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Happy February!! Here we are once again in the heart of another midwest winter and I don't know if I should be finding the snowshoes or putting on the sunscreen! Oh well, if we can believe what our groundhog weather prognosticators have recently told us, then we should all be able to get outdoors and put a fresh coat of wax on our vehicles very soon! And if the weather doesn't hold up, we still have some great events coming up where you can get your automotive mind out of the mothballs, our next monthly meeting on February 19th and the Cincinnati Auto Expo coming up soon after on February 21st-24th. If you would like to volunteer manning our Cincinnati Region-SCCA booth please contact Brian Walker, more details in this CinChronizer!

This past January was a busy month that kicked off with our booth at the Cavalcade of Customs down at the Duke Energy Center! Many thanks to all who helped out working the booth and helping spread the word of the SCCA and all that we have to offer. We also had our annual Awards Banquet at Dave & Busters. It was great seeing faces old and new for a great evening of food, fellowship and accolades! Congratulations to all of the year end award winners and special award recipients! I personally want to thank all of the sponsors that donated the outstanding door prizes and also the members of the super secret "we put on an awesome awards banquet" crew that rose to the occasion once again of making it a great banquet! If you weren't there, make sure to mark the date for 2014 when it is announced, this is one party you don't want to miss!

So winter is starting to wind down and it's about time to put this 2013 season in motion. Look in this issue of the CinChronizer for some great updates on events in all facets of our organization. And if you see an activity you haven't been involved in before but would like to try it out, come on down! This is YOUR club, enjoy it!

See you soon where the rubber meets the road,
Tony Brown

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

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2013 Club Race News

By Jerry Cabe

August is going to be a busy month at Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course. IRL and World Challenge will be there August 2-4, and the NASCAR Nationwide Series will make their inaugural appearance August 16-18. In between these two large spectator events, will be the Cincinnati Region's PDX, Club Trial, and IT/SPEC*acular on August 9-11. Members of the Race Committee have met with the Mid-Ohio Management to discuss the logistics of this "spectator sandwich". The Race Committee is working hard to plan for this event to be a resounding success, building off prior years.

The region's BoD approved the 2013 Club Race Budget. Most of the specialty chiefs have been contacted, a draft schedule is being reviewed, and drafts of the entry form and Supplemental Rules are being worked. A PDX/Club Trial focus meeting was planned for the February Race Committee meeting, but that meeting was postponed a week due to member availability and weather, so the info from that meeting is not available for this report.

The next Race Committee meeting is scheduled for March 4th at Rick's Tavern, 5955 Boymel Drive (just off Rt. 4) in Fairfield. All who wish to contribute are welcome.

Hey Guys - It's Car Show Time!

The 2013 Cavalcade of Customs is in the books and it was a great success. We handed out over 700 fliers and brochures to potential new members. This was accomplished by the dedicated people listed below. THANK YOU- Ron Boenitch, Jerry Cabe, Bob Cowie, Eric Schmidt, Ben Glazier, Mike Green, John Szabo, Claire Frimming, Kevin Coyne, Jeff Loewe, Jill Roeder, Colleen Cabe, Joe Witkowski, Robert Drake, Nathan Roberts, Sheri McCoy, Gary Rickelhoff and Bill Niemeyer. Without these people the club does not grow. We are so lucky to have such great volunteers in the Cincy Region. I'd also like to congratulate "THEE SHERI MCCOY" for her 11 referrals last year as described in Sports Car Magazine; she probably got the membership for free this coming year!

The 2013 Enquirer Media/ Cars.com AUTO EXPO is fast approaching on February 21-24 at the Duke Energy Center. We will have a 55 by 12 foot space on the main floor in-between the Lincoln and BMW booths. We are planning on having 4 cars and our SCCA Booth in this space. We have the cars, we just need the people! If you are available to help work the booth please contact me at briax7@yahoo.com. We need volunteers for all days. If you show your SCCA Membership Badge at the Exhibitor Registration desk on the ground floor you will get in for FREE. That's right FREE! You give your club some of your time and we give you a free car show. The Hours of the show are-

Thursday, February 21.....11:00am - 8:30pm
Friday, February 22.....11:00am - 9:00pm
Saturday, February 23.....10:00am - 9:00pm
Sunday, February 24.....11:00am - 5:00pm

Please help support the Cincinnati Region SCCA by attending the show and recruiting new members.

Have a great day,
Brian Walker

2012 Award Banquet

Jim Johnston Driver of the Year - Stephen Jenks
(aka National Driver of the Year)

In 1958, Jim Johnston became Cincinnati Region's first National Champion. The trophy is awarded each year to the Region's driver who has achieved the highest level of success in road racing (be it amateur or professional) of any Cincinnati Region driver.

The Ray Thompson Cup - Brian Frank
(aka Regional Driver of the Year)

Former Regional Executive and race driver, Ray Thompson established this trophy to recognize the achievements of our Regional drivers.



The Robert King Memorial - Patrick Witte.

Donated by Mrs. Robert (Liz) King in memory of her husband. This was first awarded in 1957, the oldest of our Regional awards. The King Memorial is awarded to the Region member who accumulates the most competition points from Cincinnati Region sanctioned competitive events (races, rallies and solos).



The Bert Hatfield Memorial Award - Jerry Cabe

This award was, for many years, given to a Cincinnati Region member who excelled in Timing & Scoring. After not being presented through much of the 1980's, the award was expanded to include all race-working specialties.



The Joel Williams Award - Brian Walker.

Joel Williams was a Cincinnati Regional Executive and a Chief of Timing & Scoring for many years. With this trophy, the current Regional Executive recognizes a member who has given exceptional service to Cincinnati Region over an extended period of time.



The Gordon B. Miller Trophy - Shari McCoy & Nathan Roberts.

This award was donated by the Gordon B. Miller Company, a supplier of trophies to the region. The award is given annually to the Region member who accumulates the most participation points in SCCA events.



Solo Rookie of the Year - Chris Donovan

This is awarded to a driver who has a distinguished rookie season as determined by the Solo Committee. This award is not presented every year.



Between the Cones

Solo Report

By: Shari McCoy and Nathan Roberts



Hello dear friends. As I write to you in these cold winter months I am reminded of how much I love racing or rather how I should appreciate it more during the racing season. Like many things in life we often don't appreciate the best things when they are readily available. Luckily, racing will always come back year after year but some things may not. In these frozen months with little to do it may be a good idea to reflect on all the great things that we have in our lives. From our favorite cars and race tracks to our closest friends and competitors. Sometimes you never know when they will be gone. This time of year is also a fantastic time to plan out this coming year. I find myself spending countless hours simply debating what tires will go on my car let alone further work on the car class changes and how much travelling we will do. As your plans begin to form and take shape so do ours. Our schedule is coming along quite nicely with more events at the Wilmington airport and the possibility of events larger than what we have seen in our region in recent years.

It is also at this time that I would like to thank everyone who came out to the Cavalcade of Customs and lent Brian a hand. I assure you that your hard work does not go unnoticed by Brian, the club or myself. I would also like to thank everyone who helped out with the banquet this year. It was a lot of fun and was great to see close friends together again. As always, thank you so much for making the solo program as successful as it is.



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Membership Report

Hi Everybody! Yes after a hiatus for the last few months the membership reports are back in the Cinchronizer.

Welcome to our newest members: Ralph Stevens, Charles Nigg II, Mike Valentine, Jon Hehemann and the Gruenwald Family (Bob, Ann, Stephanie, Christina & Michael). We are so glad you decided to join us. As many of you know from our January meeting, Banquet or in the February/March calendar blast there are some changes happening to the membership meetings. The February meeting will start at its usual 8 pm time, the March 19th meeting will start at 7 pm so that our guest speakers Shari McCoy, Nathan Roberts and Dennis Barnes can talk about autocross, course design and car prep for the upcoming autocross season. We will have another guest speaker 7 pm, April 16th. The membership meeting 7 pm, May 21st will be at Full Throttle Indoor Karting. So consider coming to a meeting and see what's going on in your club. And remember the Auto Expo Feb. 21st-24th at the convention center. Brian Walker can always use a helping hand with covering the SCCA booth.

Yours in the Sport,

Todd Cholmondeley
Membership Chairman



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Next Meeting: Tuesday, Feb. 19th at 8:00 pm
at Mill Race Banquet Center in Winton Woods

Coming A-*TRACK*-tions

February

19 - Monthly Meeting at Mill Race
21 - 24 Auto Expo

March

4 - Race Committee Meeting Rick's Tavern,
5955 Boymel Drive (just off Rt. 4) in Fairfield
19 - Monthly Meeting at Mill Race **at 7 pm**

April

16 - Monthly Meeting at Mill Race **at 7 pm**

May

21 - Monthly Meeting at **Full Throttle Indoor
Karting at 7 pm**



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