

Saginaw Valley Region Sports Car Club of America

The CheckPoint

November - December 2019

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Board Minutes		Date: Saturday, January 11, 2020
Contacts		Location: Apple Mountain Resort, 4519 North River Road, Freeland, MI 48623
Gallery		
In The Marbles		\$20 for an adult
Member Happenings		\$5 for a child age 4-12
Pax Results		Free - children under age 4 (still need a headcount for them)
Results		Registration / payment to close on Saturday, Jan. 4, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time. Register on MAE
Solo Happenings		(http://www.myautoevents.com/pls/mae/frmEventDetail.Show?psevent_id=16881).
Times Gone By		



ICE RUNS

Ice runs are scheduled beginning Sunday, January 12 at Ross Lake in Beaverton. Pre-Register at My Auto Events – [MAE](http://www.myautoevents.com). See Page 4 for complete schedule and details.

For Sale: 2005 Mini Cooper S, Supercharged, 6 speed manual, 2 door hatchback, British Racing Green, 136000 miles, new tires, brakes, exhaust system & other items. Extra set of wheels w/ used Bridgestone RE71 tires. Good driver and fun to drive Mini. Asking \$5490.00, open to offers. Tom Hudak, 989-695-6141 tjhudak@tir.com.

Times Gone By by Tom Hudak

Information from old CheckPoints, courtesy of George Austin.

Information from old NEM Fifth Wheel publications, courtesy of bob & Bernie Madison, Joe Beaune and Ardie Stewart.

60 Years Ago December, 1959

(The issue that I have is from the "Fifth Wheel", Northeast Michigan Region of SCCA.) Results for the November Fox & Hounds Rallye were printed. Thirteen cars entered, eleven finished. George & Florence Austin of Saginaw finished 3rd in their VW Kharmin Ghia.

The Annual Awards Banquet was scheduled for December 12th at the Horizon Room of the Bishop Airport, Flint. Dr. Earl Kirschbaum, President of the Porsche Club, would be the guest speaker.

50 Years Ago November, 1969

SVR had three new members: Sally Ann Thompson, Robert J. Larson and Lyle D. Orr. Ballots were sent to all SVR members in good standing for the election of Board Members. Those nominated were Jim Miller, Bert Miller, Bill Main, Joan Fahlgren, Dennis Schatz, Bill Schmitt, Sterling Myers & Don Jekel. Three other nominees, declined. Area Four nominee Dave Moothart & wife Naomi were the guest speakers at the October General Meeting. R.E. Doug Eads wrote about a violation of SCCA National By-Laws, in our region. That is, alcoholic beverages are not permitted to be consumed prior to, or during an SCCA event, whether you are an entrant, worker or spectator. Chuck & Joan Fahlgren won 1st place in the annual Overnighter Rally, this time chaired by NEM. New Ice Run Rules & Regulations, presented by Joan Fahlgren, were passed by the Board. The November Board

Meeting was scheduled for the Royal Palm Restaurant in Saginaw.

50 Years Ago December, 1969

Rallymasters Dave Kirby & Charles Raley had the "Snowman's Revenge Rallye" ready to go, from the Holiday Inn in Midland. One hundred and twenty miles of TSD rally with 80% paved roads, and don't forget to bring your directional compass. The finish would be at Rodeitcher's in Freeland. New members were Charles L. Carlton Jr. and Eric R. Lind.

The new SVR Board Members were announced, Bill Main would be the new R.E. Bert Miller resigned the Board position as he was being transferred to Brussels, Belgium. The last speed event held at the Hemlock Go Kart Track had 64 entries! Don Jekel's Halloween Rallye had 34 entries and was won by Brian & Gail Dompierre. As usual, Don's helpers were ghosts, goblins, Tweedledee & Tweedledum and the Mad Hatter. (Ask **Steve Alger** how he did on this rally. The record shows he finished 13th!) Tom H.

40 Years Ago November, 1979

R.E. Bill Huller discussed some of the problems & situations that occurred at the recent Northern Lights Performance Rally: a shortage of workers; the worst dust ever seen; and a high number of civilian vehicles on stages. Bill also thanked Marc Wesley of TV5 for the coverage of the event and the Central Michigan Amateur Repeaters Assoc. radio club for their help. P.O.R. entries this year included 7 cars from SVR: Tom Bell/Bruce Fisher, 240Z; Jim Callon/Tom Hudak, 510; Brian Rebney/Don Hill, 510; Curt Spicer/Denny Rueter, Saab 99; Paul Lein/Clark bond, Olds Cutlass; Chuck Fortino/Steve Sands, 510 and Guy Light / Jim

Brandt, Jeep CJ7. The Northern Lights Pro Rally was won by Buffum / Shepherd in a TR7; 2nd went to Millen / Howard in an Escort; 3rd Walker / Reese, Fiat. 7th to Lein / Bond in the Cutlass. Twenty – eight cars were entered. The Oktoberfest 1979 Rally was won by Tom Smith & Tom King; 2nd to Brian Rebney & Deb Boris and 3rd to Jim & BJ Miller.

40 Years Ago December, 1979

The Annual Awards Banquet was scheduled for Jan. 12th at Bintz’s Apple Mountain. Ice Run Rules were being changed to accommodate hand cut tires, limited slip differentials, snow tires & vehicles with engine modifications. Wayne Grubaugh was selling his Formula V for \$4000.00. Paul Lein was selling his B Production Corvette Race car & his 1978 Olds Cutlass rally car.

30 Years Ago December, ’89 – January ’90

Tom & Judy Hudak were doing the Checkpoint this year, with a new Macintosh computer. Although it gradually made the effort easier, it was very trying at first. The new SVR Board had some names from the past: Larry Hall R.E., Bev Hall, Tom Parker, Don Jekel & Gary Kuerbitz. All of these folks have been core members of SVR for years. I wrote about the trek to the U.P. to spectate with past P.O.R. participants Jim Callon, Chuck Fortino, Clark & Barb Bond, Deb Spicer, Val Stamper & Mike Kocks. It was one of the warmest P.O. R. weekends that I had ever seen, but also one with a lot of rain & mud! Tom & Sherri parker moved to their new house in Midland, and Jim & Jennifer Warren moved to Linwood. WESTBAY HONDA advertised the “Fun-raiser” auto...a Honda CRX SI.

The Annual Awards Banquet was scheduled for Jan. 13th at the Treasure Island Restaurant in Saginaw, by Chairman Denny Grenesko.

20 Years Ago December, 1999

R.E. Eric Haiss thanked all who had participated in the Board and the club activities. He announced that the Annual Awards Banquet (Comstock Inn, Owosso) would be a bargain this year at \$19.99 and the club would contribute the balance. Twenty SVR members went to Kansas this year for the Solo II Nationals, eight members brought back trophies. SVR also had two members invited to participate in the Club Racing Runoff’s... Kent Biddinger from Midland ran in A Sedan and finished 9th in class. And Jeff Ervin finished second in GT1. SVR was looking to sell the club van and possibly purchase a cube van. The old van was for sale at Showcase Cars in Bay City.

10 Years Ago November – December, 2009

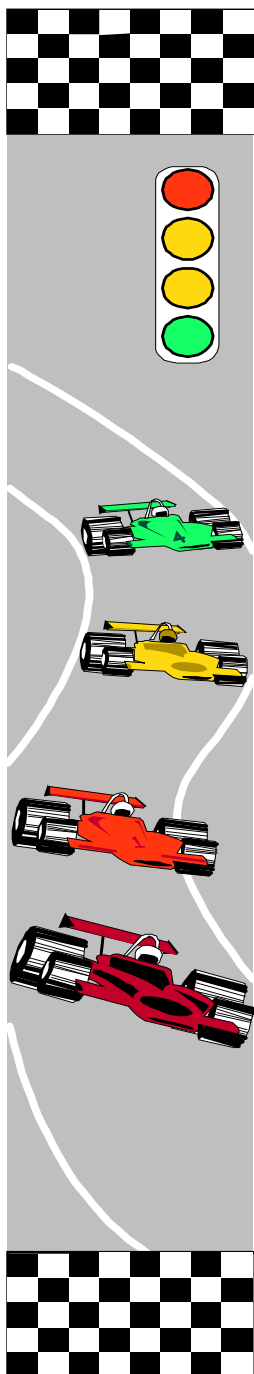
R.E. Bob Olson congratulated Sean Tate and his “merry men” for a successful and safe solo season. The index class winner this year was Mike Burgess...who beat out the likes of Dave Feighner and Larry MacLeod among others. This year we had nine solo events, the most ever in SVR.

Terrance Daniels, Treasurer, had received the new Debit card. The club checkbook was in the “black”. And the club generator needed some repair work...to be done by Dave Feighner & Mike Burgess. Lorien Feighner sent the club by-laws to the SVR webmaster for posting on the club website.

The SVR Year End Awards Banquet was being planned by Tom & Judy Hudak. To be held at the Swan Valley Golf & Banquet Center, Saginaw on January 30, 2010.

Saginaw Valley Region SCCA

2020 Ice Runs



Tentative Schedule:

Sunday, January 12

Saturday, January 18 (Backup for 1/12)

Saturday, February 8 (Night Event) *

Sunday, February 9

Saturday, February 22

Saturday, March 7 (Back up for February 9)

Location:

Ross Lake, Beaverton City Park

Exit U.S. 10 @ M18

Go north through Beaverton, park is on your left just over the bridge.

Pre Registration: My Auto Events (MAE)

www.myautoevents.com

Registration: 8:30 a.m.

Cost: \$35 Member \$50 Non Member

Practice Runs: Until 10:15 a.m. Night 5:15 p.m.

Timed Runs: 11:00 a.m. Night 6:00 p.m.

Tech Inspection, Seat Belts & Helmets Required

*Night event details TBD

For Further Information Contact:

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Restaurants

Beaverton – Beaverton Tavern, Delena's Restaurant & Subway, 4 Gas Stations with Restrooms.

Saginaw Valley Region SCCA
Executive Board Meeting Minutes

October 6th, 2019

Call to order

4:59PM by Kyle Chipps

In attendance: Kyle Chipps, Dave Feighner, Lorien Feighner, Ed Prymak, Kyle Roberts, Steve Alger, Caius Boboescu and Larry MacLeod

Steve motioned to approve the September minutes, Larry Seconded.

Treasurers Report:

- No Report - In the Black
- Ashley paid SVR \$1830 for the Ice Runs
- Caius was reimbursed for buying the new generator

Membership Report

- 128 members

Equipment Report

- One Photohead needs to be fixed
- Need two new rubber boots for the trailer axle/bearings.

Solo Report:

- Ride and Drive report and lessons learned
 - a. 8 SVR instructors showed up
 - b. It is recommended that the employees do a course walk in the future.
 - c. We should ask the Nexteer event leaders what they would like to have the employees learn.
 - d. Maybe assign a permanent instructor for each employee
 - e. Create an SVR members Do's and Dont's (ie. Don't bring own cars out until the end of the event.)
- Add more members to MAE in order to lessen the load on Sean and also make it easier to make changes.

Old Business:

- Ed is part of the board.
- Katherine and Caius will update the Checkpoints and website respectively.

- Sheri agreed to take care of the banquet again.

New Business:

- The upcoming election gives us an opportunity to add a proposal to the ballot that would allow electronic voting- Caius to draft a proposal and distribute to BOD for review and approval.
- Caius to send Kyle Nominees so he can call them
- For the Banquet, Kyle R.'s mom agreed to make cupcakes. Price TBD but will be less costly than what the Venue traditionally charges.
- Steve's friend Andy recently purchased Birch Run Speedway (aka Dixie Speedway). Steve to talk to Andy about potentially having an event there.
- Plan to charge more as a convenience fee in order for people to be able to pay with credit cards at events. Kyle Chipps will research the "square" and similar options.
- Should we buy a module for Axeware live timing? If we buy a new timing system, is it worth it or would it maybe work with the new system?

Next Meeting:

- To be held on November 26th in Flint at the Redwood Lodge at 7:00PM

Adjournment:

Motioned 5:57PM by Steve. seconded by Kyle C.

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