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Thanks to everyone who came out to the Mill Race Banquet Center at Winton Woods last month. It was great to revel in the glory of our big success at Mid Ohio and enjoy region provided appetizers and the fine bar service offered by the friendly MRBC staff.

Just when it looks like things are winding down a little along comes a storm called the Solo Program. Andy and the Solo Committee are working hard to put on some great events. I was not there, more on why later, but I heard the Solo Trailer Work Party was a huge success. Big turnout, big plans and improved capabilities. By the time you read this the first event of the second '08 season of Cincinnati region Solo at River Downs will be in the books and from what I have heard the solo trailer has been rewired, all the equipment has been cleaned-up, and just made to operate considerably more efficiently. Come out and join a great bunch of people having fun with cars.

Our Solo Committee continues to look for more sites for events. If you know of a large lot that has possibilities please get in contact with Andy Stanford (see contact info in sidebar) and let him know how you can help.

Later in September, on a different front, is the Volkswagen/Porsche Reunion '08 to be held September 28<sup>th</sup> at G.E. Park just north of I-275 on S.R. 747 in the Tri-County area. Brian Walker is again heading up the Cincinnati Region display. Please come out to see the cars and spend a little time helping to spread our message at the booth.

If you would enjoy the planning process for the 2009 road race season, you're in luck. We are very fortunate to have our region to the north Western Ohio (WOR) organizing the event that will take place at the Holiday Inn Prestige Plaza at I-75 and S.R.725 (Exit 44 Miamisburg/Centerville). Your chance to get involved in the making of the schedule is this November 1, 2008.

I have saved the best for last. Our region has an exciting future as the Bluegrass Motorsports Club and Road Course comes on line next year offering tons of close by opportunities for motorsports events. We are approaching the time we elect our new officers and we would love to see some new people step in to offer their ideas and talents. Please discuss any position you may be interested in with our nominating chair Claire Frimming and/or Todd Cholmondeley who is assisting or anyone on the current BOD. It is really a great way to add more to your SCCA experience and we have a large number of positions to fill. Unfortunately one of those is Treasurer as Rick Barger has resigned that post after 5 years of providing his expertise to that position. Thanks to Rick for doing such a great job for the region.

See you Tuesday at the beautiful Mill Race Banquet Center!

Bill Jr.

**Next Newsletter**

**Deadline:**

**Tuesday, October 7**

Send articles to Jill and Allen Tomey at  
jtomey@cinci.rr.com

**Minutes of the August 19, 2008  
Meeting of the Cincinnati Region  
Sports Car Club of America**

Board members in attendance were Bill Niemeyer Jr., E.B. Lunken, Rick Barger, Chipp Swindler, Jerry Cabe, Doug Dudley, Kurt Niemeyer and Brian Walker. Also in attendance was Andy Stanford.

The meeting was called to order by Bill Niemeyer Jr.

On the motion of Jerry Cabe, with Brian Walker seconding, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Rick Barger presented the treasurer's report, and his resignation from the board. Doug Dudley moved, with Chipp Swindler seconding, that the report be approved through transactions as of July 31, 2008. With Bill Niemeyer Jr., Jerry Cabe, and Kurt Niemeyer abstaining, the motion failed. On the motion of E.B. Lunken seconding, and Chipp Swindler voting no, the report was tabled.

Brian Walker told the board that the Volkswagen/Porsche Reunion '08 is September 28 at GE Park. On the motion of Kurt Niemeyer, with E.B. Lunken seconding, the board approved spending \$15 for space at the event.

Jerry Cabe distributed the race report, for Todd Cholmondeley. The official car count was 181, with 175 drivers posting times on Saturday, and 171 on Sunday. As IRL will have our weekend next year, Todd is working with Truesports to secure a date for 2009.

Kurt Niemeyer gave the PDX report. There were 185 entries. More information will be provided at the next meeting.

Andy Stanford gave the solo report. The next event is September 7 at River Downs.

On the motion of E.B. Lunken, with Jerry Cabe seconding, the meeting was adjourned.

# ***Makin' Tracks***

## **The Bluegrass Road Course Update**

Kurt Niemeyer, Bluegrass Motorsports Club and Road Course

The Bluegrass Road Course on Rt. 127 in Northern Kentucky is taking shape nicely. Construction is in high gear and the track is easily discernible amidst the rolling terrain of Gallatin County. The geologic study revealed that the remnants of the Archaic Era had previously been displaced and primarily the surface was the result of the Pleistocene Era. With the famed Kentucky limestone very near the surface a solid foundation is available for the new track. Limestone also offers exemplary drainage characteristics that will help the track stay in place and minimize disruptions to the surface. With the natural drainage of this area, only a mile from the Ohio River, the efficient run off of rainwater will aid wet weather competition.

The machinery has been moving roughly 15,000 cubic yards of dirt daily to delineate the track and paddock areas. The spectator mounds have taken shape, the front straight and pit lane are easily identifiable, the undulating "esses" can be seen as can a selection of hairpins, switchbacks and the banked "Monza" turn. The amount of elevation change will be a signature aspect of Bluegrass Road Course as it winds across the property. A wide variety of turns, fast and slow combined with the up hill and down dale sections will challenge each driver.

The construction is right on schedule with paving planned for this autumn in preparation for a spring 2009 opening. Interest amongst racing and many car and motorcycle groups has been tremendous with a wide variety of events scheduled. Many of you belong to marque clubs that are planning events at Bluegrass and of course the Western Ohio Region will be hosting the WOR Games Regional race there in September 2009. Get on board now, contact me at [Kurt@drivebluegrass.com](mailto:Kurt@drivebluegrass.com) with questions about memberships and event rentals.

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## **Membership Report**

374 Members as of 09-01-2008

By: Jerry Cabe

**Volkswagen / Porsche Reunion '08**  
**Car Show & Swap Meet**  
**September 28, 2008**  
 Open to all years - Air and Water Cooled  
 G.E Park  
 (located on State Route 747, just off I-275 Cincinnati, Ohio)

**Car Registration \$15.00\***  
**Swap Spaces \$15.00\***  
**Spectators \$5.00**  
**Kids 12 & Under Free**  
 \* Includes two Admissions

**AWARDS**  
 Top 40 VW  
 Top 20 Porsche  
 Best Of Show  
 Best Paint  
 Best Interior  
 Best Daily Driver

**DAY OF EVENT**  
 7:00 A.M. Swap Meet Set Up  
 8:00 A.M. Car Show Registration Opens  
 9:30 A.M. Gates Open for Spectators  
 1:00 P.M. Registration Closes  
 3:00 P.M. Awards Ceremony

Camp with us the previous night  
 Call for camping reservations  
 513-861-9112



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For Additional Information visit [www.CincyVWClub.com](http://www.CincyVWClub.com)

Doesn't this sound like fun???

To volunteer  
 to help Brian Walker  
 host an SCCA display table  
 call him at (513) 519-3876  
 or just show up!  
 All help is appreciated!

## Cincinnati Solo

Andy Stanford, Solo Chair

The fall season is here, finally! By the time you read this, the September 7<sup>th</sup> Solo event will be in the bag, and we will all be getting ready for the 21<sup>st</sup>. Check the website for all the results.

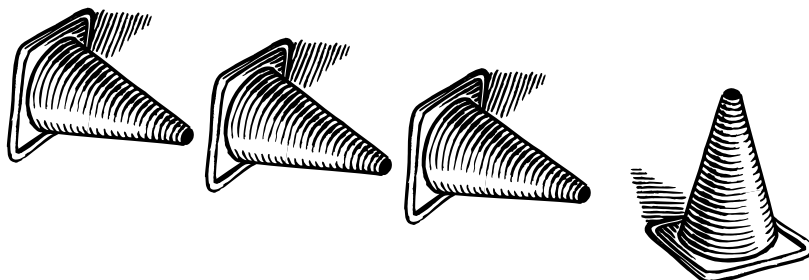
Now for the BIG NEWS:

At the Recent OVR Governor's Cup in Columbus, the Cincinnati Region DOMINATED! Our own rookie, Tom O'Gorman, won the Governor's Cup on Sunday afternoon, and Bryan Shafer grabbed second overall, and dominated his class (SS). Paul Williams also won A Stock on both days, easily defeating the competition. Also, Tom took top PAX honors. Wow guys, way to go! I am still waiting for the official results from OVR, but as of this printing, all I can get is the preliminary results. Check out the OVR website for more details. A big round of applause for our guys, going on the road, and bringing home the gold!

Thanks to everyone who showed up at the Trailer Cleaning Party. You know who you are! The Solo trailer got new carpeting, and a much needed cleaning. Thanks once again to Dennis Barnes, the "Keeper of the Trailer" for all his work - we couldn't do it without you!

There is still a lot of Solo to come, September 21<sup>st</sup>, at River Downs, and two more races in October, also at River Downs. The year-end Points Championship is heating up! Be sure to sign up early, as we are having large turnouts and GREAT Fall weather. See you there!

Come by the online forum to say hello. Follow the links to the Solo page and the forum at [www.cincyscca.com](http://www.cincyscca.com). There are always lots of friendly folks to chat with, answer questions, give advice, etc. Come join the fun!



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Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 16th  
at Mill Race Banquet Center on W. Sharon Road  
west of Winton Rd. in Winton Woods

## Coming A-TRACK-tions

### September

- 7 - Solo Points Event #5, River Downs
- 16 - Monthly Meeting 8:30 pm
- 21 - Solo Points Event #6, River Downs
- 28 - Volkswagen/Porsche Reunion Car Show & Swap Meet, GE Park

### October

- 5 - Solo Points Event #7 Cincy/WOR, River Downs
- 19 - Solo Points Event #8, River Downs
- 21 - Monthly Meeting 8:30 pm

### November

- 1 - GLD Round Table
- 18 - Monthly Meeting 8:30 pm



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