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## RE-Port

By Regional Executive, David Santel

Happy New Year to everyone! I hope everyone had a great holiday season. With the mad rush now behind us, it's time to set our sights on 2011. By the time you have this edition of the CinChronizer in your hand, we'll have already had our booth set up at the Cavalcade of Customs. Additionally, we will again have a booth at the Cincinnati Auto Expo this year, and as always, we need your help! Speaking from personal experience, it's a ton of fun helping out at the show. You get to meet lots of people who are interested in becoming members of our club. On top of this, free admission to the show never hurts! Please try to set aside some time this year to pitch in with promoting our club at the expo as it's our biggest recruiting opportunity of the year!

Myself and our new membership chair, Todd Cholmondeley, are excited to be attending the 2011 SCCA National Convention this year. If it's anything as exciting as last year's, we will both have plenty of great news and fresh ideas to report on when we return, so stay tuned for more info!

Finally, don't miss out on what is shaping up to be a great season of racing in our region. Our region is cooperating with neighboring regions now to help everyone raise the level of their club racing and PDX programs. Additionally, our new solo chairs Shari McCoy and Nathan Roberts have put together a preliminary Solo schedule that promises to keep you busy smacking cones all summer long!

Everyone stay warm through the winter months, and as always -

Make it easy! Make It Fun!

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# FASTRACK NOTES

BY JERRY CABE

At the end of each year, the SCCA Board of Directors and other Committees make several changes to rules, procedures, and personnel, and these changes are published in FasTrack. I've tried to pull out some of the more important/significant items from the January edition and summarize them here. If you want more in depth info, or to read the whole FasTrack, you can find it on the national website at [www.scca.org](http://www.scca.org).

## BOD and CRB Actions

The BOD is looking into a 2-year renewal cycle for membership and competition licensing.

They have done away with the speciality National Administrators (NA) and expressed thanks to the individuals who have served. Wayne Briggs from Cincy Region has been the NA for Sound.

Approved TTAC annual awards to be presented at the annual convention.

There is discussion of SCCA involvement in Austin for the Formula One event (maybe a Flagging road trip coming?).

Noise regulations at tracks becoming an OSHA concern, primarily directed toward workers.

Approved creation of Spec MX-5 as a regional class. This is Club Racing version of the SCCA Pro MX-5 Cup car that includes sealed engines.

Proposing for Showroom Stock that vehicle eligibility for 2012 be reduced to 11 years, and that for 2013 down to 10 years. The pendulum swings.

Expanding Rationals (combined regional and national event), but each requires BOD approval. Of which they just approved 14, none in GLD.

The 2011 Tow Fund will be \$15 per event payable to the top three in each class in each division. This is a fund paid into by all drivers at each National event to support travel expenses for attending the Runoffs.

Approved to allow Midwestern Council of Sports Car Clubs (MCSCC) novice permits to participate in SCCA events, as well as the already permitted Full Competition Licensed drivers. This will most likely show up at Gingerman and Grattan races within the GLD.

## Other Items

Spec Miata can now legally remove all components of the airbag system, and the horn.

S2000 can add the Mazda MZR engine, as well as a fifth forward gear (the gear involves a 25 # weight increase).

Club Racing Contingency Program for 2011 has been posted on the national website. I don't see anything for Rally or Solo yet. But there is \$\$\$ and other awards out there but you must follow the specific contingency requirements.

The CRB is requesting input on a minimum weight for DSR (any thoughts Barney/Wayne/Jason???)

The SEB has made these changes that might impact some of our Solo participants.

Added: GS Pontiac G5 GT (2.4L) ('07-08)

HS Ford Fiesta ('11)

Mazda2 ('11)

Pontiac G5 (2.2L) ('07-08)

And finally, it looks like Tony Horning can get back into racing. SCCA is stepping up to participate in the multi-sanctioned body that is known as "B-SPEC" Showroom Stock Racing that includes the Honda Fit and Mazda 2.



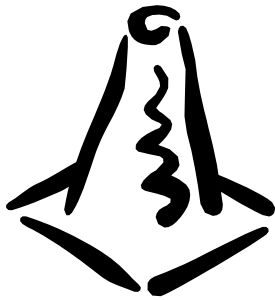
**THANKS TO ALL** who helped at the Cavalcade of Customs on January 8,9,10, 2011. Watch for details in the next issue.

**NEXT UP:** The Auto Expo on February 17-20,2011. We need videos to show, pictures for a slide show, back issues of sports car magazines that you don't want anymore and workers.

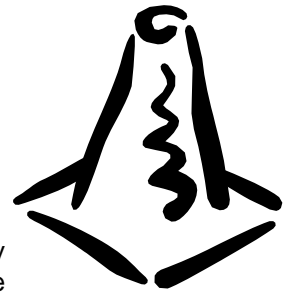
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**Contact Brian Walker to help out.**

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# Between the Cones



## Solo Report

By: Shari McCoy and Nathan Roberts

Happy New Year everyone! We hope everyone had a safe and happy holiday season! We are still in the process of working on the schedule for next season. Hopefully we will have all the details figured out soon so everyone can start planning for the 2011 season. Keep an eye on the website for up dates andfor the 2011 schedule when it becomes available. We can't wait for another season of autocross and look forward to seeing you all very soon!

### Great Lakes Division Regional Championship Series

Each year the various SCCA regions throughout the Great Lakes Division hold numerous National and Regional race events. The GLD drivers in the Regional events earn points toward the annual championship in the division called the Regional Championship Series. In 2010, the RCS Committee expanded the events that were eligible for inclusion in the RCS to include Restricted Regional events (like Cincy's IT/SPEC\*tacular). This allowed the competitors more potential opportunities to gain points. Because of the restricted regionals, some classes had as many as sixteen races in which to earn points, while some classes had less; either eleven, thirteen, or fourteen.

Throughout the division, there were many close and hard fought battles within certain classes. The Cincinnati Region was well represented by many drivers in the Regional Championship Series, several finishing very well, but all having a good competitive season. The regional drivers and their finishing position in their class are listed in the table.

DRIVER	PLACE	CLASS
RICK DEERWESTER	1ST	SM
JERRY CABE	6TH	SM
DAN RUGGIERO	8TH	SM
DAVE HECHLER	9TH	SM
TEX MELOTTI	12TH	SM
TIM SOUTH	TIE 40TH	SM
RODNEY SIZEMORE	TIE 42ND	SM
DAVE BIRCHFIELD	10TH	ITS
BILL NIEMEYER, JR.	9TH	ITA
DAVID RUGGIERO	25TH	ITA
BILL STEVENS	7TH	ITB
ELLIOTT BAVELEY	9TH	ITC
BARNEY POWERS	8TH	DSR
JASON BRIGGS	9TH	DSR
GREG CROSLEY	3RD	S2000
STUART MULLAN	9TH	SRF
PAUL RUSS	11TH	SRF
TIM FLOYD	1ST	FE
STEVE JENKS	4TH	FM
JOE FISHER	3RD	FF
DOUG SEIM	3RD	FST
DAVE BLEVINS	4TH	FST

The GLD Regional Championship Series for 2011 is shaping up to be an even more competitive series. Restricted Regional events will again count toward points, and if the tentative schedule from the Roundtable holds, we could have classes with up to 21 races counting toward the championship.



**The Membership Chairman is looking** for a couple of "go between's" to help with the solo and road racing programs. Obviously Todd can't be everywhere and needs volunteers to keep track of things when he isn't around. The duties include helping the new members that aren't familiar with how things work like " entering events, where to go, who to ask, etc....." at solo's and road races. Please contact Todd Cholmondeley at [tefkatt@aol.com](mailto:tefkatt@aol.com) if interested.

**Feb 8th 7:00 pm PDX & Race committee meeting  
to be held at Max & Erma's 3855 Hauck Rd. Sharonville, OH. 45241**

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Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 18th  
 at Mill Race Banquet Center in Winton Woods at 8:00 pm.

## Coming A-TRACK-tions

### January

- 15 - Annual Banquet
- 18 - Monthly Meeting at 8:00 pm

### February

- 8 - PDX & Race Committee Mtg  
 7 pm Max & Erma's Sharonville
- 15 - Monthly Meeting at 8:00 pm
- 17 - 20 Auto Expo Convention Center

### Club Racing & Time Trials in the Great Lakes Division

Scheduled events in the Great Lakes Division for 2011. This is a tentative schedule and you should check the website ([www.greatlakes-scca.org](http://www.greatlakes-scca.org)) to verify exact dates, restrictions, and find additional info.

#### National Club Races

May 28-29	WMR/FTW @ Grattan	Double National
June 11-12	OVR/CIN @ Mid-Ohio	Double National
July 2-3	NEO @ Nelson Ledges	
July 9-10	SBR @ GingerMan	

#### Regional Championship Series

May 21-22	WOR @ Mid-Ohio	Double
June 11-12	OVR/CIN @ Mid-Ohio	Single/Restricted
June 18-19	Indy @ O'Reilly (Oval)	Double/Restricted
July 2-3	NEO @ Nelson Ledges	Single/Restricted
July 9-10	SBR @ GingerMan	Single
July 23-24	WMR @ Grattan	Double
July 30-31	CIN @ Mid-Ohio	Double/Restricted
Aug 20-21	NEO @ Nelson Ledges	Double/Restricted
Sept 3-4	OVR @ Mid-Ohio	Double
Oct 8-9	OVR @ Mid-Ohio	Double
Oct 22-23	Indy @ O'Reilly	Double
Oct 29-30	NEO @ Nelson Ledges	Quad

#### Time Trials

May 20	WOR @ Mid-Ohio	PDX
June 3	DET @ Waterford Hills	PDX
July 29	CIN @ Mid-Ohio	PDX
Sept 2	OVR @ Mid-Ohio	PDX
Oct 22-23	Indy @ O'Reilly	PDX

#### Competition License Driver School

May 7-8	GLD @ Nelson Ledges	Double
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