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**Linda Smiley winning at the
Nationals in September.**

Photo by Bill Smiley

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FROM ANOTHER PERSPECTIVE...

I am sooo excited about having the opportunity to serve as your RE another year! Thank you. But as I begin this term, you all need to ask yourselves - who will take this position next year? I would very much like for at least two volunteers to work closely with me this year, to have some background information, place their names on the November ballot for RE. We have taken some steps to make sure that more and more information is documented regarding procedures, National deadlines and other protocol in the day to day running of the club. The goal is to avoid the "New Board" from having to make some of the same mistakes over and over each year. (Lord knows we've done that!) It is not only counterproductive, but can be expensive to the membership. While I'm thinking of money, I would like to ask you all to look around your homes and businesses for two things; 1. any items that you may want to donate to the Club for raffle prizes (gift certificates, movie passes), auction items, (that old helmet you don't use anymore, the two almost new tires that you bought a month before he wrecked the car) or things that the club might benefit from, (i.e. spare fire bottles, folding tables, etc.) 2. any items that the club has purchased and left behind for you to find storage for. As I was putting Christmas decorations back in the attic, (why is there always more to put away than what you took down?), I found myself moving SCCA stuff to the back wondering how in the heck did I get all of this crap! Then it creeps into my wee little brain that if I have 40 trophies left in my attic, what else is out there? Do we have enough of them to recycle into Member of the Month awards or Most DNF's in One Month awards or some other prestigious theme award? That combined with the feeling that the Club need's better accountability for the money that it spends compels me to ask you to send and e-mail or listing of what you may have to our historian, Nancy Edgerton. We can put the compiled list into a file with our insurance policy and the secretary's notebook so that we at least have some record of items that may be available without having to purchase. Example, Solo purchased 2 folding tables that activities may want to borrow on a nonevent day or Membership may use for a booth at a car show. Someone, please, come up with a great way to use these 24 plastic canteens with the Fiesta WOR games logo that are in my attic! I also have 4 cooler trophies, a WOR team championship jacket, two plastic portfolio's, a large storage tub, three six packs of Miller beer, (I can probably use that up if you want), 14 Solo mugs, and a box of wood trophies. I will keep looking for other

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REGULAR MEETING

The next meeting of Western Ohio Region, SCCA is on February 8, 2000 at the Christopher Club, 3150 S. Dixie Drive, Kettering, Ohio in the Hills & Dales Shopping Center, located on the corner of Dorothy Lane and S. Dixie Dr. **Please note: the meeting starts at 7 p.m.** and is open to all members and guests. See you there!

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The December Board Meeting has ended. Here are the highlights:

- Pro Racing is finally getting on a solid footing after two tough years financially.
- Solo is getting a new strategy - "The Road to Topeka" for Pro Solo and National Tour.
- Club Racing insurance is changing - no car maximums, \$2 reduction per car.
- Reminder: be sure your Region has adequate property and liability coverage - call Denver if you are unsure.
- Congratulations to Sven Pruett on his promotion to replace Jim Leithauser.
- Black flag rule for sound revised, clarified and more member friendly.
- ANB transponder technology approved (not required) as SCCA system for Club Racing.
- Watch for test (Arizona) of restricted National status for semi-pro series. Could be a real boon for SCCA.
- Convention should be excellent; plan to attend.
- New format SportsCar at printer's; let me know how you like it.
- Comp Board, Solo Board, Performance Rally Board items all approved.
- No changes in worker licensing were presented to the Board.
- Bylaws review progressing; may be in draft form by convention
- T-1, T-2 probation for 2000 approved, will work with Comp Board for its future.
- Be sure to read tech bulletin 00-01; its packed.
- Basil Adams replaces Bob Boig and Jim Rogaski replaces Charlie Clark on Comp Board.
- Cold boxes going out for member input for 2001 consideration.
- From CenDiv: Kent Williamson, Pat Burns, George Kendall, Ken Patterson, Bob Lybarger, Bob Burns, Jim Mickle, Bruce Domeck, Barry Burke, Ann Klem, Beryl Ann Burton and Bruce Weinman all reappointed. Congratulations!
- The 2000 USRRc Rally event is in LaCrosse, WI- plan on it, I do.
- Networking project continues - convention session should be informative.
- Enterprises continues to be healthy; 19 cars sold in '99, new shouck program ready.
- CenDiv memberships up slightly, only 2 Area 5 Regions down.
- Lastly, I was re-elected Chairman and will serve to mid-year; K.P. Jones was elected to succeed me.

This will allow my last Board year to be a smooth transition for SCCA.

As always, call me or write me if I can be of help. See you at the Convention!
Directly Speaking,
George S. Bovis
Director, Area 5

WESTERN OHIO REGION BOARD MEETING MINUTES - Jan. 4, 2000

The January board meeting was held at Gayle Conley's house and as called to order at 7:45 PM by **RE Debbie Sonderman**. In attendance: Noel Swartz, Dave Rudy, Gayle Conley, John Blackstone, Chris Watson, Doug Mildon, Christy Mildon, Debbie Sonderman, John Schlegel, Cheryl Connelly, Tracy Stephenson, Scott Stout, Linda Smiley and members Trevor Sonderman and Jake Conley.

Job descriptions were discussed, Debbie will be passing out summaries at the meeting for each board position. The SCCA National Convention will be in Denver, Colorado February 3-6.

Rev Record editor Christie Mildon reported that articles are due by the 15th of the month. They can be E mailed, word or text format is good. She will acknowledge receipt of all materials submitted by computer.

Publicity Chair Noel Swartz reported that he is designing letter head for WOR. He discussed some ideas for the coming year. He has some plans to try and get the word out by using the auto sections of the paper, web links, etc.

Doug Mildon, Competition may have a training seminar this year. Discussed possibility of having before or after the general membership meeting. Rulebooks will be ordered as needed by each member from Denver.

Assistant RE Chris Watson reported that he has written an article for the Rev outlining his goals for this year. He would like to see more than one candidate for each office in next year's elections. He is looking into having a Hillclimb (Solo I) and is working on organizing a Rallycross series. Nick Folger is working on having an event at the Clark County Fairgrounds.

Dave Rudy reported that Dan C. will be running in a factory Subaru in a rally in Alaska next month. Dave has passed all of the Solo information to John Schlegel. John will be finalizing the Solo schedule, the first event is scheduled in March.

Membership chair Scott Stout is going to see what materials are available from the National office to try and put together "new member" and guest information kits. He will have a list at the meeting to sign up for member name tags for those who need them.

Tracy Stephenson is working on making the Website user friendly with as much information as possible. Guidelines are needed for web content.

Activities Cheryl Connelly plans to keep on with the activities from last year like the Progressive Dinner Rally and August picnic. There will be a chili cookoff in March. Doug Mildon may try to do a breakfast rally. Other activities like Oldies Party, Sockhop and food for Solo events were discussed. Chris Watson volunteered to do a pig road, maybe instead of Brats at the August picnic.

Solo Chair John Schlegel announced an organizational meeting to be at the Smiley's January 15th at 1 PM. January 23rd is the first Winter Heat Series event at Hooters at 12:30 PM. February 20th will be the next Winter Heat Series event at Frickers. John wants to get rulebooks ordered, will check at the membership meeting to try and get some idea of how many will be needed. John is also looking into starting a Karting program at the Solo events. A trailer fix up date will be scheduled a little later in the spring.

Debbie announced that the region incorporation papers have been sent to SCCA national office. The meeting was adjourned at 9:47 PM/ The next board meeting will be February 1 at a location to be announced later.

Respectfully Submitted,
Linda Smiley, Secretary

WOR MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES - January 11, 2000

The General Membership meeting at the Christopher Club was called to order at 7:20 PM. by RE **Debbie Sonderman**.

Assistant RE **Chris Watson** urged everyone to read his article in the Rev Record outlining his goals for this year. He will be working with Rally chair Nick Folger to do a Rallycross series and would like to see about having a Hillclimb this year too.

Doug Mildon, Competition will be in charge of issuing Novice Permits. He requested that all racers and participants supply him with results from the various events that they run or attend. He would like to put on a breakfast rally this Spring, and would like to schedule a training seminar for early this year.

Membership Chair Scott Stout is still getting organized and would appreciate any help he can get. He has some "missing" nametags, if you still need one, contact Scott. He has some SCCA merchandise and can order apparel if wanted by members. He would like to set up a volunteer pool of people who can help with various events throughout the year. He wants to get club displays updated, needs photos, etc. He is also working on new member kits with local info like schedules, maps to events, "how to" info and more. He is also trying to work on getting more publicity for the club. Scott announced Guests Eric Grassman and Phyllis. (sorry, not sure of name or spelling!)

Dan Coughnour gave the Rally Report for Rally Chair Nick Folger. Nick is in contact with Greene County and is working on getting the fairgrounds for a Rallycross. NSC has a rally January 23rd, see Dan for details. Dan announced that he will be running the Alaska Rally in February for Team Subaru.

Doug Mildon reported that **Rev Record Editor Christie Mildon** needs articles by the 15th of the month. Photos are also needed. Remember, this is a member publication, so please submit articles. Doug mentioned that Christie has threatened to start putting in horse pictures if she doesn't get any submissions@ We need more advertisers, if you have any leads, let her or a board member know. Doug also announced that there will be a PI dash seminar sponsored by SAE on January 20th. Contact Paul Lane for more info.

Activities Chair Cheryl Connelly thanked all who attended the Christmas Dinner Dance at the Convention Center. A good time was had by all, including the "rolling" and the mechanics creeper races! The February Membership meeting will be the Chili Cookoff.

Solo Chair John Schlegel announced the Solo meeting to be January 15th at 1 PM at the Smiley's, all are invited to attend. If you are interested in receiving solo info by computer, please make sure and get your e mail address to John. January 23th will be the first Winter Heat series event at Hooters. The Solo II schedule will be in the Rev Record and will be on the website soon. Volunteers are needed for Solo events.

Debbie Sonderman has guidelines for waiver signing, see her for copy. Volunteers are needed for a committee to develop guidelines for the website and for Rev Record submissions.

Old Business: Much discussion about the WOR Games date conflict with the F1 race to be in Indianapolis on September 23-24. Suggestions included cancellation, worker surveys, etc. The region will be exploring the options so decisions on how to proceed can be made soon.

New Business: Motion was made to pay airfare, room fee and registration fee for the National Convention for RE Debbie Sonderman and one other room sharing member should one be able to go with her. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM. The next membership meeting will be at the Christopher Club, February 8th at 7:00 PM.

February Anniversaries

Glenda Albright	1989
Fred Albright	1980
Marcos Amongero	1998
Doug Bierlein	1997
John Blackstone	1996
John Clark	1997
Mark Crellin	1997
Tom Davis	1999
Brad Frank	1986
Brian Frank	1986
Brian Heggs	1992
Timothy Hull	1996
Jeremy Humble	1997
Ned Lawler	1986
Greg Poston	1999
Laura Marie Poston	1999
Tanna Sue Poston	1999
Tracey Lynn Poston	1999
David Proctor	1976
Sim Rodgers	1995
Christopher Rudy	1998
David Rudy	1995
Debby Rudy	1995
Jerry Stewart	1997
Andy Stroble	1995
Mandy Stroble	1995
Nancy Stroble	1995
Pete Stroble	1995
Terry Teeter	1998
George Thielen, III	1987
Kirk Urney	1999
Kevin Wagner	1999
Sara Elizabeth Wagner	1999
Kent Weaver	1985
Lesa Wende	1995
Timothy Whitaker	1998

Respectfully Submitted,
Linda Smiley, Secretary

THE ASSISTANT RE REPORT

Congratulations to the following WOR members for winning Trophies and honors in the Mid Ohio Regional Championship Series:

Glenn Jividen 1st

Shawn Hobbs 2nd

Steve Demeter 1st

Larry Connor took 2nd in FA in the CenDiv National Championship Series. Congratulations Larry!

It is winter, it is cold, and racing is as far away as Florida. Road racing that is. Nearer to home we have rally and winter motor sports such as snowmobiling, ice racing, and stuff like that, that I never got into. Working on the car is bad enough in the summer heat but definitely no fun in the snow. So what to do at this time of year? I should be out working on the Shannon getting it ready for the summer but at this point anyway, I am not sure I am going to race it. I am considering buying a rally car but again I am not sure I want to do that. I am tired of watching ancient video on Speedvision and Daytona Speed Weeks does not draw me the way it used to. I guess I am starting to get old! Any ideas? I used to ski but the last several outings landed either Kim or I in the hospital so other than to expose Elliot to the madness of that form of speed, skiing is probably out as well. Do I sound bored. Maybe, but a new year and millennium is here so I guess I should figure out what to do with it.

I went to the January general membership meeting last night, and judging from what I heard, we as a club are going to have some real problems this year. Our annual WOR Games takes place on the same weekend as the Formula 1 race at Indianapolis. It sounds like we cannot change the date and are faced with the possibility of not only having a poor turnout, but also not having workers for the race. What to do? I am hereby soliciting ideas. If you race or work at WOR games will you do it again this year or are you going to INDY and see the F1 circus? Let me know. Your board is trying to decide what to do and needs your input RIGHT NOW! Call me. If we do indeed decide to have the race, I have some ideas to make it successful. Think about these ideas and let me know what you think.

- Arrange the schedule around the F1 race and lease a satellite dish and TVs to broadcast the race to the WOR Games participants. Hold the party sans beer in conjunction with the broadcast.
- Consolidate the classes to hold some of the races on Saturday, and finish up on Sunday before the F1 race then rent Bucks for the party and F1 broadcast.
- Be creative and do something really different for WOR games to attract the fence sitters. SOLO 2? Enduro? Team championship revised to really interest the racers and get them to work as a team, perhaps even cross-region. I admit I need ideas here. Suggestions?
- Invite some celebrity racers to attend and race with us. Pay their entries and maybe even pay them to attend.

One of the things I have always disliked about SCCA racing is the lack of recognition for winning. Let's get a podium and present the trophies like they should be presented. If tech is a problem work it out. Let it be known that WOR Games recognizes the winners the way they should be.

Nick Folger, Dan Coughnour, and I are currently working on a RallyX series for this year. At the present time we are considering a 6 race series

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FROM ANOTHER (cont. from pg. 3)

"Valuables". Oh, and while at the National Convention, I will enjoy the use of the Club laptop. Another "old business" item that needs mentioning is VERY important to all...

I want to Congratulate all of the Year-End Awards winners from Western Ohio Region. We had a number of people who were deserving of special awards this year. I warned you all that I am not a Master of Ceremonies by any means. I am poor, at best. I promise to have everything written out well in advance of the next banquet. (I can hear Christie chuckle at the words "well in advance") My lack of technique did not intend to offend anyone that I did not specifically mention. Here's my attempt to makeup:

The Tom Burke Award to David and Stacy (not Tracy) Schweikert - two first year members who went to the Solo events- prepared and served food and made a profit from it. They also worked registration for the Spring Race and by the time WOR games rolled around, they were learning the T & S game so that WOR would have a future chair in that area. Yes, they have come to ask what we need them to do this year!

The Ned Kamp Award to Jerry Martin for being at most every general membership meeting and putting his support behind the community service effort of Park cleanup, attending and providing feedback, support and volunteer assistance at the WOR games every year, working on and providing financial support for the Motorsports complex plan, and generally, always being where needed to support

the WOR Region in its efforts to function as a club.

The Presidents Award to Jeff and Gayle Conley - for always being there to listen to a question, query or proposal before I made a fool of myself in front of the Board or general membership. For making spaghetti sauce at the last minute, for running out for more buns or water or whatever we needed to make each function a success. For their tolerance and patience and willingness to take up the slack each time we "forgot" to actually assign or ask someone to fulfill a post, for passing out flags, trophies and manning membership booths.

For attending conferences and balancing books and looking up regulations and splitting the phone list with me. For calling me after the meeting to tell me what I forgot to mention and calling me before the meeting to remind me of what we really needed to touch upon.

The Bob Kimes Award to Kim and Chris Watson - for repeatedly opening their home to host a rally check point, a mud run or and afternoon of bench racing and good fun. For their willingness to get involved and give 100% of themselves to ensure that everyone got their dollars worth of fun. For supporting the Club and its membership with the promise of financial support if needed, for the work at the Spring races and WOR games. For the volunteer efforts at the Brat bash, the Pig Roast and each and every general membership meeting. For supporting WOR at each race and every car show they attended all year long.

By now, I hope you get the

idea that there are a lot of "heroes" in our group. There just aren't enough awards to give to them all. There is a huge list of very special thank you's that I take for granted sometimes. Again, I will forget a few...but I promise, I don't mean to. To the Schardt's for taking the Race Chair positions in the Spring - when we were all pretty sure we weren't going to be triumphantly successful, you accepted the responsibility anyway and did your best to make it work for the Club. As well as for your financial support of the Motorsports complex, your years of Chairing the Wor games and sponsoring workers lunches. To Debbie Rudy, for your support of Dave in hauling cones, storing Solo trailers and equipment, learning to put up with phone calls at unnatural hours and learning to run timing programs at the track, calmly. To Dave Rudy for going through all of that, listening to Solo concerns/gripes, looking for sights, rebuilding the trailer and being there for Debbie to fall back on. To Doug Mildon for hours upon hours of seemingly futile work on the dream to enhance our Region - the Motorsports Complex. To Christie Mildon for breathing new life into the *Rev Record* - to the point of National recognition - and for working with race labels and mailing supplemental reg.'s, entries and working registration or anywhere else she was needed. Then there's Scott Stout who said, "ok, I'll be liaison, what do I do?" From there he organized workers for a very successful Concourse D'Elegance, and elevated to Membership Chair. To Joann Burke who sits by quietly,

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FROM ANOTHER (cont. from pg. 7)

mostly, but is always there when we need our most experienced and cheerful Registrar - able to eliminate long lines and reduce deficits with a single pen stroke! (close)! The Edgertons for housing all of the WOR history in their archives, (or basement), and being there for advice throughout the year. Tom Baggott for allowing those phone calls and questions as our legal liaison and providing assistance where he can. Eric Marcus for his many, many donations throughout the year and his enthusiasm for the races and rallies even through a busy personal schedule. Barry McDonald-always works the races when we need him and supports our region at seminars and roundtable. And we can always count on Ed Hill to be in his white if we call and say please. Nancy Davis for always being there if we need her, the same for The Folgers, The Tirpacks, The Smileys, The Lanes, Cheryl Connelly, Brad Towne, Ron Edwards, Noel Swartz, Fritz & Donna Baker who come up from Florida to work the WOR games, Dan Coughnour, Steve Demeter, Steve Harris, and Rick Reilich for all of his financial support with worker lunches and allowing us to use his place of business for two years worth of Board meetings, my family who puts up with my screaming fits of panic before every general meeting and my demands for hauling and moving and carrying stuff to every event, Kent Weaver, Wally Ellifritt, John Schlegel, Dave Nihiser who worked several WOR games in a row before I even knew he was a member, Doug McCabe, Ildiko Marcus, Denny Powell, all active

members without whom there would be no Western Ohio Region, SCCA.

To them, I apologize. I know how many of you work very hard to make our region successful - that's what a good club is. If I ever forget to tell you how much we appreciate your help, how much it means to a club like ours to have people we can count on to carry us over the gaping holes, if I forget to tell you that its members like you, who are willing to support us with 100% of their personal, financial and spiritual selves, if I forget to acknowledge all of the time and sacrifice that you give to make Western Ohio live - I apologize. You make this group special to belong to. You don't do it for me or because of me, but in spite of me. Whether I'm here or not, you are the endless list of people who make this group special. As the RE, I only attempt to help relay information from one source to another. It is my responsibility to be sure that the rules and guidelines that you and/or National have laid out for us to function within are being met...to the best of my ability. After being in Supervision and Management for over 25 years, (yes, I was a baby when I started), I'm pleased to say that I make mistakes and I learn more everyday. Without mistakes, there is no growth. I promise you that I am committed, (not should be committed), to working with as many of you as possible to meet the goals that we, as a Club, have set forth to accomplish. Below are my personal goals for the club this year, (some with whom I share with other Board members). Please e-mail, call or write and send your ideas for goals for our club to work on in the 2000 year.

1. Accountability for funds entrusted to the Board - written documentation and transferable records of the cost of specific functions, trophies, events and supplies.
2. External audit of our treasury as a safety precaution to the board and its members.
3. Expanded involvement of the membership through the use of committees and sub groups to report their recommendations to the Board and/or the membership.
4. Provide written outlines or position descriptions and/or accountabilities for Board Chairs to pass on to incoming board to increase stability and continuity of the Board and its functions.
5. Awards committees to monitor membership activities throughout the year and make recommendations for year end awards.
6. Better utilization of the talents of the membership - artists for membership posters, connections with the media, donations, etc.
7. Increased and more formalized membership recruitment efforts-membership packets, membership awards, etc.
8. Develop Speed Freakz program - new, youthful members - leaders for tomorrow
9. Increase publicity and supplement *Rev Record* costs by utilizing the Web site
10. Institute By-laws committee to review National and Regional By-laws and make change recommendations to regionals, as needed. Complete by July 2000.

Quite obviously, I can not do this alone. I'll be calling you. See you at the next meeting.

Debbie Sonderman, R.E.

Solo Happenings

Happy New Year a month late! My sincere wishes that everyone had a wonderful start to the new year and received all the racing goodies from Santa or other sources that they need to make this a memorial SOLO season.

I suppose I should introduce myself. I am John Schlegel, your new SOLO Chair for Y2K. If you don't know who I am, I've been competing in the blue Ford Probe GT, GS 51 (52 this year?) for the past 4 years. Why is it that people know the car better than the driver? Does gear head mean anything to you? I have been a member of the Western Ohio Region and the SCCA for five years but my racing experience goes much further back to 1970. I began racing in Germany as a charter member of the Kiaserslautern (just say K-town) Rally and Touring Association. For several years I competed in both autocross (hmmm, what IS the plural of an autocross?) and rallies. Then, since I was in the Air Force, I looked up local organizations wherever I was stationed to continue my favorite summer activity. I moved to Dayton in 1988 and retired from the Air Force in 1991. I met a member of the WOR at a job site about six years ago and the rest is history.

I would like to take this month to outline some of the goals I envision for the SOLO program this year. Some of them are well underway for an efficient season. First, was the formation of a SOLO operations committee. A meeting was held on the 15th of January and interested folks volunteered their time to coordinate different functions necessary to conducting a SOLO event. The next issue will introduce these members to you.

Plans and efforts should be underway to revise the SOLO Supplemental Regulations. These will appear in the Rev Record, on the Web site (www.worscca.org), and be available at all events. Once published, any member may request an e-mailed copy from me or any SOLO committee member.

We hope to motivate SOLO participants to branch out a little to enhance our sport. We are looking at ways to get involved with the community. Watch for information about possible car shows or mini events at local schools, malls, or other motor sports events.

Current SOLO II rulebooks are available. We initially ordered 15 copies at the beginning of the year, and if demand is sufficient, we will order another batch. Remember that if you plan to compete at any Divisional race, Pro Solo event, or the Nationals, a rulebook is required when registering for the event.

This year should see water provided to the worker stations when the weather turns hot. We are also looking for people or organizations such as youth groups, scouts, or other groups to volunteer to cook/provide (sell) food at the events. This is a great fundraiser for any organization looking to enhance its coffers. Finally, while on the subject of volunteering or donating, we need a sponsor for trophies. We will receive and investigate all leads or ideas.

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ASSISTANT RE *(cont. from pg. 6)*

with four races at the Clark county fairgrounds and two races at my house. This is predicated upon approval by the fairgrounds and my wife. Stay tuned to this article and WOR's website for more information. And start building your RallyX car. I am about done with preparing the club car and would like to see more personal cars run anyway. Go to the junkyard and get a roller that is smashed up for \$500.00 and have fun. It has been done and successfully too. If anyone has any ideas for other sites to hold a RallyX let me know. Variety is the spice of life!

I have mentioned that I would like to organize a hill climb. Having never even attended one I am a little vague on details but if you are interested in helping out, know a hill, interested in racing up a hill, or have any feelings positive or negative give me a call. They used to be really popular and look like a lot of fun but I can imagine a lot of obstacles. We will see.

A final comment. This is a club for of us to enjoy ourselves in motorsports. It is my opinion that too much work is being placed upon the backs of too few. Help out when you can at whatever event that you choose to attend. A little bit of concern for the few who do so much for you so that you can play does wonders for the people who make things happen. HAVE FUN AND GO FAST!

Chris Watson, ASSistant RE

HIKARI RACING BUILDING 3 NEW TOYOTA CELICA GTS'S FOR 2000 SEASON

Hikari Racing acquired three new 2000 model Toyota Celica GTS's for the 2000 Speedvision World Challenge season. The new Celicas feature a host of new and improved technology from Toyota. These range from the all new motor which was produced in cooperation with Yamaha. The 1.8 liter 4-cylinder motor features variable valve timing and lift technology producing 180 horsepower – that's an impressive 100 horsepower per liter.

The motor is mated to a 6-speed transmission. Braking is handled by disc brakes with ABS at all four corners.

Kurt Buchwald will be piloting one of the Celica's in the 2000 Speedvision World Challenge Touring Car Championship. Kurt had driven a BMW 328 in the previous season with a best finish of 6th place. Kurt is looking forward to competing in the 2000 season with a new car that should give the dominating Acura Integra a run for the championship points.

Hikari Racing is looking for a sponsored driver to enter the ranks and pilot the second car. The third car will be piloted by selected professional drivers at various venues.

LETTER TO THE MEMBERSHIP

I have been part of WOR SCCA since 1987, and I have to say it has been a wonderful 13 years with the club, until just recently. I joined the club in 1987 so I could obtain my Regional License. I soon met club members as my father had been part of the club for 30+ years and seemed to know everyone. In the past, I have been Competition Director and the last 2 years my wife and I have been Race Chairs. Sherri and I have always loved being a part of the club have always taken our positions seriously. We have always tried to make a difference in the club, and honestly feel like we have.

You will soon find out, if you already haven't that neither Sherri nor I are chairing the WOR Games anymore. We would like the membership to know that we did not quit this position. This position was taken away by Debbie Sonderman, without an explanation to us. We found out later that Debbie feels like we make too many decisions on our own and she feels she should be a part of every single decision any board member makes. Sherri and I did make decisions on our own, most after discussion with the WOR Games committee, only so we could get things done. If we had to clear every decision we made through Debbie, we could not possibly get anything done. Sherri and I run several successful businesses and a highly successful race team, I am pretty sure we are qualified to make decisions about the running of WOR Games. Every decision we have made was in the best interest of WOR, as can be seen by two successful WOR Games in the past two years. I am not saying that every decision we made was perfect, but we tried some new ideas and brought in some new blood.

I guess we should have known this was coming as Debbie and her counterpart Gail Connely have been giving us the cold shoulder and withholding information from us over the past three months. It was also pretty obvious when we did not get mentioned at the Christmas Party or invited to the Board transition meeting. We are hurt by all of this and do not feel like we deserve this treatment. We also feel like this is very inappropriate behavior from a board member let alone a Regional Executive. As far as that goes, her dictatorship behavior is also totally inappropriate in our Democratic club. She can and does make decisions on her own without consulting anyone else, even though no one else on the board can. It should also be a concern, that her action to remove us, was taken with no one else ready or willing to chair the WOR Games. In addition, I do not doubt Debbie's commitment to the club, just her methods.

In conclusion I must say that as long as Debbie is R.E., my family will not be active in the club. We will miss a lot of you, as we have grown fond of a lot of people in the club. However, we do not want to be an active part in the club the way it is now. The worst part is I was going to run for R.E. or Asst. R.E this year, but Sherri and I decided that both the WOR Games and the responsibility of another board member along with our business, family, and racing would just be too much. Now we have neither to worry about. We will still always be WOR members, but until some things change we will choose to not be active members. Thanks to everyone that has given me support in my racing career and my business. I will still represent WOR on the PRO racing side and hope to bring home a win for you all this year!

Sincerely,
David Schardt

RACING REALM

Since last month's article was (to say the least) not all that racy, I hope this month's message will be of more interest to you competitors out there. The first board meeting and general membership meeting have past and some ideas have been forwarded to me as things that might be of some interest to the membership.

First, it was suggested to have some kind of recognition, at the regional level, of superior help by workers at the races. This sound like a great idea, and I will forward this to the board for approval and get some general guidelines as to what should be qualifications to be honored. At the least, I think just working races should qualify the member to make the list. Without workers the racers could not race and the regions could not exist at the level that they do now.

There was a indication by the Smiley's that Turbo Blue fuels would be happy to have another seminar disseminating their knowledge about racing fuels and all fuels in general. I will try to get with them and set up some kind of time for that to happen. As always there will be an annual tech sometime this spring, I believe that I heard Rick Reilich offer his establishment for the event and I appreciate his offer.

In that vein I would like to thank Rick for being the road race chair last year, and all of his help over the past several years helping the club, especially WOR. If we only had 400 more members like him, we could be giant killers.

I have proposed to put on a breakfast rally, which might be stepping into the realm of Rally chair, but I have always said if you forward an idea you should be willing to do the work. I don't want to make more work for Nick, but I would like to have a breakfast rally. The rally will be a low pressure event, stressing how much fun it is to just take a drive on a Sunday morning. Bring the kids along since this is a family event. And of course there will be breakfast. I seem to think that most of you will have breakfast most Sunday mornings. I'll try to get more of a handle on the date after the solo schedule is out and before most of the seasons racing takes place. That kind of narrows it down somewhat.

I would also like to start some kind of series of articles that deal with car preparation and set-up. There are several great books out there on these subjects, but sometimes the question you may have can be hard to find. The members can send in there questions and I will try to find the answer. Before you try to turn this into a game of "try to stump Doug", I would hope that you will remember that I'm not that smart and I might spend all of my time looking up something that does not exist. The subject could be as simple as camber and caster and how the two affect the handling of your car to what aerodynamic changes can be legally be made to a SRF. I have the answer to that one and it might surprise you.

Just remember that most of the time you cannot make ONE single change to your car that will help drastically, but 10 small changes could make all the

difference. I will use mostly previously printed material, but will paraphrase so I don't get into any copy right infringement problems. So, if you have any questions or need help finding the source to your answers maybe we can network together and get the job done. I know there are a lot of you just waiting to be asked what you know, and WOR members are always eager to share their thoughts.

In closing, I would like to help as much as I can and if you are new to our club, our sport or our bureaucracy it may help to know that there are members out there willing to help. Just let us know. Until next month.

For the sport,
Doug Mildon, *Road Race Chair*

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SOLO II Schedule

February 20	Winter Heat, Frickers
March 12	WOR Test & Tune, KilKare
March 25 & 26	WOR Driver's School, VA Center
April 16	WOR Points Event #1, VA Center
May 14	WOR Points Event #2, VA Center
June 3 & 4	BFG #1, SBR, Grissom Aeroplex, Peru, IN
June 11	BFG #2, CSCC, Walesboro Airport, Walesboro, IN
June 11	WOR Points Event #3, KilKare
July 9	BFG #3, SVR, GM Grand Blanc Facility, Flint, MI
July 16	WOR Points Event #4, VA Center
July 22 & 23	BFG #4, INDY, Converse Airport, Converse, IN
August 5 & 6	BFG #5, MILW, Milwaukee Co Stadium, Milwaukee, WI
August 12 & 13	SCCA Divisional Championship, Peru, IN
August 2	WOR Points Event #5, VA Center
August 26 & 27	BFG #6, DET, Oscoda/Wurtsmith Airport, Oscoda, MI
September 2	BFG #7, NWOR, Daimler-Chrysler Machining Plant, Perrysburg, OH
September 8-10	National Series Finale - Topeka, KS (Used to be ProSolo)
September 12-15	Solo2 National Championships, Topeka, KS
September 24	WOR Points Event #6, KilKare (Tentative)
??	BFG #8 (?) TBA
October 15	WOR Points Event #7, VA Center
October 29	WOR Fun Event, Tie breaker, KilKare
Nov 4&5	CENDIV roundtable & Series Banquet, South Bend, IN

NOTES:

1. BFG #8 potential dates are (in order of likelihood): Sep 30/Oct 1, Oct 14/15, May 6/7, or May 27/28. Nothing about this event is firm yet.
2. BFG Competition dates only are listed above. Registration is typically the preceding day.

OTHER IMPORTANT DATES:

CENDIV Solo Seminar & Committee Mtg. Mar 4/5 South Bend, IN

NATIONAL SERIES & NATIONAL TOUR:

National Series	Feb 18-20	Ft Myers, FL
National Tour	Feb 25-27	Meridian, MS
National Tour	Mar 17-19	San Bernardino, CA
National Tour	Apr 7-9	San Diego, CA
National Tour	Apr 14-16	Ft Worth, TX
National Series	Apr 28-30	Atwater, CA
National Series	May 5-7	Muskogee, OK
National Series	May 19-21	Grissom Aeroplex - Peru, IN
National Series	May 26-28	Petersburg, VA
National Tour	Jun 9-11	Ayer, MA
National Series	Jun 16-18	Harrisburg, PA
National Tour	Jun 30/Jul 2	Grissom Aeroplex - Peru, IN
National Series	Jul 14-16	Wendover, UT
National Tour	Jul 28-30	Bremerton, WA

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Christie Mildon, Editor

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Solo Happenings (cont. from pg. 9)

I hope you took notice of the above paragraphs. I used the word we in describing all the plans and programs in the works. Primarily, I envision the SOLO program as a group effort. This is the motivation for forming the SOLO committee. No one person should or can be responsible for everything necessary for a SOLO event. Good events occur because of the volunteer effort of many people. WE make a team and WE make the program work. Every member of the SOLO community has as much input into the decisions as any other person. Please, tell us, from time to time, how you think things are going.

Last spring, a bunch of us took a weekend to work on the trailer. While tremendous improvement resulted in these efforts, more is needed. Watch for a date to do it again.

The racing schedule for this year is very promising. Our first event was held at Hooters on January 23rd. OK, so no tires squealed or smoked, but pylons were hit and times were drawn. The winter heat series is a wonderful way to see your friends during the off season and do some great armchair racing. If you missed the January event, be sure to come to the February heat. It is tentatively planned for 20 February, around noon, at Frickers on Woodman Drive. Watch the Web page for up to date information.

The first real event is scheduled for March 12th at KilKare. This is a test and tune session. A non points event for prepping you car and deciding if all the modifications you accomplished (you did work on your racecar over the winter, didn't you?) actually improved the performance of your ride. A complete schedule accompanies this article in a sidebar and is available on the SOLO Web page.

You will notice I included the BFG Series, CENDIV Championship, and other important races in the schedule. I want to invite and encourage all SOLO participants to consider this next level in our sport. Come and join your peers from all over the Midwest at these events. You will find everything you enjoy with us here at WOR, only intensified ten fold. Contact Kent Weaver, Cheryl Connelly, or myself for additional CENDIV information.

I want to personally congratulate all the trophy winners for 1999. A great job and tremendous effort paid off with some neat mementos of a great season. Let us not forget those SOLOists that trophied in the BFG CENDIV series, the Divisional Championship, and the Nationals for 1999. My hat is off to all series winners.

Finally, let me take this moment to thank Dave Rudy and Noel Swartz. Both of these individuals contributed so very much to improving our SOLO program the past two years. My utmost appreciation for performing a superb job and I hope I will be able to continue as well and with as much effort and success as these two gentlemen put forth and realized.

John Schlegel, *SOLO Chair*

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Driver's Name _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Work Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____ Other Phone: _____

Email: _____ Fax Number: _____

Car Make: _____ Car Model: _____ Car Year: _____

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Track Experience

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Number of Driver's Education Events at other Tracks: _____

Which tracks? _____

I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the organizers of this event and their agents, with respect to the condition and preparation of my car, or any subsequent failure or resulting damage to my car or its occupants as a result of such failures. I acknowledge that at all times I remain solely responsible for the safety and roadworthiness of my car. I also certify that I have no physical or mental problems, which could jeopardize others or myself, if I participate in this event. If my car damages any track facilities, I will reimburse Putnam Park Road Course for those expenses. I agree to abide by the rules set forth by Hikari Racing during this event.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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feb. events

march events

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
		1 WOR Board Meeting TBA	2	3	4	5 DRR - NE Ohio Ohio Winter
6	7	8 WOR Membership Meeting 7 p.m. Christopher Club	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20 WOR SOLO Winter Heat at Frickers	21	22	23	24	25	26
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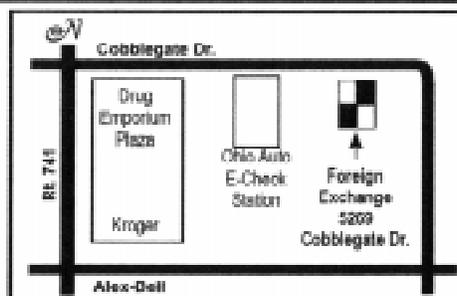
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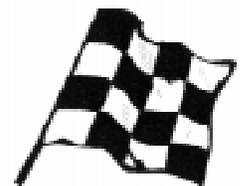
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