

The CheckPoint

March 2020

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Solo Schedule!

2020 Solo schedule! The site locations are still getting contracts signed. Also, our traditional Ladies Day at the Races event date isn't finalized yet, but you can see the rest of the schedule here. As we finalize site contracts, we'll look to opening online registration.

#	Date		Location
1	May 17		Saginaw
2	Jun 19	Yoooper Cup	Kinross
3	Jun 20	Yoooper Cup	Kinross
4	TBD	Ladies Day	
5	Jul 18	SVR/DR	Oscoda
6	Jul 19	SVR/DR	Oscoda
7	Aug 22	SVR/DR/GLSS	Oscoda
8	Aug 23	SVR/DR/GLSS	Oscoda
	Sep 26	Nexteer Ride & Drive	Saginaw
	Sep 27	SVR Fun Event	Saginaw
9	Oct 4		Midland



Reminder.... Book your hotel now! Yoooper Cup solo weekend this year will be June 20-21 at Chippewa County airport in Kinross. This site is the smoothest concrete I've even driven on (this coming from a kart guy). It's worth the trip to run this awesome event/site.

Book your hotel now in Sault St Marie. We want as many SVR people up there as possible. It's a region series points weekend and we want to continue our dominance over the Yoopers for another year!

REmarks February 2020

Larry MacLeod - 2020 Region Executive – Saginaw Valley Region

What's that behind those clouds? Its spring fast approaching! Unfortunately, the ice-run gods decided they weren't going to let us play this year. So instead it'll be another 2 months before we can take our toys out to play for the track and autocross season. In the meantime we have to find other ways to get through the winter weather.

A few weeks ago, we had our winter blues indoor kart race at Extreme Indoor karting in Clio. Sixteen eager racers came out to play that afternoon. We set up practice and qualifying sessions for everyone. Then we split the group into two races: The A-main race for the faster half and the B-race for the 2nd fastest half. In the B-Main race, it was **Kyle Chipps** taking the hard-fought win over **Mike Siniff**. Over in the A-main, the best battle was for second between **Caius Boboescu** and **Larry MacLeod** with Larry making a late pass to hold on to 2nd place. But it was **Sarin Kodappully** who took the lead on the opening lap and walked away with the win over everyone. Sarin is a former wheel-to-wheel kart racer. His experience proved to be valuable when stepping into the indoor rental karts! Thanks to everyone for coming out. Plan on seeing more races like this in the future.

We're also in the planning "stages" (pun intended) of a road rally, hopefully for some time later this spring. It'll be a Time-Speed-Distance (TSD) rally. But don't worry if you've never run one, most of us haven't either! Experience is NOT required, and newbies are encouraged to show up! Keep your eyes on the website and Facebook page in the next

few weeks for more info.

Does anyone have a computer or sim-racing rig at home? Or thinking about building one and joining the virtual racing world? There are a few of us in the region that already have Assetto-Corsa or Iracing (two of the more popular platforms). What if we set up an SVR racing night on one of these platforms where our members could race against each other online? Let's get some dialogue going on the Facebook group and see if we can get something started soon.

Another thing we do during the winter is build race cars! I am in the midst of my own engine rebuild. For me, this will be a significant power change from what I've been running the last few years, so I have a lot of work to gather all the pieces and ensure its assembled correctly. I also know a few other SVR members are also doing some race-car prep for the 2020 season. We're only about 2 months away from the first event, and time is running out quickly.

Before we know it, spring will be here and we'll all be standing in our favorite paddock next to our favorite race cars. I hope mine is ready in time!

Award Recipient History – p8

We're attempting to collect the records of all previous winners of our regional awards (New Member, Index, most improved, George Austin, etc...). We've collected what we could find, but if anyone knows who won in the years we were missing, please let us know.

CLUB UPDATE:

Hi SVR members.

Hopefully everyone saw our 2020 solo schedule was published to the website. <http://www.svr-scca.com>

We are now less than 2 months away from the first event.

Please note we are closely monitoring the virus situation in case we have to adjust any of those plans. If we are forced to postpone or cancel any events, we'll try to make those announcements approximately 2 weeks prior to the scheduled event.

A few key notes:

Loaner Helmets: We have decided to temporarily suspend our Loaner helmet program until further notice. We are announcing this now to give people the time to acquire their own before the start of the season.

- Minimum rating of Snell SA2005 or M2005 or newer for the 2020 season. This is the same as last season. See link below for requirement details.
- <https://www.scca.com/downloads/44726-2019-03-20-solo-helmet-cert-decals/download>
- If you're buying a helmet, here is a link to an SCCA supporting vendor. They are also autocrossers and support our community.
- https://www.soloperformance.com/Helmets-and-Accessories_c_13.html

TSD Road Rally - tentatively scheduled for Saturday May 3rd.

- Event flyer will be posted shortly
- Event registration should open in mid-April
- Since this is a road rally, and could have limited person-to-person interaction,

we are trying to find ways to keep this event on the schedule.

- We have to work out some details for signing waivers, performing on-site registration, orientation for the required APP that each competitor would be required to use. But we remain hopeful we can make this work.
- More info to come

Stay tuned to the [website](#) and the facebook group ([Saginaw Valley Region SCCA GROUP](#)) for more info.

Times Gone By

by Tom Hudak

60 Years Ago

March, 1960

No Check Point in file.

50 Years Ago

March, 1970

This issue was filled mostly with results from 3 Ice Runs. Over 170 entries participated in two daytime & one night event. The club also purchased a printing machine for the Check Point. Four new members were welcomed into the club.

50 Years Ago

April, 1970

A revised rally schedule was published. SVR had scheduled 10 rallies from April through December. Joan Fahlgren proudly published the club membership list of 63. Gordon Kress replaced Morgan Curry as the Program Chairman. Although SVR had many rallyists, the Club also had about a dozen or more road racers. Formula racers were Glen Gehrke, Dale Smith, Ed Hart, Bob Chicky & Chas Fahlgren. Production Class racers were Eric Hough, Larry Scoles in a BP Corvette, Bill Schmitt in a BP Corvair, Dave Kirby in a BMW 2002, Ed Naretto, Dale McAlister & Joan Fahlgren in a Mini. For Sales were a '67 Volvo, a '68 AH Sprite & a '69

VW Karmann Ghia by Bill Main. And Gordon Kress was selling hi well cared for '69 Z-28 Camaro.

40 Years Ago

March, 1980

SVR was getting ready for the May 3 & 4 running of the Northern Lights Pro Rally. Clark Bond was the Chairman this year. And Don Hill was recruiting for Control Workers. Mary Jo Czyzio & Mike Purzycki were recent members. Mary Jo was into navigating in Pro Rallies & Mike was into preparing & driving his 1952 Willys Jeep 4 cylinder (affectionately known as "Tortoise"), with Ken Middleton. Georgia Peitsch, Editor, fantasized about being a Grand Prix race driver, before age 30!

40 Years Ago

April, 1980

The "Roving Editor" (Georgia Peitsch) wrote about going to her first ever road rally, the Me & Mother Nature, by Jim Doidge. Getting there was the hard part, but they did get the "Best Novice" trophy. Dick Leiber & Dave Stone won the event, K.Gillespie & Andy Leiber finished 9th in the Novice Class.

Curt Spicer wrote about the 100 Acre Wood Pro Rally. SVR was well represented. However, Tom Bell & Dave Stone rolled their car; Jon Nykamp & Curt Spicer finished 17th after driving 325 miles with no gear shift lever & Guy Light & Jim Brandt finished 8th. The event was won by John Buffum.

Georgia was thrilled to receive a letter from Dick O'Kane, allowing her to print 10 chapters of his book HOW TO REPAIR YOUR FOREIGN CAR.

Therefore, Chapter One was in this issue, as well as the complete copy of SCCA National Regulations for TSD rallies.

Dr. Tom Way was a new club member. At this time, he drove a 1962 Ferrari 250 GTE in our recent TSD rally with Bob Pierce as navigator. Tom also owned a 1945 MG TC & a 1958 MGA 1500. Rosalie Gardner was a new member from the Burton area and had interest in driving her new Datsun 280 ZX in TSD rallies, Solo II events & Ice Runs.

30 Years Ago

February-March, 1990

In previous issue.

30 Years Ago

April - May, 1990

Advertisers in this issue were Mid-Point Motors, Midland; Rallye Import Automotive, Midland; Westbay Honda, Saginaw; and Paul Forwerck's Quality Auto Collision, Saginaw. The SVR Membership list was published with 79 members. Bob Martin was asking for help from SVR for the MACA GT Solo & Rally events. Tom & Judy Hudak received a Second Place Award for the Checkpoint, Small Region Publication. The Boreens hosted a Scavenger Hunt Rallye for five teams of 19 people. The event was won by the Bill & Dee Shattuck w/ Jim & Kay Groom. Actually, the team of Tom & Judy Hudak w/ John & Pam Ross finished 2nd in a tie breaker with the first place team. For Sales in this issue were for MGB parts; Mercury OEM 14" wire wheel covers; an '83 Alfa Romeo Spider and 2 Jaguar XJ6's!

20 Years Ago

February-March, 2000

Right, Steve Munsell was the new R.E. And Dave Feighner started doing the Checkpoint again. As Dave put it, "You can't stop me there is nothing you can do, for I have taken control of your reading material." And Norm Dively was selling the famous red ESP 1988 Mustang with all of its goodies for \$3750.00. Larry Hall was recovering from cancer treatment at home.

20 Years Ago

April, 2000

Dave Feighner wrote about the trip to FL and the five Daytona races they saw with the Munsells. Dave Eggert was the new SVR Website Administrator. Jeff Grabowski wrote about his Formula 500 Adventures....buying a new car for himself and Eric Haiss trading his car for a NK4. The first SVR Ice Run was cancelled, but the second one had 16 cars show up at the Saginaw Bay site. Fortunately, Jack Jines came with his snow plow to clear a course. Chris Pruett sold is practically new

'98 Beetle, so he could purchase his new B-Mod car. Sean Tate volunteered to be on the Solo Board & take the position of Asst. R.E. SVR was looking for a new trailer.

SVR Annual Awards Banquet by Tom Hudak

Judy Hudak chaired the Annual Awards Banquet which was held at the Swan Valley Banquet Center in Shields on Saturday, Jan. 21, 2010. A "Mardi Gras" theme was set to the affair as the suggested attire was "beads" and M – G dress. Buffet dinner included chicken, carved roast beef, fish and chicken gumbo soup. Bob Olson brought along enough beads for everyone, but the best dressed M- G couple were David & Katherine Redwine. I think we could all admit, the Redwines were really "dressed for the occasion". You had to be there to believe it! The Swan Valley folks were very accommodating, considering we only had 23 people in attendance.

Larry McLeod (emcee) & Mike Burgess did a fine job of filling in for Dave Feighner, who was in attendance at the SCCA National Convention. In addition to the Year End Trophies, some of the other awards passed out went to: Mike Burgess, Top Index Award; Randy Cook, New Member of the Year Award; Steve Dormann, the George Austin Service Award; and John Redwine, the Most Improved Driver of the Year. A 45 year SCCA pin went to Tom Hudak; 40 Year to Don Christiansen; 30 Year to Rick Misesk, Raleigh & Velma Boreen, David Stone and Judy Hudak; 25 Year to Stacey Despelder; 20 Year to Mal Kooiman, Chris Pruett & Dave Feighner. Steve Dormann also traveled the longest distance to attend the presentation, as he now lives & works in the Cleveland, OH area.

Odds n' ends by Tom Hudak

I received an email the other day in response to the Ice Run note, from Dave Eggert. Dave & Nikki now live in central Iowa with their two children, which is closer to their families. Dave says they have been there for five years now and he is no longer

working in the automotive field, but rather with a company that makes hydraulic pumps and fittings for the farming industry. And it would be a little difficult to make the next Ice Run.

10 Years Ago March-April, 2010

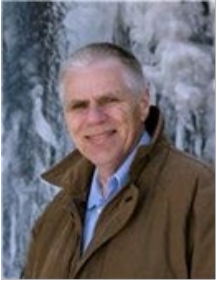
New R.E. Chuck Tate thanked the previous Board for their service to the club and especially Bob Olson who tirelessly brought a conclusion to the marathon negotiations with WMR. The Annual Awards Banquet was held at the Swan Valley Banquet Center with a "Mardi Gras" theme. Bob Olson brought beads for everyone, but the best dressed Mardi Gras couple were David & Katherine Redwine. Larry MacLeod & Mike Burgess passed out trophies as Dave Feighner had escaped to Las Vegas for the SCCA National Convention.

At the December, 2009 Board meeting, electronic ballots were discussed. SVR had only 79 members. Bob Olson contacted individuals regarding developing a business plan for purchase of site (solo?).

OBITUARY

Dave Looman, Holland, MI

November 17, 1944 – February 4, 2020



Dave Looman passed away recently, surrounded by his family. Dave and wife Joyce lived in Holland and later years at Alden, MI. Belonging to WMR and SVR for many years, Dave & Joyce did Road Racing and Solo events throughout the Midwest. Dave had an odd sense of humor and was always willing to help a fellow racer. He also authored five self-published books about auto racing, beloved dogs, family and the treasures of small-town life. Dave is survived by wife Joyce, children Linda, Wendy and Mark and several grandchildren. Good guy and he will be missed by many. A memorial service was held in Zeeland, MI on February 8th, 2020.

Odds 'n Ends by Tom Hudak

Unfortunately, Mother Nature arranged an unusual winter of 2019 – 2020. We had more snow & cold weather in fall of 2019 than in early 2020. Therefore...no ice, no ice runs! Sorry.

And, stay tuned for regarding the running of the Spring Fling Rally and the C -19 virus!

Saginaw Valley Region SCCA Spring Fling Rally May 3, 2020



Sunday, May 3: 09:00 a.m.
Rally School: 10:00 a.m.
First Car Off: 11:01 a.m.
Maximum Entry: 25 Cars



Location:

Bridgeport High School
4691 Bearcat Boulevard
Bridgeport, MI 48722

Pre Registration: April 19, 8:00 p.m.

My Auto Events (MAE) www.myautoevents.com

Registration: Complete Registration – Download Richta Competitor APP and Tech Inspection

Cost:

SCCA Member \$35 – Non Member \$50/Car of 2

Minimum Requirements:

Smart Phone w/WiFi, Driver & Navigator, Insured auto in good working order (Registration & Certificate of Insurance).

Description:

This will be a TSD (Time, Speed, Distance) Rally of approximately 100 miles with checkpoints via your Smart Phone. There is approximately 1.5 miles of hard packed unpaved road. The rally will end at DaVinci's Restaurant, Frankenmuth, MI.

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SAGINAW VALLEY REGION – SPORTS CAR CLUB OF AMERICA – AWARD RECIPIENT HISTORY

Year	George Austin	New Member	Most Improved Driver	Boreen Cup	
2019	Kyle Roberts	Alex and Caroline Fullerton	Tammy Breece	Larry MacLeod (6)	
2018	Caius Boboescu	Kyle Roberts	Keith Roberts	Larry MacLeod (5)	
2017	Chad Brower	not awarded?	Chad Brower	Larry MacLeod (4)	
2016	TBD	TBD	TBD	Dave Feighner (7)	
2015	Steve Alger	Jackson MacLeod	Jay Payne	Larry MacLeod (3)	
2014	Kent Ferrier	Jay Payne	Matt Tuhro	Mike Burgess (3)	
2013	TBD	TBD	TBD	Dave Feighner (6)	
2012	TBD	TBD	TBD	Larry MacLeod (2)	
2011	Lorien Feighner	Kent Ferrier	Eric Lieberman	Dave Feighner (6)	
2010	TBD	TBD	TBD	Larry MacLeod	
2009	Stephen Dormann	Randy Cook	John Redwine	Mike Burgess (2)	
2008	Chris Pruett	not awarded?	Kyle Chipps	Dave Feighner (5)	
2007	Tom Hudak	Stephen Dormann Gary & Terri Barber	Terrance Daniels	Andrew Lieber	
2006	Abby Dupree	Chris Holm	Jennie Roach	Jarrood Hoops	
2005	Stacey Despelder	Angie Laney	Jarrood Hoops	Dave Feighner (4)	
2004	James Dimmick	not awarded?	Valerie Furrer	Dave Feighner (3)	
2003	Troy Howland	Kristina Cornelius	Lisa Kaufer	Mike Burgess	
2002	Dave/Lorien Feighner	Roger Class Sr		Dave Feighner (2)	
2001	Sean Tate	Stephanie Pierce	Stephanie Pierce	Dave Feighner	
2000	Bruce Richards	Kristin VanZee	Kristin VanZee	Bud Jasman	
				Index	Hub Tire Index
1999	Chris Pruett	Susan Love	Bruce Richards	Al Chan	Raleigh Boroen
1998	Norm/Sandy Dively	Lisa Britton	Scott Johnson	Dave Feighner	Dave Feighner
1997	Mike Horning	Jeff Grabowski & Eric Haiss	Jeff Grabowski		Dave Feighner
1996	Brian Rebney Chris/Lorie Pruett	Sandra Dively	Bruce Eddy		Velma Boreen
1995	Dennis Mashue	Doug/Loretta Leithauser	Chuck Kapplinger	Curt McGill	Curt McGill
1994	Dave Feighner	Ken Barker & Michele Siniff			
1993					

1992	Tom Hudak	Dale Frank & Andy Lieber			
1991	Lynn/Patti Weber	Dave Spinett & Don Crawford			
1990	Larry/Bev Hall	Chris Pruett	Deb McGill		
1989	Raleigh/Velma Boreen				
1988	Tom/Judy Hudak	Todd & Sherry Dickman			
1987		Mike Havilland			
1986	Raleigh & Velma Boreen	Denny Grenesko			
1985	Janet Little	Larry/Bev Hall			
1984	Raleigh Boreen & Jim Harrison	Janet Little			Raleigh Boreen
1983	Bud Jasman Gary Kuerbitz	Carolyn Sands			Raleigh Boreen
1982	Tom & Judy Hudak				
1981	Bruce Fisher	Gordon Webb			
1980	Georgia Peitsch	Steve Sands			
1979	Brian Rebney	Mike & Georgia Pietsch			
1978	Curt Spicer	Tom Smith			
1977					
1976					
1975					
1974					
	Outstanding Male & Female				
1973	Carol Fruechtel Gary Hayes	Roger Suppes			
1972	Jim Miller Betsy Coutant	Carol Fruechtel			
1971		Larry Brown			
1970	George Austin Joan Falghren	Det Abel			
1969	Charles Raley Joan Fahlgren	Dennis Schatz			
1968	Barbara Watson George Austin				
1967	Doug Eads Florence Austin				

January 11th 2020

Call to order

3:19PM by Larry

In attendance: Kyle Chipps, Dave Feighner, Lorien Feighner, Ed Prymak, Kyle Roberts, Nicole Roberts, Steve Alger, Caius Boboescu, Larry MacLeod, Jackie Boboescu, Jay Payne, Tom Hudak, Judy Hudak

Larry motioned to approve the December minutes, Kyle C. Seconded. Also noted that minutes will be sent to non voting members.

Treasurers Report:

- Banking information and address has been changed to Nicole Roberts.
- Nicole noted a strange charge on the credit card, not sure where it came from or who charged it. Caius and Dave will look for the card, if not found the card will be cancelled and the charge contested.
- Van storage is paid.
- Nicole will look into getting a card swiper through the SVR Bank account.

Membership Report

- Still 127 members
- Email chain about weekend members will be sent by Nicole later in the week.

Equipment Report

- JAC circuits - Got some input from John Carrire in the form of hand drawn schematics. Still trying to figure out what is wrong with the boxes we have. Jackson is going to look at the boxes and schematics to see if a diagnosis can be made. Will discuss the results at the next meeting.
- Farmtech and Race America timing systems are the two main systems. Larry and Caius will ask around at the Convention to compare and contrast the two systems.
- Dave and Lorien are also getting information about Pronto from neighboring regions. Currently when issues arise at an event, users of Pronto call an expert. Calling someone at an event is not ideal, so Dave and Lorein are going to get more information about these failures/inconsistencies.

Solo Report

- Jay wants to keep going as points keeper.
- Det Planning meeting is going on as Jan 12.
- Jay proposes creating a set of rules for Solo including scoring and class championship requirements.

Ice Runs

- First Ice Run cancelled due to the lake still being a lake.

Old Business

- Covered charge for Kurt Tucker Family for the banquet.
- Approved charges for Doug Harvey to go to convention for the Friday Lunch and

Saturday Banquet

- Phone number and address for the Region with National Office. Phone number is for the national office staff to call to ask questions. Larry is going to update the phone number to his, and each year the number will get updated to the new RE. The address for the club is going to get updated to the current treasurers address.
- SVR patches. Tom Hudak is going to look as he may have a couple patches around.

New Business:

- The operations manual done by Sean Kelley was sent to Larry and Larry finished a rough draft and has sent it out to a couple of people for proofing. It will exist as a living document shared with the current board and non voting members so it can be kept up to date.
- Fees are increasing. Board decided to keep the Ice run fees the same at \$35 for members and \$50 for non members. Solo fees will be discussed at the Feb meeting.
- Caius is proposing to store important region documents on google drive owned by the board members. Caius put the documents scanned by Tom and Judy on google drive rather than hosting the documents on the website because the website has issues with uploading many documents at once.

Next Meeting:

- Extreme Indoor Kart Racing Clio, Feb 15th Time TBD

Adjournment:

Motioned Caius, seconded by Dave 4:53

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