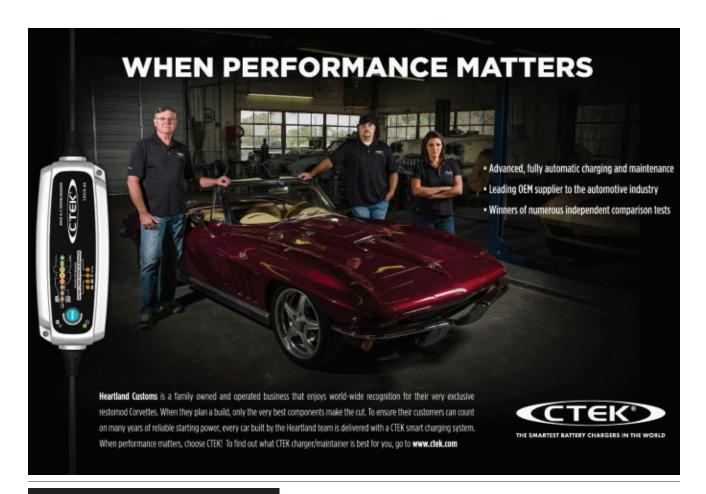
to see five entries that they are preemptively combined. This is where we see L1, L2, L3, R1, and R2.

Challenge competition is really a form of bracket racing. Since this usually involves cars from different classes running against each other, we need a way to handicap the start so that whoever crosses the finish line first wins. This is done by having each class set its own dial-in, based on the class winner's time. Another bracket racing term is "breakout." This refers to a driver going faster than his or her dial-in time. In ProSolo, that doesn't mean an automatic loss, it just means that the driver will get a new dial-in for the next round in the Challenge.

Ultimately, however, at a ProSolo a driver really just needs to line up when they are told to, and drive. That's a lot like that local event you just ran, isn't it?

2015 TIRE RACK PROSOLO NATIONAL SERIES SCHEDULE

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May 22-23	Lincoln, Neb.
May 29-31	Wilmington, Ohio
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The SCCA has 115 Regions around the country, yet only 32 have ever hosted a Tire Rack Street Survival School. I issued a challenge to my own Region, the Indianapolis Region and, in 2015, that Region will host its first Street Survival in the Indy metro area.

At the National Convention this year, the SCCA Foundation will have a booth to promote the Tire Rack Street Survival program; our goal is to inspire more Regions to take the plunge and host a school. For more information on the Tire Rack Street Survival program through SCCA, contact Linda Duncan at trss@scca.com

We had a great announcement in August 2014 that the SCCA Archives would be moving from Indianapolis, Ind., to the International Motor Racing Research Center in Watkins Glen, N.Y. Think about your own home for a minute. You have been in that home for over 40 years and now you want to move. Well, that is what

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KEEPING THE As the year kicks off, the SCCA Foundation is in full swing to build on a successful 2014 As the year kicks off, the SCCA Foundation is in full swing to build on a successful 2014

WORDS Raleigh Boreen, SCCA Foundation Board | IMAGES Bill Wade

The SCCA National Convention, which takes place Feb. 20-21 in Charlotte, N.C., is the kick off for a series of events and initiatives for the SCCA Foundation. The Convention will mark the kickoff of our third raffle to raise money for the SCCA Foundation and the programs we support. These raffles represent part of the way we raise money for the Tire Rack Street Survival program, the FSAE program, and for the preservation of the SCCA Archives. The last two raffles have been very successful; the first was a car-or-cash giveaway, and the second an all-expenses-paid trip to the 2014 Formula 1 race in Texas. I ask you to check out the raffle and spend some money for a great cause and a neat prize. The information on the raffle can be found at www.sccaraffle.org.

The SCCA is now in the 10th year of supporting the Tire Rack Street Survival program. In those 10 years, we have held in excess of 250 schools to help save the lives of teen drivers. That is a very positive amount, but we have just scratched the surface of the potential for the SCCA.

we are going through with the SCCA Archives. We have over 2,000 square feet of stuff to move, so the task is going slower than anticipated. The move will happen later this year and the Research Center is waiting with excitement and open arms.

Last but not least, plan on volunteering for the Formula SAE events in Brooklyn, Mich., on May 13-16, or in Lincoln, Neb., on June 17-20. The enthusiasm of the college students is infectious. When you spend time with these students you realize our future is in good hands.









COASTER

From incredible highs to unfortunate lows, 22-year-old **Terran Swanson** has already seen it all

WORDS R.A. McCormack | IMAGES Rick Corwine

We've all heard of the "thrill of victory and agony of defeat," but in the space of a few hours at the 2014 National Championship Runoffs, 22-year-old Terran Swanson from Petaluma, Calif., experienced both, winning the Formula Vee race only to be found non-compliant in the tech shed.

In extraordinary post-race drama, all three provisional medalists were tossed out for engine intake manifolds that were a few millimeters out of spec. These were engines put together by different, well-respected and experienced builders, and while the infraction was arguably not malicious, the components were non-compliant nonetheless.

At the time, says Terran, "It was a huge bummer. Crushing, really." But looking back now, he is even-keeled, with not a trace of bitterness. "How many drivers even get to that point," he says philosophically.

This is the reflection of a goal-oriented young man with loads of natural talent who has already produced a number of impressive FV wins since he began competing in 2010.

In 2011, driving an ancient 1978 Caldwell D-13S he had completely rebuilt, he won the West Coast Formula Vee Challenge, besting a field of more than 30 drivers. In 2013, he was the runner-up in the Western Majors Conference and finished eighth at the Runoffs at Road America. In 2014, now driving a Mysterian M4, he won the Western Majors Conference, followed by his provisional win at the Runoffs in just his third attempt and only his third time at Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca.

Ethan Shippert, a friend and sometimes Formula F driver who works at Dave Vegher's Veloce Motors West in Petaluma (and who subsequently recommended Terran for a job there), helped Terran with the Caldwell project; payback for the help Terran had given him. He remembers others telling Terran not to waste his time, that he was never going to win a race in a car that old.

"He diligently went through all the steps with that old girl," says Shippert, "from stripping it to a bare frame, sending it out for frame repair, having a new floor pan cut and bent, then bonded and riveted in place. Then there was fresh plumbing, wiring, a new fuel cell and fresh shocks. Terran and his dad painted the car themselves."

Brian Swanson, Terran's father (and fellow FV competitor) is well known in the West Coast FV community since he first got his competition license in 1999 at Thunderhill Raceway. In fact, Brian is a second-generation SCCA driver, as his own father raced a Lotus 17.

That Driver's School in 1999 was where Terran was first introduced to racing at age 7. He has been immersed in it ever since, working on

cars, crewing, and now driving. Yet prior to running his Caldwell, he had virtually no racing experience other than some indoor karting. However, as soon as he became eligible he wanted to get his SCCA competition license.

"Our deal was that if he got a 3.0 GPA he could go through a Driver's School," says Brian. "The first year he was old enough he missed the GPA goal by a fraction. It was a tough lesson that school comes first."

The following year Terran succeeded at getting his competition license – and gave his father a new perspective on racing. "As a driver," says Brian, "I never really understood why some racers' significant others wouldn't come to the track because it made them so nervous. Watching Terran roll down the pit lane that first time it hit me. All the possibilities that you know about but don't focus on when driving are front and center watching from the pit wall. The first time we were on track at the same time I spent half my time trying to keep an eye on him and drive at the same time. Now, all I do is try to keep up."

"It didn't take long to realize that Terran has true natural talent behind the wheel," says Brian. "Not only was he smooth and fast, but he has the situational awareness that many Club drivers never find. I'm amazed how mature he is on the track. Right out of the gate he was able to apply race craft, deal with traffic, and pick his passes."

Terran does the maintenance and prep on his own Mysterian as well



as his father's. "That is the other half of his natural talent," says Brian. "He can TIG weld, fabricate, and prepare cars. I travel a lot for work, and Terran has really helped out by making sure both our cars are track ready through the racing season.

"It is a great bond being able to race together," adds Brian. "I'm so glad we get to spend time together, and extremely proud of his results. Watching him take the checker at Laguna Seca was incredible. But that was nothing compared to how proud I felt when person after person pulled me aside at the tech shed to tell me how much they respect Terran. There was an incredible amount of support from a broad group of people following the DQ. More than a lap time or finishing position, that is what tells me he really is a great kid."

With an Associate's degree in machine tool technology from Santa Rosa Junior College, Terran has now transferred to the Indiana University program in motorsports engineering, which he began in January. With his combination of hands-on and academic disciplines, he has high hopes of ultimately landing a position with one of the many high-dollar racing teams headquartered in Indiana. The demands of college are putting his racing endeavors on hold for the next two years, but you can be confident the FV community has not seen the last of Terran Swanson.

WHAT A RIDE

Terran Swanson was out front at the Runoffs (ABOVE) and stood atop the podium (LEFT) after the race, but a miscue in tech took it all away.



them on the schedule via e-mail. "In the past, we'd been sending out postcards and making a ton of phone calls to recruit workers for an event. Now I hit the 'Group Send' button. Sometimes I marvel at how we did it before the computer."

On occasion she has had to deal with some snafus and long lines. Despite the best of intentions, sometimes some waiting is inevitable. "I've found that as long as you keep moving as fast as possible and keep people informed, you can get through a long line very quickly. You have to keep moving, make

There was an excitement in the air that is hard to describe"

PUTTING IT TOGETHER

Jan Coleman-Mitchell Is the Registration Worker of the Year

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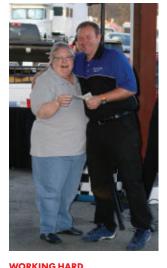
he story is that we were on our way to Florida in 1954 for a family vacation when passing through Augusta, Ga., my dad saw a sign for 'SCCA Races.' My dad said, 'Let's check it out,'" says Jan Coleman-Mitchell. Fast forward to 1967, and her dad was now the Chief Starter at the 12 Hours of Sebring, bringing his young daughter to the races for the first time.

Jan was suitably impressed. "There were so many pretty cars and interesting people around," she explains. "There was an excitement in the air that is hard to describe." She remembers watching a night session and becoming worried about the glowing brakes, and others assuring her that it was OK. She was too young to work, but her dad hooked her up with the Chief of Registration, Sonny Young, who acted as Jan's chaperone and showed her how to help out.

Jan thinks a moment, and the memories are again fresh. She got to sit in the race headquarters box directly above both the Ferrari and Porsche pits. "When the Ferraris came in, it was chaos. When the Porsches came in, it was a regimented and tightly choreographed pit stop."

The die was cast and Jan worked registration for many years. She says you need to be a "people person" to be a good fit. She also lists attention to detail and the ability to stay calm and stay on task as required attributes. "Registration is like a whole bunch of friends coming to see you. Time permitting, you get to visit a little bit and welcome them to the show."

Jan is a good fit on all accounts. She's not adverse to paperwork. For 15 years she was the librarian at Reinhardt University in Waleska, Ga. She is pleased, however, with the change to the computer age. "We still need to meet folks at registration to determine who is on the property,



WORKING HARD

(ABOVE) Jan gives and receives – and won a raffel at a Majors along the way.

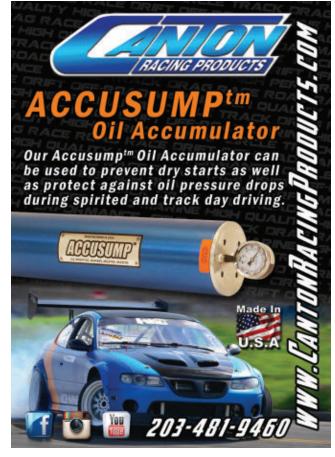
but the massive amounts of paper being mailed and returned are a thing of the past."

Jan is also the Secretary for the Southeast Division and she keeps members informed of various meetings and updates no mistakes, and keep smiling. Ninety-nine percent of the folks you meet are very understanding, especially when they see you trying hard and making progress."

While most of her history with the Club is with registration these days, most of her time is spent as a Flagger & Communications logger. So perhaps she is to be forgiven for not paying close attention during the Worker of the Year banquet at the 2014 National Championship Runoffs when her name was announced for Registration. "People suddenly turned to me, saying that my name had been called. They shoved me on stage and I was like, 'Who? What? Where?' It wasn't until I was backstage trying on jackets that it began to sink in."

But then backstage is where a lot of the organization takes place, as Jan well knows. It was fitting, for someone who has put so much of her life into the Club, that she also won the drawing for a lifetime SCCA membership at that banquet, too.









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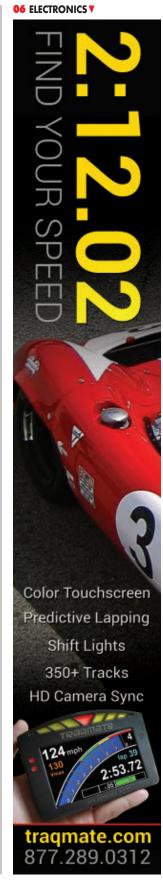
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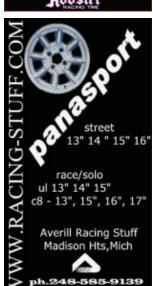


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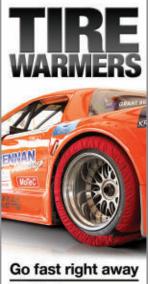






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The first thing I do when I get my SportsCar magazine is find the column by Randy Pobst. Not only is he a fountain of knowledge in all kinds of racing, he also can express himself in a clear and concise manner. Nowhere is this more evident than in his article about workers [October 2014 issue]. I've recently retired after 40 years of racing and I'd like to add another perspective. Early in my career I was very much like he said: An occasional conversation at a social and other than instructing at Drivers Schools, not much else. Later in my career I tried most of the different workers positions, finding them to be everything from boring to downright exhausting. I don't know how they do it! I'm just glad they do. We can't play without them. So Randy is right - get out there and try some of the different jobs. Find out how the other half lives. You will

really appreciate what they do. Thank you SCCA workers! Van McDonald

THE NEW PRO

I enjoyed the Q&A featuring Robert Clarke [January 2015 issue]. I don't think it's any secret that SCCA Pro Racing has had dark times, and has not always been a favorite with Club members, but seeing someone of his stature join the team offers confidence that Pro will stay on the right path, making a product that Club members can be proud of, and keep them financially viable. I will be very interested in what kind of plans he comes up with to help grow the Club, and how he activates these plans in the years to come.

Jeff Anderson

BACK TO SCHOOL

It's almost a contradiction, but competition Drivers Schools these days seem to teach little about actual racing. Don't get me wrong, they try to impart the finer points of car control and situational awareness, but you are hard pressed to find one that will teach you race craft. One might argue that race craft is something that comes from experience, but most of these instructors are pros (or at least very experienced racers) and should have that experience to share with the students. The on-track school of hard knocks can be frustrating, and costly in other ways. I was delighted to see the driver coaching directory in the January SportsCar, this may be exactly what I am looking for - a chance to get one-on-one training with a top level active racer.

Nicholas Sullivan

MEETING THE CHALLENGE

It was a very exciting year as an SCCA Pro Racing Pirelli World Challenge fan; both the GT and GTS classes raised the bar to an incredible new height. The inclusion of the FIA cars, and the seemingly timely errors by other sanctioning bodies, stoked the fires. As World Challenge seemed to once be a steppingstone to other series, it is now a destination. And with even more manufacturers looking to utilize the FIA GT3 cars in 2015, I think the racing will be better than ever.

It was revealing reading in the January issue that Touring Car winner Michael DiMeo could put such a hurting on the Touring Car field, yet could not afford to attend all the races. Very interesting, and yet a great story in that he managed what racers always seem to do, and put together a great season despite funding setbacks.

Jayson Beck



WINNING SEASON
DiMeo did what racers do to make it work.

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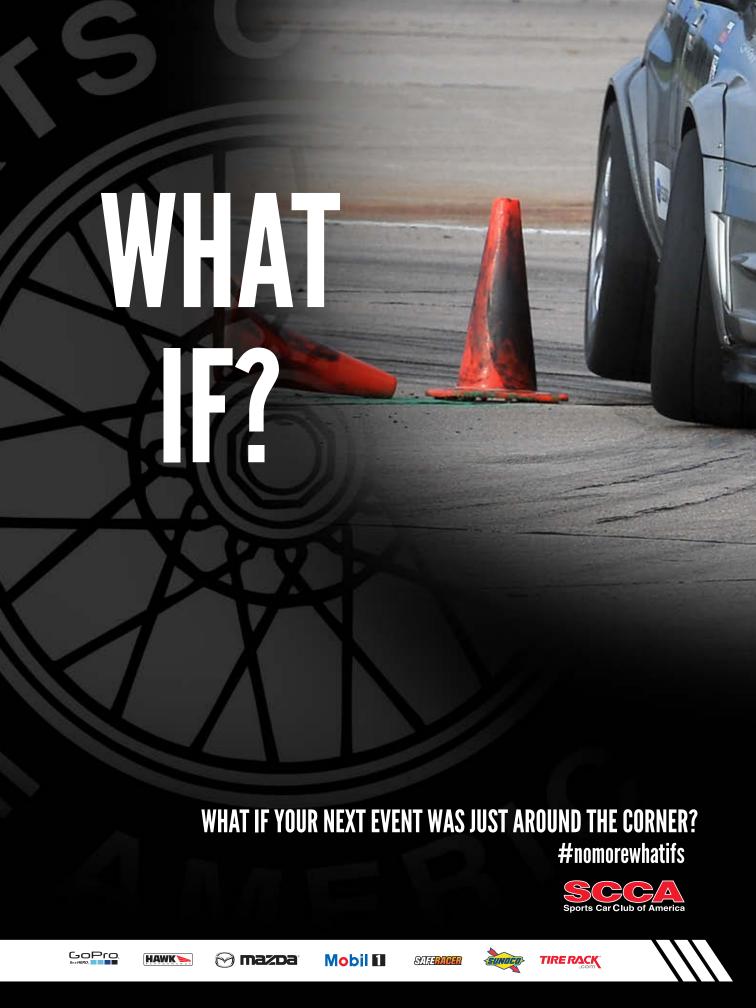


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You are not alone

Preseason prep is something everyone struggles with. Well, I assume they do. I struggle, so it makes me feel better to believe everyone else does, too. We Band-Aid our competition vehicles during the season to get us through, possibly even wearing those Band-Aids to the Tire Rack Solo National Championships, National Championship Runoffs, or RallyCross National Championship, swearing we'll rip the car apart once we

My trailer brakes started giving up the ghost at the end of 2013, and my Band-Aid for that was to buy a bigger tow vehicle"

survive the big event. Then the next season sneaks up on us. At least. it does for me - again and again.

This race season is no different. I'm not sure whether you're aware, but SportsCar magazine is published out of Irvine, Calif., not Topeka, Kan., which houses the SCCA National Office. The significance of this for me is that I come back from competing at the Runoffs in time to assemble the Solo Nationals and Runoffs issues of the magazine, jump into the Pro Racing wrap-up issue, and then I'm left with nearly one month to prep my racecar for the opening races in January. There's no inclement weather in my neck of the woods, so we race year-round.

On top of that, I've also been fighting trailer issues. My trailer brakes started giving up the ghost at the end

of 2013, and my Band-Aid for that was to buy a bigger tow vehicle that could handle the load in the event the trailer brakes really did let me down. Then 2014 came and went and (you guessed it) I still haven't completely resolved my trailer brake issues. I picked and prodded a little, and the brakes do work, yes indeed, but they don't grab as well as they used to. However, a bigger hammer (the new tow vehicle) solved the problem for the time being, so I peddled on without solving the real issue.

Maybe your problem isn't trailer brakes. Perhaps it's a waning trailer hub that spews grease as soon as you pull out of the driveway. That's a far from ideal situation and can lead to major problems down the road. And (you guessed it) one of the hubs on my trailer does that. Maybe the leakage is related to my trailer brake problem. You think? My plan is to look into that once I find some spare time.

So, while as the editor of SportsCar I had a major hand in the creation of this month's issue, I find half of the features annoying because the racecar prep story on pg. 42 and tow vehicle and trailer story on pg. 34 remind me of everything I intended to do but never did. Now the 2015 season is under way. I'm sure the majority of you know exactly how I feel.

My point is, you're not alone. We're all doing our best. To be honest, I am going to track down my trailer brake issue and service the trailer hubs very soon - safety is, after all, priority one - and I'll do it right after the race this weekend.



YEARS AGO...

- **MARCH 2005**
- All of the news was about the Runoffs moving to Heartland Park Topeka for 2006. The city of Topeka approved \$5 million to repave the entire course.
- In the racecar buyers guide, a new SRF body design was being shopped. It featured sleek lines, vented front fenders, and a rear wing.

EARS AGO...

MARCH 1995 • The safety buyers guide



- included the latest in in apparel and helmets, and went on to cover the forthcoming Snell SA-90 helmet rating in detail.
- · We saw the first part of author Ron Lindensmith's ITA to EP conversion of his 1987 Toyota MR2 - a car that started life in Showroom Stock.



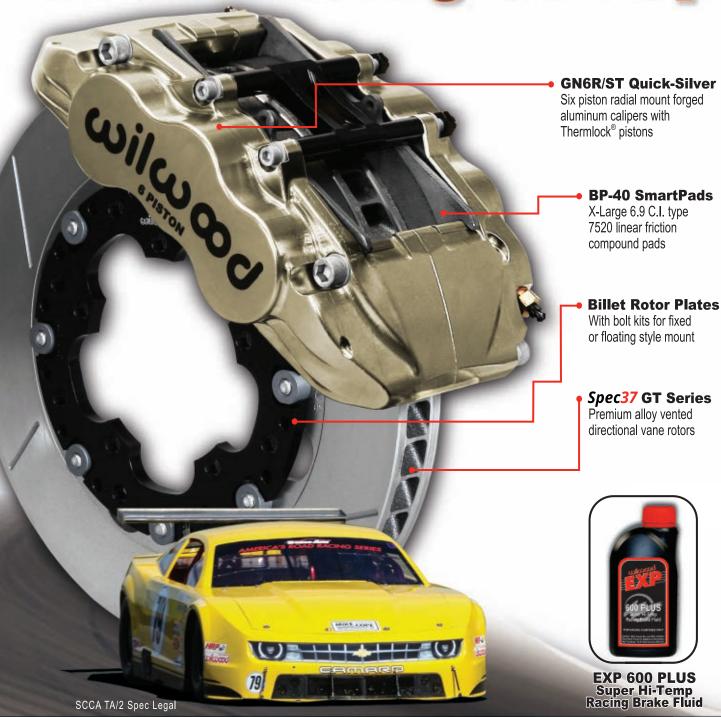
30 YEARS AGO... MARCH 1985

- Bill Mitchell penned an insightful interview with BFGoodrich Tires insiders, covering many aspects of DOT tires in competition.
- The Playboy United States Endurance Cup Series was all the rage; we had extensive coverage of the classes and cars that would race in 1985.



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