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The Checkpoint

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REport

Welcome to 2007. As you all know by now the year end awards banquet was one of the most attended and contested in quite a few years. Tom and Judy came up with a Western theme and the region members did not let us down. In fact so many people turned out in western wear that the was an award for the best cowboy and cowgirl...or at least salon girl. I guess that would make Mike Burgess and Lorien Feighner the first winners of 2007. Sorry folks the banquet is not a points event, but good try. On a more serious note the George Austin Award was given to Abby DuPreé. New Member was Chris Holm and the Most Improved driver was Jennie Roach.

Who wants to play in the snow? On February 10th you will get that chance to do just that. Doug Harvey and Stacey Despelder are setting up a Rallycross/Snowcross that will be in Crystal. See flyer on page 4 and register online on MyAutoEvents.com.

Sean Tate and his band of merry men and women on the solo board are hard at work setting up this years solo schedule. I hope to be able to publish a schedule in the next issue.

Next month also look for a report from the SCCA National Convention. I would expect to come back with some exciting details for the clubs plans for the future and also find out more about our new division the Great Lakes Division.

Thanks for your time DF RE2007



The Best Cow Poke Mike Burgess and the Saloon Girl Lorien Feighner



Your top 10 index Winners Stacey Despelder, Lisa Krueger, Mike Burgess, Lorien Feighner, Keith Roberts, Larry MacLeod, Sean Tate, Doug Harvey, Dave Feighner, Jarrod Hoops



George Austin Winner Abby DuPreé



Most Improved Driver Jennie Roach



The Boreen Cup Winner. Jarrod Hoops being captured for the reward by Lisa Krueger.

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40 Years Ago February, 1967

Jerry Salget was appointed the Membership Chairman. Tom Hudak became the Saginaw Area Rep. As part of the SCCA benefits program, everyone received a free copy of the J.C.Whitney catalog. Program Chairman Dave Flucke provided the film "History of Racing", from the SCCA film library. The Torch Light Ice Run was a success with 53 cars entered in the night time event at Ross Lake. Not only did Budd Ladd take first in class with his Saab, he also won FTD. Dale Collins took 2nd & Don Jekel 3rd, also in a Saab. Michigan Outdoors was to do television coverage of an ice run. The Club was working on the "Safe Driving on Ice" program for young drivers enrolled in driver training programs. SVR now had a few more than the required 50 members to be part of SCCA. Of those members, 31 were experienced corner workers, timing & scoring race officials; and 12 were licensed competition drivers, with 5 more entered into the next driver's school!

40 Years Ago March, 1967

A new group life insurance policy was available to Club members, as a result of the new SCCA affiliation. In "Pit Stop Prattle", Jarve Wickes wrote about a "to do list" for all of the potential Jimmy Clark race car drivers. Doug Eads continued to work on the "Safe Driving on Ic" program. Tom Hammond was about to leave for the Army for a 6 month tour of duty. Tom did a lot of the club trophy designs & the original Check Point covers.

30 Years Ago February, 1977

Terry Rueter was the new R.E.; Andy Tessler was the new "Checkpoint Scribbler". The current checkbook balance was \$940.61. The Ice Run schedule was finalized by Bill Huller for Ross Lake in Beaverton. Pete Lewandowski was looking for volunteers for the Snowdrift Pro Rally on Jan. 22nd at Grayling. The Barren Tree Boogie Rally took place on Nov. 14 was won by Grubaugh/Dominquez; 2nd to Reuter/Reuter. Bill Huller & Roger Suppes were the rally masters. The Return of the Snowman's Revenge on Dec. 12th was put on by Terry & Denny Reuter with John Thompson. It was won by Don & Barb Jekel; 2nd to Tom & Judy Bell. The Resurrection of Turkey Trot Rally was won by Jim & Barb Doidge with only 46 points; 2nd went to Brian Rebney & C.DuBois with 555 pts... Rally masters were Jim & B.J.Miller with Rich Strohkirch. The Midland Police Dept. reported that a "28-ounce Datsun was stolen. (It should have been a Datsun 280 Z.)

30 Years Ago March, 1977

"Being Attacked On the Ice", was written & published in the Checkpoint, by Diane Emerson after she & Daniel Larson participated in an SVR ice run! At the Jan.9th Ice Run, Chuck Fortino won the all wheel drive class in a Jeep. The next closest car was a full 5 seconds slower, out of the 35 car field. At the Jan. 29th Ice Run, Paul Lein won his class and fastest time of day in an Oldsmobile. Gary Hays was looking for workers for the 20 Stages Pro Rally in Grayling on May 21st. Guy Light was named the Cibie Driver of the Year for 1976.

20 Years Ago February, 1987

Larry Hall was the new R.E. for 1987. Tom & Judy Hudak were doing the Checkpoint. The SVR Awards Banquet was held at the Adam's Rib Restaurant in Midland. Glenn "Red" Beach was the guest speaker, who reminded us about the early days of SCCA, racing and partying with Martin Tanner. Guy Light & Paul Truess were dong a Pro Rally Car Preparation School on Mar. 29-29. The "Big Three" automakers in the U.S. reported that the most popular color for 1986 was white, followed by gunmetal blue. Denny Rueter was in charge of the SVR bowling party, scheduled for the Garden Lanes on March 15.

20 Years Ago March, 1987

For 1986, Raleigh & Velma Boreen received the George Austin Service Award and Denny Grenesko received the SVR new Member of the Year Award. Velma Boreen reported that the telephone survey results were not quite complete yet. Several new programs were available for General meetings in the future. Dick Topping would talk about the Milford Proving Grounds; the Annual White Elephant Sale in May; and a field trip to the restoration facilities of Bill Driest in July.

10 Years Ago February-March, 1997

New R.E. Norm Dively talked about repairing the club van & looking forward to a new Solo II season. Doug Leithauser of the Solo Board, talked up the first event, a Test & Tune to be held April 27 at Burt Watson Chevrolet, Freeland. New Member of the Year Award went to Sandra Dively. The George Austin Service Award went o Chris & Lorie Pruett & Brian Rebney. Dave & Lorien Feighner, Checkpoint Editors, profiled each of the new Board Members: N.Dively, service mgr. at Mr. Front End; C.Pruett, Computer Engineer, Fav.Car, '85 Ferrari GTO; Curt McGill, Electrician, Fav.Car, '71 Boss 351 Mustang; Brian Barnes, Mechanic, Fav.Car, GT40; B.Horning, Surgical Technician, Fav.Car, Viper; J.Hudak, Executive Secretary, Dow chemical. Fav.Car, Jaguar; M.Siniff, Domestic Goddess!, Fav.Car, Corvette.



SVR SCCA RallyCross

Date: February 10, 2007

Place: Crystal Motor Speedway

8315 Sidney E. Sidney Road

Crystal, Michigan 48818

Time: 08:30-9:30 Registration/Tech

09:45 Driver's Meeting

10:00 First Car Off

12:30 Lunch Break

01:30 Start Afternoon Runs

04:00 Finish/Results

Cost: \$30 Members \$40 Non-Members Contact: Doug Harvey 810-793-8173

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Large, smooth, grassy field with faster sections possible. Snell 95 or newer helmet & functioning seatbelts required.

Just East of flashing light @ Crystal Road & Sidney Road. Five miles north of M57 – Eighteen miles West of US127 (approximately 30 miles North of Lansing.



Above

Dave Feighner "the sheriff" talking to Steve Couture of MyAutoEvents and Tammie Denski, before the festivities begin.

Right

Todd Robins and Tom Hudak talking at the awards banquet.

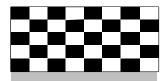
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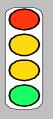
Many thanks go to Tom and Judy Hudak for taking the time to set up this years very successful banquet. They took extra time to get the gift cards and talk to Discount Tire for the certificates that were given away. Winners of the certificates from Discount tire where Kathy Harvey, Jon Redwine, Tammie Denski, Brenda MacLeod.





Sazinaw Valley Region SCCA 2007 Ice Runs

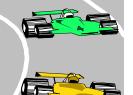




Tentative Schedule:

Sunday, January 14 canceled Saturday, January 27 canceled Saturday, February 10 Rallycross Saturday, February 24 Saturday, March 3 Saturday, March 10 (Alternate)





Location:

Linwood Rd., Public Boat Ramp Exit I75/U.S. 23 @ Linwood Road – Go East to end of road on to ice & turn left (north) to Ice Run site.

Registration: 9:00 a.m.

Cost: \$25 Member \$35 Non Member

Practice Runs: Until 11:00 a.m.

Timed Runs: 11:30 a.m.

Tech Inspection, Seat Belts & Helmets Required



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February 2007

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|----------------------|-----|-----|------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | | | | SCCA Convention 1 | SCCA Convention 2 | SCCA Convention 3 |
| SCCA Convention 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | Rallycross SVR Crystal MI |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | Valentines 14 | 15 | 16 | Rallycross DET Clarksville MI |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | Board Meeting 21 | 22 | 23 | Ice Runs tent. SVR Linwood MI |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | | | |

March 2007

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | 1 | 2 | Ice Runs tent. SVR Linwood MI |
| 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | Rallycross DET Fowlerville, MI |
| 18 | 19 | Inputs due for next checkpoint 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 |

SAGINAW VALLEY REGION SPORTS CAR CLUB OF AMERICA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES December 9, 2006

TIME: 2:00 PM

PRESENT: Steve Munsell, Chris Pruett, Mike Burgess, Lisa Krueger, Dave Feighner, Lorien Feighner, Stacey

Despelder, Jarrod Hoops, Dave Siniff and Sean Tate.

EXCUSED: Todd Robbins

ABSENT: David Redwine

CALL TO The meeting was called to order by Stacey Despelder at 2:34 PM. A motion was made by Lisa Krueger

seconded

ORDER: by Mike Burgess to approve the minutes from the November meeting. Motion passed.

MEMBERSHIP

REPORT: 106 members plus dual members.

TREASURER'S Club is in the Black. Received check from SVSU for SVSU Gran Prix. Includes payment to Showcase

REPORT: Mitsubishi for new exhaust for van and latest Checkpoint.

EQUIPMENT The van has had oil change, radiator flush, new exhaust and has been cleaned. License plate renewal

of \$65 is due

REPORT: in February. Need to contact Insurance Agent to change coverage on van to comprehensive only.

MERCHANDISE: Dave Feighner sent out several designs for the 40th Anniversary logo for feedback. Reviewed

options with Board. Dave will find prices to make stickers.

SOLO RPT: Doug Harvey will chair Ice Races. Sean needs to get more individuals on Solo Board. Sean will contact

individuals that ran for Board that were not elected to see if they would be interested in participating on

Solo Board.

OLD Stacey Despelder gave Judy Hudak list of possible gift ideas for banquet attendees.

BUSINESS: Dave Feighner proposed getting jackets for the class champions and plaques for non-class winners.

Cost for jackets with embroidery will be more than originally budgeted and approved by Board. Lisa Krueger made a motion, seconded by Steve Munsell to increase year end trophy budget to \$2500.00.

Motion passed.

NEW Board discussed 2007 Great American Solo Series and SVR Solo Series.

BUSINESS: Discussed proposal put to SCCA Board of Directors regarding requiring non-members to pay \$15 tem-

porary membership that would be good for 45 days in order to participate in Solo events. SCCA Board of Directors was to vote on proposal at meeting held on 12/9. Received update during meeting that the vote was tabled until the next Board of Directors meeting which will be held in February at the National

Convention.

NEXT MTG: The next meeting is scheduled for 5:00pm Saturday January 13th at the Davenport Inn in Saginaw.

ADJOURNMENT: There was a motion by Steve Munsell, seconded by Mike Burgess, to adjourn the meeting at

4:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Lorien Feighner, Secretary

> Next Board Meeting Saturday, February 21st, 2007 7:00 pm Alma, Michigan

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