### **DECEMBER 2014**



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**HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!** Only our little part of the country can go from record snowfall and low temps before Thanksgiving and then climb right back to the 60's! Who still has leaves to pick up?! Haha!

Thank you to everyone that made it out to our general meeting last month! We had a nice turnout for our annual elections and we were able to see some new and old members we have not seen in quite awhile!

We have some more position updates for the region! **Bryan Walker** is taking over our vacant Membership Chair position. This will be in addition to his many other hats of Asst. R.E., Car Shows/Promotions, ...... Also, **Chase Heikkila** is taking over the PDX/Time Trial Chair for our IT Spectacular. These are going to be some very busy men!

Since we do not have a General Membership meeting in December, our next big event is the **Annual Awards Banquet** in January! Mark your calendars for **Saturday JANUARY 17<sup>th</sup>** at the **Mill Race** 

**Banquet Center.** The event flyer with registration information is included in this issue. Please register **ASAP** so we can get an accurate count for the catering! As always, this will be our best socializer of the year! Also, if you have items you would like to donate as door prizes for the banquet, please contact **Bryan Schafer** or **Christy Graham** (contact info on first page), we appreciate ALL donations!

Finally, I hope you have a safe and happy holiday season with your family and friends! It has been a busy 2014 in the **Cincinnati Region SCCA** and the coming year will have even more automotive activities! See you at the Awards Banquet!

Thanks Tony Brown

"If everything seems under control, you're just not going fast enough" - M. Andretti







#### By: Nathan Roberts and Shari McCoy

The 2014 season is completed and we would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who participated in solo events this year. 2014 was a great season and we are eagerly anticipating 2015.

We are currently planning to hold **2 safety steward training** sessions in the off season, if you are interested in becoming a safety steward please contact us so we can keep you updated on the dates for this training. We are in the process of working on the schedule for the upcoming season, a season which will feature

**3 National Events**, a joint event with **OVR** and our normal local events with test and tunes, points events and a fun event.

We would like to also take this time to thank everyone who volunteers and helps make the events run well and the season come together. Without your help we would not be able to have such a wonderful autocross program. Congratulations to all of the **2014 season champions** we look forward to seeing you at the banquet in January. Thank you to everyone who helped to make 2014 an amazing year!

## 2015 tentative solo schedule

4/19- Test and Tune- Wilmington Employee Lot 5/9- Starting Line School- Wilmington Employee Lot 5/10- Points Event #1- Wilmington Employee Lot 5/23- Test and Tune- Wilmington Pad 5/24- Points Event #2- Wilmington Pad 5/29-5/31- Pro- Solo- Wilmington Pad 6/14- Points Event #3 (divisional event)- Wilmington Employee Lot 6/28 or 7/5- Host event for Subaru- Turfway Park 7/12- Points Event #4- Turfway Park 7/26- Points Event #5- Turfway Park 7/31-8/2- Pro-Solo- Wilmington Pad 8/14-8/16- Championship Tour- Wilmington Pad 8/23- Points Event #6- Wilmington Pad (or Employee lot on 8/30 if they will not allow use of the pad on the 23) 9/20- Points Event #7- Wilmington Employee Lot

- **10/4-** Points Event #8- Wilmington Employee Lot
- **10/18-** Make up date/fun event- Wilmington Employee Lot



# 2014 SOLO Class champions

- BSP Kumar Visalingam DSP William Bucknor XP Evan Frank SSR Brian Schafer STF Robert Tomlinson STS Paul McClurg STR Josh Romanowski STX Takuto Takagi SO Aaron Gastrich ST Scott Bitzer MO Dustin Hartman STO Nathan Roberts
- Xpro Tim Viars

## Congratulations to all the trophy winners, See you at the Banquet !



## **Race Chair Report**

#### By Jerry Cabe

Cincy Region's 2014 Club Race is beginning to firm up with a flurry of activity by the Race Committee members. As a reminder, we have scheduled two race events in 2015. June 12-14 at the National Corvette Museum Motorsport in Kentucky and August 8-10 at Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course. The race committee has voted to propose that both events would be full-class double-regional events. This means that we will be going away from the Improved Touring and Spec class groups that we have catered to for the past several years. This is being done in an attempt to be more inclusive to our membership. Please keep these dates in mind as you plan your 2015 racing/volunteering schedules.

LATE BREAKING NEWS – Because of a Mid-Ohio scheduling change, the Ohio Valley Region event previously scheduled for August 29-30 at Mid-Ohio, has been rescheduled for July 18-19 at Mid-Ohio.





## **CAR SHOW**

The **Cincinnati Region SCCA** will be having our membership booth set up at the **Duke Energy Center** on **February 18-22 2015**.

We need your help to help pass out 2015 schedules and membership information. Entry is free for SCCA Members but you need to contact Brian Walker at briax7@yahoo.com to sign up.

We also have a 120' X 12' space we need to fill with member cars. If you have a car we can display, contact Brian.



## DEJA VUE

Just recently I was taken back to a day in the early nineties when WE had a Pro-Solo right next to the Roebling bridge, Downtown Cincinnati. We had summer heat and rain, but in the end it was still a big success for our region. **Ray Thomas**, one of our own, drove his 1984 Corvette and finished in the top four, but it never would have happened without the folks who set up the event. People like **Rick**, **Todd**, **Karen, Dennis, Joe, Kathy, David, Patty** and **John.** That was the team that kept the Solo program moving, set up, run, tear down, enjoy it and Do it again. It was new and exciting. Some of these members went on to club and pro race, some help run things and others to specialties all around the motorsports community.

Fast forward three decades and I had the privilege to be in the company of a group of people after a long day of tearing down fencing after the final SCCA National Tour event at Wilmington. These people had spent a lot of their time to set up and make happen an event that put us in the national spot light. I would like to personally thank, Kent & Crissy Weaver, Brandy & Tavis Spencer, Matt Davis, Tom Giordano, Tim Viars, Pat & Erin Witte, Bryan Schafer, Brian Walker, Dennis Barnes, Takuto Takagi, Jim Ziesler, Chase Heikkila and Solo chairs Shari McCoy & Nathan Roberts.

I feel lucky to have been included once again in something this special. Enjoy your time together.





**Robert Tomlinson STF** 



Paul McClurg STS



Takuto Takagi takes the STX championship

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