

# Checkpoint

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**RE-Marks**

Sleigh bells, ring can you hear them? It's the most wonderful time of the year! My isn't someone in a festive mode.

This issue will be a abbreviated version compared to the last checkpoint which had all of the year end results and standings. However there is still some important news to share, and alarms to sound.

First let share some news. I would like to introduce the Executive Board for 2005.

Your RE coming back for a second tour of Duty Kristin Tate. Stepping up to Assistant RE for his second year on the board is Stacey "Sir Mix-a-Lot" Despelder. Once again back by popular demand for what seems like the 6th time the dynamic duo Mike Burgess and Lisa Krueger. (News Flash rumor and word on the street is Mike has made the first move towards getting a email address. He has gotten a computer. Stay Tuned for more on this turn of the century breaking story) Also coming back like a bad penny (and worth about that much too) Dave Feighner. And then there was fresh meat. Two new members to the board but not strangers to the action in the club. Please welcome master of the fly rod and silver tongue, Bruce Richards. Also welcome aboard King of the Excel Spreadsheet and Dare Devil (he has driven Van-of-White) James Dimmick. Please come and meet these people and see what is in store for 2005 at the year end awards banquet January 8th.

Ice Runs are coming, Ice Runs are coming... if mother nature does her thing. Once again Tom Huddak has set up a schedule for Ice Runs for us to keep our reflexes sharp in the colder months. The first event is scheduled weather permitting January 9th which is the Sunday right after the year ends awards banquet.

See more information on the ice runs else where in this issue.

If you have been keeping track you will have noticed that I have mentioned the year ends awards banquet 3 times now. What you need to do is go to page 4 and sign up. Why? Because it is going to be a fabulous evening. Also we are giving away over 50 trophies. You have put the effort in to win the trophy. Now come and get recognized for your efforts. Besides there may be some special added attractions that you may not want to miss. Please mark your calendars now and plan on attending.

Well that's all the news the alarm is please come to the year end awards banquet. Just in case you missed that date...Saturday, January 8th.

This would conclude my years worth of RE-Marks. It has been quite a tour this year as leader of the band, or as one person engineer of the train wreck. Thanks for a good year. Best Wishes and Happy New Years and may Santa stuff your stockings with go fast goodies.

Dave  
RE2004 (one last time for fun)



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## Times Gone By

by Tom Hudak

### 30 Years Ago

October, 1974

Board nominations & the White Elephant Sale were scheduled for the Oct. General Meeting. Charles Raley made an arrangement with the Midland Goodyear Tire store, to give SVR members a Fleet Discount price on any tire in the Goodyear line. The "Bad River Blues" rally was won by Barb Lutzke & Jim Doidge. Kaye Rebney wrote about finishing the Sunriser 400 Pro Rally with Brian. The Annual Summer Picnic & Rally, organized by Mary Shelbrock & Barb Lutzke came off well in Sanford Park. The rally was won by Guy Light & Brian Rebney; 2<sup>nd</sup> to Judy McAlister & Jari Kludt. The wheelbarrow gymkhana was won again by Roger Suppes & Mary Shelbrock; & the 3-legged sack race was won by Jim Doidge & Judy McAlister.

### November, 1974

The Checkpoint cover picture of Bill Schmidt, Frankenmuth, in his Lola, was taken by Glen Baker. Other pictures by Glen were of the SVR auto display at Fashion Sq. Mall and the Octoberfest Rallye. Jim Miller & Jim Doidge were rallymasters for the Octoberfest event. Thirty-three cars participated in two classes. T. Hudak & R. Strohkirch won the "equipped" class of 10 cars; L. & J. Smith won the "unequipped" class. Eleven cars ran the Sugarloaf Shuffle III, Overnighter Rally to northern Mi. 1<sup>st</sup> went to T. Hudak & J. Kludt; 2<sup>nd</sup> to Ken & Carol VanCise. Gary Hays was the rallymaster.

### 20 Years Ago

October, 1984

SVR was taking Board nominations. Dave Hice & Paul Forwerck were in charge of the last SVR Solo II, at Saginaw Steering Gear on Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>. Thirty – two cars competed. Tom Nesbitt (53.990) edged Mann Papandreas (54.170) for 1<sup>st</sup> in AS. But Paul Forwerck in DS wasn't far behind (54.650). The Double Header Challenge Solo II would be on Oct. 20-21 in Ionia. Rallymaster Don Jekel planned the "To Seymour Easton--- Again?" rally for Oct. 20.

### November, 1984

New Board Members were Andy Klos, Jim Harrison, Larry Hall, Dave Hice, Paul Forwerck & Denny Rueter, R.E.. The Joint Board Meeting was held on Oct. 17 at the Das Michigan Haus. The next Cen-Div event would be the 1984 Roundtable in Kalamazoo on Nov. 10-11. Plans were being made to purchase a new timer; the Solo II program brought in about \$1096.00 during 1984. The MIPR '84 brought in about \$2700.00. The SVR Annual Banquet was scheduled for Jan. 5<sup>th</sup>.

### 10 Years Ago

Oct. /Nov., 1994

D & D were getting ready to "call it a year". They were ending their time as Checkpoint co-editors & getting ready to go racing. And Chris Pruett had tallied up his last set of index point totals. Mitch McGill thanked everyone for participating in the recent Solo II season & introduced the new board. Funds received from a recent "ride 'n drive" would help to pay for the van. Stacey Despelder wrote "It was a dark & stormy night...." at the Ionia Doubleheader Challenge. Rain, wind, steam, heat... all in the same day. Tom Hudak wrote about the St. Mary's Foundation Road Rally, held on Oct. 15. It was a fun day for all as the participants rallied from Saginaw to northern Mi. for the weekend.

Hello Ice Racing Fans!

Yes, it is almost that time of the year again. With a little cooperation from Mother Nature, we may be able to start the season earlier this year, but that remains to be seen. Currently, all of the events are scheduled to be run at the same site as last year, the Saginaw Bay, from Linwood Rd.. I did try for one event at Ross Lake, Beaverton, Mi., but that has not materialized, as of this writing. So, here are the tentative dates for the 2005 season.

January 9, Sunday      January 22, Saturday  
February 5, Saturday      February 19, Saturday  
March 5, Saturday as an alternate.  
Fee's will be \$25 for members and \$35 for non-members

As we get closer to the first date, I will send any updated information. Also, if anyone wants either to be a Safety Steward, or log an event to get your SS license, please contact me, Dave Feighner, or Bruce Richards

**Saturday, January 8, 2005  
Saginaw Valley Region  
Sports Car Club of America  
2004 Year End Awards Banquet**

The Davenport Inn  
3325 Davenport  
Saginaw, Michigan  
6:30 p.m. Cocktails      7:15 p.m. Dinner  
Awards to Follow  
Cost is \$24.00 per person      Cash Bar

**RSVP by January 1, 2005**



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Number Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Make Checks Payable to: **SVR SCCA**

Mail to: **Judy/Tom Hudak**

13806 Dice Road,  
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Selection: \_\_\_\_\_

Prime Rib of Beef (prepared med-rare) \_\_\_\_\_

North Atlantic Salmon \_\_\_\_\_

Baked Chicken Florentine \_\_\_\_\_

## December 2004

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	Christmas Day 25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

## January 2005

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4	5	6	7	Board meeting & Awards Banquet 8
Ice Run Linden 9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	Ice Run Linden 22
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SAGINAW VALLEY REGION  
SPORTS CAR CLUB OF AMERICA  
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
October 7, 2004

TIME: 7:30 PM

PRESENT: Mike Burgess, Lisa Krueger, Dave Feighner, Lorien Feighner, Mike Horning, Chris Pruett, Stacey Despelder, Kristin Tate and Sean Tate.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Dave Feighner at 7:37 PM. A motion was made by Mike Burgess, seconded by Chris Pruett to approve the minutes from the July meeting. Motion passed.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: 112 members plus 6 dual members.

TREASURER REPORT: Club is in the black. Need to invoice Detroit for usage of the PA system for their CENDIV event. Kristin Tate will send invoice to Rick Myers – Detroit Region Treasurer.

EQUIPMENT REPORT: Display now works. Van just needs gas and to be prepared for storage.

MERCHANDISE: Only 1 rulebook left.

SOLO RPT: Solo season now complete. Would like to look into getting the axware software system for Timing and Scoring for next season. Provide axware access information to Chris Pruett for demo for next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: Adam will continue as webmaster throughout 2004. Need to check with Adam on where hosting from. Sean Tate

BUSINESS: is being charged for hosting service through Interlan (this is service used by Dave Eggert when he served as webmaster). Not sure if Adam will continue as webmaster for 2005, need to look into getting new webmaster.

Lorien Feighner provided board with copy of proposed bylaw changes for review. Chris Pruett made a motion, seconded by Kristin Tate to put the proposed bylaw change to the membership for approval. Motion passed. If bylaw changes are approved by membership, the changes would become effective 1/1/2005.

NEW BUSINESS: Discussion of potential CENDIV split. Board made unanimous decision to officially oppose the split of CENDIV

BUSINESS: into two separate decision. Dave Feighner to contact Erik Skirmants with decision.

Need to look into becoming non-profit organization per SCCA guidelines.

Detroit region proposed having CENDIV events back to back to encourage those that want to vacation in Michigan the week between the events. Also proposed co-hosting event.

NEXT MTG: The next meeting will be held at Ponderosa in Alma on Thursday, November 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM.

ADJOURNMENT: There was a motion by Kristin Tate, seconded by Mike Burgess, to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Lorien Feighner, Secretary

SAGINAW VALLEY REGION  
SPORTS CAR CLUB OF AMERICA  
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
November 11, 2004

- TIME: 7:30 PM
- PRESENT: Mike Burgess, Lisa Krueger, Dave Feighner, Lorien Feighner, Mike Horning, Chris Pruett, Kristin Tate and Sean Tate.
- ABSENT: Stacey Despelder
- CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Dave Feighner at 7:43 PM. A motion was made by Kristin Tate, seconded by Chris Pruett to approve the minutes from the October meeting. Motion passed.
- MEMBERSHIP REPORT: No report. Kristin has not been receiving updated lists from National office.
- TREASURER'S REPORT: Club is in the Black. Doesn't include Barstow \$1000 deposit or last even fees to SCCA. Need to reimburse Raleigh & Velma Boreen for CENDIV trophy fund (paid at Roundtable). Sean Tate needs to get more checks. Kristin Tate to send invoice to Detroit Region for usage of the PA system for their CENDIV event. Sean to bring all treasurer records to December board meeting so that books can be audited.
- EQUIPMENT REPORT: Discussion of solar power battery tender. Chris Pruett to look into.
- MERCHANDISE: Only 2 rulebooks left. Will give as door prize at banquet.
- SOLO RPT: SVR received CENDIV Event of the Year for the 2004 season. 2005 Event Bid turned in a CENDIV meeting held prior to banquet.  
Demo of Axware Software to be provided at December Meeting. Kristin Tate to contact Steve Couture to see if he would be willing to provide demo. Otherwise Chris Pruett will load demo program on his laptop.  
Tom Hudak is working on Ice Runs. He is in process of checking with mayor of Beaverton to see if can run 1 event at Ross Lake. Chris Pruett made a motion, seconded by Mike Burgess, to charge the following Ice Run fees \$15 members, \$25 non-members. Motion passed.
- OLD BUSINESS: Adam will continue as webmaster throughout 2005. Dave Feighner to request statement to provide reimbursement of fees for 2005. Per Adam, he is being billed for web hosting. Need to stop fees from being charged from Interlan.  
Updated information pertaining to CENDIV split. Area 4 regions divided evenly in regards to support/opposition of split. Area 4 continuing to pursue incorporation.  
Kristin Tate to check with co-worker on obtaining proper tax status for region per SCCA guidelines.
- NEW BUSINESS: 2005 Election Results have been tallied. Elected Board Members for 2005 are Mike Burgess, Lisa Krueger, Stacey Despelder, James Dimmick and Bruce Richards. Bylaw change passed.  
Discussion of 2005 Region Dues and whether to change. Current dues are \$15 member, \$5 spouse, \$20 family. Chris Pruett made a motion, seconded by Lisa Krueger, to continue to charge same membership dues. Motion passed.  
Discussion of potential recipients of New Member and George Austin Awards.  
Received request from Brooks Byam for assistance for the 2005 SVSU Gran Prix. Will be held on a weekday after the SAE competition. Board felt that if same guidelines and format were used in 2004 event, that we would be willing to assist.
- NEXT MTG: The next meeting will be held at Feighner Household on Sunday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM.
- ADJOURNMENT: There was a motion by Chris Pruett, seconded by Kristin Tate, to adjourn the meeting at 8:42 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Lorien Feighner, Secretary

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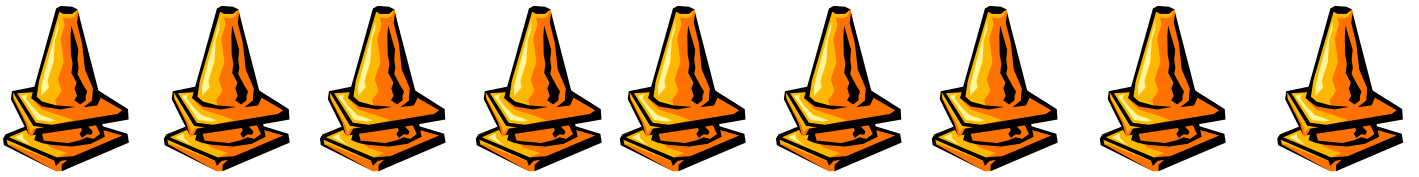
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